



Re: Data Subject Access Request - 100076 [Ref: DSAR-20260805-4FE4EF] (ERC REF26110)

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Date Wed 2026-08-12 11:22 AM

To CE Subject Access Requests <subjectaccess@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk>

Good Morning

Thank you for your email,

Upon reviewing I can confirm that the care setting 'Keir Law' is Kerelaw School in Stevenston. Apologies about this as it appears this was a spelling mistake when the institution has been created in our system.

If the care settings and the addresses stated on the Data Subject Access Request are not relevant to east Renfrewshire, can you please confirm after your search this has come back with no records?

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to ask

Kind regards

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Sent: 12 August 2026 10:29 AM

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Subject: RE: Data Subject Access Request - 100076 [Ref: DSAR-20260805-4FE4EF] (ERC REF26110)

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Dear Sirs

SAR 26110

Thank you for submitting a subject access request on behalf of your client. The Council has conducted an initial search of its record store but has not identified any information within the scope of the request. **Further information is required** before searches of archived records can be undertaken, as the details provided do not currently indicate that your client lived within the East Renfrewshire area or received services from the Council or one of its predecessor authorities.

The institutions identified in the request are:

- Geiland Boys' School in Dumbarton: 1992
- Stevenson Open Home : 1993
- Keir Law: 1994 (Does this refer to "Kerelaw" school in Stevenston, North Ayrshire?)

The historic records held by East Renfrewshire Council principally relate to the former Barrhead and Clarkston social work divisions. The Council also holds records created by the former Renfrewshire District Office, but only where these relate to individuals who lived within the current geographical boundary of East Renfrewshire.

To allow the Council to carry out appropriate searches, please provide any further information held by your client, including:

- the name and address of any institution, care setting, school or foster placement within the current East Renfrewshire Council area;
- any former residential address within the area; and
- details of any involvement with East Renfrewshire Council, Eastwood District Council, Barrhead Burgh Council or another relevant predecessor authority.

The Council notes that the request appears to relate to an application under the Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Act 2021. [Current Scottish Government statutory guidance](#) on evidential requirements confirms that evidence for a redress application may include, for example, confirmation from a local authority archivist that an applicant appears in records as having been resident in a relevant care setting, a chronology of care placements, or copies of relevant records held by a local authority.

A subject access request is therefore not necessarily required to obtain evidence for a redress application. Where the purpose of the request is to obtain confirmation of historic care placements or evidence that your client was resident in a relevant care setting, the Council can deal with this as a targeted request for evidential information, rather than as a request for all personal data held.

This does not affect your client's right to make a subject access request, and the Council will process a valid SAR once it receives clarification. However, given the potential scope of the records requested, and the nature of historic social work, education and archive records, the Council may need to apply an extension of up to 2 months.

Once this information is received, the Council will begin processing your request.

Kind regards,
George

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From: MMA Legal <evidence@mmalegal.co.uk>
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Subject: Data Subject Access Request - 100076 [Ref: DSAR-20260805-4FE4EF]

Subject: Data Subject Access Request under Article 15 UK GDPR and Section 45 DPA 2018 -
Our Reference: 100076

Client Name: Mr Paul Ewing
Client Address: 40 Lothian Road,, Stewarton,, Kilmarnock, KA3 3BT
Client Reference: 100076
Date of Birth: 11/05/1978
Name in Care:
Previous Address:
Parents Names: Mother: - Father:

Dear Sir/Madam,

We act on behalf of the above-named individual who was placed in residential care at the institution(s) referenced below during the approximate period stated.

Approximate Dates of Placement:

- Geiland Boys' School in Dumbarton,: 1992
- Stevenson Open Home : 1993
- Keir Law: 1994

We submit this request under Article 15 of the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018.

We expect a response within the statutory one calendar month period. If you require an extension, please confirm this in writing with full justification.

Please find the enclosed request.

We thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

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