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## **1. Introduction**

I, William Caola, am committed to ensuring the secure and safe management of data held by me in relation to tenants, prospective and past tenants, and other individuals. I, any staff or any other third-party that I contract with in fulfilment of my landlord obligations, have a responsibility to ensure compliance with the terms of this policy, and to manage individuals' data in accordance with the procedures outlined in this policy and documentation referred to herein.

I need to gather and use certain information about individuals. These can include customers (tenants) and other individuals that I have a contractual relationship with. I manage a significant amount of data, from a variety of sources. This data contains "personal data" and "sensitive personal data" (known as "special categories of personal data" under the GDPR).

This policy sets out my duties in processing that data, and the purpose of this policy is to set out the procedures for the management of such data.

## **2. Data**

**2.1** I hold a variety of data relating to individuals, including customers (also referred to as "data subjects") which is known as personal data. The personal data held and processed by me is detailed within the "fair processing notice" (FPN) at Appendix 2 hereto.

2.1.1 Personal data is that from which a living individual can be identified either by that data alone, or in conjunction with other data held by me.

2.1.2 I might also hold personal data that is sensitive in nature (i.e. relates to or reveals a data subject's racial or ethnic origin, religious beliefs, political opinions, sexual orientation or relates to health). This is special category personal data or sensitive personal data.

### **3. Processing of personal data**

**3.1** I am permitted to process personal data on behalf of data subjects provided I am doing so on one of the following grounds:

- processing with the consent of the data subject (see clause 3.3 hereof);
- processing is necessary for the performance of a contract between the data subject and I, or for entering into a contract with the data subject;
- processing is necessary for my compliance with a legal obligation;
- processing is necessary to protect the vital interests of the data subject or another person; or
- processing is necessary for the purposes of legitimate interests.

### **3.2 Fair processing notice**

3.2.1 I have produced a fair processing notice (FPN) which I am required to provide to all customers whose personal data is held by me. That FPN must be provided to the customer from the outset of processing their personal data and they should be advised of the terms of the FPN when it is provided to them.

3.2.2 The FPN at Appendix 2 sets out the personal data processed by me and the basis for that processing. This document is provided to all my customers at the outset of processing their data.

### **3.3 Consent**

Consent as a ground of processing will require to be used from time to time by me when processing personal data. It should be used by me where no other alternative ground for processing is available. In the event that I require to obtain consent to process a data subject's personal data, I shall obtain that consent in writing. The consent provided by the data subject must be freely given and the data subject will be required to sign a relevant consent form if willing to consent. Any consent to be obtained by me must be for a specific and defined purpose (i.e. general consent cannot be sought).

### **3.4 Processing of special category personal data or sensitive personal data**

In the event that I process special category personal data or sensitive personal data, I must do so in accordance with one of the following grounds of processing:

- the data subject has given explicit consent to the processing of this data for a specified purpose;
- processing is necessary for carrying out obligations or exercising rights related to employment or social security;
- processing is necessary to protect the vital interest of the data subject or, if the data subject is incapable of giving consent, the vital interests of another person;
- processing is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims, or whenever courts are acting in their judicial capacity; and
- processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest.

**3.5** I will comply with all requirements for processing your personal data, as set out in the FPN.

## **4. Data sharing**

4.1 I share my data with various third parties for numerous reasons in order that day to day activities are carried out in accordance with our relevant policies and procedures. In order that I can monitor compliance by these third parties with data protection laws, I will require the third-party organisations to enter in to an agreement with me to govern the processing of data, security measures to be implemented and responsibility for breaches.

### **4.2 Data sharing**

4.2.1 Personal data is from time to time shared amongst me and third parties who require to process personal data that I process as well. Both the third party and I will be processing that data in their individual capacities as data controllers.

4.2.2 Where I share in the processing of personal data with a third-party organisation, I shall require the third-party organisation to enter in to a “data sharing agreement” with me.

### **4.3 Data processors**

A “data processor” is a third-party entity that processes personal data on behalf of me and is frequently engaged if certain parts of my work which are outsourced (e.g. maintenance and repair works, my business administrator, and day to day communications).

4.3.1 A data processor must comply with data protection laws. My data processors must ensure they have appropriate technical security measures in place, maintain records of processing activities and notify me if a data breach is suffered.

4.3.2 If a data processor wishes to sub-contact their processing, my prior written consent must be obtained. Upon a sub-contracting of processing, the data processor will be liable in full for the data protection breaches of their sub-contractors.

4.3.3 Where I contract with a third party to process personal data held by me, I shall require the third party to enter in to a data processing agreement with me in accordance with the terms of the data processing agreement set out in this policy. Should they not enter into this, I will provide them with the data protection statement of requirements for data processors. This will outline what I require from them as a data processor, acting on my behalf.

## **5. Data storage and security**

All personal data held by me must be stored securely, whether electronically or in paper format.

### **5.1 Paper storage**

If personal data is stored on paper it should be kept in a secure place where unauthorised personnel cannot access it. When the personal data is no longer required it must be disposed of by me so as to ensure its destruction. If the personal data requires to be retained on a physical file then I will ensure that it is affixed to the file which is then stored in accordance with my storage provisions.

### **5.2 Electronic storage**

Personal data stored electronically must also be protected from unauthorised use and access. Personal data should be password protected when being sent internally or externally to our data processors or those with whom we have entered in to a data

sharing agreement. If personal data is stored on removable media (CD, DVD, USB memory stick) then that removable media must be stored securely at all times when not being used. Personal data should not be saved directly to mobile devices and should be stored on designated drives and servers.

## **6. Breaches**

**6.1** A data breach can occur at any point when handling personal data and I have reporting duties in the event of a data breach or potential breach occurring. Breaches which pose a risk to the rights and freedoms of the data subjects who are subject of the breach require to be reported externally in accordance with Clause 6.3 hereof.

### **6.2 Internal reporting**

I take the security of data very seriously and in the unlikely event of a breach, I will take the following steps:

- as soon as the breach or potential breach has occurred, I must consider (i) the breach and its nature; (ii) how it occurred; and (iii) what the likely impact of that breach is on any data subject(s);
- I must seek to contain the breach by whatever means available;
- I must consider whether the breach is one which requires to be reported to the ICO and data subjects affected and do so in accordance with clause 6;
- notify third parties in accordance with the terms of any applicable data sharing agreements.

### **6.3 Reporting to the ICO**

I am required to report any breaches which pose a risk to the rights and freedoms of the data subjects who are subject of the breach to the ICO within 72 hours of becoming aware of the breach occurring. I must also consider whether it is appropriate to notify those data subjects affected by the breach.

## **7. Data subject rights**

7.1 Certain rights are provided to data subjects under the GDPR. Data subjects are entitled to view the personal data held about them by me, whether in written or electronic form.

7.2 Data subjects have a right to request a restriction of processing their data, a right to be forgotten and a right to object to my processing of their data. These rights are notified to my customers in my fair processing notice.

### **7.3 Subject access requests**

Data subjects are permitted to view their data held by me upon making a request to do so (a subject access request). Upon receipt of a request by a data subject, I must respond to the subject access request within one month of the date of receipt of the request.

7.3.1 I must provide the data subject with an electronic or hard copy of the personal data requested unless any exemption to the provision of that data applies in law.

7.3.2 Where the personal data comprises data relating to other data subjects, I must take reasonable steps to obtain consent from those data subjects to the disclosure of that personal data to the data subject who has made the subject access request.

7.3.3 Where I do not hold the personal data sought by the data subject, I must confirm that I do not hold any personal data sought by the data subject as soon as practicably possible, and in any event, not later than one month from the date on which the request was made.

### **7.4 The right to be forgotten**

7.4.1 A data subject can exercise their right to be forgotten by submitting a request in writing to me seeking that I erase the data subject's personal data in its entirety.

7.4.2 Each request received by me will require to be considered on its own merits and legal advice will require to be obtained in relation to such requests from time to time. I will then have the responsibility for accepting or refusing the data subject's request in accordance with this clause and will respond in writing to the request.



## **7.5 The right to restrict or object to processing**

7.5.1 A data subject may request that I restrict my processing of the data subject's personal data, or object to the processing of that data.

7.5.1.1 In the event that any direct marketing is undertaken from time to time by me, a data subject has an absolute right to object to processing of this nature by me, and if I receive a written request to cease processing for this purpose, then I must do so immediately.

7.5.2 Each request received by me will require to be considered on its own merits and legal advice will require to be obtained in relation to such requests from time to time. I will then have responsibility for accepting or refusing the data subject's request in accordance with clause 7.5 and will respond in writing to the request.

## **8. Data protection impact assessments (DPIAs)**

8.1 These are a means of assisting us in identifying and reducing the risks that my operations have on personal privacy of data subjects.

8.2 I shall carry out a DPIA before undertaking a project or processing activity which poses a high risk to an individual's privacy. High risk can include, but is not limited to, activities using information relating to health or race, or the implementation of a new IT system for storing and accessing personal data; and

8.2.1 In carrying out a DPIA, I shall include a description of the processing activity, its purpose, an assessment of the need for the processing, a summary of the risks identified and the measures that I will take to reduce those risks, and details of any security measures that require to be taken to protect the personal data

8.3 I will require to consult the ICO in the event that a DPIA identifies a high level of risk which cannot be reduced. I will be responsible for such reporting where such a high level of risk is identified.

## **9. Archiving, retention and destruction of data**

I cannot store and retain personal data indefinitely. I must ensure that personal data is only retained for the period necessary. I shall ensure that all personal data is archived and destroyed timeously and at the point that I no longer need to retain that personal data in accordance with the periods specified within the table at Appendix 1 hereto.

## Appendix 1

### Data retention periods

The table below sets out retention periods for personal data held and processed by me, as a private landlord. It is intended to be used as a guide only. I recognise that not all personal data can be processed and retained for the same duration, and retention will depend on the individual circumstances relative to the data subject whose personal data is stored.

<b>Type of record</b>	<b>Retention time</b>
Accident books and records and reports of accidents	Three years after the date of the last entry
Council tax records	10 years
Health and safety assessments and records of consultations with safety representatives and committees	Permanently
Applications for accommodation	Five years
Tenancy files	Duration of tenancy
Former tenants' files (key info)	Five years
Lease documents	Five years after lease termination
Antisocial behaviour case files	Five years/end of legal action

## Appendix 2

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Business Address: 6 Normanton Road, Clifton, BRISTOL BS8 2TY



## FAIR PROCESSING NOTICE (How I use your personal information)

This notice explains what information I collect, when I collect it and how I use this. During the course of my activities, I will process personal data (which may be held on paper, electronically, or otherwise) about you and I recognise the need to treat it in an appropriate and lawful manner. The purpose of this notice is to make you aware of how I will handle your information.

I take the issue of security and data protection very seriously and strictly adhere to guidelines published in the [Data Protection Act of 1998] and the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 which is applicable from the 25 May 2018, together with any domestic laws subsequently enacted.

I am notified as a data controller with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) under registration number [\[data controller number pending\]](#) and I am the data controller of any personal data that you provide to me. Any questions relating to this notice and my privacy practices should be sent to the business address above.

I collect information about you:

- when you become a tenant, request services/repairs, enter in to a tenancy agreement with myself howsoever arising or otherwise provide me with your personal details;
- from your use of my website contact form, whether to report any tenancy related issues, make a complaint or otherwise;
- from your arrangements to make payment to me (such as bank details and any other income and expenditure related information).

I collect the following information from you:

- Name;
- Address;
- Telephone number;
- email address;
- Passport or EU Identity number
- University registration number and course details
- Parent /Guarantor and their details, additionally in case of an emergency

I receive the following information from third parties:

- payments made by you to me.
- complaints or other communications regarding behaviour or other alleged breaches of the terms of your contract with me, including information obtained from Police Scotland.
- reports as to the conduct or condition of your tenancy, including references from previous tenancies, and complaints of anti-social behaviour.

I need your information and will use your information:

- to undertake and perform my obligations and duties to you in accordance with the terms of my contract with you.
- to enable me to supply you with the services and information which you have requested.
- to enable me to respond to your repair request, and complaints made.
- to analyse and collect so that I can administer, support and improve and develop my business and the services I offer.
- to carry out due diligence on any prospective tenant, including whether there is any money judgement against them.
- for all other purposes consistent with the proper performance of my operations and business.

### **Sharing of your information**

The information you provide to me will be treated by me as confidential and will be processed only by me and any third party, acting on my behalf within the UK/EEA. I may disclose your information to other third parties who act for me for the purposes set out in this notice or for purposes approved by you, including the following:

- if I enter into a joint venture with or merge with a business entity, your information may be disclosed to my new business partners or owners.
- if I instruct repair or maintenance works, your information may be disclosed to any contractor.
- if I am investigating a complaint, information may be disclosed to Police Scotland, local authority departments, the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service and others involved in any complaint, whether investigating the complaint or otherwise.
- if I am investigating payments made or otherwise, your information may be disclosed to a party assisting in the recovery of the debt,
- in the creation, renewal or ending the tenancy, your information will be disclosed the relevant local authority, tenancy deposit scheme administrator, and facilities manager or other relevant organisation connected with this.
- for the purposes of taxes, your information may be disclosed to HMRC and Department of Works and Pensions

Unless required to do so by law, I will not otherwise share, sell or distribute any of the information you provide to me without your consent.

### Transfers outside the UK and Europe

Your information will only be stored within the UK and the European Economic Area. (EEA)

When you give me information I take steps to make sure that your personal information is kept secure and safe. See the Privacy Policy on the website: [www.studentflat.com](http://www.studentflat.com)

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### How long I will keep your information

I review my data retention periods regularly and will only hold your personal data for as long as is necessary for the relevant activity, or as required by law (I may be legally required to hold some types of information), or as set out in any relevant contract I have with you.

You have the right at any time to:

- ask for a copy of the information about you held by me in my records
- require me to correct any inaccuracies in your information
- make a request to me to delete what personal data of yours I hold, and
- object to receiving any marketing communications from me.

If you would like to exercise any of your rights above please contact me by e-mail:

[enquire@studentflat.com](mailto:enquire@studentflat.com)

Should you wish to complain about the use of your information, I would ask that you contact me to resolve this matter in the first instance. You also have the right to complain to the ICO in relation to my use of your information. The ICO's contact details are noted below:

The Information Commissioner's Office – Scotland

45 Melville Street, Edinburgh, EH3 7HL

Telephone: 0131 244 9001

email: [scotland@ico.org.uk](mailto:scotland@ico.org.uk)

The accuracy of your information is important to me. Please help me keep my records updated by informing me of any changes to your email address and other contact details.