

DORDON PARISH COUNCIL

Transparency code and publishing policy

Policy context

The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 sets out a new audit framework for smaller local public Authorities including parish councils (i.e. those with an annual turnover not exceeding £25,000). Such Authorities are subject to the new transparency requirements laid out in the Transparency Code.

Policy objectives

Transparency enables local electors and ratepayers to easily access relevant information about the authorities' accounts and governance, providing a clear picture of the activities of the authority in its execution of duties and administration of public funds.

Data protection

Dordon Parish Council will implement local transparency in a way that complies with the Data Protection Act 1998. The Data Protection Act 1998 does not restrict or inhibit information being published naming Councillors, council officers, suppliers or contractors because of the public interest in accountability and transparency in the spending of public money.

Commercial contracts entered into by the Council will require a clause to the effect that the disclosure of data in compliance with this Code is accepted.