Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

England Tree Strategy Consultation

Data Protection Notice

Why is your data being collected and processed and what is the legal basis for the processing

Processing of this your response to the English Tree Strategy Consultation is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest, in this case to inform the policy proposals which will be presented in the English Tree Strategy.

Who will your data be shared with

Your personal data will be used by the Forestry Policy and Social Research teams within Defra for analysis as a response to the Tree Strategy Consultation. Your personal data will not be shared further unless you have provided us with your permission to do so.

A summary of responses to this consultation will be published on the government website at: www.gov.uk/defra. An annex to the consultation summary will list all organisations that responded but will not include personal names, addresses or other contact details.

Defra may publish the content of your response to this consultation to make it available to the public without your personal name and private contact details (for example, home address, email address, etc.).

Information in response to this consultation may be subject to release to the public or other parties in accordance with the access to information law (these are primarily the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs), the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA)). We have obligations, mainly under the EIRs, FOIA and DPA, to disclose information to particular recipients or to the public in certain circumstances. In view of this it would be helpful if you could explain to us why you regard the information you have provided as confidential. If we receive a request for disclosure of the information we will take full account of your explanation, but we cannot give an assurance that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances. An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, of itself, be regarded as binding on the Department.

The right to withdraw consent at any time, where relevant

You have the right to withdraw consent at any time. To do this please contact: Tree.Strategy.Consultation@defra.gov.uk, or by post:

Tree Strategy Consultation, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Horizon House, Bristol, BS1 5AH

How long will your data be held for

Your personal data will be kept by us for up to six months after the England Tree Strategy: Consultation closes on 11th September 2020, after which your response will be anonymised and any personal details removed.

What will happen if you don't provide the data

Responding to the English Tree Strategy Consultation is not a part of a statutory or contractual requirement or obligation.

Will your data be used for automated decision-making or profiling?

The information you provide is not connected with individual decision making (making a decision solely by automated means without any human involvement) or profiling (automated processing of personal data to evaluate certain things about an individual).

Details of transfers to third country and safeguards

The data you provide will not be transferred outside the European Economic Area.

What are my rights?

A list of your rights under the General Data Protection Regulation, the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA 2018), is accessible at: https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/individual-rights/

Data controller

The data controller is Defra. You can contact the Defra Data Protection Manager at:

Defra Group Data Protection Officer

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Nobel House

Area 1E

17 Smith Square

London, SW1P 3JR.

Or email: <u>Data.Protection@defra.gov.uk</u>

Personal Information Charter

Details of our Personal Information Charter can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs/about/personal-information-charter.

How to lodge a complaint

You have the right to lodge a complaint with the ICO (supervisory authority) at any time. Should you wish to exercise that right full details are available at: https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/individual-rights/

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