General Data Protection Risk Assessment

Date: 25/10/2023

Name of Council: Kelsale-cum-Carlton Parish Council

Area of risk	What are the Risk(s)?	How are the risk(s) already being managed?	Further Action Needed	Responsible Person	Date Action To be Completed by	Date Completed
All personal data	Personal data falls into hands of a third party	Information Asset Register in place which identifies all data currently being held by the Parish Council and where any data is shared with other agencies. Data Retention Policy in place.	Annual review of Asset Register. Annual review of Data Retention Policy Process to be developed to ensure that Data Retention Policy is being effective.	The Clerk	Ongoing monitoring.	
	Publishing of personal data in the minutes and other council documents	Protocol in place to protect the identities of the public by having them remain anonymous when reported in the minutes. Protocol in place to redact names of the public when documents are uploaded onto the website. If a person needs to be identified, a consent form is available which must be completed before any minutes or documents can be published.	All paperwork in place. No further action required.			
Sharing of data	Personal data falls into hands of a third party	Data Breach Policy in place which should be adhered to.	Organisations which the Parish Council shares data with will be given a written agreements to ensure the safety of any data.	The Clerk	Ongoing monitoring.	

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Hard copy data	Hard copy data falls into hands of a third party	Data Retention Policy in place. Data due to be destroyed is shredded and disposed of by a licensed company.	Annual review of Data Retention Policy.	The Clerk	September 2024	
Electronic data	Theft or loss of a laptop, memory stick or hard drive containing personal data	Email, Internet & Social Media Policy in place which states that anyone conducting Parish Council business must have a working password on their device.	Annual review of Email, Internet & Social Media Policy.	The Clerk	September 2024	
		Regular back-ups are taken and saved onto a Seagate hard drive.		The Clerk	Ongoing	
		Protocol in place to ensure compliance to The Waste Electric and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations 2013.	Protocol to be formally written up and will form part of the Health and Safety Risk Assessments. This will also include the wiping of any hard drives or other devices prior to disposal.	The Clerk	September 2024	
Email security	Unauthorised access to council emails	The Clerk and each member of the Council has been issued with a Council email address. Protocols regarding this are contained in the Email, Internet and Social Media Policy.	The Clerk and Councillors to be reminded to change their passwords regularly to increase security.	The Clerk	Ongoing	
		A protocol in place to use blind copy (bcc) when sending group emails to people outside the council. The protocol is contained in the Email, Internet & Social Media Policy.	No further action required.			
		Encryption software is available on the Parish Council laptop.	Councillors to be requested to install encryption software if they are going to be sending confidential or personal data via email.	The Clerk	End of September 2024	
		A protocol is in place ensuring that emails received by members of the public may be	No further action needed.			

		forwarded to the Councillor responsible for this project, this is to ensure that their personal information is removed from view of new recipients. Instead, the content of the email should be copied and pasted into a new email with the relevant information only. This protocol is contained in the Email, Internet & Social Media Policy. A protocol is in place to delete emails from members of the public once a query has been dealt with to protect their personal information. This protocol is contained in the	No further action needed.			
		Email, Internet & Social Media Policy.				
Website security	Personal information or photographs of individuals published on the website	Formal Website policy to be developed as soon as possible.	 This policy will need to include: Written consent of any individuals whose photographs or copy have been used on the website. Parental consent if the subjects are under the age of 17. 	The Clerk	Updates to be completed when necessary.	
Financial Risks	Financial loss following a data breach as a result of prosecution or fines	Policies in place to cover this and the adequate insurance cover.	Need to ensure that the Council has liability cover which specifically covers prosecutions resulting from a data breach and put aside sufficient funds (up to 4% of income) should the Council be fined for a data breach.	The Clerk	Ongoing when new insurance quote accepted.	
	Budget for GDPR and Data Protection (included within contingency)	Authorisation for sufficient funds has been given by the Parish Council to ensure that it complies with the new regulations for both new equipment and data security.	No further action required. Monitor the situation.			

General risks	Loss of third party data due to lack of understanding of the risks/need to protect it	Policy in place to cover this. Councillors aware as policies updated on an annual basis.	No further action required			
	Filming and recording at meetings	This is permitted, any in camera items should be discussed excluding public and press at the end of a meeting and a policy is in place.	Protocol to be put in place to ensure that if a meeting is closed to discuss confidential information (for example salaries, or disciplinary matters) no phones or recording devices have been left in a room by a member of the public.	The Clerk	September 2024 (ongoing monitoring)	

Signed: (Chairman) Da	te
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