



Records Management Policy

Statement

Social Arts for Education recognises that the efficient management of its records is necessary to comply with its legal and regulatory obligations and to contribute to the effective overall management of the institution. This document provides the policy framework through which this effective management can be achieved and audited. It covers scope, responsibilities and relationships with existing policies.

Scope of the policy

This policy applies to all records created, received or maintained by staff of Social Arts for Education in the course of carrying out its functions.

Records are defined as all those documents which facilitate the business carried out by Social Arts for Education and which are thereafter retained (for a set period) to provide evidence of its transactions or activities. These records may be created, received or maintained in hard copy or electronically.

A small percentage of Social Arts for Education's records will be selected for permanent preservation as part of the institution's archives and for historical research.

Responsibilities

Social Arts for Education has a corporate responsibility to maintain its records and record keeping systems in accordance with the regulatory environment. The person with overall responsibility for this policy is the Head of Social Arts for Education.

The person responsible for records management in Social Arts for Education will give guidance for good records management practice and will promote compliance with this policy so that information will be retrieved easily, appropriately and timely.

Individual staff and employees must ensure that records for which they are responsible are accurate, and are maintained and disposed of in accordance with Social Arts for Education's records management guidelines.

Relationship with existing policies

This policy has been drawn up within the context of: Freedom of Information policy, Data Protection policy and with other legislation or regulations (including audit, equal opportunities and ethics) affecting Social Arts for Education.

This policy was written on 20th March 2019 and will be reviewed by 20th March 2020.