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Privacy Notice – Link Maker / Scotland’s Adoption Register

The Data Controller of the information being collected is Aberdeenshire Council.

The Data Protection Officer can be contacted at Town House, 34 Low Street, Banff, AB45 1AY.

Email: dataprotection@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Your information is being collected to use for the following purposes:

- To enable the timeous matching of children requiring adoption with prospective adoptive families seeking to adopt a child across Scotland and out with local authority boundaries.

Your information is: Being collected by Aberdeenshire Council

The Legal Basis for collecting the information is:

Personal Data		Special categories of personal data	
6(1)(c) – Processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation		9(2)(h) – Processing is necessary for the purposes of preventative or occupational medicine, for assessing the working capacity of the employee, medical diagnosis, the provision of health or social care or treatment or management of health or social care systems and services on the basis of domestic law or a contract with a health professional	
Processing for the purpose of ensuring equality of opportunity and treatment.			
6(1)(e) – Processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the			
Processing for the provision of Social Care Services.			



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Where the Legal Basis for processing is either Performance of a Contract or Legal Obligation, please note the following consequences of failure to provide the information:

Aberdeenshire Council will be unable to provide a service where a child will be matched with prospective adoptive families.

Your information will be shared with the following recipients or categories of recipient:

Link Maker which is a platform used to facilitate the matching between children and adoptive families on behalf of The Scotland's Adoption Register.

In the case of a child being referred, the local authority with responsibility for the child will complete a profile of the child and their needs which will be viewable on the platform. The Scotland's Adoption Register Regulations 2016 require local authorities to provide information in relation to a child who is being referred to the Register.

Your information will be transferred to or stored in the following countries and the following safeguards are in place:

N/A

The retention period for the data is:

Once user requests their information to be deleted Link Maker removes this after 14 days. Social worker or adoptive family will ask for Link Maker to remove information entered on a child.

The following automated decision-making, including profiling, will be undertaken:

If a child has not been matched with a prospective adoptive family within three months of an adoption plan being made for them then they will be referred to Scotland's Adoption Register.

Please note that you have the following rights:

- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (after raising the issue with the Data Protection Officer first);
- to request access to your personal data;



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- to object, where the legal basis specified above is:
 - (i) Performance of a Public Task; or
 - (ii) Legitimate Interests.
- to data portability, where the legal basis specified above is:
 - (i) Consent; or
 - (ii) Performance of a Contract;
- to request rectification or erasure of your personal data, as so far as the legislation permits.