



PRIVACY NOTICE

Lancashire Safer Communities Programme.

Blackburn with Darwen Council (BWDBC) and Lancashire Fire and Rescue Services (LFRS).

What is the Lancashire Safer Communities Programme in Blackburn with Darwen

The Fire and Rescue Services Act (section 6) requires Fire and Rescue Services to promote fire safety in its area and particularly to provide information, encouragement and advice relating to the prevention of fires, death or injury by fire and escape from buildings and other property in case of fire. In 2006 the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister supported Fire Services to deliver home fire safety visits.

Research at a national level and individual Fire and Rescue Services has identified the risk factors that are likely to increase a person's probability of having a fire in their home.

Why does the Lancashire Safer Communities Programme need to share your personal data?

A process has been agreed between BWDBC and LFRS which facilitates the sharing of BWDBC Service User data with LFRS in order to reduce risks to vulnerable people and Fire and Rescue Officers in the event of a fire.

BWDBC and LFRS are committed to ensuring that the information we use is 'Fit for Purpose', and does not constitute any invasion of your privacy.

Lead professionals will use the information you provide where appropriate, for the purpose of offering you the support required to keep you safe from risk of fire. If the information were not to be made available to the LFRS, there is a risk that you may not receive the necessary advice and support on how to reduce risks within your home.

What data will we share?

We will only share the necessary amount of personal data needed to keep you safe :

- Name
- Address
- Telephone Number
- NHS Number
- Age
- Whether you live alone
- If you smoke
- If your house has a smoke alarm
- If you have a hearing or visual impairment
- If you have any scheduled service provision reviews in the near future

How the programme will use your Information

The Lancashire Safer Communities Programme use the information you provide in a manner that is compliant with the Data Protection Act. Lead professionals will try to keep your information accurate and up to date and not keep it for longer than is necessary, but you will need to inform us of any changes to your personal details. In some instances the law sets the length of time information has to be kept, but in other cases they will ensure that they do not keep records any longer than needed to provide a service to you.

Our aim is not to be intrusive, and lead professionals will not ask irrelevant or unnecessary questions. Any information you provide will be subject to security systems and procedures which minimise the risk of unauthorised access or disclosure.

Partnership working

The Lancashire Safer Communities Programme is serious about delivering appropriate and effective services – it is important to us that we co-ordinate what we do for you properly.

We will not use your information for third party marketing purposes, or pass it on to third parties, other than those who either process information on our behalf or because of a legal requirement.

If you need any further information, or you wish to object to any processing of your personal data, as is your right under the General Data Protection Regulation 2016, please contact the Access to Information Team on 01254 585852.