The Glebe Surgery recognises the need for an appropriate balance between openness and confidentiality in the management and use of information. The Glebe Surgery fully supports the principles of corporate governance and recognises its public accountability, but equally places importance on the confidentiality of, and the security arrangements to safeguard, both personal information about patients and staff and commercially sensitive information. The Glebe Surgery also recognises the need to share patient information with other health organisations and other agencies in a controlled manner consistent with the interests of the patient and, in some circumstances, the public interest.

The Glebe Surgery believes that accurate, timely and relevant information is essential to deliver the highest quality health care. As such it is the responsibility of all clinicians and managers to ensure and promote the quality of information and to actively use information in decision making processes.

The Organisation is aware of and will adhere to the **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)**

Article 5 of the GDPR states that ***“the controller , The Glebe Surgery, shall be responsible for, and be able to demonstrate, compliance with the principles.”***

A new data privacy law has come in effect and as a result we are publishing a new privacy Notice to make it easier for you to find out how we use and protect your data.

A copy of the main Privacy Note “Direct Care” can be found on this web site , others are available from the surgery.

* We won’t be changing the way we use patient personal data , but we will provide patients with more details such as;
	+ Increased rights about data we hold
	+ How we keep your personal data secure
	+ Types of data we collect and use
	+ Legal grounds for how we use data