Policy Name	**PRIVACY NOTICE – GOVERNORS**
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1. Purpose of this Notice

Under data protection law, individuals have a right to be informed about how the school uses any personal data that we hold about them. We comply with this right by providing 'privacy notices' (sometimes called 'fair processing notices') to individuals where we are processing their personal data.

This Notice explains how we collect, use and share personal information about governors at the Learn to Live Federation in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR), the Data Protection Act 2018, and the Data Use & Access Act 2025, henceforth collectively known as 'data protection legislation'.

We will comply with the data protection principles when gathering and using personal information as set out in our Data Protection Policy and are committed to protecting the privacy and security of our governors' personal information.

2. Data Controller

As a public authority, we are a 'data controller' which means that we are responsible for deciding how we hold and use personal information about you.

The Learn to Live Federation is known as the 'Data Controller' for data protection legislation purposes and is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) under registration number ZC081975.

3. What data we collect

We may collect and process the following personal data:

- personal identifiers (eg full name)
- date of birth
- contact details including home address, email address and telephone number
- date of appointment
- term of office
- date they stepped down (where applicable)
- relevant business and pecuniary interests (as recorded in the register of interests)
- governance roles in other educational institutions
- any material interests arising from relationships between governors or relationships between governors and school staff (including spouses, partners and close relatives)
- Disclosure and Barring Service certificate information
- images (these may be captured during official school photos, class work, activities, performances or on school CCTV)
- relevant training, qualifications and employment history
- disability, health and dietary information (where applicable)
- facial photograph for use on identification badges and for publication on our website (if consent has been obtained)
- IT usage data (if school systems are accessed)

4. Why we collect this data

We collect this data to:

- comply with our legal obligations and governance standards in relation to Member, Trustee, Governor and Clerk appointments under Part 5, Section 38 of the Education Act 2011
- build a comprehensive picture of our Federation governance and how it is deployed
- inform relevant authorities, organisations and other relevant persons of our appointments
- enable individuals to be kept informed of the governance training available to them, book them on the training and keep them informed about other relevant information regarding their appointment duties
- respond to complaints, grievances and discipline investigations
- assess the quality of our services
- education provision
- meet statutory duties placed upon us by the Department for Education
- safeguard the health and welfare of our members, governors, clerks and students

5. Legal basis for processing

When processing personal data about our Governors and Clerks, we rely upon the following legal bases, which are set out in Article 6 of the UK GDPR:

- it is necessary for us to perform a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of our official duties
- it is necessary for us to comply with a specific legal obligation
- the data subject has given us their consent

When we process 'special' data about our Governors and Clerks, we rely on one or more of the following legal bases as well, which are set out in Article 9 of the UK GDPR:

- the data subject has given us their explicit consent
- specific rights relating to employment, social security and social protection law
- processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest

Other legal bases listed in Article 9 of the UK GDPR may also apply, depending on the processing required.

6. Who do we share data with and why?

Department for Education - We have a legal obligation under Part 5, Section 38 of the Education Act 2011 and governance arrangements with the Secretary of State for Education, so they may publish this on their Get Information About Schools (GIAS) register.

This data includes names, contact details and other key governance roles. For information about the GIAS register, visit the DfE website at https://www.get-information-schools.service.gov.uk/

Our Local Authority - We are required to share appointment and resignation information about Governors with our Local Authority.

Data is collected to conduct due diligence, ensure transparency, and allow the Department for Education (DfE) and local authorities to understand the governance structure of the Learn to Live Federation. The data is also used to monitor compliance, conduct due diligence, and ensure accountability.

Other - We may also need to share personal data with regulatory bodies eg Ofsted, Governor Support Services and IT / HR system providers.

In all cases, we will take reasonable steps to ensure that all third parties comply with UK data protection legislation.

7. Retention Periods

Except as otherwise permitted or required by applicable law or regulation, we will only retain personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for as required to satisfy any legal, accounting or reporting obligations, or as necessary to resolve disputes.

Full details on how long we will retain your personal data for is set out in our Records Retention Schedule available on our websites.

Data is securely deleted when no longer needed.

8. Security of your Information

We have put in place measures to protect the security of your information (ie to prevent it being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way). In addition, we limit access to your personal information to those employees, agents, contractors and other third parties who have a business need to know.

Third parties will only process your personal information on our instructions and where they have agreed to treat information confidentially and to keep it secure.

We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected data security breach and will notify you and the Information Commissioner's Office of a suspected breach where we are legally required to do so.

9. International Transfers

Every effort is taken to try and use third party suppliers within the boundaries of the European Economic Area (EEA) to ensure the data protection rights of individuals. However, there may be occasions where the system supplied by an organisation is outside of the EEA for example the United States.

Where personal data is transferred outside the UK or EEA to a country that is not designated as 'adequate' in relation to data protection law, we will ensure the personal data is adequately protected using International Data Transfer Agreements, appropriate security measures, and other appropriate safeguards.

10. Your data protection rights

Your right of access - You have the right to ask us for copies of your personal data. There are some exemptions, which means you may not always receive all the information we process.

Your right to rectification - You have the right to ask us to rectify information you think is inaccurate. You also have the right to ask us to complete information you think is incomplete.

Your right to erasure - You have the right to ask us to erase your personal information in certain circumstances.

Your right to restriction of processing - You have the right to ask us to restrict the processing of your information in certain circumstances.

Your right to object to processing - You have the right to object to us processing your information where we consider this is necessary for us to perform a task in the public interest. You can also object to us using your contact details to send you direct marketing or fundraising communications.

Your right to data portability - This only applies to information you have given us. You have the right to ask that we transfer the information you gave us from one organisation to another or give it to you. The right only applies if we are processing information based on your consent or under a contract (or in talks about entering into a contract) and the processing is automated.

Your right to withdraw consent - In circumstances where you may have provided your consent to the collection, processing and transfer of your personal information for a specific purpose, you have the right to withdraw your consent for that specific processing at any time. To withdraw your consent, please contact the Clerk to Governors, who will notify the Executive Head.

Once we have received your notification that you have withdrawn your consent, we will no longer process your information for the purpose or purposes you originally agreed to unless we have another legitimate basis for doing so in law.

Your right to complain - We work to high standards when it comes to processing your personal information. We hope you will always be happy with the way we handle your data so if we have not met your expectations, please let us know so we can put things right. Please contact the Clerk to Governors, who will notify Nikki Burroughs, Executive Head via email – nikki.burroughs@learntolivefederation.co.uk.

We take any formal complaints about our data collection and use of personal information very seriously. Under the Data Use and Access Act 2025, any complaints to ourselves as the "Data Controller" must be acknowledged within 30 days followed by an investigation and response.

Please bear in mind these timescales may be difficult for us to achieve should you submit your complaint either just before or during a school holiday. However, we will do our best to keep you informed about when you can expect us to respond to you.

Further details about our data complaints process can be found in the Data Protection Complaints Policy, along with a form for you to complete. This policy is available to download on our school websites and you are not required to pay a charge for exercising your rights.

After receiving the response to our investigation, if you still remain dissatisfied, you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO's contact details are available at https://ico.org.uk/concerns Further information about your data protection rights, can be found on the Information Commissioner's Office website at www.ico.org.

11. Further information

If you have any queries about this privacy notice, or the way your personal information is being handled by the school, see our Data Protection Policy which is publicly available on our website or contact our Data Protection Officer, Jenny Goodall at Devon County Council.

12. Updates to this Notice

We will update this notice periodically. The latest version will always be available on our website or from the school office, and we will notify you when any changes are made.