
Re: Data Subject Access Request - 100053 [Ref: DSAR-20260609-DEF925]

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Date Thu 2026-07-09 9:41 AM

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

Good morning,

Thank you for your previous email; we note its contents.

The address for the institutions are as follows:

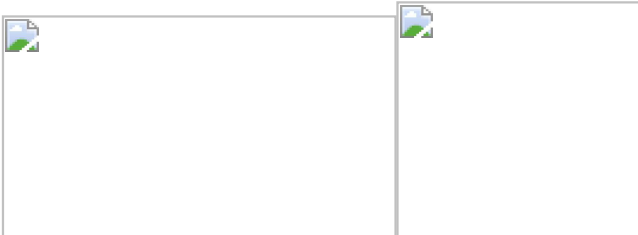
- 'Nufield' (Newfield) assessment centre - in Johnstone
- 'Grive Childrens home' - Upon our research we believe that this was referring to Girvan childrens home
- under Saint Josephs Convent; Cluny Court Henrietta street
- Balrossie Children's Home - Blacksholm, kilmacolm, Inverclyde.

If you require further information, don't hesitate to contact us further.

Kind regards,

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Good afternoon, Mike,

Internal SAR REF: **SAR2655**

Please accept my apologies for the earlier request for further identification. The Council accepts that this is not required.

I have reviewed your subject access request. You have not provided addresses for the care homes in question, and there is nothing within the request to indicate that they were located within East Renfrewshire's geographical boundary. As these were historical homes, many of which have long since closed, it is not straightforward to establish where they were located. Given that the Council's records are limited to institutions within this boundary, the lack of detail makes it more complex to determine whether relevant information is held and significantly increases the scope of the searches required.

As you may be aware, East Renfrewshire Council was established in 1994 under the Local Government (Scotland) Act. Records held prior to 1994 relate only to institutions within the present-day East Renfrewshire boundary. It is possible that records relevant to your request are held within the Mitchell Library Archives in Glasgow, and the Council will search its archival holdings to determine whether any information is held and if it can be disclosed.

Due to the complexity and scope of the request, the Council has applied a time extension. This is necessary as significant work is required to identify, retrieve and review archival material from the Mitchell Library, and to assess what information falls within scope and is disclosable under the Data Protection Act 2018.

Your request was received on 09/06/2026. The revised deadline for the Council's response is 09/09/2026.

Kind regards,
George

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Good afternoon Dureafshan

Many thanks for your email.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide any further photographic identification.

I understand your internal policies may request multiple forms of ID, but this is not a requirement under the Data Protection Act 2018 and UK GDPR.

In addition, the ICO guidance is extremely clear on this point. Your request for another form of ID is unnecessary, unreasonable, and is not proportionate to the request we have made for our client's data.

There can be no reasonable doubt about our client's identification, and given the evidence we have already provided, we expect to receive all requested information and documents you are in control of.

Should you disagree with our position, we expect to receive a substantive and reasoned response specifying exactly what ICO guidance or statutory authority you are relying upon in requesting multiple forms of identification. In the absence of which, we expect to receive the information within the defined timescales.

If we do not receive a prompt response to this email with the requested authorities and guidance you are relying upon, and do not receive the requested information in the coming weeks, we will have little option but to submit a complaint to the ICO - this will be submitted without further notice to yourself.

We trust this will not be necessary and look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

If you wish to discuss this email via telephone, please contact me on 0161 570 0550 and we would be happy to have a pragmatic discussion to overcome this issue.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Mike

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