

Privacy Notice

County Council Elections



North Yorkshire
County Council

This Privacy Notice is designed to help you understand how and why the Council processes your personal data in relation to County Council Elections. This notice should be read in conjunction with the Council's [Corporate Privacy Notice](#).

Who are we?

North Yorkshire County Council is a 'Data Controller' as defined by Article 4(7) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

Legal and Democratic Services support the provision of comprehensive and efficient legal and democratic services to the Directorates, the Council's Executive, full Council, Committees and Members, and external clients.

The Council has appointed **Veritau Ltd** to be its Data Protection Officer. Their contact details are:

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What personal information do we collect?

The County Council does not manage the elections process. This is done by the seven District and Borough Councils in the county. The County Council has oversight of the elections process and also pays for the elections to be held. As such, the following personal information is held:

- Basic identification details such as name, address, date of birth, and nationality of election candidates and election agents
- Expenses paid to candidates
- Information about membership of any political groups
- Election results by polling station.

Why do we collect your personal information?

The personal information is provided by the person or persons who are standing in an election and their election agent. This information is required by law as part of the administration of County Council elections (See Electoral Commission guidance and the Representation of the People Regulations 2001).

Who do we share this information with?

Elections Notices are published on the County Council website prior to the election. After the election, the results are published on the County Council website. In both cases, these give details of the candidate and their political party, as indicated in the previous section.

The following details are made available upon request, in line with Electoral Commission guidance and the Representation of the People Regulations 2001:

- Candidate election expenses
- Marked registers for County Council elections.

How long do we keep your information for?

Data held	Retention period
Voting (County Council Elections only)	6 months from date of election
Declaration of results (County Council Elections only)	6 months from date of election
Record relating to County Council elections	Permanent

What is our lawful basis for processing your information?

The County Council processes personal data, in relation to elections, based on legal obligations stipulated by the: Representation of the People Regulations 2001.

For More information about how the County Council uses your data, including your privacy rights and the complaints process, please see our [Corporate Privacy Notice](#).