

Freedom of Information Publication Scheme and explanatory note

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Preston Primary Academy Trust Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

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What is a Publication Scheme?

The Freedom of Information Act (2000) (FOI) requires all Public Authorities (including Trusts, Academies and Schools) to produce a Publication Scheme. This is a register of the types of information it will make available to the public as part of its normal business activities. Our publication scheme follows a template approved by the Information Commissioner's Office.

Information about what should be included in the scheme may be found by following this link

The scheme commits our Trust and our schools to:

- Proactively or routinely publish information which is held by us falling within the "Classes" below in line with this scheme.
- Specify the information

- Explain how it will be made available
- Review and update information on a regular basis
- Explain any fees to be charged for the information
- Make this scheme publicly available
- Publish information held by the Trust/School that has been requested (unless not appropriate to do so)
- Publish information in a digital form that is capable of being re-used (under FOI Section 19 and the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations (2015))
- Make clear if any information is a relevant copyright work (under FOI Section 19(8)) and the Trust/School is the only owner

Classes of information

There are 7 classes of information we hold:

- Who we are and what we do.
- What we spend and how we spend it.
- What our priorities are and how we are doing.
- How we make decisions.
- Our policies and procedures.
- Lists and registers.
- The services we offer.

The classes of information will not generally include:

- Information the disclosure of which is prevented by law, or exempt under the Freedom of Information Act, or is otherwise properly considered to be protected from disclosure.
- Information in draft form.
- Information that is no longer readily available as it is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage or is difficult to access for similar reasons.

Making information available

We will aim to provide as much information as possible on our Trust and Schools' websites. Where it is impracticable to make information available on the website or when an individual does not wish to access the information by the website, we will indicate how information can be obtained by other means and provide it by those means.

In exceptional circumstances some information may be available only by viewing in person. Where this manner is specified, contact details will be provided. We will arrange an appointment to view the information within a reasonable timescale.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where we are legally required to translate any information, we will do so.

Our obligations under disability and discrimination legislation and any other legislation to provide information in other forms and formats will be adhered to when providing information.

Charges which may be made for information published under this scheme

The purpose of this scheme is to make the greatest amount of information readily available at minimum inconvenience and cost to the public. Charges made by the Trust or its Schools for routinely published material will be justified and transparent and kept to a minimum.

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily Material which is published and accessed on a website will be provided free of charge.

Charges may be made for information subject to a charging regime specified by law.

Charges may be made to cover our costs such as:

- photocopying
- postage and packaging
- the costs directly incurred as a result of viewing information

Charges may also be made for information provided under this scheme where they are legally authorised, they are in all the circumstances, including the general principles of the right of access to information held by public authorities, justified and are in accordance with a published schedule or schedules of fees which is readily available to the public.

Charges may also be made for making datasets (or parts of datasets) that are relevant copyright works available for re-use. These charges will be in accordance with the terms of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations (2015), where they apply, or with regulations made under FOI Section 11B, or with other statutory powers of the school.

If a charge is to be made, confirmation of the payment due will be given before the information is provided. Payment may be requested prior to provision of the information. See Section 3 for our Schedule of Charges.

Written requests and contact

Information held by the Trust and its Schools that is not published under this scheme can be requested in writing, when its provision will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

If you have a request for information, please contact the Trust or the School via its email address (please see below) or our Data Protection Officer dposchools@somerset.gov.uk

Trust and School contact details

| School Name | School Office Telephone Number | School Office email address | School Website |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Preston Primary Academy Trust | 01935 676350 | ppat@ppat365.org | https://www.prestonprimaryacademytrust.co.uk/ |
| Ash CofE Primary School | 01935 822674 | office@ash.ppat365.org | https://www.ashprimaryschool.co.uk/ |
| Countess Gytha Primary School | 01935 850345 | office@countessgytha.ppat365.org | https://www.countessgythaprimary.co.uk/ |
| Evercreech CofE Primary School | 01749 830447 | office@evercreech.ppat365.org | https://evercreechprimary.co.uk |
| Hambridge Primary School | 01460 281370 | office@hambridge.ppat365.org | https://www.hambridge.somerset.sch.uk/ |
| Huish Episcopi Primary School | 01458 250673 | office@HEPS.ppat365.org | https://huishepiscopiprimary.co.uk/ |
| Lovington CofE Primary School | 01963240305 | office@lovington.ppat365.org | https://lovingtonprimary.co.uk |
| Kingfisher Primary School | 01935 472730 | office@kingfisher.ppat365.org | https://www.kingfisherschool.com/ |
| Ilchester Primary School | 01935 840568 | office@ilchester.ppat365.org | https://ilchestercommunityprimary.com |
| Manor Court Primary School | 01460 62350 | office@manorcourt.ppat365.org | https://www.manorcourt.somerset.sch.uk/ |
| Middlezoy Primary School | 01823 698465 | office@othmid.ppat365.org | https://www.middlezoyandotheryschools.co.uk/ |
| North Cadbury CofE Primary School | 01963 440420 | office@northcadbury.ppat365.org | https://www.northcadburyprimaryschool.org.uk/ |
| Othery Village School | 01823 698464 | office@othmid.ppat365.org | https://www.middlezoyandotheryschools.co.uk/ |

| Pen Mill Infants and Nursery | 01935 474224 | office@penmill.ppat365.org | https://www.penmillinfants.co.uk/ |
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| Academy | | | |
| Preston CofE Primary School | 01935 474538 | office@preston.ppat365.org | https://www.prestoncofeprimary.co.uk/ |
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Who we are and what we do

| Information to be published | How the information can be obtained | Cost |
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| Address of the Trust and contact details, including email address. Addresses of trust schools and their contact details, including email addresses | See trust website; school details also available on individual website | Information freely available on trust and school websites |
| CEO's contact details | See trust website | Information freely available on website |
| Headteacher's contact details | See individual school website | Information freely available on school website |
| Who's who in the trust | See trust website | Information freely available on website |
| Who's who in the school | Information freely available on school website | Information freely available on school website |
| Who's who on the Board of Directors and the selection criteria of their appointment | See trust website | Information freely available on website |

| Board of Directors contact details | Contact the Lead Governance Professional hroper@ppat365.org | Information freely available on website |
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| Who's who on the Local Governing Body and the selection criteria of their appointment | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |
| Local Governing Body contact details | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |
| Articles of Association | See trust website | Information freely available on website |
| School prospectus | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |
| School session times and term dates | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |

What we spend and how we spend it

We will make available the financial information for the current and previous financial year

| Information to be published | How the information can be obtained | Cost |
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| Annual budget plan and financial statements | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Annual accounts | See Trust Website | Information freely available on website |
| Capital funding | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Financial audit reports | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Details of expenditure items over £2000 | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Procurement and contracts | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Pay policy | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Staff allowances and expenses that can be incurred or claimed | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Staff pay – details of senior staff salaries in bands of £5000. For all other posts, identify levels of pay by salary range | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Directors' allowances that can be incurred or claimed and a record of total payments made to individual directors. | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Governors' allowances that can be incurred or claimed and a record of total payments made to individual governors. | contact the school office or enquire via the school email address | POA |
| Details of any premiums we receive such as Pupil premium. | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |

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| Trade Union Facility Time Reporting | See trust website | freely available |
| | | on trust website |

What our priorities are and how we are doing

| Information to be published | How the information can be obtained | Cost |
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| Latest Ofsted report | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |
| Exam and assessment results | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |
| Performance tables | See individual school website | Information freely available on website |
| The Trust's future plans, including plans for individual schools; for example, proposals for and any consultation on the future of the Trust such as a change in status | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Schools' profile and performance data supplied to the Government | contact the school office or enquire via the school email address | POA |
| Data Protection impact assessments (in full or summary format) or any other impact assessment (e.g. Health & Safety Impact Assessment, Equality Impact Assessments etc), as appropriate and relevant | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |

How we make decisions

We will make available information for the current year and the previous three years.

| Information to be published | How the information can be obtained | Cost |
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| Admissions policy and decisions (not individual admission decisions) – where applicable | See individual schools' website | See individual school websites |
| Agendas and minutes of meetings of the board of directors and its committees. (NB this will exclude information that is properly regarded as private to the meetings). | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |

Our policies and procedures

| Information to be published | How the information can be obtained | Cost |
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| Policies and other documents | See individual school website or Trust website for policies and documents we are statutorily required to publish. For all other policies contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | Some Information freely available on website; other information POA |
| Safeguarding and child protection, including protecting children's personal data | See Trust and/or individual school website | Information freely available on website |
| Equality and diversity policies | See Individual schools' website | Information freely available on website |
| Policies and procedures relating to recruitment and human resources | See individual school website or Trust website for policies and documents we are statutorily required to publish. For all other policies contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | Some Information freely available on website; other information POA |
| Special educational needs | See Individual schools' website | Information freely available on website |

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| See trust website | freely available |
| | on trust website |
| | Information |
| See trust website | freely available |
| | on trust website |
| | Some |
| Data Protection Policy - see individual | Information |
| school or trust website. | freely available |
| For all other policies contact the trust office | on website; |
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| ' | information |
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| Charging regimes and policies. | See Trust website |
| | See trust website Data Protection Policy - see individual school or trust website. For all other policies contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address |

Lists and Registers

We will make available current information only (this does not include the attendance register).

| Information to be published | How the information can be obtained | Cost |
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| Curriculum circulars and statutory instruments | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Disclosure logs | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Asset register | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |
| Any information the Trust or its schools are currently legally required to hold in publicly available registers | contact the trust office or enquire via the trust email address | POA |

The services we offer

| Information to be published | How the information can be obtained | Cost |
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| | See individual school website | Information |
| Extra-curricular activities | | freely available |
| | | on website |
| | See individual school website | Information |
| Out of school clubs | See maividual seriool website | freely available |
| | | on website |
| Services for which the Trust/ or its School is entitled to recover a fee, | See individual school website or contact | Information |
| · · | school office | freely available |
| together with those fees | | on website |
| | | Information |
| Requests for paper copies of information | See Trust and individual schools/ websites | freely available |
| | | on website |
| | See individual school website or Trust | Information |
| Trust or School publications, leaflets, books and newsletters | website | freely available |
| | | on website |

Schedule of charges

| Type of charge | Description | Basis of charge |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Disbursement cost | Photocopying/printing @ 0.59p per sheet (black & white) | Actual cost |
| | Photocopying/printing @ 2.3p per sheet (colour) | Actual cost |
| | Postage | Actual cost of Royal Mail standard 2 nd class |
| Statutory Fee | If this is relevant to the request for information | In accordance with the relevant legislation (quote the actual statute) |