

Privacy Notice Young Person

(Version 2)

Who is using the information:

Thames Valley Together (TVT) is a group of partners who share some of their information together to reduce serious violent crime. The partners include councils, probation, fire service, police and child / youth services.

The partners involved in TVT are listed on the Violence Reduction Unit Website:
<https://www.tvvru.co.uk/project/tvt/>

How we use the information:

Each partner will share information about people they have already helped where 'things' about their circumstances means they might be more likely to be affected by serious violence in the future. These 'things' are called 'serious violence risk factors'. If one of the partners has helped you and your circumstances included some of the risk factors, your information may be shared with TVT.

The information that each partner shares will have come from their own computer systems. Partners send updates to TVT very often. This means that when the information is updated on a partner's system, the same change is made in the TVT information. The shared information is matched together to learn things about serious violence that we might not have known before and will be helpful to try and reduce it. Matching all the information together is complicated so Thames Valley Police will do this on behalf of all the partners and have specially trained experts to do this work.

What laws and rules do we have to follow:

A law called the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 says that the partners must work together and share information to reduce violent crime (such as knife crime) and help people who are affected by it.

There are also laws that set more rules about how the partners can use the information to protect the privacy of the people the data is about. The partners work together to agree how to use the information, within those rules. The laws / rules are called the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK General Data Protection Regulation. These laws say we have to tell you which specific reason we rely on to use the information. TVT relies on it being necessary for the partners to carry out their public services ('**public task**').

When we were deciding how TVT would use the partner's shared information, we asked for advice from the part of the government that makes sure organisations

follow the legal data protection rules, which is called the Information Commissioners Office.

What information is being used:

The following types of information are likely to be used:

- Information about crimes or incidents you have been involved in, whether that be as a suspect, a victim, or someone else involved in some way
- Information about any involvement that Social Care have had in your life
- Information about prevention work that Fire and Rescue Services have done with you or the place that you live
- Information about where you live that other agencies produce through things like the census

Who we give the information to:

Reports will be created from the matched information that tell us helpful new information that we didn't know before. The partners will agree which reports are produced and who they will be given to.

Most of the reports do not mention individual people but a few of them will do in order to find the people who need help quickly to protect them from being affected by serious violence. There will only be a few people in each partner's organisation that can see the information and reports and they will be the people involved with helping people affected by serious violence. Access to these reports is carefully controlled and protected by a range of security measures.

There may be some other organisations not previously listed that work closely with the partners to reduce serious violence. They may receive some of the reports.

When we delete the information:

TVT will use information collected over the past approx. 6 years to build a big enough picture for us to learn new things that will reduce serious violence. Once we have collected the information we will not keep it forever. We will need to keep a person's information until they are no longer affected by serious violence. That length of time may depend on the person and the type of information we are using. If we have collected and used information for reports that we no longer need to produce any more we will also delete the information we no longer need.

Automated decision making:

The partners will not use computers alone, to make decisions about you. Whilst we will use computers to help us make better or faster decisions there will always be a human checking the computer has been accurate and will make the final decision.

Sending the information abroad:

The TVT information is stored in the cloud in the UK where only people who work for the partners with permission to use it, can access it. The organisation that owns the cloud may very rarely need to carry out some support work to make sure the information is always available to the partners. The support work could be carried out from several different countries around the world. We have agreed legal rules with them that means when they do the support work, that you have very similar privacy protections as you have in the UK. If you want to find out more about these rules then contact:

Email: publicaccess@thamesvalley.police.uk

Address: Data Protection Officer
Thames Valley Police
Public Access Office
Oxford Road
Kidlington
OX5 2NX

Your information rights:

The Data Protection Act 2018 and UK General Data Protection Regulation, gives you certain rights about how we use your information. You can contact us and ask us to consider your request about one of the below rights but there are some situations where we do not have to agree with your request:

1. You should be told about how the partners are using your information. We are telling you this information in this Privacy Notice.
2. The right of ask for a copy of the information TVT holds about you. Unless your request is unreasonable it will usually be considered free of charge and within 1 month.
3. The right to have your information changed if it is inaccurate or incomplete.

4. The right to ask us to delete your information.
5. The right to limit our use of your information if:
 - You think it is inaccurate.
 - You disagree with our use of your information and we are considering it.
 - Where we should no longer keep your information but you want us to keep it.
6. The right to ask us to stop using your information for TVT and other uses such as: profiling and research.
7. Rights around automated decision making and profiling so that you can:
 - Ask a human to take a look.
 - Tell us what you think.
 - Ask us to explain the decision and tell us why you disagree.

If you want to talk to someone about how TVT uses your information please contact the partner organisation(s) that you have been receiving services from:
[insert specific partner organisation's DPO contact details here]
They will follow the legal rules when looking at your request.

If you do not know which organisation to contact, Thames Valley Police may be able to help:
Email: publicaccess@thamesvalley.police.uk

If you wish to make a complaint:

If you want to complain about how we handled your request please start with contacting:
[insert original partner's DPO contact details here]
They will follow the legal rules when looking at your complaint.

If are not happy with how the complaint was handled you can also complain to the part of the government that makes sure organisations follow the legal data protection rules, which is called the Information Commissioners Office: You can contact their helpline on:
0303 123 1113 or via the website: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/>