

# **ROMSEY & DISTRICT U3A – PRIVACY POLICY**

Romsey & District U3A (R&DU3A) treats your privacy rights seriously. This privacy policy sets out how we will deal with your “personal information”, that is, information that could identify, or is related to the identity of, an individual.

## **What personal information do we collect?**

When you express an interest in becoming a member of R&DU3A you will be asked to provide certain information. This includes:

- Your name
- Home address
- Email address
- Telephone number
- Emergency contact details

## **How do we collect this personal information?**

All the information collected is obtained directly from you. This is usually at the point of your initial registration. The information will be collected via membership forms. The lawful basis for collecting and storing your information is due to the contractual relationship that you, as a member, have with the U3A. In order to inform you about the groups, activities and events that you can access as a member we need to store and process a certain amount of personal data.

## **How do we use your personal information?**

We use your personal information:

- To provide our U3A activities and services to you
- For administration, planning and management of our U3A
- To communicate with you about your group activities
- To monitor, develop and improve the provision of our U3A activity
- In case of emergency

We will send you messages by email, post, other digital methods and telephone to advise you of U3A activities.

## **Who do we share your personal information with?**

We may disclose information about you, including your personal information

- Internally – to committee members and group leaders as required to facilitate your participation in our U3A activities;
- Externally – where we use an external member management system (The Beacon System which is provided to us by the Third Age Trust) and with your consent for products or services such as direct mailing for the Trust magazines – Third Age Matters and Sources. Where such systems are used,

the Third Age Trust has scrutinised the Terms and Conditions of the supplier and judged that their digital and physical systems and procedures are secure.

- If we have a statutory duty to disclose it for other legal and regulatory reasons.

Where we need to share your information outside of the U3A we will seek your consent and inform you as to who the information will be shared with and for what purpose.

### **How long do we keep your personal information?**

We need to keep your information so that we can provide our services to you. The information will be kept as long as is legally required.

### **How your information can be updated or corrected?**

To ensure the information we hold is accurate and up to date, members need to inform the U3A of any changes to their personal information. You can do this by contacting the Membership Secretary on [membership@romseyu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@romseyu3a.org.uk). On an annual basis you will have the opportunity to update your information, as required, via the membership renewal process. Should you wish to view the information that R&DU3A holds on you, you can make this request by contacting the Membership Secretary as detailed above. There may be certain circumstances where we are not able to comply with this request. This would include where the information may contain references to other individuals or for legal, investigative or security reasons. Otherwise we will usually respond within 21 days of the request being made.

### **How do we store your personal information?**

We have in place a range of security safeguards to protect your personal information against loss or theft, as well as unauthorised access, disclosure, copying, use or modification. Security measures include technological measures such as Secure Socket Layer (SSL) encryption, which creates a secure connection with your browser when you register and login to our online services. Your membership information is held on a database and accessed by Committee Members and Group leaders as appropriate.

### **Availability and changes to this policy**

This policy is available on the Romsey & District U3A website <https://u3asites.org.uk/romsey/home>. This policy may change from time to time. If we make any material changes we will make members aware of this.

### **Contact**

If you have any queries about this policy, need it in an alternative format, or have any complaints about our privacy practices, please contact us at :

[membership@romseyu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@romseyu3a.org.uk)

via the Romsey & District U3A website.

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