

Kilkenny County Council Library Service Data Protection Privacy Statement.

Who we are and why do we require your information?

Kilkenny County Council seeks to promote the economic, social and cultural development of Kilkenny County and in doing so contribute significantly to improving the quality of life of the people of County Kilkenny.

Kilkenny Library Service is the Council function responsible for fulfilling the statutory functions of the Council in relation to library services.

The delivery of high-quality services, tailored to meet the needs of all our customers, remains one of Kilkenny County Council's core objectives and is included in our Corporate Plan. This quality service includes not only the level and quality of service given to our customers, but also the quality of our decision-making processes, the efficiency and effectiveness of our corporate operations, standard of our facilities and our ability to adapt in an ever-changing environment.

In order to provide the most effective and targeted range of services to meet the needs of the citizens, communities and businesses of Kilkenny County we will be required to collect, process and use certain types of information about people and organisations. Depending on the service being sought or provide the information sought may include 'personal data' as defined by the Data Protection Acts and by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and may relate to current, past and future service users; past; current and prospective employees; suppliers; and members of the public who may engage in communications with our staff. In addition, staff may be required, from time to time, to collect, process and use certain types of personal data to comply with regulatory or legislative requirements.

As a library member/user Kilkenny County Council Library Service processes your personal data in the provision of library services for its area.

This statement describes what types of information we collect from you, how it is used by us how we share it with others, how long we keep your information for, your rights, how you can manage the information we hold and how you can contact us.

The contents of this statement may change from time to time, the latest version can be found [here](#) and at the library desk in our branches.

Why do we have a privacy statement?

- To demonstrate our firm commitment to privacy
- To assure you that we will ensure the security of the data you provide to us.

Kilkenny County Council Library Service's commitment to you is that the personal data you may be required to supply to us is:

- Obtained lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner.
- Obtained for only specified, explicit and legitimate purposes.
- Adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary for purpose for which it was obtained.
- Recorded, stored accurately and securely and where necessary kept up to date.
- Kept only for as long as is necessary for the purposes for which it was obtained.
- Kept in a form which permits identification of the data subject.
- Processed only in a manner that ensures the appropriate security of the personal data including protection against unauthorised or unlawful processing.

Data Protection Policy

Kilkenny County Council's Data Protection Policy explains how we are committed to ensuring the security of any personal data you provide to us.

A copy of Data Protection Policy can be accessed [here](#).

What information do we collect?

Information you give us when you become of member of the Library Service in branch or online, or if you contact us via our website.

Information you send directly within correspondence or emails to library service points

Information we get from your use of our library services.

Information you give us if you are a Library Supplier

CCTV images which are monitored/recorded are done so in line with our CCTV Policy which can be accessed [here](#).

How we use this information

To enable the provision of an effective library service the information we collect and hold on you may be used to:

- provide access to a library lending and request service through our national library system
- provide reminders,-notices, updates and information on services and events etc. to members
- enable you to access third party library related services
- allow bookings and access to PC's and Internet, and use of library Wi-Fi
- allow use of printing services
- allow bookings and attendance at events
- process payments e.g. charges for lost items etc.
- enable Kilkenny County Council to process payments for Library Suppliers
- CCTV images may be used for the purposes of prevention, investigation, detection or prosecution of criminal offences and for the safety of staff and public

Library Membership

All applicants for Library Membership are requested to provide information including the following categories of data;

- Name (Surname & First name)
- Address including Eircode
- Date of birth
- E-mail address
- Mobile/Phone number
- Parent/Guardian Full name (Under 18 yrs. only)
- Parent/Guardian Address (Under 18 yrs. only)
- PIN

Membership is annual.

Any personal information provided will be treated with the highest standards of security and confidentiality, in accordance with the Data Protection Acts, 1988 to 2018

Library Management System

Libraries Development is the LGMA function responsible for fulfilling the statutory functions of the LGMA in relation to library services. As part of this role, LGMA (Libraries Development) procure, define and control the computer system used to support the Irish local authority public library network lending service. This system is called the Library Management System (LMS).

You can access LGMA /Libraries Ireland Data protection privacy statement [here](#).

Sharing of Personal Data

We may share your Personal Data with selected third parties, including for example ISA, NMN, An Garda Síochána, Legal Representatives and other government agencies, where required to do so by law. Data is shared with other Irish Local Authority Libraries for the purpose of providing the national library system and shared library services.

Kilkenny County Council Library provides its library members with access to online services supplied by third parties. See www.kilkennylibrary.ie for a full listing of and access to the same.

They will collect personal data about you including your library card number for their own purposes. Kilkenny County Council Library Service do not share your personal data with these third parties. Some of them –where required- are allowed to check certain information items against our library system in order to confirm their validity.

You should refer to their privacy statements for information about what they do with your data and what rights are available to you.

Third party supplier products/services such as library self-service kiosks, PC Reservation and Wi-Fi services and My Open Library access control link to our Library Management System for verification purposes or to pull the required information when you scan /enter your library card barcode number and your PIN to access the service.

The Library service also uses third party supplier services for the monitoring and maintenance of CCTV/Security systems, which process personal data. CCTV images are monitored/recorded for the purpose of prevention and investigation of crime, public and employee security and health and safety.

The Legal Basis for Processing Personal Data

The legal basis for processing personal data by the Library Service is mostly contained in the following legislation:

- Under Article 6 (1) (a) and (e) GDPR and
- Safety, Health & Welfare at Work Act 2005
- Section 66 of the Local Government Act 2001
- Local Government Act, 2001 – Part 9, Chapter 3 – Library and Archival Functions
- The Local Government Management Agency Establishment Order 2012 – Statutory Instrument 290 of 2012
- The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2012 (Transfer of Functions of An Chomhairle Leabharlanna) Order 2012 – Statutory Instrument 423 of 2012.

There may be a limited number of circumstances whereby the Library Service relies on consent for the processing of personal data. In such circumstances the data subject has the right to withdraw consent to the processing of his or her personal data at any time. Where special categories of information are being processed the Library Department will obtain the data subject's explicit consent to such processing unless this is not required by law or the personal data is required to protect the health of the data subject in an emergency.

Notification of Library Events

We will only contact you if you have given your consent to receive notifications in connection with your use of the service and/or to receive library events /services updates. You have a right to withdraw your consent at any time by contacting the Library Service.

Records Retention Policy

The Library Service's practices in relation to the retention of personal data are guided by the Local Government Management Agency's (LGMA) National Retention Policy for Local Authority Records and any updates that are issued by the LGMA. Copies of these documents are available [here](#)

CCTV Images are not retained for longer than is considered necessary for the purposes for which they are processed. Therefore, unless the images are required to investigate an incident, or where the data is required for evidential purposes and/or legal proceedings, they will not be retained beyond a maximum of 28 days. After 28 days the footage will be automatically over-written.

Further information regarding the processing of Personal data, using CCTV and Surveillance systems can be found in our CCTV policy which is available [here](#).

Your Rights

You have the right to request access to personal data held about you, obtain confirmation as to whether data concerning you exists, be informed of the content and source of data and check its accuracy. In addition, if the data held by us is found to be inaccurate you have the right to change, remove, block, or object to the use of, personal data held by Kilkenny County Council. In certain circumstances blocking access to data may delay or remove access to a service where the data is required by law or for essential purposes related to delivery of a service to you.

Please note that to help protect your privacy; we take steps to verify your identity before granting access to personal data. To exercise your rights, follow the link [here](#):

Right of Compliant to the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the response you received from Kilkenny County Council in relation to your request, then you are entitled to make a complaint to the Data Protection Commissioner who may investigate the matter for you.

The Data Protection Commissioner's website is www.dataprotection.ie or you can contact their Office at:

Phone Number: 0761 104 800 or Local 1890 252 231

E-mail: info@dataprotection.ie

Website: www.dataprotection.ie

Postal Address: Data Protection Commission, Canal House, Station Road, Portarlington, Co. Laois, R32 AP23

Further Information

Further information and advice on the operation of this policy and procedures document is available from the Data Protection Officer, Kilkenny County Council.

Contact details for the Kilkenny County Council's Data Protection Officer are as follows:

Phone Number: +353 56 7794277

E-mail: dataprotection@kilkennycoco.ie

Website: www.Kilkennycoco.ie

Postal Address: Kilkenny County Council, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny R95 A39T

Monitoring and Review

Provisions contained in this statement shall be subject to on-going monitoring and review.