

ST YEGHICHE ARMENIAN CHURCH PARISH GENERAL PRIVACY NOTICE

Your personal data – what is it?

“Personal data” is any information about a living individual which allows them to be identified from that data (for example a name, photographs, videos, email address, or address). Identification can be by the information alone or in conjunction with any other information. The processing of personal data is governed by *the Data Protection Act 2018 the General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 (the “GDPR”)* and other legislation relating to personal data and rights such as *the Human Rights Act 1998*.

Who are we?

This Privacy Notice is provided to you by the Parish Council of **St Yeghiche Armenian Church** which is the data controller for your data.

St Yeghiche Armenian Church Parish and its office-holders work together to deliver the Church’s mission for its community. The Parish Council works together with:

- the incumbent of the parish (that is, our priest);
- the Primate of the Armenian Church of the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland; and
- the Diocese of the Armenian Church of the United Kingdom, which is responsible for the ecclesiastical instruction and oversight of the Armenian Parishes of the United Kingdom.

As the Church is made of the all of these persons and organisations working together, we may need to share personal data we hold with them so that they can carry out their responsibilities to the Church and our community.

This Privacy Notice is sent to you by the St Yeghiche Armenian Church Parish Council on our own behalf. In the rest of this Privacy Notice, we use the word “we” to refer to St Yeghiche Armenian Church and the Parish Council, as appropriate.

What data do the data controllers listed above process? They will process some or all of the following where necessary to perform tasks:

- Names, titles, and aliases, photographs;
- Contact details such as telephone numbers, addresses, and email addresses;
- Where they are relevant to our mission, or where you provide them to us, we may process demographic information such as gender, age, date of birth, marital status, nationality, education/work histories, academic/professional qualifications, family composition, and dependants;

How do we process your personal data?

As data controllers we acknowledge our legal obligations in connection with the secure storage and destruction of applicable data; to not collect or retain excessive amounts of data; to keep personal data secure, and to protect personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and to ensure that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

We use your personal data for some or all of the following purposes:

- To enable us to meet all legal and statutory obligations;
- To carry out activities as required and in accordance with our safeguarding policy with the aim of ensuring that all children and adults-at-risk are provided with safe environments;
- To minister to you and provide you with pastoral and spiritual care (such as visiting you when you are gravely ill or bereaved) and to organise and perform ecclesiastical services for you, such as baptisms, weddings and funerals;
- To deliver the Church's mission to our community, and to carry out any other voluntary or charitable activities for the benefit of the public as provided for in St Yeghiche Armenian Church Parish Ltd's Memorandum and Articles;
- To administer the parish, deanery, archdeaconry and diocesan membership records;
- To fundraise and promote the interests of the Church and charity;
- To maintain our own accounts and records;
- To process a donation that you have made (including Gift Aid information);
- To seek your views or comments;
- To notify you of changes to our services, events and role holders;
- To send you communications which you have requested and that may be of interest to you. These may include information about St Yeghiche Church events, appeals, other fundraising activities;
- To process a grant or application for a role;

What is the legal basis for processing your personal data?

Most of our data is processed because it is necessary for our legitimate interests. An example of this would be our safeguarding work to protect children and adults at risk. We will always take into account your interests, rights and freedoms.

Some of our processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation.

Religious organisations are also permitted to process information about your religious beliefs to administer membership or contact details.

Where your information is used other than in accordance with one of these legal bases, we will first obtain your consent to that use.

Sharing your personal data

Your personal data will be treated as strictly confidential. It will only be shared with third parties where it is necessary for the performance of our tasks or where you first give us your prior consent. It is likely that we will need to share your data with some or all of the following (but only where necessary):

- Our agents, servants and contractors. For example, we may ask a commercial provider to send out newsletters on our behalf, or to maintain our database software;
- Other clergy or lay persons who volunteer to support the mission of the Church in our parish. For example, our clergy are supported by deacons. Assistant or temporary ministers, deacons, or persons with the Bishop's Permissions may participate in our mission in support of our regular clergy;

How long do we keep your personal data?

We will keep some records permanently if we are legally required to do so. We may keep some other records for an extended period of time. For example, it is current best practice to keep financial records

for a minimum period of 7 years to support HMRC audits. In general, we will endeavour to keep data only for as long as we need it. This means that we may delete it when it is no longer needed.

Your rights and your personal data

You have the following rights with respect to your personal data:

When exercising any of the rights listed below, in order to process your request, we may need to verify your identity for your security. In such cases we will need you to respond with proof of your identity before you can exercise these rights.

1. The right to access information we hold on you
 - At any point you can contact us to request the information we hold on you as well as why we have that information, who has access to the information and where we obtained the information from. Once we have received your request we will respond within one month.
 - There are no fees or charges for the first request but additional requests for the same data may be subject to an administrative fee .
2. The right to correct and update the information we hold on you
 - If the data we hold on you is out of date, incomplete or incorrect, you can inform us and your data will be updated.
3. The right to have your information erased
 - If you feel that we should no longer be using your data or that we are illegally using your data, you can request that we erase the data we hold.
 - When we receive your request we will confirm whether the data has been deleted or the reason why it cannot be deleted (for example because we need it for our legitimate interests or regulatory purpose(s)).
4. The right to object to processing of your data
 - You have the right to request that we stop processing your data. Upon receiving the request we will contact you and let you know if we are able to comply or if we have legitimate grounds to continue to process your data. Even after you exercise your right to object, we may continue to hold your data to comply with your other rights or to bring or defend legal claims.
5. The right to data portability
 - You have the right to request that we transfer some of your data to another controller. We will comply with your request, where it is feasible to do so, within one month of receiving your request.
6. The right to withdraw your consent to the processing at any time for any processing of data to which consent was sought.
 - You can withdraw your consent easily in writing by email, or by post (see Contact Details below).
7. The right to object to the processing of personal data where applicable.
8. The right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office.

Transfer of Data Abroad

Our website is also accessible from overseas so on occasion some personal data (for example in a newsletter) may be accessed from overseas.

Further processing

If we wish to use your personal data for a new purpose, not covered by this Notice, then we will provide you with a new notice explaining this new use prior to commencing the processing and setting out the relevant purposes and processing conditions. Where and whenever necessary, we will seek your prior consent to the new processing.

Contact Details

Please contact us if you have any questions about this Privacy Notice or the information we hold about you or to exercise all relevant rights, queries or complaints at:

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13b Cranley Gardens
London SW7 3BB

services@styeghiche.org.uk

You can contact the Information Commissioners Office on 0303 123 1113 or via email <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/email/> or at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.