

## HULLBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

## **How to Make a Data Access Request**

Under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR), individuals have the right to request access to personal data held about them by Hullbridge Parish Council. This is known as a **Subject Access Request (SAR)**.

To make a request, please write to the **Clerk to the Council** using the contact details provided on the Council's website or in official correspondence. Your request should include:

- Your full name and contact details.
- A clear description of the information you are requesting.
- Any details that may assist the Council in identifying the data (such as dates, locations, or context of the interaction).
- Proof of your identity and, where relevant, proof of authority to act on behalf of someone else.

Requests may be submitted by **email or post**. The Council will acknowledge your request and normally respond within **20 working days** from receipt of all the necessary information and identification. In accordance with Article 12(3) of UK GDPR, this period may be extended by a further two months if the request is complex or numerous. If this is the case, the Council will inform you within the initial one-month period and explain the reasons for the delay.

There is **no fee** for submitting a Subject Access Request. However, a **reasonable fee** may be charged for:

- Repetitive or excessive requests;
- Requests for additional copies of previously provided data;
- Reguests that are manifestly unfounded.

All SARs and responses are logged in accordance with the Council's **Record of Processing Activities (ROPA)** and **Information Asset Register**, and handled securely and confidentially.

If you are dissatisfied with how your request has been handled, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the **Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)** via <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a> or by calling 0303 123 1113.