

Privacy Statement



Sheffield Vineyard is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (No. 1197569). Sheffield Vineyard is affiliated to Vineyard Churches UK and Ireland.

This privacy statement covers how we will process (use and store) your data, what data we hold, your individual rights and how you can interact with us about your data. It also covers our use of personal data, which is any information about a living individual which allows them to be identified from that data (for example, a name, photographs, videos, email address, or address). Identification can be based on the information alone or in conjunction with other information.

Our processing of personal data is governed by the Data Protection Bill/Act 2017-2019 and the General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 (the “GDPR” and other legislation relating to personal data and rights such as the Human Rights Act 1998).

Sheffield Vineyard, the ‘Data Controller’ of your data, has appointed responsible people to oversee and process the personal data we hold. These post-holders have been trained in GDPR requirements. For clarity, the term Data Controller covers all employed staff members, office holders and trustees for the Sheffield Vineyard.

HOW IS YOUR DATA USED AND PROCESSED?

Sheffield Vineyard processes data containing:

- Names, titles, and aliases, photographs,
- Contact information, including telephone numbers, postal /residential addresses, and email addresses,
- Where there is a legitimate interest to facilitate our charitable aims and activities, or where you have provided them to us, we may process demographic information such as gender, age, date of birth, marital status, nationality, education/work histories, academic/professional qualifications, hobbies, family composition, and dependants.
- Where you give financially in support of Sheffield Vineyard or pay for church activities (event bookings, etc.), financial identifiers such as bank account numbers, payment card numbers, payment/transaction identifiers, policy numbers, and claim numbers,
- As a church (religious organisation), the data we process is likely to constitute sensitive personal data, as the very fact that we process your data may be indicative of your religious beliefs. When you provide this information, we may also process other categories of sensitive personal data, including: racial or ethnic origin; sex life; mental and physical health; details of injuries; medication/treatment received; political beliefs; data concerning sexual orientation; and criminal records, fines, and other similar judicial records.

As a Data Controller, all our appointed persons will comply with their legal obligations to keep personal data up to date; to store and destroy it securely; to not collect or retain excessive amounts of data; to keep personal data secure, and to protect personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and to ensure that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data. If you have any concerns about how your data is used, please contact our Data Protection Lead.



WHAT ARE WE DOING WITH YOUR DATA?

We only hold data that we are legally obliged to, that helps us fulfil our vision and charitable aims as a church, and that enables good communication with those who consider themselves part of the church.

Therefore, we will hold and process data to:

- Enable us to meet all legal and statutory obligations,
- Comply with and facilitate our comprehensive safeguarding procedures (including due diligence and complaints handling) in accordance with best safeguarding practice from time to time, with the aim of ensuring that all children and adults-at-risk are provided with safe environments,
- Help you grow as a disciple and minister to you and provide you with pastoral and spiritual care,
- Deliver our Church's mission to our community, and to carry out any other voluntary or charitable activities for the benefit of the public as provided for in the constitution and statutory framework of our charitable organisation.
- Administer our membership records of adult and child members,
- Enable us to follow up on membership, course and event enquiries,
- Fundraise and promote the interests of the Church and charity,
- Maintain our accounts and records,
- Process and record financial donations that you have made (including Gift Aid information),
- Communicate with you about your views or comments,
- Update you about changes to our services, events, role holders and any matters of interest related to your church community,
- Send you communications which you have requested, and that may be of interest to you. These may include information about campaigns, appeals, and other fundraising activities,
- Process a grant or application for a role,
- Enable us to provide a voluntary service for the benefit of the public in a particular geographical area as specified in our constitution.

WHAT IS OUR LEGAL BASIS FOR PROCESSING YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

Most of our data is processed because it is necessary to support our legitimate interests and enable our charitable and missional aims. For example, maintaining membership records, safeguarding our children, recording financial donations, and operating team rotas to ensure the effective operation of Sunday services. Some of our processing is necessary to comply with legal obligations. Retaining safeguarding records and gift aid declarations are examples of this. We may also process data if it is necessary to perform a contract with you or to provide a direct service to you. For example, if you buy tickets for a church event. As a religious organisation, we are permitted to process information about your religious beliefs to administer membership or contact details. Where your information is used other than in accordance with one of these legal bases, we will first obtain your consent to that use.



WILL WE SHARE YOUR DATA?

Rest assured, we will treat your personal data as strictly confidential. It will be shared with third parties only when necessary to perform our tasks or when you have given us your prior consent. It is likely that we will need to share your data with some or all of the following (but only where necessary):

- Appropriate bodies within our church. These bodies will be part of our church setup and have their own privacy policies.
- Our agents, servants and contractors. For example, we utilise commercial providers to send out newsletters on our behalf, and to maintain our database software,
- On occasion, we work with other churches to organise joint events or activities.

HOW LONG WILL WE KEEP YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

Our general rule is to retain data only as long as necessary. As long as you continue to actively engage with our church services, activities, and events, we will retain the appropriate membership data for you so we can best support your involvement. We conduct an annual review process to assess who is actively engaged in church membership; if they are not, we remove their data. Additionally:

- We will retain certain records permanently if legally required. For example, this covers safeguarding records,
- We may retain certain records for an extended period. For example, it is currently best practice to keep financial records for a minimum period of 7 years to support HMRC audits.

WHAT ARE YOUR RIGHTS REGARDING YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

You have the following rights regarding your personal data. When exercising any of the rights listed below, we may require you to verify your identity for your security. In such cases, we will need you to respond with proof of your identity before you can exercise these rights.

- **The right to access the information we hold on you.** At any time, you can contact us to request the information we hold about you, including why we have it, who has access to it, and where we obtained it. Once we receive your request, we will respond within 1 month. There are no fees for the first request, but additional requests for the same data may incur an administrative fee.
- **The right to correct and update the information we hold on you.** If the data we hold about you is out of date, incomplete, or incorrect, please let us know, and we will update it. As a church member, you can amend your personal data directly via our members' portal (mychurchsuite).
- **The right to have your information erased.** If you believe we should no longer use your data, or that we are using it illegally, you can request that we delete the data we hold. When we receive your request, we will confirm whether the data has been deleted or the reason why it cannot be deleted (for example, because we need it for our legitimate interests or regulatory purposes).
- **The right to object to the processing of your data.** You have the right to request that we stop processing your data. Upon receiving your request, we will contact you to let you know whether we can comply or have legitimate grounds to continue processing your data. Even after you exercise your right to object, we may continue

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to hold your data to comply with our legal responsibilities or to bring or defend legal claims.

- **The right to data portability.** You have the right to request that we transfer some of your data to another controller. We will comply with your request, where feasible, within one month of receipt.
- **The right to withdraw your consent to the processing at any time for any processing of data to which consent was sought.** You can withdraw your consent easily by telephone, email, or by post (see Contact Details below).
- **The right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office.** You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office: 0303 123 1113, <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/email/>, Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

TRANSFER OF DATA ABROAD

Any electronic personal data transferred to countries or territories outside the EU will be processed only in systems that comply with measures providing equivalent protection of personal rights, either through international agreements or contracts approved by the European Union. Our website is also accessible from overseas, so on occasion, some personal data (for example, in a newsletter) may be accessed from overseas; however, it is our general practice not to publish any personal data on our website.

FURTHER PROCESSING

If we wish to use your personal data for a new purpose not covered by this Notice, we will provide you with a new notice explaining the new use prior to commencing processing and setting out the relevant purposes and processing conditions. Where and whenever necessary, we will seek your prior consent to the new processing.

CONTACTING US

If you would like any further information, or have any queries, problems or complaints relating to Sheffield Vineyard's Data and privacy policy, or our information handling practices in general, please contact us on hello@sheffieldvineyard.org, or write to us at:

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