



DATA PRIVACY INFORMATION

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH, TATTENHALL

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR)

We have for many years been lawfully processing personal data under the 1998 Data Protection Act. The GDPR is adding a few new elements, but this is not new legislation which suddenly imposes good data protection practice, it has already been happening.

There are many ways to legally process and share data without needing consent.

❖ There will be some data processing that is necessary as part of normal church management for which specific consent is not needed – holding lists of group members, for example. It is not necessary to obtain consent to share the names of individuals on the Readers rota or after service tea/coffee rota with other church members. In this instance, the information is shared with others in order to carry out a service to other church members.

❖ The Electoral Roll can still be published

The Church Representation Rules (CRR) require publication, this will, therefore, be considered to be a legitimate activity of a not-for-profit body under the GDPR. So, data will still be able to be processed in this way.

Church members (ie members of the Electoral Roll of St Alban's Church), by applying to have their name placed on the electoral roll, are consenting to their personal data being processed in accordance with the CRR.

❖ Details of elections (Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives and officials of the PCC) will be shared with the Diocese.

Managing and administering the elections will require the diocese to process this information; this is stipulated in the CRR. Consent will not be needed for the data to be shared for this purpose. Indeed, if you stand for election you would expect your data to be shared with the Diocesan Office. The Rules state that the results will be sent to the Diocesan Electoral Registration Officer.

However individuals can choose if they wish their data to be excluded from Church House publications

The PCC **cannot** use the personal data from the Electoral Roll to send mail to individuals about events at the church without seeking consent first. In future, this consent 'tick box' will be included on the Electoral Roll Application Form.

The important thing to remember is

Your data will NEVER be passed to a third party without your consent