

Privacy Notice

Council Tax, Council Tax Support and Housing Benefits

Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council is a data controller for the purposes of the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulations.

How we will use your information

The council uses your personal information in order to, administer and enforce council tax under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 and associated Regulations.

The council uses your personal information in order to administer its council tax reduction scheme under S13A and Schedule 1a of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 and associated Regulations. The council uses your personal information in order to administer housing benefit under the Housing Benefit Regulations 2006 and associated Regulations.

The information that you provide will be processed in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulations.

This authority has a duty to protect public funds it administers, and may use information held about you for all lawful purposes, including and not limited to the prevention and detection of fraud, matching council tax data with electoral registration records and protecting public funds in investigating misuse of public money.

This council is required by law to participate in National Fraud Initiative (NFI) data matching exercises and council tax and council tax support information may be provided to the Cabinet Office for NFI purposes and will be used for cross-system and cross-authority comparison for the prevention and detection of fraud.

The council will also use the information for the purpose of performing any of its statutory enforcement duties. It will make any disclosures required by law and may also share this information with other bodies responsible for detecting/preventing fraud or auditing/administering public funds.

We will not disclose your personal information to third parties for marketing purposes and we will not use your personal data in a way that may cause you unwarranted detriment.