



Lucan District Credit Union

Lending Privacy Notice

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Lucan District Credit Union is committed to protecting the privacy and security of your personal information. This privacy notice describes how we collect and use personal information about you during and after your relationship with us.

Purpose of Data Collection, Processing or Use

A credit union is a member-owned financial cooperative, democratically controlled by its members, and operated for the purpose of promoting thrift, providing credit at competitive rates, and providing other financial services to its members. Data collection, processing and use are conducted solely for the purpose of carrying out the abovementioned objectives.

What personal data do we use?

We may collect, store, and use inter-alia the following categories of personal information about you:

- Your name, address, date of birth, email, status and history, transaction data; contract data, details of the credit union products you hold with us, signatures, identification documents, salary, occupation, accommodation status, mortgage details, previous addresses, spouse, partners, nominations, Tax Identification/PPSN numbers, passport details, driver's license details, interactions with credit union staff and officers on the premises, by phone, or email, current or past complaints, CCTV footage. For members who apply for a mortgage with us we may collect further information relevant to the application and assessment process.

The purposes for which we use your personal data:

The credit union will use your personal data to assist it in carrying out the following:

- Assessing your loan application and determining your creditworthiness for a loan.
- Verifying the information provided by you in the application.
- We purchase loan protection and life savings protection.
- Conducting credit searches and making submissions to the Central Credit Register.

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- The registering of a First Charge on a property for which we provide a mortgage loan,
- Administering the loan, including where necessary, to take steps to recover the loan or enforce any security taken as part of the loan.
- We may use credit scoring techniques and other automated decision-making systems to either partially or fully assess your application.
- Meeting legal and compliance obligations and requirements under the Rules of the Credit Union.
- To comply with Central Bank Regulations to determine whether you are a connected borrower or related party borrower.
- Providing updates on our loan products and services by way of directly marketing to you.

We may also collect, store and use “special categories” of more sensitive personal information including Information about your health, including any medical condition, health and sickness (See Insurance for further details).

We need all of the categories of information in the list above to allow us to identify you, contact you, comply with our legal obligations and for the performance of our contract with you.

We also need your personal identification data to enable us to comply with legal obligations. Some of the above grounds for processing will overlap and there may be several grounds which justify our use of your personal data.

How we use particularly sensitive personal data

“Special categories” of particularly sensitive personal data require higher levels of protection. We need to have further justification for collecting, storing and using this type of personal data. We may process special categories of personal data in the following circumstances:

1. In limited circumstances, with your explicit written consent.
2. Where we need to carry out our legal obligations and in line with our data protection policy.
3. Where it is needed in the public interest, and in line with our data protection policy.

Less commonly, we may process this type of information where it is needed in relation to legal claims or where it is needed to protect your interests (or someone else’s interests) and you are not capable of giving your consent, or where you have already made the information public.

How secure is my information with third-party service providers?

All our third-party service providers are required to take appropriate security measures to protect your personal data in line with our policies. We do not allow our third-party service providers to use your personal data for their own purposes unless they are deemed to be controllers in their own right. We only permit them to process your personal data for specified purposes and in accordance with our instructions. Usually, information will be anonymised but this may not always be possible. The recipient of the information will also be bound by confidentiality obligations.

If you fail to provide personal information

If you fail to provide certain information when requested, we may not be able to perform the contract we have entered into with you or we may be prevented from complying with our legal obligations.

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You can be assured that we will only use your data for the purpose it was provided and in ways compatible with that stated purpose. If we need to use your personal information for an unrelated purpose, we will notify you and we will explain the legal basis which allows us to do so.

Profiling

We sometimes use systems to make decisions based on personal data we have (or are allowed to collect from others) about you. This information is used for **loan-assessment, provisioning and** anti-money laundering purposes and compliance with our legal duties in those regards. **We may also carry out profiling in order to better understand our members' wants and needs and identify areas of opportunity within our common bond and consequently tailor our marketing efforts accordingly.**

Data Retention Periods

We will only retain your personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the purpose(s) for which it was obtained, taking into account any legal/contractual obligation to keep it. Where possible we record how long we will keep your data. Where that is not possible, we will explain the criteria for the retention period. This information is documented in our Records Retention Policy.

Once the retention period has expired, the respective data will be permanently deleted. Please see our retention periods below. Further information can also be found in our General Privacy Statement.

- Credit agreements are **contracts** and as such the credit union retains them for **seven** years from date of expiration or breach, and twelve years where the document is under seal.
- Loan applications form part of your credit agreement and as such we retain them for **seven** years.

Planned data transmission to third countries

For the majority of the lending process, no data is transmitted to third countries. Where the Visualyse lending assessment tool is utilised as part of the lending process, this may involve a transfer of data to a Visualyse partner company, Truelayer, which is a UK based (Independent controller / Sub-processor) and is outside the EEA.

The people and organisations that we may share your personal information with may be located in a country that does not have data protection laws which provide the same level of protection as the laws in Ireland. Some countries already have adequate protection for personal information under their applicable laws. In other countries safeguards will be applied to maintain the same level of protection as the country in which the products and services are supplied. These safeguards may be contractual agreements with the overseas recipient, or it may require the recipient to subscribe to international data protection frameworks. For more information about the European Commission's decisions on the adequacy of the protection of personal information in countries outside the EEA, please visit: https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/law-topic/data-protection_en

Updates to this notice

We will make changes to this notice from time to time, particularly when we change how we use your information, and change our technology and products. You can always find an up-to-date version of this notice on our website at <https://lucancu.ie> or you can ask us for a copy.

Our use and sharing of your information

We will collect and use relevant information about you, your transactions, your use of our products and services, and your relationships with us. We will typically collect and use this information for the following purposes:



Fulfilling a Contract

This basis is appropriate where the processing is necessary for us to manage your accounts and credit union services to you

Administrative Purposes: We will use the information provided by you, either contained in this form or any other form or application, for the purpose of assessing this application, processing applications you make and to maintaining and administer any accounts you have with the credit union.

Security: In order to secure repayment of the loan, it may be necessary to obtain security such as a charge on your property or other personal assets.

Third parties: We may appoint external third parties to undertake operational functions on our behalf. We will ensure that any information passed to third parties conducting operational functions on our behalf will do so with respect for the security of your data and will be protected in line with data protection law.

Guarantors: As part of your loan conditions, we may make the requirement for the appointment of a guarantor a condition of your loan agreement in order that credit union ensures the repayment of your loan. Should your account go into arrears, we may need to call upon the guarantor to repay the debt in which case we will give them details of the outstanding indebtedness. If your circumstances change it may be necessary to contact the guarantor.

For the **processing of electronic payments** services on your account (such as credit transfers, standing orders and direct debits), the Credit Union is a participant of PAYAC Services CLG (PAYAC) provides an electronic payments service platform for the credit union movement in Ireland. PAYAC is a member-owned Credit Union Service Organisation "CUSO" and is an outsourced model engaging third party companies, such as a Partner Bank, to assist with the processing of payment data. [Payac's privacy notice can be found here](#) [Privacy Policy | Payac](#)

Insurance: We purchase insurance from CMutual Services (Ireland) Ltd for Loan Protection and Life Savings cover for our members.

To this end it may be necessary to process 'special category' data, which includes information about your health. This information will be shared with insurers for the purpose of insurance underwriting, administration and claims processing.

Credit Assessment: When assessing your application for a loan, the credit union will take a number of factors into account and will utilise personal data provided from:

- your application form or as part of your loan supporting documentation
- your existing credit union file,
- credit referencing agencies such as the Central Credit Registrar

The credit union then utilises this information to assess your loan application in line with the applicable legislation and the credit unions lending policy.

In relation to **Mortgage Lending**, we sometimes share your personal information with trusted third parties who perform important functions for us based on our instructions and applying appropriate confidentiality and security measures. For example, we may share your information with suppliers of other back-office functions such as IT software used to assist in the underwriting of loans and mortgages.

Member Service: To help us improve our service to you, we may use information about your account to help us improve our services to you.



Legal Duty

This basis is appropriate when we are processing personal data to comply with an Irish or EU Law.

Regulatory and statutory requirements: To comply with our obligations to the Central Bank of Ireland, we may allow authorised people to see our records (which may include information about you) for reporting, compliance and auditing purposes. An example of this is our legal obligation to file reports and make checks on the Central Credit Register in accordance with the Credit Reporting Act 2013. For the same reason, we will also hold the information about you when you are no longer a member. We may also share information with certain statutory bodies such as the Department of Finance, the Department of Social Protection and the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman Bureau of Ireland if required by law.

Purpose of the loan: We are obliged to ensure that the purpose for the loan falls into one of our categories of lending.

Compliance with our anti-money laundering and combating terrorist financing obligations: The information provided by you will be used for compliance with our customer due diligence and screening obligations under anti-money laundering and combating terrorist financing obligations under The Money Laundering provisions of the Criminal Justice (Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing) Act 2010, as amended by Part 2 of the Criminal Justice Act 2013 ("the Act"), the Criminal Justice (Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing) Act 2018 and the Criminal Justice (Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing) (Amendment) Act 2021 (the latter two were introduced under the 4th and 5th AML/CTF EU Directives). This will include filing reports on the Beneficial Ownership Register, the Beneficial Ownership Register for Certain Financial Vehicles ("CFV") on the Bank Account Register, the European Union Cross-Border Payments Reporting ("CESOP"), the Central Register of Beneficial Ownership of Trusts ("CRBOT") and the Ireland Safe Deposit Box and Bank Account Register (ISBAR). This reporting obligations requires the credit union to submit certain member data to the relevant authority administering the registers, such as the Central Bank of Ireland or the Revenue Commissioners. For further information, please contact the credit union directly.

Audit: To meet our legislative and regulatory duties to maintain audited financial accounts, we appoint an external and internal auditor. We will allow the internal and external auditor to see our records (which may include information about you) for these purposes.

Credit Reporting: Where a loan is applied for in the sum of €2,000 or more, the credit union is obliged to make an enquiry of the Central Credit Register (CCR) in respect of the borrower. Where a loan is granted in the sum of €500 or more, the credit union is obliged to report both personal details and credit details of the borrower [and guarantor shortly] to the CCR.

House Loan: Where you obtain a house loan (mortgage) from us, it will be necessary for the credit union to obtain a first legal charge on the property to be purchased, and it will be necessary for us to process your personal data in order to register this charge or have this charge registered on our behalf.

Connected/Related Party Borrowers: We are required to identify where borrowers are connected in order to establish whether borrowers pose a single risk. We are also required to establish whether a borrower is a related party when lending to them, i.e. whether they are on the Board/Management Team or a member of the Board/Management team's family or a business in which a member of the Board /Management Team has a significant shareholding.



Legitimate Interests

A legitimate interest is when we have a business or commercial reason to use your information. But even then, it must not unfairly go against what is right and best for you. If we rely on our legitimate interest, we will tell you what that is.

Credit Assessment and Credit Reference Agencies:

When assessing your application for a loan, as well as the information referred to above in credit assessment, the credit union also utilises credit data from credit referencing agencies such as the Central Credit Registrar (see *Legal Duty*).

Our legitimate interest: The credit union, for its own benefit and therefore the benefit of its members, must lend responsibly and will use your credit scoring information in order to determine your suitability for the loan applied for. When using the service of a credit referencing agency we will pass them your personal details and details of your credit performance.

Debt Collection: Where you breach the loan agreement we may use the service of a debt collection agency, solicitors or other third parties to recover the debt. We will pass them details of the loan application in order that they make contact with you and details of the indebtedness in order that they recover the outstanding sums.

Our legitimate interest: The credit union, where appropriate will take steps to recover a debt to protect the assets and equity of the credit union.

Judgements Searches: We carry out searches with the Land Registry, Solo Check, and Vision Net in order to assess your credit worthiness to repay a loan.

Our legitimate interest: The credit union, for its own benefit and therefore the benefit of its members, must lend responsibly and will use your credit scoring information in order to determine your suitability for the loan applied for. In carrying out such a search we can better determine your overall financial position in order to lend to you.

CCTV: We have CCTV footage installed on the premises with clearly marked signage. The purpose of this is for security public safety and the prevention and detection of fraud

Our legitimate interest: With regard to the nature of our business, it is necessary to secure the premises, property herein and any staff /volunteers/members or visitors to the credit union.

To develop strategy, undertake statistical analysis, and assess current and future Credit Union financial performance:

As part of our commitment to making informed decisions about products and services, we utilise data analytics to analyse our common bond performance. This analysis, conducted by a trusted third-party provider under contract, ensures that we act in the legitimate interests of our members, who are the ultimate owners of the credit union, and safeguard the financial stability of the credit union into the future.

It is important to note that we do not use data in its original state where individuals can be identified, and no analytics are carried out prior to anonymisation of the data. The only processing exception is our geo-location application, which transforms addresses into small area codes to prevent individual households from being identifiable. However, if you are not happy with your data being processed in this manner, you have the right to object by contacting us using the details provided at the bottom of this notice. Your trust and confidence are integral to our operations, and we are committed to addressing any concerns you may have regarding the use of your information.

Ways in which we may share personal information include:

To engage professional services of third parties, who provide specialised services to us under contract, any such parties are bound by confidentiality.

We engage third party providers to assist with our common bond analysis. No analytics are carried out on data where individuals are identifiable.



Your Consent

We will only carry out processing which is based on your consent and will cease processing once you withdraw such consent

Marketing and Market Research

To help us improve and measure the quality of our products and services we undertake market research from time to time. This may include using specialist market research companies.

Your Marketing Preferences








As part of improving our service to you, from time to time, we would like to inform you of goods, services, competitions and/or promotional offers available from us. We may wish to use different means when sending such marketing communications.

You have a right to notify us free of charge at any time that you wish to refuse such marketing by writing to us at our address at the top of this document or by using the "opt-out" options in any marketing message we send you.

Please contact us directly should you wish to change or withdraw your consent.

Your Rights

The following are your rights in connection with your personal data.

	To find out whether we hold any of your personal data and if we do to request access to that data that to be furnished a copy of that data. You are also entitled to request further information about the processing.
	Request correction of the personal data that we hold about you. This enables you to have any incomplete or inaccurate information we hold about you rectified.
	Request erasure of your personal information. This enables you to ask us to delete or remove personal data where there is no good reason for us continuing to process it. You also have the right to ask us to delete or remove your personal data where you have exercised your right to object to processing (see below).
	Object to processing of your personal data where we are relying on a legitimate interest (or those of a third party) and there is something about your particular situation which makes you want to object to processing on this ground. You also have the right to object where we are processing your personal data for direct marketing purposes.
	Request the restriction of processing of your personal information. You can ask us to suspend processing personal data about you, in certain circumstances.
	Where we are processing your data based solely on your consent you have a right to withdraw that consent at any time and free of charge.
	Request that we: a) provide you with a copy of any relevant personal data in a reusable format ; or b) request that we transfer your relevant personal data to another controller where it's technically feasible to do so. <i>Relevant personal data</i> is personal data that: You have provided to us or which is generated by your use of our service, which is processed by automated means and where the basis that we process it is on your consent or on a contract that you have entered into with us.

You have a **right to complain** to the **Data Protection Commissioner** in respect of any processing of your data at

Post Data Protection Commissioner 6 Pembroke Row, Dublin 2, D02 X963, Ireland	Telephone +353 (01) 765 01 00 or 1800 437 737	E-mail info@dataprotection.ie
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Please note that the above rights are not always absolute and there may be some limitations

If you want access and/ or copies of any of your personal data or if you want to review, verify, correct or request erasure of your personal information, object to the processing of your personal data, or request that we send you or a third party a copy your relevant personal data in a reusable format please contact our Data Protection Officer in writing using their contact details above.

Fees – We do not charge a fee for the work involved in adhering to the above rights, unless requests are manifestly unfounded, excessive, or repetitive. We also reserve the right to refuse to comply with the request in such circumstances.

We may need to verify your identity if we have reasonable doubts as to who you are. This is another appropriate security measure to ensure that personal data is not disclosed to any person who does not have the right to receive it.

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Ensuring our information is up to date and accurate. We want the service provided by us to meet your expectations at all times. Please help us by telling us straight away if there are any changes to your personal information. If you wish to avail of either of these rights, please contact us using our contact details at the top of this document.