

Performance and Resources Committee Meeting

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Paper Title	Shared Data Protection Officer
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Responsible Officer	Jim Godfrey, Finance and Resources Director
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Action	For Noting

1. Report Purpose

1.1. To update the Committee on the recent developments in respect of a shared Data Protection Officer for the Glasgow region.

2. Recommendations

2.1. The Committee is asked to **note** that Mairead Wood has been appointed as Data Protection Officer for the Glasgow College Region with effect from 21 May 2018.

3. Report

- **3.1.** As reported at the previous meeting, GCRB and the assigned colleges agreed to recruit a Shared Data Protection Officer. This shared service arrangement is being managed on our behalf by UCSS¹.
- **3.2.** Following an extensive recruitment process, a total of 7 Data Protection Officers were appointed to work on behalf of colleges, and universities, across Scotland. Mairead will work on behalf of GCRB, and the 3 Glasgow colleges as part of a shared service agreement. In addition, the Data Protection Officers will work together to provide support to other regions, for example in the event of the absence of a colleague.

4. Risk Analysis

4.1. The approach outlined above enables GCRB, and the Glasgow Region, to address the risks posed by the new regulations in respect of Data Protection and GDPR.

5. Legal Implications

5.1. There are specific legal implications associated with the implementation of General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) in May 2018.

¹ Universities and Colleges Shared Services is a not-for-profit Shared Service organisation jointly owned by all Universities and Colleges in Scotland.

6. Resource Implications

6.1. The estimated cost of the shared Data Protection Officer is £57,000. The proportion of this cost that directly relates to GCRB is expected to be in the region of £3,000.

7. Strategic Plan Implications

7.1. There is a clear link between the regional strategic ambition of good governance and full compliance with relevant legislation. This report outlines a collaborative approach to the issue of Data Protection and GDPR.