

# Information available from ...... Parish/Community Council under the model publication scheme

This guidance/template gives examples of the kinds of information that we would expect Parish/Community Councils to provide in order to meet their commitments under the model publication scheme.

We would expect Parish/Community Councils to make the information in this definition document available unless:

- it does not hold the information;
- the information is exempt under one of the FOIA exemptions or Environmental Information Regulations exceptions, or its release is prohibited by another statute;
- the information is readily and publicly available from an external website; such information may have been provided by the public authority or on its behalf. The authority must provide a direct link to that information;
- the information is archived, out of date or otherwise inaccessible; or,
- it would be impractical or resource-intensive to prepare the material for routine release.

The guidance is not meant to give an exhaustive list of everything that should be covered by a publication scheme. The legal commitment is to the model publication scheme, and public authorities should look to provide as much information as possible on a routine basis.

### **Publishing datasets for re-use**

Public authorities must publish under their publication scheme any dataset they hold that has been requested, together with any updated versions, unless they are satisfied that it is not appropriate to do so. So far as reasonably practicable, they must publish it in an electronic form that is capable of re-use.

If the dataset or any part of it is a relevant copyright work and the public authority is the only owner, the public authority must make it available for re-use under the terms of a specified licence. Datasets in which the Crown owns the copyright or the database rights are not relevant copyright works.

The Datasets Code of Practice recommends that public authorities make datasets available for re-use under the <a href="Open Government Licence">Open Government Licence</a>.

The term 'dataset' is defined in section 11(5) of FOIA. The terms 'relevant copyright work' and 'specified licence' are defined in section 19(8) of FOIA. The ICO has published <u>guidance</u> on the dataset provisions in FOIA. This explains what is meant by "not appropriate" and "capable of re-use".

## Scotter Parish Council – A guide to information available under the Model Publication Scheme DRAFT

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Cost
Class1 - Who we are and what we do		
(Organisational information, structures, locations and contacts) This will be current information only.		
Who's who on the Council and its Committees	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Contact details for Parish Clerk and Council members (named contacts	Website/Email	Free
where possible with telephone number and email address (if used))	Hard Copy	20p
Location of main Council office and accessibility details	Website/Email	Free
,	Hard Copy	20p
Staffing structure	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it		
(Financial information relating to projected and actual income and	Website/Email	Free
expenditure, procurement, contracts and financial audit)	Hard Copy	20p
Current and previous financial year as a minimum		
Annual return form and report by auditor	Website/Email	Free
,	Hard Copy	20p
Finalised budget	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Precept	Website/Email	Free

	Hard Copy	20p
Borrowing Approval letter	N/A	N/A
Financial Standing Orders and Regulations	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Grants given and received	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
List of current contracts awarded and value of contract	Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Members' allowances and expenses	Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing (Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews) Current and previous year as a minimum		
Neighbourhood Plan	Via a link on our website to West Lindsey District Councils Website Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Annual Report to Parish or Community Meeting Agenda and Minutes	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Quality status	N/A	
Local charters drawn up in accordance with DCLG guidelines	N/A	

Class 4 – How we make decisions (Decision making processes and records of decisions)		
Current and previous council year as a minimum where applicable		
Timetable of meetings (Council and any committee/sub-committee	Website/Email	Free
meetings and parish meetings)	Hard Copy	20p
Agendas of meetings (as above)	Website/Email Hard Copy	Free 20p
Minutes of meetings (as above) – n.b. this will exclude information that is properly regarded as private to the meeting.	Website/Email Hard Copy	Free 20p
Reports presented to council meetings – n.b. this will exclude information that is properly regarded as private to the meeting.	Email Hard Copy	Free 20p
Responses to consultation papers	Email Hard Copy	Free 20p
Responses to planning applications	Online via West Lindsey District Council planning website/Email Hard Copy	Free 20p
Bye-laws	N/A	N/A
Class 5 – Our policies and procedures (Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering our services and responsibilities) Current information only		
Policies and procedures for the conduct of council business: Procedural standing orders		

Committee and sub-committee terms of reference Delegated authority in respect of officers Code of Conduct Policy statements	Email Hard Copy	Free 20p
Policies and procedures for the provision of services and about the employment of staff:  Internal instructions to staff and policies relating to the delivery of services	Email	Free
Equality and diversity policy Complaints procedures (including those covering requests for information and operating the publication scheme)	Hard Copy	20p
Health and safety policy Recruitment policies (including current vacancies) Policies and procedures for handling requests for information	Deadline date to be completed End of September 2022	
Information security policy	Deadline date to be completed End June 2022	
Records management policies (records retention, destruction and archive)	Deadline date to be completed End June 2022	
Data protection policies	Deadline date to be completed End June 2022	

Schedule of charges (for the publication of information)	Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
	Attached below	·
Class 6 – Lists and Registers Currently maintained lists and registers only		
Any publicly available register or list (if any are held this should be publicised; in most circumstances existing access provisions will suffice)	Website	
Assets register	Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Disclosure log (indicating the information that has been provided in response to requests; recommended as good practice, but may not be held by parish councils)	N/A	N/A
Register of members' interests	Via a link on our website to West Lindsey District Councils Website	
	Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Register of gifts and hospitality	Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Class 7 – The services we offer (Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance and newsletters produced for the public and businesses)	some information may only be available by inspection	
Current information only		

Allotments	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Burial grounds	Website/Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Community centres and village halls	N/A	N/A
Parks	Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Seating, litter bins, clocks, memorials and lighting	 Email	Free
	Hard Copy	20p
Bus shelters	N/A	N/A
Markets	N/A	N/A
Public conveniences	N/A	N/A
Agency agreements	N/A	N/A
Services for which the council is entitled to recover a fee, together with	Email	Free
those fees (e.g. burial fees)	Hard Copy	20p
Additional Information		
This will provide Councils with the opportunity to publish information that is not itemised in the lists above		

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#### SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

This describes how the charges have been arrived at and should be published as part of the guide.

TYPE OF CHARGE	DESCRIPTION	<b>BASIS OF CHARGE</b>
Disbursement cost	Photocopying @ 20p per sheet (black & white)	Actual cost
	Photocopying @ 30p per sheet (colour)	Actual cost
	Postage	Actual cost of Royal Mail standard 2 <sup>nd</sup> class
Statutory Fee		In accordance with the relevant legislation (quote the actual statute)
Other	Officer Time	£20 per hour