

# Privacy Statement

The Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT), is dedicated to the privacy and protection of your personal information. This Privacy Statement details our approach to responsibly managing, using, and safeguarding your data in line with data protection regulations, including the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

## Why We Collect Your Data

We collect personal information to facilitate your successful integration into the community and to enhance our service offerings based on individual needs. The types of data we collect include:

- Personal identifiers like your name, age, and contact details.
- Data relevant to your integration into the community, reflecting your needs and circumstances.
- Special category data, including health-related information, when 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 safeguarding measures.

## How We Use Your Data

Your personal data is utilised to:

- Direct you to appropriate community integration services.
- Enhance service delivery through improved internal record-keeping.

## Data Storage and Security

We store your personal information securely, whether in electronic or paper format. Strict security measures are in place to prevent unauthorised access, use, or disclosure of your data.

## Your Rights

Under GDPR, you are afforded certain rights, including:

- The right to withdraw consent at any time for data processing.
- The right to access personal data held about you.

## Sharing and Use of Information

There are instances where we are legally required to share your information with third parties, such as Tusla (Child Services) and An Garda Síochána (Police), for the protection of welfare and safety, in compliance with legal obligations. Research use of your information will be strictly anonymised to ensure individual privacy.

This Privacy Statement, available on our website, demonstrates our commitment to your privacy and outlines the basis on which we process personal and sensitive data in compliance with GDPR and other relevant data protection laws.