

## THE JUBILEE ACADEMY

Aspire and Achieve

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#### Statement of intent

This generic model publication scheme has been prepared and approved by theInformation Commissioner. It may be adopted without modification by any publicauthority without further approval and will be valid until further notice.

This publication scheme commits an authority to make information available to thepublic as part of its normal business activities. The information covered is included in the classes of information mentioned below, where this information is held by theauthority. Additional assistance is provided to the definition of these classes in sectorspecific guidance manuals issued by the Information Commissioner.

The scheme commits an authority:

To proactively publish or otherwise make available as a matter of routine.

- Share information, including environmental information, which is held by theauthority and falls within the classifications below.
- To specify the information which is held by the authority and falls within theclassifications below.
- To proactively publish or otherwise make available as a matter of routine, information in line with the statements contained within this scheme.
- To produce and publish the methods by which the specific information ismade routinely available so that it can be easily identified and accessed bymembers of the public.
- To review and update on a regular basis the information the authority makes available under this scheme.
- To produce a schedule of any fees charged for access to information whichis made proactively available.
- To make this publication scheme available to the public.

#### Classes of Information

#### Who we are and what we do

Organisational information, locations and contacts, constitutional and legalgovernance.

#### What we spend and how we spend it

Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, tendering, procurement and contracts.

#### What our priorities are and how we are doing

Strategy and performance information, plans, assessments, inspections andreviews.

#### How we make decisions

Policy proposals and decisions. Decision making processes, internal criteriaand procedures, consultations.

#### Our policies and procedures

Current written protocols for delivering our functions and responsibilities.

#### **Lists and Registers**

Information held in registers required by law and other lists and registersrelating to the functions of the authority.

#### The Services We Offer

Advice and guidance, booklets and leaflets, transactions and media releases. A description of the services offered.

The classes of information will not generally include:

- Information the disclosure of which is prevented by law, or exempt under the Freedom of Information Act, or is otherwise properly considered to be protected from disclosure.
- Information in draft form.
- Information that is no longer readily available as it is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage or is difficult to access for similar reasons.

#### The method by which information published under this scheme will be made available

The authority will indicate clearly to the public what information is covered by this cheme and how it can be obtained.

Where it is within the capability of a public authority, information will be provided on awebsite. Where it is impracticable to make information available on a website or when an individual does not wish to access the information by the website, a publicauthority will indicate how information can be obtained by other means and provide itby those means.

In exceptional circumstances some information may be available only by viewing inperson. Where this manner is specified, contact details will be provided. Anappointment to view the information will be arranged within a reasonable timescale. Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where an authority is legally required to translateany information, it will do so.

Obligations under disability and discrimination legislation and any other legislation toprovide information in other forms and formats will be adhered to when providing information in accordance with this scheme.

#### Charges which may be made for Information published under this scheme

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readilyavailable at minimum inconvenience and cost to the public. Charges made by theauthority for routinely published material will be justified and transparent and kept toa minimum.

Material which is published and accessed on a website will be provided free ofcharge.

Charges may be made for information subject to a charging regime specified by Parliament.

Charges may be made for actual disbursements incurred such as:

- photocopying
- postage and packaging
- the costs directly incurred as a result of viewing information

Charges may also be made for information provided under this scheme where theyare legally authorised, they are in all the circumstances, including the generalprinciples of the right of access to information held by public authorities, justified andare in accordance with a published schedule or schedules of fees which is readilyavailable to the public.

If a charge is to be made, confirmation of the payment due will be given before theinformation is provided. Payment may be requested prior to provision of theinformation.

#### **Written Requests**

Information held by a public authority that is not published under this scheme can be requested in writing, when its provision will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Written requests should be addressed to the Headteacher at The Jubilee Academy.

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For academies, this model publication scheme is best complied with by following the suggested table below, which identifies the information which meets therequirements of the Information Commissioner.

#### Monitoring, evaluation and review

Compliance with the Act will be monitored and reviewed.

# Freedom of Information Guide to information available from The Jubilee Academy under the publication scheme

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Charge
Who we are and what we do	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
(Organisational information, structures, locations and contacts)		
This will be current information only.		
Academy Funding Agreement – a link to the document on the	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Department for Education's website		
Academy Order (if applicable)	N/A	N/A
School staff and structure – names of key personnel	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Governing body – names and contact details of the governors and the	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
basis of their appointment		
School session times, term dates and holidays	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Location and contact information - address, telephone number and	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
website.		
Contact details for the Headteacher and Governing Body	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
School session times and term dates	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request

Information to be published	How the information can be	Charge

	obtained	
What we spend and how we spend it	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
(financial information relating to projected and actual income and		
expenditure, procurement, contracts and financial audit)		
This should be a minimum of current and the previous two years		
financial years (accounts that have been filed with the Charity		
Commission and Companies House).		
Annual Budget plan and financial statements	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Capital funding – details of capital funding allocated to the school	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
along with information on related building projects and other capital		
projects.		
Additional funding – Income generation schemes and other sources of	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
funding.		
Procurement and contracts - details of procedures used for the	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
acquisition of goods and services. Details of contracts that have gone		
through a formal tendering process.		
Staffing structure	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Pay policy - a statement of the Academy's policy on procedures	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
regarding teachers' pay		
Governors' allowances – Details of allowances and expenses that can	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
be claimed or incurred.		

Information to be published	How the information can be	Charge
	obtained	

What our priorities are and how we are doing.	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
(Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and		
reviews)		
Current information should be published.		
School profile	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Government supplied performance data		
OFSTED report – summary and full report		
Performance management information	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Academy's future plans – any major proposals on safeguarding and	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
promoting the welfare of children.		
Child protection – policies and procedures on safeguarding and	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
promoting the welfare of children.		
How we make decisions	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
(Decision making processes and records of decisions)		
Current and previous three years as a minimum		
Admissions policy – arrangements and procedures and right of appeal	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
- include information on application numbers and number of		
successful applicants by each oversubscription criteria.		
Governing body meeting agendas, papers and minutes – information	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
that is properly considered to be private should be excluded.		

Information to be published	How the information can be	Charge
	obtained	

Our policies and procedures	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
(Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering our		
services and responsibilities)		
Current information only		
School policies including:	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Charging and remissions policy		
Health and safety		
Complaints procedure		
Staff conduct policy		
Discipline and grievance policies		
Pay policy		
Staffing structure and implementation plan		
<ul> <li>Information request handling policy</li> </ul>		
Staff recruitment policies		
Pupil and curriculum policies, including;	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Home-school agreement		
Sex education		
Special education needs		
Accessibility		
Equality		
Collective worship		
Pupil discipline		

Records management and personal data policies	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
Information security		
Records retention		
<ul> <li>Destruction and archive policies</li> </ul>		
Data Protection policies		

Equality and diversity	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
(Policies, schemes, statements, procedures and guidelines relating to equal opportunities)		
Policies and procedures for the recruitment of staff- details of vacancies should be included		
Charging regimes and policies	Hard copy and/or website	Upon request
This should include details of any statutory charging regimes. Charging policies should include details of charges made for information routinely published. They should clearly state what costs are to be recovered, the basis on which they are made and how they are calculated.		

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Charge
List and Registers	Hard copy and/or website; some	Upon request
Currently maintained lists and registers only	information may only be	

	available for inspection	
Curriculum circulars and statutory instruments	Hard copy and/or website; some	Upon request
	information may only be	
	available for inspection	
Disclosure logs	Hard copy and/or website; some	Upon request
	information may only be	
	available for inspection	
Asset register	Hard copy and/or website; some	Upon request
	information may only be	
	available for inspection	
Any information the Academy is currently legally required to hold in	Hard copy and/or website; some	Upon request
publicly available registers	information may only be	
	available for inspection	

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Charge
The services we offer	Hard copy and/or website; some	Upon request
(Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance	information may only be	

and newsletters produced for the public and businesses)	available for inspection	
Out of school clubs	Hard copy and/or website; some information may only be available for inspection	Upon request
School publications	Hard copy and/or website; some information may only be available for inspection	Upon request
Services for which the Academy is entitled to recover a fee, together with those fees	Hard copy and/or website; some information may only be available for inspection	Upon request
Leaflets, booklets and newsletters	Hard copy and/or website; some information may only be available for inspection	Upon request