**Petitions Privacy Notice**

We’ll collect the following information from you:

* Name
* Address
* Signature

**Why we collect this information**

This is a requirement that allows us to process petitions

It also helps us to keep improving the service we provide.

See our [Privacy page for Corporate Services](https://www.essex.gov.uk/privacy-corporate)for more details, including:

* how long we will keep your data
* how we keep your data secure
* how you can access information we hold about you

**What we do with it**

Information you give us will be handled and made publicly available in line with national legislation and guidance, including Data Protection law.

For more information, see our [Privacy and data protection page.](https://www.essex.gov.uk/topic/privacy-and-data-protection)

We’ll make every effort to remove personal details, including phone numbers, email addresses and signatures, before uploading submissions to our website.

Please note, we cannot accept anonymous, private, or confidential comments.

**Request to redact data**

If you’ve submitted a petition or signed a petition and have included personal or sensitive information that you would prefer not to be made publicly available, please email [democratic.services@essex.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@essex.gov.uk)

We need a justifiable reason as to why information should remain unpublished. The final decision rests with the lead petitions officer.

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