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Data Protection Breach

GDPR requires that Kimblewick must assess and log all personal data breaches and report serious breaches to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) within 72 hours of being discovered.

Failure to notify the ICO of a personal data breach can lead to fines of €10m.

Data security breaches can happen for several reasons such as:

- Loss or theft of data or equipment on which data is stored
- Inappropriate access controls allowing unauthorised use
- Equipment failure
- Human error
- Unforeseen circumstances such as a fire or flood
- Hacking attack
- 'Blagging' offences where information is obtained by deceiving the organisation who holds it

The centre's Data Protection Lead (DPL) is responsible for deciding whether a breach needs to be reported to the ICO. In making this decision, the following factors should be taken into account:

- The potential harm to individuals which could arise from the breach
- The volume of personal data lost, released or corrupted
- The sensitivity of the data lost, released or corrupted

If you become aware of a loss or theft of personal data or release or corruption of personal data, please notify the DPL immediately: email nikkita@kimblewick or phone: 07856266990.