

Southampton City Council

Adult Learning Privacy Notice

How we use your personal information

This privacy notice is issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) on behalf of the Secretary of State for the Department for Education (DfE) to inform learners about the Individualised Learner Record (ILR) and how their personal information is used in the ILR. Your personal information is used by the DfE to exercise our functions under article 6(1)(e) of the UK GDPR and to meet our statutory responsibilities, including under the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009.

The ILR collects data about learners and learning undertaken. Publicly funded colleges, training organisations, local authorities, and employers (FE providers) must collect and return the data to the ESFA each year under the terms of a funding agreement, contract or grant agreement. It helps ensure that public money distributed through the ESFA is being spent in line with government targets. It is also used for education, training, employment, and well being purposes, including research. We retain ILR learner data for 3 years for operational purposes and 66 years for research purposes. For more information about the ILR and the data collected, please see the ILR specification at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/individualised-learner-record-ilr>

ILR data is shared with third parties where it complies with DfE data sharing procedures and where the law allows it. The DfE and the English European Social Fund (ESF) Managing Authority (or agents acting on their behalf) may contact learners to carry out research and evaluation to inform the effectiveness of training. In these cases, it is part of our statutory duties and we do not need your consent.

Where sharing is not part of our statutory duties, you can give your consent to be contacted by other third parties about:

Courses or learning opportunities	Yes you can contact me/No thanks
Surveys and research	Yes you can contact me/No thanks
By post	Yes you can contact me/No thanks
By telephone	Yes you can contact me/No thanks
By email	Yes you can contact me/No thanks

For more information about how your personal data is used and your individual rights, please see the DfE Personal Information Charter (<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education/about/personal-information-charter>) and the ESFA Privacy Notice (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/esfa-privacy-notice>)

If you would like to get in touch with us, you can contact the DfE in the following ways:

- Using our online contact form at https://form.education.gov.uk/service/Contact_the_Department_for_Education
- By telephoning the DfE Helpline on 0370 000 2288
- Or in writing to – Data Protection Officer, Ministerial and Public Communications Division, Department for Education, Piccadilly Gate, Store Street, Manchester, M1 2WD

If you are unhappy with how we have used your personal data, you can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) at – Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. You can also call their helpline on 0303 123 1113 or visit <https://www.ico.org.uk>

Some of the data we ask for is for analysis by Southampton City Council only. If your course is not fundable, we may still securely retain the information on this form, on protected IT systems and in locked storage. Your data will be destroyed once we have met our contractual obligations to the ESFA. To request a copy of any information that we hold about you, or for further information and advice, you can contact the council's Data Protection Officer by email on information@southampton.gov.uk