

## PRIVACY NOTICE

Children in Need or looked after by the Local Authority

### Privacy Notice - Data Protection Act 1998

Kent Council holds personal data about children in our care or those children to whom we provide services and we use this data to:

- Support children and monitor their progress;
- Provide appropriate support and pastoral care; and
- Assess how well the Local Authority (LA) as a whole is doing.

This information includes personal characteristics and details of the services we provide. If you want to see a copy of the information we hold and share about you then please contact [data.protection@kent.gov.uk](mailto:data.protection@kent.gov.uk)

Where required the Council may share data with third parties, but only where it is necessary to:

- comply with a legal obligation;
- for the protection or detection of crime; or to
- allow a partner organisation to act on behalf of the Council

Information relating to children with a Child Protection Plan, unborn children with a pre-birth Protection Plan and Looked After Children will also be shared with the National Health Service (NHS). This is to ensure that health professionals have access to information that can help them assess whether a child is at risk.

Local Authorities are required to pass on some information (but not the names of individual children) to the Department for Education (DfE) who use it to help with their policy development, Local Authority performance management and funding, and to assist with the development of good practice. Health Partners are also provided with information to assist them with understanding the health needs of vulnerable children living in Kent and this is used for the planning, commissioning and development of health services.

If you require more information about how the Local Authority, or the Department for Education store and use this data please go to the following websites:

- [http://www.kent.gov.uk/website\\_information/about\\_this\\_website.aspx#privacy\\_policy](http://www.kent.gov.uk/website_information/about_this_website.aspx#privacy_policy)
- <https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-how-we-collect-and-share-research-data>

If you are unable to access these websites, please contact the Local Authority or Department for Education as follows

#### Local Authority

Information Resilience & Transparency Team  
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#### Department for Education

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