

# **GREAT HANWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

## **REPORT ON GDPR**

**JANUARY 2018**

As covered in recent SALC Bulletins, new data protection legislation is being introduced on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR). Parish councils must comply with this by the above date. In light of guidance circulated by SALC and a seminar I attended, it is recommended that the council pay an independent trained company to audit the records and act as independent Data Protection Officer. The quotes received for this are £240 per annum for this. The risks of not complying with the legislation are high as it concerns personal data and very substantial fines can be imposed if a breach of the legislation occurs. It is therefore strongly recommended that the council seeks the specialist advice recommended.