

Privacy Notice for Building Control Services

Service description

We check that works to new and altered buildings in the District of Dover comply with building regulations including responding to suspected breaches of building regulations. We need to collect your personal information to administer our building control function. Most of the personal information we hold about you is provided by you in your application and supporting documents. The information collected and held will vary and depend on the nature of the service.

Processing activity - we will process personal information relating to:

- Building regulations' approvals
- Refusal notices
- Decision notices
- Dispensations
- Full Plans applications
- Building Notice applications
- Initial Notices
- Applications for variations of building regulation; approval
- Pre-application advice from the earliest stages of the project design
- Building works' inspections
- Site meetings
- Completion certificates
- Fire safety consultations
- Means of escapes in case of fire details
- Dangerous structures
- Demolitions counter notices
- Competent persons' register
- Structural engineers' details
- Specialist consultants' details
- Investigating and if applicable, prosecuting for breaches of building regulations.
- Record of payment of fees (excluding bank/credit card details)
- Correspondence between you and us on matters related to the building control service.

Information requirements - our processing activities may include:

- Name
- Address
- Telephone number
- Email address
- Payment details
- Site address/location of building;
- Plans

Lawful bases - our lawful bases for processing your personal information are:

- our legal obligation(s) under the Building Act 1984
- our legal obligation(s) under the Building Act 2010 supported by Approved Documents

- necessary for the performance of a task in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the Data Controller under the above legislation

Reasons for processing - some of the information that is collected and shared is classified as:

- special category personal data;
- criminal convictions and offences (including alleged offences).

This is processed for reasons of substantial public interest under the laws that apply to us (see above) where this helps to meet our broader social obligations such as where it is necessary for us to fulfil our legal obligations and regulatory requirements. We have a [Data Protection Policy](#) that sets out how this information will be handled.

Data sharing

We may share your personal information with a number of other organisations such as our partner building control authorities who are members of the LABC Partner Authority Scheme. We may also share your information with our planning services department, Homes Communities and Local Government and with law enforcement agencies such as the fire department and police to aid with the detection and prevention of criminal acts.

We may rely on a number of exemptions, which allow us to share information without needing to identify a lawful basis for the sharing and without needing to provide you with information about the sharing. Please refer to the Kent & Medway Information Agreement for further details on our sharing arrangements.

Anonymisation

Your personal information may be converted ('anonymised') into statistical or aggregated data in such a way that ensures that you cannot be identified from it. Aggregated data cannot, by definition, be linked back to you as an individual and may be used to conduct research and analysis, including the preparation of statistics for use in our reports.

Changes to this Privacy Notice

We review this Privacy Notice regularly and will place updates on our website. Please refer to our [Corporate Privacy Notice](#) for further details of how we process your personal information and for details on your additional rights. This is also available in other formats (e.g. print)