

The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) is the UK's independent authority set up to uphold information rights in the public interest, promoting openness by public bodies and data privacy for individuals. It is fair to say that the ICO has never been busier. In 2012, twelve local authorities were fined a combined total of £1.2 million for data breaches.

Working in or with the public sector, and routinely handling really sensitive personal data, means that you must have robust processes, policies and protocols to minimise the risk of a data breach. With eye-watering financial penalties and the risk of disastrous damage to reputation, are you confident that your systems and processes would withstand the consequences of a breach?

To support you with this, Browne Jacobson offers low cost, fixed fee legal support by way of two products: checker and navigator.

checker
from brownejacobson

£500 exc VAT

Peace of mind for a fixed fee

This product is aimed at in-house teams or data protection managers who need support in handling a data protection or information security breach...fast.

We will:

- Provide a second opinion on proposed actions
- Provide you with a "sanity" check on any decision to notify
- Advise as to how best to present any referral to the ICO
- Suggest next steps that should be offered to the ICO to minimise or avoid any fine or sanction
- Identify the key policies and procedures you may need to review.
- Advise on possible claims

...fast. Two day turnaround, plus 24 hour lawyer availability for telephone support

navigator

from brownejacobson

£1,500 exc VAT

This is a more intensive support service with a one-off fee designed to guide you through complex processes

Navigator is aimed at organisations who:

- have no experience of handling information security issues and/or
- need to demonstrate independence in the investigation and notification process

We will:

- provide a project plan setting out how to investigate the breach or near miss
- identify root causes
- formulate a plan by which the breach can be remedied and minimise the risk of a recurrence
- provide a written report advising on possible claims and consequences
- set out factors for you to decide whether affected individuals and/or ICO should be notified
- draft any notification documents for the ICO

...providing a complete service, with a quick and concise turnaround

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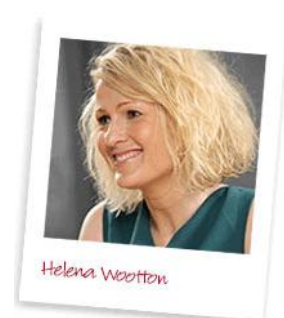
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