

Velcourt Group Pension Fund

Privacy Notice

Please read this privacy notice carefully as it contains important information about who we are, what personal data (information) we hold about you, how and why we collect, store and use it, how we may share this information and your rights in relation to your personal information.

Who we are

Velcourt Trustees Limited as trustee of the Velcourt Group Pension Fund (the Scheme) collect and use certain personal information about you. When we do so, we are subject to the UK General Data Protection Regulation (the UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. We are responsible as 'controllers' of that personal information for the purposes of those laws. As controllers, we must provide you with the information contained in this privacy notice.

Velcourt Trustees Limited (company number 09182244) has its registered office at Orchard House, Phocle Green Business Park, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 7XU. The Trustee Directors of Velcourt Trustees Limited are Jason Scott, James Townshend and Dalriada Trustees Limited.

Personal data we collect about you

Personal data is any information relating to an identified or identifiable individual.

We hold the following personal data about you in the course of acting as Trustee of the Scheme:

- personal details such as your name, date of birth, gender, contact details (i.e. address, home and mobile phone numbers, email address) and national insurance number;
- employment details such as your employment history (including any breaks in service or where service has been transferred in), pensionable service records, salary information, contribution records;
- details about your family and personal circumstances, such as your marital status, details of your spouse/civil partner, dependants, other family members and death benefit nominated beneficiaries;
- financial details such as your bank account and tax information; and
- online information such as cookies and IP address (your computer's internet address) if you use our website <https://velcourtgpf.myscheme.online>

We may also hold 'special categories' of personal data (i.e. sensitive information which comes with additional safeguards under data protection legislation). This may include information about your health, including any medical conditions (for example, if you apply for ill-health early retirement).

When we process health information or other special category data, we rely on Article 9(2)(a) UK GDPR, which ensures we obtain explicit consent from the data subject for our processing activities.

We will always explain why we need special category data and how we will use it. You have a right to object to this processing, though this may affect our ability to pay certain benefits.

How we collect the information

We may collect this information from:

- you (for example when you fill in a pension form, when you contact the Scheme with a query or complaint);
- your employer;

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- another pension arrangement (if you have transferred benefits into the Scheme);
- an existing member of the Scheme (if they choose to nominate you for the death benefits that may be due on their death);
- persons acting on your behalf;
- service providers who help us trace members with whom we have lost contact

How we use your personal information

We will typically use this information for the following purposes:

- to contact you;
- to respond to individual queries, complaints and disputes;
- to calculate, provide and assess eligibility for Scheme benefits;
- to comply with obligations arising from administering the Scheme;
- to determine and implement alternative ways of providing Scheme benefits (e.g. by way of a lump sum and/or pension, transfer to another scheme, the purchase of an insurance policy, a merger with another pension scheme);
- to determine and manage Scheme investments and risks
- to determine and manage Scheme liabilities and funding requirements;
- in connection with any corporate activity a Scheme employer may be engaged in.

Reasons we can collect and use your personal information

The lawful basis on which we collect and use your personal data will usually be one or more of the following:

- to comply with a legal obligation (e.g. our obligations to you as Trustee to administer the Scheme so that you can receive the benefits you are entitled to and make transfers to other schemes);
- for the performance of a contract with you, or to take steps to enter into a contract;
- for the purposes of our legitimate interests in running the Scheme properly or those of a third party (e.g. your employer), but only if these are not overridden by your interests, rights or freedoms.

Where we hold 'special categories' of personal data, we will explain to you at the time why we need it and how the information will be used. We will only process special categories of personal data where we need to do so to establish a right to a benefit. In any other circumstances where we need to process special categories of personal data we will seek your prior consent.

Where we are carrying out processing on the basis of your consent, you have the right to withdraw that consent at any time by contacting us on the details provided. Any withdrawal of consent will not impact on the lawfulness of the processing which took place prior to the withdrawal.

We seek to ensure that our information collection and processing is always proportionate. We will notify you of any material changes to the information we collect or to the purposes for which we collect and process it.

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Who we share your personal information with

We share your personal data, including your name, date of birth and address details, with our Scheme administrators, actuaries, advisers, bankers and investment advisers. This data sharing enables us to continue to administer the Scheme in a compliant manner and to ensure our duties as Trustee are discharged lawfully.

We will share personal information with law enforcement or other authorities if required by applicable law.

We may share personal information with a Scheme employer; e.g. in connection with member option exercises an employer may want to run in connection with the Scheme.

We will not share your personal information with any other third party.

Third-party service providers such as the Scheme administrator are required to protect your personal information in line with our policies and we only permit them to process your personal data for specified purposes.

Transfer of your information out of the UK

In certain circumstances, your personal data may be processed outside of the UK.

If we (or our service providers) process personal data outside of the UK, we will take appropriate measures to ensure that your personal data is adequately protected in a manner which is consistent with this privacy notice and in accordance with safeguards required by applicable laws.

How long we keep personal data

We will keep your personal data for no longer than is necessary for to fulfil our legal obligations in relation to the trust. Given the long-term nature of a pension scheme, this inevitably means that your personal data will be kept for a long period of time, including after you have ceased to be entitled to Scheme benefits (to deal with any queries or complaints which may arise in relation to the administration of the scheme or in the event of a legal claim to show that we have administered the trust correctly). Personal data will typically be held until the Scheme has wound-up.

If we change administrators or advisers, your data will be transferred securely to new providers, and previous providers will delete their copies after an appropriate transition period.

Your rights under UK GDPR

Under the UK GDPR you have a number of important rights free of charge. In summary, those include rights to:

- fair processing of information and transparency over how we use your personal information;
- access to your personal information and to certain other supplementary information that this Privacy Notice is already designed to address;
- require us to correct any mistakes in your information which we hold;
- require the erasure of personal information concerning you in certain situations;
- receive the personal information concerning you which you have provided to us, in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format and have the right to transmit those data to a third party in certain situations;

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- object at any time to processing of personal information concerning you for direct marketing;
- object to decisions being taken by automated means which produce legal effects concerning you or similarly significantly affect you;
- object in certain other situations to our continued processing of your personal information; and
- otherwise restrict our processing of your personal information in certain circumstances.

For further information on each of those rights, including the circumstances in which they apply, see the Information Commissioner Office guidance at - <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-data-protection/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/individual-rights/>

If you would like to exercise any of those rights, please:

- contact our Data Protection Officer, Rachel Rose at rrose@velcourt.co.uk, by calling 01531 660043 or in writing at:

The Trustee of the Velcourt Group Pension Fund
Orchard House
Phocle Green Business Park
Ross-on-Wye
HR9 7XU

and

- let us know the information to which your request relates, including any account or reference numbers, if you have them.

Keeping your personal information secure

We have appropriate security measures in place to prevent personal information from being accidentally lost or used or accessed in an unauthorised way.

We also have procedures in place to deal with any suspected data security breach. We will notify you and any applicable regulator of a suspected data security breach where we are legally required to do so.

How to complain

We hope that we or our Data Protection Officer can resolve any query or concern you raise about our use of your information.

You have the right to contact us or our data protection officer (if appointed) if you have any concerns with how we use your personal data. We will acknowledge your complaint within 30 working days and will do our best to resolve your concerns.

The UK GDPR also gives you the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner if you believe that our use of your personal data is in breach of data protection laws and/or regulations. The Information Commissioner may be contacted at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or telephone: 0303 123 1113.

Exercising this right will not affect any other legal rights or remedies you have.

Changes to this privacy notice

This privacy notice was published in January 2024 and last updated on 19 June 2026.

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We may provide additional notices when we collect specific types of information, which will supplement this notice.

We will notify you of any substantial changes to how we use your information and provide you with an updated notice when necessary..

Please contact us using the details provided (on the next page) if your personal data changes at all.

How to contact us

Please contact us or our Data Protection Officer if you have any questions about this privacy notice or the information we hold about you, including any requests to exercise your legal rights.

If you wish to contact the Trustee, please send an email to Jason Scott at jscott@velcourt.co.uk, write to Orchard House, Phocle Green Business Park, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 7XU or call 01531 660041.

If you wish to contact our Data Protection Officer, please send an email to rose@velcourt.co.uk, write to Orchard House, Phocle Green Business Park, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 7XU or call 01531 660043.

Issued on behalf of Velcourt Trustees Limited, the Trustee of the Velcourt Group Pension Fund

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