

Data Protection and Confidentiality for community groups and charities Useful resources for those responding to the Covid-19 crisis

This guide collates various information and guidance on data protection and associated legislation. It is aimed at new organisations or informal groups that have set up in response to the Covid-19 crisis. It may also be useful for existing groups needing a refresher or who are operating in a new way.

Guidance from the [Information Commissioners Office \(ico.\)](#)

Your main source of information and advice about data protection and privacy is the Information Commissioners Office. This is the UK's independent authority set up to uphold information rights in the public interest, promoting openness by public bodies and data privacy for individuals. The ico. website (www.ico.org.uk) has a range of toolkits, online self-assessments, guidance documents, webinars and training videos. They also offer advice via a helpline **0303 123 1113 (local rate)**.

[Data protection and coronavirus: what you need to know](#)

[Community groups and COVID-19: what you need to know about data protection](#) (blog)

[Data security - a guide to the basics](#)

[Guide to Data Protection](#)

[Electronic Communications & Marketing](#)

Other useful websites and resources

Community Southwark - [sample confidentiality policy](#)

Bournemouth foodbank - [example of a simple volunteer confidentiality agreement](#)

NCVO - [how to comply with GDPR](#)

CFG - [General Data Protection Regulations A Guide for Charities](#)

Sport & Recreation Alliance - [GDPR toolkit](#)

National Cyber Security Centre - [Cyber Security: Small Charity Guide](#)