

EMPLOYEE PRIVACY NOTICE

1. Our commitment to your privacy

We are committed to respecting your privacy and keeping your personal data safe. This Notice is to explain how we may use personal information we collect before, during and after your working relationship with us to ensure that you remain informed and in control of your information.

It explains how we comply with the law on data protection and what your rights are and for the purposes of data protection we will be the controller of any of your personal information.

This Notice applies to our current and former employees, workers, directors and trustees. This Notice does not form part of any contract of employment or other contract to provide services.

Any references to Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust, the Trust, or to 'we' or 'us' refer to:

- Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust. We are a registered charity in England and Wales, and our registered charity number is 224168.
- Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust Trading Ltd, our charitable trading company; (registered company number 748865). The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust, which trades only to raise funds for our charitable organisation.
- EMEC Ecology, our charitable consultancy company; (registered company number 02623590). The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust, which trades only to raise funds for our charitable organisation.

We have not appointed a Data Protection Officer to oversee our compliance with data protection laws as we are not required to do so, but our Data Protection Lead has overall responsibility for data protection compliance in our organisation. Contact details are set out in the "Contacting us" section at the end of this Privacy Notice.

We use three key definitions to describe people mentioned in this Notice. These are definitions used by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), the UK's independent body set up to uphold information rights (www.ico.org.uk)

- **'Data subject'**: this is you. As the data subject, we respect your right to control your data.
- **'Data controller'**: this is us, the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust. With your permission, we determine why and how your personal data is used (as outlined in this Notice).
- **'Data processor'**: this is a person, or organisation, who processes your data on our behalf, with your permission. For example, this might be a Referencing Service Provider who carries out pre-employment reference checks on our behalf.

When we work with other organisations or individuals in this way, we always set up a written contract with them to protect your data. The third parties we work with at no point 'own' your data, so you will never hear from them independently and they will always delete your data from their systems when they have completed the task in hand. We always send your data to partner organisations securely, to minimise the risk of it being intercepted by unknown individuals and/or organisations.

2. Personal Information

When you interact with us in relation to your work with us, you may provide us with, or we may obtain personal information about you, such as information regarding your:

- personal contact details such as name, title, addresses, telephone numbers, and personal email addresses, conflict of interest details and emergency contact details;
- date of birth;
- marital status
- caring responsibilities;
- referee details, details of family members and emergency contacts;
- national insurance number and other tax or governmental identifiers;
- bank accounts, payroll and tax status;
- salary, insurance, annual leave, pension, benefit entitlement and expenses;
- start date and leaving date;
- location of employment or workplace;
- attendance history;
- driving licence(s) (including copies where we are required to hold such information for identification or insurance purposes where you or other members of your family are to use our vehicles) and vehicle details;
- identification documents and information such as passport, utility bills, identity cards, signature etc;
- recruitment (including copies of right to work documentation, past employment history, references and other information included in a CV or cover letter or as part of the application process);
- employment records and notes (including job titles, work history, working hours, training records, professional memberships, maternity, parental and compassionate leave and details of any home-working assessment for health and safety purposes) and education and professional records/qualifications;
- compensation history;
- performance including that generated through our appraisal systems;
- disciplinary and grievance information;
- use of our information and communications systems, including the computers and fixed and mobile phones that we allow you to use, passwords, personal identification numbers, IP addresses, user names and other IT system identifying information;
- images in video and/or photographic form and voice recordings;
- records of enquiries and other correspondence with you; and
- loans that you have made to us or we have made to you

3. Special categories of personal information

We may also collect, store and use the following “special categories” of more sensitive personal information regarding you:

- information about your race or ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, gender identity and political opinions;
- information about your health, including any medical condition, health and sickness records, medical records and health professional information

We may not collect all of the above types of special category information about you. In relation to the special category personal data that we do process we do so on the basis that:

- the processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest, on a lawful basis;
- it is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims;
- it is necessary for the purposes of carrying out the obligations and exercising our or your rights in the field of employment and social security and social protection law; or
- based on your explicit consent.

In the table below we refer to these as the “special category reasons for processing of your personal data”.

We may also collect criminal records information from you. For criminal records history we process it on the basis of legal obligations or based on your explicit consent.

4. Where we collect your information

We typically collect personal information about employees, workers, directors, and trustees through the application and recruitment process, either directly from candidates or sometimes from an employment agency or background check provider.

We may sometimes collect additional information from third parties including former employers or other background check agencies. We will also collect additional personal information in the course of job-related activities throughout the period of you working for us.

If you are providing us with details of referees, family members and emergency contacts they have a right to know and to be aware of what personal information we hold about them, how we collect it and how we use and may share that information. Please share this Privacy Notice with those of them whom you feel are sufficiently mature to understand it.

They also have the same rights as set out in the “Your rights in relation to personal information” section below.

5. Uses made of your personal information

The table below describes the main purposes for which we process your personal information, the categories of your information involved and our lawful basis for being able to do this.

Purpose	Personal information used	Lawful basis
Non- 'special categories' of Personal Information		
Making a decision about your recruitment or appointment and managing the recruitment process and determining the terms on which you work for us	All the personal information we collect for the purposes of the recruitment process	We need this information to be able to perform and administer the recruitment process for you to engage you. This is necessary to enter into a contract with you
Checking you are legally entitled to work in the UK	Personal contact details and identification documents and right to work documentation	We have a legal obligation to do so.
Producing and maintaining business records, staff directories, intranets, websites, brochures and other internal and external business documentation and materials such as Staff ID cards	Personal contact details, location of employment or workplace and employment records	We have a legitimate interest to maintain up to date business records and materials.
Paying you and, if you are an employee, deducting tax and National Insurance contributions	Personal identifiers and transaction and payment information	To be able to manage and perform our contract with you. We have a legal obligation to do so
Providing benefits of employment or working, including flexible benefits and liaising with benefit providers	Personal identifiers, salary, annual leave, pension and benefits entitlement, transaction and payment information	To be able to manage and perform our contract with you. We may have a legal obligation to do so
Administering the contract we have entered into with you	All your personal information excluding 'special categories' of personal information and criminal records information	To be able to manage and perform our contract with you
Conducting performance reviews, grievance or disciplinary hearings, managing performance and determining performance requirements and making decisions about compensation and benefits	Performance, disciplinary and grievance information, employment records, compensation history, salary, annual leave, pension and benefits	We have a legitimate interest to ensure that our workers are meeting their performance objectives and that the business is managing and controlling the performance process effectively. To be able to manage and perform our contract with you

Business management and planning, including accounting and auditing, conducting our normal business operations and managing our relationship with you	All your personal information excluding 'special categories' of personal information and criminal records information	To be able to manage and perform our contract with you. We have a legitimate interest to run and manage our business
Assessing qualifications for a particular job or task, including decisions about promotions and ascertaining your fitness to work, education, training and development requirements	Personal identifiers, performance, disciplinary and grievance information, employment records, compensation history, salary, annual leave, pension and benefits and other personal information excluding 'special categories' of personal information and criminal records information	We may be legally obliged to do so. To be able to manage and perform our contract with you We have a legitimate interest to run and manage our business and to ensure that our workers are suitably trained
Making decisions about your continued employment or engagement or termination of our working relationship	Personal identifiers, performance, disciplinary and grievance information, employment records, compensation history, salary, annual leave, pension and benefits	We have a legitimate interest to ensure that the workers we engage continue to be suitably qualified and/or appropriate for their role within the business
Managing sickness absence	Personal identifiers, attendance history and performance	To be able to manage and perform our contract with you. We have a legitimate business interest to ensure that the workers we engage continue to be suitably qualified and/or appropriate for their role within the business
Complying with health and safety obligations	Personal identifiers and information obtained through electronic means, working environment information including any home-working assessment records	We have a legal obligation to comply with Health and Safety laws. We also have a legal obligation to report any accidents at work in accordance with health and safety laws
Dealing with legal disputes involving you, or other employees, workers, directors and consultants, including accidents at work	All your personal information excluding 'special categories' of personal information and criminal records information	To be able to manage and perform our contract with you. We have a legitimate interest to ensure that all legal claims are managed effectively
For the purposes of ensuring compliance with our IT	Personal identifiers and information obtained through	We have a legitimate business in ensuring our systems are secure.

related policies; the security of our systems and our information, to ensure network and information security, including preventing unauthorised access to our computer and electronic communications systems and preventing malicious software distribution	electronic means. Use of our information and communications systems, including the computers and fixed and mobile phones that we allow you to use, passwords, personal identification numbers, IP addresses, user names and other IT system identifying information	To be able to manage and perform our contract with you
To facilitate the use of our IT systems and monitor your use of our information and communication systems to ensure compliance with our IT policies	Personal identifiers and information obtained through electronic means. Use of our information and communications systems, including the computers and fixed and mobile phones that we allow you to use, passwords, personal identification numbers, IP addresses, user names and other IT system identifying information	We have a legitimate interest in ensuring that our workers use our computer systems and information correctly and efficiently and in compliance with our IT policies. To be able to manage and perform our contract with you
To comply with our legal obligations, for example in relation to PAYE, National Insurance, Companies House filings	Personal identifiers, transaction and payment information, national insurance number and other tax or governmental identifiers bank account details, payroll and tax status, name, address, date of birth, other directorships	We have a legal obligation to do so
To ensure network and information security, including preventing unauthorised access to our computer and electronic communications systems and preventing malicious software distribution	Personal identifiers and information obtained through electronic means. Use of our information and communications systems, including the computers and fixed and mobile phones that we allow you to use, passwords, personal identification numbers, IP	We have a legitimate interest in ensuring our systems are secure

	addresses, user names and other IT system identifying information	
To conduct data analytics studies to review and better understand employee retention and attrition rates	Employment records	We have a legitimate interest in order to improve as an employer
For the purposes of equal opportunities monitoring	Name, title, date of birth; salary, annual leave, pension and benefits; location of employment or workplace	We may have a legal obligation to do so and we have a legitimate interest in doing so to make sure our business is a fair place to work
Storage of records relating to you and also records relating to our business	All non-‘special categories’ of personal information	To be able to manage and fulfil our contract with you, we may have a legal obligation to do so and we also have a legitimate interest to keep proper records
For the purpose of complying with any regulatory requirements	All the personal information about you excluding special category information and criminal records data	We may have a legal obligation to comply with regulatory requirements and we have a legitimate interest in complying with regulatory requirements
‘Special categories’ of Personal Information or criminal records		
Storage of records relating to you and also records relating to our business.	All ‘special categories’ of personal information	We process special category personal data on the basis of the “special category reasons for processing of your personal data” referred to in section 2 above. Note the potential need to obtain consent. For criminal records information we process it on the basis of legal obligations or based on your explicit consent.
We will use information relating to your absence from work, which may include sickness absence or family-related absences, to comply with employment and other laws.	Information about your health, including any medical condition, health and sickness records, medical records and health professional information	We process special category personal data on the basis of the “special category reasons for processing of your personal data” referred to in section 2 above. Note the potential need to obtain consent
We will use information about your physical or mental health to provide you with benefits under your contract	Information about your health, including any medical condition, health and sickness	We process special category personal data on the basis of the “special category reasons for processing of your personal

	records, medical records and health professional information	data” referred to in section 2 above. Note the potential need to obtain consent
We will use information about your physical or mental health, or disability status, to ensure your health and safety in the workplace and to assess your fitness to work, to provide appropriate workplace adjustments, to monitor and manage sickness absence and to administer benefits	Information about your health, including any medical condition, health and sickness records, medical records and health professional information	We process special category personal data on the basis of the “special category reasons for processing of your personal data” referred to in section 2 above. Note the potential need to obtain consent
We will use information about your race or national or ethnic origin, religious, philosophical or moral beliefs, or your sexual life or sexual orientation, marital/civil partnership status, caring responsibilities, disability, pregnancy and maternity/paternity, gender identity or political beliefs, to ensure meaningful equal opportunity monitoring and reporting.	Information about your race or ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, gender identity marital/civil partnership status; caring responsibilities; disability; pregnancy and maternity/paternity; and political opinions	We process special category personal data on the basis of the “special category reasons for processing of your personal data” referred to in section 2 above. Note the potential need to obtain consent
For drug and alcohol testing.	Information about your health, including any medical condition, health and sickness records, medical records and health professional information	We process special category personal data on the basis of the “special category reasons for processing of your personal data” referred to in section 2 above. Note the potential need to obtain consent
We will use and retain information about criminal convictions to comply with law and in order to determine your eligibility to undertake particular types of work.	Information about your criminal convictions and offences	For criminal records information we process it on the basis of legal obligations or based on your explicit consent.

For some of your personal information, you will have a legal, contractual or other requirement or obligation for you to provide us with your personal information. If you do not provide us with the requested personal information we may not be able to engage you or we may not

be able to properly perform our contract with you or comply with legal obligations and we may have to terminate your engagement.

For other personal information you may not be under an obligation to provide it to us, but if you do not provide it then we may not be able to properly perform our contract with you.

Where you have given us your consent to use your personal information in a particular manner, you have the right to withdraw this consent at any time, which you may do by contacting us as described in the “Contacting us” section below.

Please note, however, that the withdrawal of your consent will not affect any use of the data made before you withdrew your consent and we may still be entitled to hold and process the relevant personal information to the extent that we are entitled to do so on bases other than your consent. Withdrawing consent may also have the same effects as not providing the information in the first place, for example we may no longer be able to provide certain benefits to you.

6. Disclosure of your personal information

We share personal information with the following parties:

- Companies in the same group of companies as us- for the purpose of providing a service to you.
- Internally including members of the HR department, payroll staff, your line manager, other managers in the department in which you work and IT staff if access to your personal information is necessary for the performance of their roles.
- Any party approved by you.
- Other service providers to our business and advisors: for example, payroll, pension administration, benefits provision, insurance providers, automotive leasing companies, HR software providers, Disclosure and Barring Service provider, professional advisors and administration and IT services. All our third-party service providers and other entities in the group are required to take appropriate security measures to protect your personal information.
- Purchasers of our business- buyers or perspective buyers who we sell or negotiate to sell our business to.
- Prospective new employers- for the provision of references for you;
- The Government or our regulators- where we are required to do so by law or to assist with their investigations or initiatives for the financial services industry, including but not limited to the Financial Conduct Authority;
- Police, law enforcement and security services- to assist with the investigation and prevention of crime and the protection of national security.

We do not disclose personal information to anyone else except as set out above. We will never sell your personal data.

7. Transferring your personal information internationally

The personal information we collect may be transferred to and stored in countries outside of the UK and the European Economic Area (EEA). Some of these jurisdictions require different levels of protection in respect of personal information and, in certain instances, the laws in those countries may be less protective than the jurisdiction you are typically resident in.

We will take all reasonable steps to ensure that your personal information is only used in accordance with this Privacy Notice and applicable data protection laws and is respected and kept secure and where a third party processes your data on our behalf we will put in place appropriate safeguards as required under data protection laws. For further details please contact us by using the details set out in the “Contacting us” section below.

8. How long we keep personal information for

The duration for which we retain your personal information will differ depending on the type of information and the reason why we collected it from you. However, in some cases personal information may be retained on a long-term basis, for example, personal information that we need to retain for legal purposes will normally be retained in accordance with usual commercial practice and regulatory requirements.

Generally, where there is no legal requirement, we retain all physical and electronic records for a period of 6 years (if you are a current employee, this may be for 6 years after your employment ends). Exceptions to this rule are:

- Details regarding unsuccessful job applicants where we hold records for a period of not more than 6 months;
- Information that may be relevant to personal injury claims, employment claims, discrimination claims may be retained until the limitation period for those types of claims has expired. For personal injury or discrimination claims this can be an extended period as the limitation period might not start to run until a long time after you have worked for us.
- Information that may be useful to a pension provider or benefit provider which we may retain for the period that your pension or benefit is payable.

For more information, please refer to our Data Retention Policy.

It is important to ensure that the personal information we hold about you is accurate and up-to-date, and you should let us know if anything changes, for example, if you move home or change your phone number or email address. You can contact a member of the HR team to update some of the personal information we hold about you.

9. Your rights in relation to personal information

You have the following rights in relation to your personal information:

- the right to be informed about how your personal information is being used;
- the right to access the personal information we hold about you;
- the right to request the correction of inaccurate personal information we hold about you;

- the right to request the erasure of your personal information in certain limited circumstances;
- the right to restrict processing of your personal information where certain requirements are met;
- the right to object to the processing of your personal information;
- the right to request that we transfer elements of your data either to you or another service provider; and
- the right to object to certain automated decision-making processes using your personal information.

You should note that some of these rights, for example, the right to require us to transfer your data to another service provider, or the right to object to automated decision making, may not apply as they have specific requirements and exemptions which apply to them and they may not apply to personal information recorded and stored by us. For example, we do not use automated decision making in relation to your personal data. However, some have no conditions attached, so your right to withdraw consent or object to processing for direct marketing are absolute rights.

Whilst this Privacy Notice sets out a general summary of your legal rights in respect of personal information, this is a very complex area of law. More information about your legal rights can be found on the Information Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/>.

To exercise any of the above rights, or if you have any questions relating to your rights, please contact us by using the details set out in the "Contacting us" section below.

10. Making a complaint

If you are unhappy with the way we are using your personal information, we want to hear about it, in order to deal with the situation as quickly and fairly as possible and put measures in place to stop it happening again.

We take complaints very seriously and we treat them as an opportunity to develop our approach. We are here to help and encourage you to contact us to resolve your complaint in the first instance. For further information on how to make a complaint, please see our Grievance Policy.

All complaint information will be handled sensitively, in line with relevant data protection requirements.

For further assistance with complaints regarding your data, please contact the Information Commissioner's Office, whose remit covers the UK.

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane

Wilmslow
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Email: casework@ico.org.uk

11. Changes to this Notice

We may update this Privacy Notice from time to time. When we change this Notice in a material way, we will update the version date at the bottom of this page. For significant changes to this Notice, we will try to give you reasonable notice unless we are prevented from doing so. Where required by law we will seek your consent to changes in the way we use your personal information.

12. Contacting Us

In the event of any query or complaint in connection with the information we hold about you, please contact:

Operations Manager
Telephone: 0115 958 8242
Email: info@nottswt.co.uk
The Old Ragged School, Brook Street, Nottingham, NG1 1EA

Our office hours are Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm.

We update this Notice periodically.

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