

**Great Oaks Mental Health**

Date 05/05/2026

Unit 97 Ashby High Street  
Scunthorpe  
N16 2JX

Ref: 100073

Subject: Data Subject Access Request - Mental Health Records

Client Name:

100073

Address:

Date of Birth:

Also Known As:

NHS Number (if known):

Previous Addresses (if applicable):

Dear Sir/Madam,

We act on behalf of the above-named individual and submit this request under Article 15 of the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018.

**Scope of Request**

We request disclosure of all personal data held in relation to our client within your mental health services, across all systems and formats.

This includes, but is not limited to:

- Full mental health records and care files
- Psychological and psychiatric assessments
- Therapy and counselling records, including session notes
- Clinical notes and free-text entries
- Risk assessments and safeguarding records
- Care plans and treatment plans
- Correspondence between clinicians and external agencies
- Referral records and outcomes
- Crisis team or liaison team involvement
- Any records of disclosures made by the patient
- Any scanned documents, attachments, or archived materials

**Format Requirement**

We require a complete record disclosure, including detailed clinical and therapy notes. Please do not provide a summary or abbreviated extract in place of the full record.

**Historical Records**

Please ensure searches include:

Archived and legacy systems

Paper and scanned records

Records held under previous service structures or successor organisations

**Enclosures**

We enclose:

Signed authority

Proof of identity

Should you require any further information to process this request, please advise promptly.

**Statutory Timeframe**

We expect a response within one calendar month. If an extension is required, please confirm in writing with justification.

**Non-Holding of Data**

If you do not hold relevant records, please confirm:

Whether the individual was known to your service

Details of any alternative or successor service providers

**Service of Documents**

We **only** accept service of documents via email at [evidence@mmalegal.co.uk](mailto:evidence@mmalegal.co.uk). Should you for any reason be unable to send documents to the above email, please notify us via the same email imminently.

Yours faithfully,

Investigations Team

MMA Legal

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T: 0161 563 0816

## **DEED OF AUTHORITY & CONSENT**

<b>THIS DEED is made on the date of signature below by (the “Client”)</b>	
Full Name:	Nicola Burns
Date of Birth:	21 April 1972
Previous Names (if any):	
Current Address:	The Crossings 55 Great Union Street HU9 1AG
Previous Addresses (relevant to care placements):	
CHI / NHS Number (if known):	

<b>IN FAVOUR OF (the “Representative”)</b>	
Firm Name:	MMA Legal
Address	SToK, 43-59 Princes Street, Stockport
Postcode	SK1 1RY
Email	evidence@mmalegal.co.uk
Telephone Number	0161 563 0816

### **1. STATUS AND CONSTRUCTION**

- 1.1.** This Deed is executed as a deed and constitutes valid written authority for the purposes of:
  - 1.1.1.** UK GDPR
  - 1.1.2.** Data Protection Act 2018
  - 1.1.3.** Common law confidentiality
  - 1.1.4.** Any related statutory, regulatory or supervisory framework
- 1.2.** This Deed shall be interpreted purposively and broadly to give full effect to the Client’s intention that all personal data and Records relating to them be disclosed to the Representative, subject only to lawful statutory restriction.
- 1.3.** This Deed is intended to provide clear and comprehensive authority for disclosure of the Client’s personal data.

### **2. APPOINTMENT**

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<http://www.sra.org.uk/solicitors/handbook/welcome.page>

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- 2.1. The Client appoints the Representative to act fully on their behalf in connection with:
  - 2.1.1. An application to Redress Scotland;
  - 2.1.2. Any review, reconsideration or appeal;
  - 2.1.3. Evidence gathering and submission;
  - 2.1.4. Any associated advisory, compensatory or restorative process.
- 2.2. Requests made by the Representative shall be treated as made personally by the Client.

### **3. SCOPE OF AUTHORITY**

- 3.1. This Authority applies to all public and private bodies including (without limitation):
  - 3.1.1. Local Authorities and Councils
  - 3.1.2. NHS Boards and GP Practices
  - 3.1.3. Health & Social Care Partnerships
  - 3.1.4. Integration Joint Boards
  - 3.1.5. Religious bodies and orders
  - 3.1.6. Residential and foster care providers
  - 3.1.7. Education authorities and schools
  - 3.1.8. Government departments
  - 3.1.9. Archive services
  - 3.1.10. Insurers holding historical liability files
  - 3.1.11. Successor, merged or restructured public bodies
- 3.2. The Authority applies whether Records are:
  - 3.2.1. Archived, microfiche, digitised or handwritten;
  - 3.2.2. Stored off-site by contractors;
  - 3.2.3. Held by dissolved or reconstituted institutions;
  - 3.2.4. Transferred following statutory reorganisation.
- 3.3. The Client requests that records not be withheld solely on administrative grounds such as archival storage or institutional restructuring including, for example:
  - 3.3.1. The institution has closed or restructured;
  - 3.3.2. Records are archived or require manual retrieval;
  - 3.3.3. Records are held by insurers or successor bodies;
  - 3.3.4. Retrieval involves time or administrative burden.

### **4. SPECIAL CATEGORY DATA – EXPLICIT CONSENT**

- 4.1. For the purposes of Article 9 UK GDPR and Schedule 1 Data Protection Act 2018, the Client gives explicit consent to disclosure of all special category data including:
  - 4.1.1. Physical and mental health records
  - 4.1.2. Psychiatric and psychological reports
  - 4.1.3. Therapy and counselling notes
  - 4.1.4. CAMHS records
  - 4.1.5. Social work and safeguarding files
  - 4.1.6. Ethnicity or religious data where recordedThis includes all NHS and private medical providers.

This explicit consent may be withdrawn at any time by written notice.

## **5. CRIMINAL OFFENCE DATA – EXPLICIT CONSENT**

5.1. For the purposes of Article 10 UK GDPR and Schedule 1 Data Protection Act 2018, the Client gives explicit consent to disclosure of:

- 5.1.1. Criminal offence data
- 5.1.2. Police investigation material
- 5.1.3. Child protection investigations
- 5.1.4. Statements and intelligence logs
- 5.1.5. Outcome decisions

including records held by:

- 5.1.6. Police Scotland
- 5.1.7. Any predecessor Scottish police force
- 5.1.8. Prosecuting authorities.

## **6. THIRD-PARTY DATA AND REDACTION**

- 6.1. The existence of third-party data shall not justify refusal to disclose the Client's personal data.
- 6.2. Where necessary, redaction shall be limited strictly to third-party information.
- 6.3. Mixed data shall be disclosed in redacted form rather than withheld in entirety.

## **7. PROPORTIONALITY AND REASONED DECISION-MAKING**

- 7.1. Any refusal, limitation or redaction must:
  - 7.1.1. Identify the specific statutory exemption relied upon;
  - 7.1.2. Explain how that exemption applies to the particular Record;
  - 7.1.3. Confirm why partial disclosure is not possible;
  - 7.1.4. Be communicated in writing.
- 7.2. Blanket refusal without statutory justification may not satisfy statutory obligations under applicable data protection legislation.
- 7.3. Any reliance upon "disproportionate effort" must provide written reasoning demonstrating why staged disclosure or redaction is not feasible.

## **8. VALIDITY AND FORMAL REQUIREMENTS**

- 8.1. This Deed remains valid for 24 months from execution unless withdrawn in writing.
- 8.2. Disclosure shall not be refused because:
  - 8.2.1. An internal template form has not been used;
  - 8.2.2. The Authority is considered "out of date" within internal policy;
  - 8.2.3. Additional consent is sought beyond reasonable identity verification.
- 8.3. Any organisation acting in good faith reliance upon this Deed shall be fully discharged in making disclosure.

## **9. REGULATORY AND STATUTORY RIGHTS**

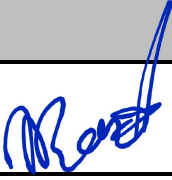
In the event of non-compliance, refusal, or unreasonable delay in responding to a lawful request made under this Deed, the Client and/or the Representative reserve the right to pursue any statutory or regulatory remedies available under applicable law.

This may include raising concerns with the relevant supervisory authority or regulator where appropriate.

Nothing in this Deed limits the Client's rights under the UK GDPR, the Data Protection Act 2018, or any other applicable statutory framework.

Withdrawal shall not invalidate disclosures already made in reliance upon this Deed.

### **EXECUTION AS A DEED**

Signed and delivered as a Deed by the Client:	
Signature	
Print Name	Nicola Burns
Date	04/03/2026

Witness	
Name	Billie Tyrie
Address	SToK, 43-59 Princes Street, Stockport, SK1 1RY
Occupation	Case Handler
Signature	Billie Tyrie
Date	04/03/2026

# Completion Certificate

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## Signer Information

**Name:** Nicola Burns  
**Email:** smoosmoo72lw.lw@gmail.com  
**Telephone:** 07597689001  
**IP Address:** 154.56.236.53

A blue ink-style electronic signature of Nicola Burns, consisting of a stylized 'N' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Verified Electronic Signature

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25<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Nicola,

I am writing to provide an update in respect of your application to Scotland's Redress Scheme. We can confirm we received your application on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Your application reference number is: APP954093.

Your application will be assigned to a designated case worker who will be responsible for working on your application and will be a point of contact throughout the process.

Please note that due to the high volumes of redress applications received, the time taken to have applications assigned to a case worker is taking longer than we would like. Whilst we cannot provide a timescale for how long it may take to have your application assigned to a case worker, it may be helpful to be aware that we are currently assigning applications that were received in February 2025.

We would like to reassure you that we are working hard to ensure your application will be assigned at the earliest opportunity. You can contact the team in the meantime if you wish to discuss your application. They are here to help and answer any questions you may have.

We have reviewed the documents provided to date and provide a summary of the further information required below.

In summary:

- Part 1 (further information)
- Certified ID – information sheet included
- Care records – information sheet included
- Supporting documentation
- Bank details

### **Support service**

We have a support service who can provide practical support with the application, emotional support through the process and support to access records. If you would like to access support from our support service, please contact us on the details below.



## **Further Information**

We are enclosing a copy of a flow chart providing information about the application process.

We provide some further information about the documentation required to progress your application below:

### **Part 1 Application**

You have completed Part 1 of the application fully, thank you, however we do not have a full home address for you, please may you provide us with this.

### **Bank Statement**

In order to ensure any payment is only received by applicants we will require a bank statement to confirm your account. We do not need to see any transactions, simply your name, address, sort code and account number. If you have any questions regarding this please do not hesitate to contact me.

### **Certified ID**

You have provided a copy of your proof of address and passport which are appropriate identification documents, however the scheme requires this to be certified. Please see enclosed/attached information sheet on how to certify documents.

### **Care Records**

For individually assessed payment applications, you need to provide one document to show you were in the care of each relevant care setting you mention in your application.

Please see page 22 of the "Help to Apply" guidance.

I enclose information sheet regarding the different ways to access care records.

### **Supporting Documents**

For individually assessed payment applications, you need to provide at least one document that supports your statement of abuse.

You can read more about documents you can use on page 33 of the "Help to Apply" guidance.

### **Further help and support**

If you have any questions about the contents of this letter, require additional copies of application forms, or require any further support concerning your application, please don't hesitate to get in contact with us.

## **Solicitor's fees**

You can choose to involve a solicitor to support you with your application to Scotland's Redress Scheme. You do not need to involve a solicitor to make an application. You can contact us directly using the details below.

Scotland's Redress Scheme can pay fixed fees directly to your solicitor. This is available to all applicants and is not means tested. You should check that your solicitor will work for the fees available. They should request payment directly from Scotland's Redress Scheme.

You or your solicitor can find out more information on available fees by contacting us using the details below, or by reading the statutory guidance on [gov.scot/redress](http://gov.scot/redress).

Even though the fees are paid by Scotland's Redress Scheme, your solicitor is independent. They will work for you and not for Scotland's Redress Scheme.

## **Telephone**

0808 175 0808 (freephone)

Lines are open Monday to Thursday from 10am to 4pm, excluding Scottish public holidays. There is an answering machine at other times, and if you leave a message we will get back to you as soon as we can.

**Email** : [apply@redress-scheme.scot](mailto:apply@redress-scheme.scot)

**Post** : Redress, PO Box 24209, EDINBURGH, EH7 9GT

You can also contact the **Redress Emotional Support Helpline** directly on 0800 211 8403 where you can leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Scotland's Redress Scheme