



# Information sharing agreements

## Definition of information sharing agreements / protocols

Agreements that set out the lawful basis for the use of personal data by the public sector, across traditional organisational boundaries, to achieve better policies and deliver better services.

The law, rightly, puts in place safeguards for the use of individuals' data (The Data Protection Act, Human Rights and common law) and there are organisational costs involved in meeting those conditions. It is important that those safeguards exist and are properly applied.

Data sharing can take place in a way that helps deliver the better services that we all want, while still respecting people's legitimate expectations about the privacy and confidentiality of their personal information.

## Information sharing agreements already in place

### Data protection and FOI

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- [Neighbourhood wardens data sharing protocol \(pdf, 49 KB\) \(opens new window\)](#)
- [Protocol for housing dangerous and potentially dangerous criminals \(pdf, 248 KB\) \(opens new window\)](#)
- [Crime and disorder \(pdf, 189 KB\) \(opens new window\)](#)
- [MAPP protocol for managing potentially dangerous criminals \(pdf, 185 KB\) \(opens new window\)](#)
- [Sharing information on children, a guide for people working with children, young people and their families \(pdf, 3.1 MB\) \(opens new window\)](#)
- [Information Sharing Core Principles \(pdf, 336 KB\) \(opens new window\)](#)
- [New birth information sharing protocol: NHS Bristol and Bristol City Council's children's centres \(pdf, 268 KB\) \(opens new window\)](#)
- [The expanded troubled families programme \(pdf, 0.6 MB\) \(opens new window\)](#)

## **Organisations involved in information sharing agreements**

- Avon Ambulance Services NHS Trust
- Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership Trust
- Bath & North East Somerset PCT
- Bristol North PCT
- Bristol South & West PCT
- Cheltenham & Tewkesbury Primary Care Trust
- Gloucestershire Ambulance Trust
- Gloucestershire Hospitals Trust
- North Somerset PCT
- NHS Direct
- North Bristol NHS Trust

- Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Disease
- Royal United Hospital (Bath)
- Salisbury District Hospital
- South Gloucestershire PCT
- South West Congenital Abnormality Register
- Swindon & Marlborough NHS Trust
- Somerset Health Authority (on behalf of the Somerset Health Community)
- United Bristol Healthcare Trust
- West Gloucestershire PCT
- Weston Area Healthcare Trust
- Bristol City Council
- Bristol City Council (Social Services)
- Bath & North East Somerset Council
- Bath & North East Somerset Council (Social Services & Housing, Education)
- Connexions - West of England
- Connexions - Gloucestershire
- Dorothy House Hospice Care.
- Gloucestershire County Council - (Social Services & Education Departments)
- Mendip District Council
- North Somerset Council
- Sedgemoor District Council
- Somerset County Council
- Somerset County Council (Social Services)
- South Gloucestershire Council
- South Gloucestershire Council (Social Services, Education & Housing Departments)
- South Somerset District Council

- Swindon Borough Council (Social Services Dept)
- Taunton Deane Borough Council
- West Somerset District Council
- Wiltshire County Council - Adult & Community Services Department
- Avon & Somerset Constabulary
- Crown Prosecution Service
- HM Prison Bristol
- National Probation Service for England & Wales (Avon & Somerset region)
- Regional Crime Reduction
- Bristol Churches Association
- Guinness Trust
- Hastoe Housing Association Ltd
- Jephson Housing Association Group
- King's Barton Housing Association
- Knightstone Housing Association
- Magna West Somerset Housing Association
- Mendip Housing
- Orbit Housing Association, Bristol
- Sanctuary Housing
- Second Step Housing Association
- Signpost Housing Association
- Solon Housing Association
- Somer Housing Association, B&NES
- South Somerset Homes
- Southwest Housing Co-operative
- Sovereign Housing
- Redland Housing Association
- United Housing Association

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