

Welcome to the RGDP March '22 Data Protection Newsletter

This month we are looking at three issues that affect our clients in the field of Data Protection:

In a Nutshell

- Impact of war in Ukraine on cyber security
- Views on anonymization sought by ICO
- New guidance on video surveillance from the ICO

Impact of Ukraine war on Cyber Security

- The Importance of Cyber Security is sharply in focus this month with the war in Ukraine and the potential for increased cyber threats.
- From multi-national companies to small enterprises, it has never been more important to deliver the reasonable technical measures required of the Data Protection Act to protect the data that matters to you and your customers
- The National Cyber Security Centre are advising organisations to take more measures to strengthen their cyber resilience, for instance by taking part in Cyber Essentials reviews.
- Guidance on this and other security measures can be found at: <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/cyberessentials/overview>, and on the ICO website
- Talk to your Data Protection Officer for more advice on how to protect your data.

View on anonymisation sought by ICO

- The ICO have published the latest chapter in their series of anonymisation guidance, focusing on accountability and governance.
- Chapter 4 explains the governance approach you should take when you anonymise personal data.
- This is draft guidance and so the ICO are interested to hear your thoughts on how they could improve the guidance to better support you in your work
- More information at: <https://ico.org.uk/about-the-ico/ico-and-stakeholder-consultations/ico-call-for-views-anonymisation-pseudonymisation-and-privacy-enhancing-technologies-guidance/>

New guidance on video surveillance from the ICO

- The ICO have developed this guidance to help organisations in the public and private sector, who use video surveillance systems to collect and process personal data. It will help you to stay within the legal requirements of the UK General Data Protection Regulation.
- More Information can be found at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-data-protection/key-dp-themes/video-surveillance/>

Speak to your RGDP Data Protection Officer for more information on these topics.