PRIVACY POLICY

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Policy Statement

1. Everyone has rights with regard to the way in which their personal data is handled. During the course of our activities we will collect, store and process personal data about our customers, suppliers and other third parties, and we recognise that the correct and lawful treatment of this data will maintain confidence in our organisation and will provide for successful business operations.

2. Data users are obliged to comply with this policy when processing personal data on our behalf. Any breach of this policy may result in disciplinary action.

3. This policy has been drafted in line with the General Data Protection Regulations.

About this Policy

4. The types of personal data that Newport County AFC may be required to handle include information about current, past and prospective employees, suppliers, customers, and others that we communicate with. The personal data, which may be held on paper or on a computer or other media, is subject to certain legal safeguards specified in the General Data Protection Regulations ("the GDPR") and other acts in force and rules issued and enforced by the Information Commissioner's Office ("the ICO") and other relevant legislation.

5. This policy and any other documents referred to in it sets out the basis on which we will process any personal data we collect from data subjects, or that is provided to us by data subjects or other sources.

6. This policy does not form part of any employee's contract of employment and may be amended at any time.

7. This policy sets out rules on data protection and the legal conditions that must be satisfied when we obtain, handle, process, transfer and store personal data.

Responsibilities

8. Everyone who works for or processes personal data on behalf of Newport County AFC needs to be aware of its responsibilities under this policy. However, the Data Protection Officer, Stacey Lancaster, oversees data protection day to day.

9. The Chief Operating Officer, Jonathan Whitmer, is responsible for:

- Reviewing all data protection policies and procedures
- Arranging data protection training and advice for all those who are subject to this policy
- Answering questions on data protection from staff, board members and other contacts
- Handling any data protection questions and queries
- Dealing with requests from individuals to see the data we hold about them (subject access requests)
- Ensuring all our processing operations are sufficiently secure and compliant with all legislation
- Ensuring accuracy and integrity of data

10. Staff are responsible for ensuring that they handle data as set out in this policy and the Data Security Policy, reading guidance notes distributed to them and ensuring they understand the requirements therein and that they have followed the training provided to their actions.

Definition of Data Protection Terms

11. **Data** is information which is stored electronically, on a computer, or in certain paper-based filing systems.

12. **Data subjects** for the purpose of this policy include all living individuals about whom we hold personal data. A data subject need not be a UK national or resident. All data subjects have legal rights in relation to their personal information.

13. **Personal data** means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ("data subject"); an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.

14. **Data controllers** are the people who or organisations which determine the purposes for which, and the manner in which, any personal data is processed. They have a responsibility to establish practices and policies in line with the GDPR. We are the data controller of all personal data used in our business for our own commercial purposes.

15. **Data users** are those of our employees whose work involves processing personal data. Data users must protect the data they handle in accordance with this data protection policy and any applicable data security procedures at all times.

16. **Data processors** include any person or organisation that is not a data user that processes personal data on our behalf and on our instructions. Employees of data controllers are excluded from this definition, but it could include suppliers which handle personal data on Newport County AFC's behalf.

17. **Processing** is any activity that involves use of the data. It includes obtaining, recording or holding the data, or carrying out any operation or set of operations on the data including organising, amending, retrieving, using, disclosing, erasing or destroying it. Processing also includes transferring personal data to third parties.

18. **Special Categories of Personal Data** includes information about a person's racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or similar beliefs, trade union membership, physical or mental health or condition or sexual life, or genetic or biometric data. Personal data relating to criminal offences and convictions is also included in this category as it is treated in a similar way to special categories of personal data. Any use of special categories of personal data should be strictly controlled in accordance with this policy.

Data Protection Principles (GDPR)

Article 5 of the GDPR requires that personal data shall be:

a. processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to individuals;

b. collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes and not further processed in a manner that is incompatible with those purposes; further processing for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes shall not be considered to be incompatible with the initial purposes;

c. adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which they are processed;

d. accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date; every reasonable step must be taken to ensure that personal data that is inaccurate, having regard to the purposes for which they are processed, are erased or rectified without delay;

e. kept in a form which permits identification of data subjects for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the personal data is processed; personal data may be stored for longer periods insofar as the personal data will be processed solely for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes subject to implementation of the appropriate technical and organisational measures required by the GDPR in order to safeguard the rights and freedoms of individuals; and

f. processed in a manner that ensures appropriate security of the personal data, including protection against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction or damage, using appropriate technical or organisational measures.

Fair, Lawful and Transparent Processing

1. The GDPR is not intended to prevent the processing of personal data, but to ensure that it is done fairly and without adversely affecting the rights of the data subject.

2. For personal data to be processed lawfully, they must be processed on the basis of one of the legal grounds set out in the GDPR. When special categories of personal data are being processed, additional conditions must be met. When processing personal data as data controllers in the course of our business, we will ensure that those requirements are met. The data controller is subject, or to the legitimate interests of the data controller or the party to whom the data is disclosed. When special categories of personal data are being processed, additional conditions must be met. When processing personal data as data controllers in the course of our business, we will ensure that those requirements are met.

3. To ensure fair and transparent processing of personal data we, as the data controller, shall provide the data subject with the following information:

- The purpose of the data that the data will be stored.
- The legitimate interests, where relevant, objectives.
- The right to data portability.
- The right to withdraw consent at any time.
- The right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority.
- The consequences of the data subject's failure to provide data.
- The existence of automated decision-making and the anticipated consequences for the data subject.

Processing for Limited Purposes

4. In the course of our business, we collect and process the personal data set out in Appendix 1. This data will include data we receive directly from a data subject, for example, by completing forms or by corresponding with us by mail, phone, email or otherwise and data we receive from other sources (including, for example, business partners, sub-contractors in technical, payment and delivery services, credit reference agencies and others).

5. We will only process personal data for the specific purposes set out in Appendix 1 or for any other purposes specifically permitted by the GDPR. We will notify those purposes to the data subject when we first collect the data or as soon as possible thereafter.

Notifying Data Subjects

6. If we collect personal data directly from data subjects, we will inform them about:

- The purpose or purposes for which we intend to process that personal data.
- The types of third parties, if any, with which we will share or to which we will disclose that personal data.
- The means, if any, with which data subjects can limit our use and disclosure of their personal data.

7. Where personal data has not been obtained directly from the data subject, we shall advise the data subject of the following:

- The identity and contact details of the controller and her representative.
- The contact details of the Data Protection Officer.
- The purposes, as well as the legal basis of the processing.
- The categories of personal data concerned.
- The recipients or categories of recipients, if applicable.
- The fact that the controller intends to transfer personal data to a third country and the existence of adequacy conditions.

8. We will also inform data subjects whose personal data we process that we are the data controller with regard to that data, and who the Data Protection Officer is.

Collection for Specified, Explicit and Legitimate Purposes

Any personal data collected will be collected for a specified, explicit and legitimate purpose and will not be processed in a manner that is incompatible with those purposes.

Adequate, Relevant and Non-Excessive Processing

We will only collect personal data to the extent that it is required for the specific purpose notified to the data subject.

Accurate Data

We will ensure that personal data we hold is accurate and kept up to date. We will take every reasonable step to ensure that personal data that is inaccurate, having regard to the purposes for which they are processed, are erased or rectified without delay.

Storage Limitation

1. We shall keep personal data in a form which permits identification of data subjects for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the personal data is processed.

2. Personal data may be stored for longer periods insofar as the personal data will be processed solely for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes subject to implementation of the appropriate technical and organisational measures.

Data Security

We will take appropriate security measures against unlawful or unauthorised processing of personal data and against the accidental loss of, or damage to, personal data.

1. We will put in place procedures and technologies to maintain the security of all personal data from the point of collection to the point of destruction. Personal data will only be transferred to a data processor if he agrees to comply with those procedures and policies, or if he puts in place adequate measures himself.

2. We will maintain data security by protecting the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the personal data, defined as follows:

- **Confidentiality** means that only people who are authorised to use the data can access it.
- **Integrity** means that personal data should be accurate and suitable for the purpose for which it is processed.
- **Availability** means that authorised users should be able to access the data if they need it for authorised purposes.

3. Security procedures include:

- **Entry controls.** Any stranger seen in entry-controlled areas should be reported.
- **Secure lockable desks and cupboards.** Desks and cupboards should be kept locked if they hold confidential information of any kind. (Personal information is always considered confidential.)
- **Methods of disposal.** Paper documents should be shredded. Digital storage devices should be physically destroyed when they are no longer required.
- **Equipment.** Data users must ensure that individual monitors do not show confidential information to passers-by and that they log off from their PC when it is left unattended.

Transferring Personal Data to a Country Outside the EEA

1. Some companies we engage with to improve the services we provide will be based outside of the European Economic Area (EEA). This could also be the case, for the transfer of personal data, outside the EEA will be prohibited unless one or more of the following conditions applies:

- The country to which the personal data are transferred ensures an adequate level of protection for the data subjects' rights and freedoms.
- The data subject has given consent.
- The transfer is necessary for one of the reasons set out in the GDPR, including the performance of a contract between us and the data subject, or to protect the vital interests of the data subject.
- The transfer is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims.
- The transfer is necessary in order to protect the vital interests of data subjects.

2. In the event of clause 1.2, being activated, personal data we hold will also be processed by staff operating outside the EEA who work for us or for one of our suppliers. That staff may be engaged in, among other things, the

fulfilment of contracts with the data subject, the processing of payment details and the provision of support services.

Disclosure and Sharing of Personal Information

1. We share personal data we hold with any member of our group, which means our subsidiaries, our ultimate holding company and its subsidiaries, as defined in section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006.

2. We may share personal data we hold to third parties:

- In the event that we sell or buy any business or assets, in which case we may disclose personal data we hold to the prospective seller or buyer of such business or assets.
- If we or substantially all of our assets are acquired by a third party, in which case personal data we hold will be one of the transferred assets.

3. If we are under a duty to disclose or share a data subject's personal data in order to comply with any legal obligation, or in order to enforce or apply our terms of use or terms and conditions and other agreements; or to protect the rights, property or safety of our employees, customers, or others. This includes exchanging information with other companies and organisations for the purposes of fraud protection and credit risk reduction.

Dealing with Subject Access Requests

1. Data subjects must make a formal request for information we hold about them. This must be made marking FAO/Jonathan Whitmer and confirm request should be issued to the Data Protection Officer immediately.

2. When receiving telephone enquiries, we will not disclose personal data we hold about data subjects. We will ensure the following procedures are followed:

- The data subject will be required to complete the relevant Subject Access Request form, and;
- Provided identity checks (e.g. passport, driving licence etc).

3. Our employees will refer a request to the Data Protection Officer for assistance in difficult situations. Employees should not be bullied into disclosing personal information.

Changes to this Policy

We reserve the right to change this policy at any time. Where appropriate, we will notify data subjects of those changes by mail or email.

APPENDIX 1 DATA PROCESSING ACTIVITIES

Type of data	Type of data subject	Purpose of which data is held and processed	Retention period
General personal data	Employees/ Customers	Communicating with Employees and rights to work checks.	6 years.
		Communicating with customers.	2 years.
Information relating to health	Employee	Recruitment, administering and managing employees, including assessing and monitoring an employee's ability to work and health. This includes obtaining, holding, using and disclosing information about an employee's health and occupational health reports and certificates, and taking decisions about fitness for work, management, making decisions about capacity for work and conducting employment, processing insurance benefits.	6 years as it is the case that, if a claim, as long as they are registered with the Club.
Information relating to health and ethnic origin	Employee / Ethnic Monitoring	Ethnic monitoring, ensuring equal opportunity monitoring and reporting. Information about ethnic origin may also be captured on photographs and CCTV which is operated for security reasons.	Used destroyed and ensuring maintained.
Information relating to criminal convictions and alleged offences	Employee	Recruitment and managing employment in the role, including assessing and monitoring suitability, making decisions on continuing employment, DBS checks.	3 years.
Other sensitive personal data	Employee / Volunteer / applicant	Original purpose for obtaining data e.g. CVs.	6 months unless employed by the Club.
Financial information	Employee	For salary payment purposes.	6 employed by the Club, for audit purposes and until update.
CCTV Imaging	Employees/ Customers/ Visitors	For security and health and safety reasons.	30 days unless footage required.
Credit Card Information	Customers.	For hospitality bookings	Immediate deletion
Contact Information	Customers.	Marketing purposes - opt in option (double) like option.	3 years

APPENDIX 2 CONDITIONS FOR PROCESSING PERSONAL DATA

Article 6 of the General Data Protection Regulations

Article 6 of the GDPR requires personal data to be processed fairly and lawfully, and to be processed where one of the conditions listed in the

NO. (a) Consent of the data subject

NO. (b) Processing is necessary for the performance of a contract with the data subject or to take steps to enter into a contract.

NO. (c) Processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation.

NO. (d) Processing is necessary to protect the vital interests of a data subject or another person.

NO. (e) Processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller.

NO. (f) Necessary for the purposes of legitimate interests pursued by the controller or a third party, except where such interests are overridden by the interests, rights or freedoms of the data subject.

In practice this means that organisations must:

1. Have legitimate grounds for collecting and using personal data.
2. Not use the data in ways that have unjustified adverse effects on the individuals concerned.
3. Be transparent about how it is intended to use the data by providing appropriate privacy notices when collecting personal data.
4. Handle personal data only in ways they would reasonably expect.
5. Make sure not to unlawfully do anything with the data.

APPENDIX 3 CONDITIONS FOR PROCESSING SPECIAL CATEGORIES OF PERSONAL DATA

Article 9 of the General Data Protection Regulations

Article 9 of the GDPR sets out the legal bases available for processing special categories of personal data.

NO. (a) The data subject has given explicit consent to the processing of those personal data for one or more specified purposes, except where Union or Member State law provide that the prohibition referred to in paragraph 1 may not be lifted by the data subject.

NO. (b) Processing is necessary for carrying out obligations under employment, social security or social protection law, or a collective agreement.

NO. (c) Processing is necessary to protect the vital interests of a data subject or another individual where the data subject is physically or legally incapable of giving consent.

NO. (d) Processing carried out by a not-for-profit body with a political, philosophical, religious or trade union aim provided the processing relates only to members or former members (or those who have regular contact with it in connection with those purposes) and provided there is no disclosure to a third party without consent.

NO. (e) Processing relates to personal data manifestly made public by the data subject.

NO. (f) Processing is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims or where courts are acting in their judicial capacity.

NO. (g) Processing is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest on the basis of Union or Member State law which is proportionate to the aim pursued and which contains appropriate safeguards.

NO. (h) Processing is necessary for the purposes of preventative or occupational medicine, for the assessing the working capacity of the employee, medical diagnosis, the provision of health or social care or treatment or the management of health or social care systems and services on the basis of Union or Member State law or a contract with a health professional.

NO. (i) Processing is necessary for reasons of public interest in the area of public health, such as protecting against serious cross-border threats to healthor ensuring high standards of healthcare and of medicinal products or medical devices.

NO. (j) Processing is necessary for archiving purposes in the public interest, or scientific and historical research purposes or statistical purposes in accordance with Article 89(1).

APPENDIX 4 RIGHTS OF DATA SUBJECTS

Articles 12 – 22 of the General Data Protection Regulations give rights to individuals in respect of the personal data that organisations hold about them. These include:

- The right to be informed.
- The right to access.
- The right to rectification.
- The right to erasure.
- The right to restrict processing.
- The right to data portability.
- The right to object.

- Rights in relation to automated decision making and profiling

The right of subject access is a wide-ranging and unless a relevant exemption applies an individual is entitled to see their personal data contained in all locations, including:

- Appraisal records
- Minutes of meetings
- Emails stored on any systems in the workplace
- References received from third parties
- Disciplinary records
- Sickness records
- Performance review notes
- Interview notes

Individuals are only entitled to see their own personal data and are not entitled to receive any information which relates to anyone else.

All requests will be monitored and fulfilled by the Data Protection Officer and processed within 48 hours.

For those who use the unsubscribe option on an email received from the Club, the request will be processed within 48 hours.

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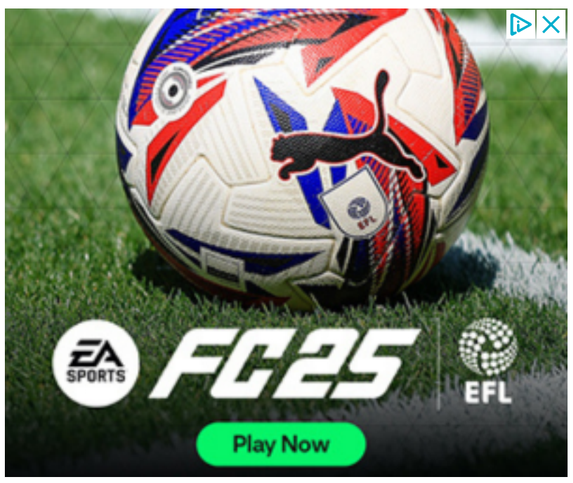

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