



# WLP Records Management Policy

**This policy is applicable to:** Wolds Learning Partnership (WLP)

## Version 1

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<p><b>Name of Responsible Committee/Individual:</b></p>	<p>Board of Trustees</p>
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<p><b>Target Audience:</b></p>	<p>All Staff</p>
<p><b>Related Documentation</b></p>	<p>Information Governance policy Data Protection policy; and other legislation or regulations (including audit, equal opportunities and ethics) affecting the school.</p>

The Trust recognises that by efficiently managing its records, it will be able to comply with its legal and regulatory obligations and to contribute to the effective overall management of the institution. Records provide evidence for protecting the legal rights and interests of the school, and provide evidence for demonstrating performance and accountability. This document provides the policy framework through which this effective management can be achieved and audited. It covers:

- Scope
- Responsibilities
- Relationships with existing policies



## **1. Scope of the policy**

- 1.1 This policy applies to all records created, received or maintained by staff of the Trust in the course of carrying out its functions.
- 1.2 Records are defined as all those documents which facilitate the business carried out by the schools within the Trust and which are thereafter retained (for a set period) to provide evidence of its transactions or activities. These records may be created, received or maintained in hard copy or electronically.
- 1.3 A small percentage of the Trust's records will be selected for permanent preservation as part of the institution's archives and for historical research. This should be done in liaison with the County Archives Service.

## **2. Responsibilities**

- 2.1 The Trust has a corporate responsibility to maintain its records and record keeping systems in accordance with the regulatory environment. The person with overall responsibility for this policy is the Head of Operations and Administration.
- 2.2 The person responsible for records management in individual schools within the Trust will give guidance for good records management practice and will promote compliance with this policy so that information will be retrieved easily, appropriately and in a timely way. They will also monitor compliance with this policy by surveying at least annually to check if records are stored securely and can be accessed appropriately.
- 2.3 Individual staff and employees must ensure that records for which they are responsible are accurate, and are maintained and disposed of in accordance with the Trust's records management guidelines.

## **3. Relationship with existing policies**

This policy has been drawn up within the context of:

- Information Governance policy
- Data Protection policy; and
- other legislation or regulations (including audit, equal opportunities and ethics) affecting the school.