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The information you provide to SomersetWorks will be shared with the Department for Work & Pensions (DWP) as Managing Authority, and is used to evaluate this project and to report to the Somerset County Council, as Lead Accountable Body, and European Social Fund for monitoring purposes, in line with European Commission regulatory requirements.

Your information will also be shared with research organisations working on behalf of the Department for Work & Pensions who may contact you to discuss your involvement in the project for research purposes. Participation in research is voluntary and you will be asked to consent before taking part in any research activity you may be contacted about.

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Contact Details If you have any questions, queries or complaints, and to exercise your personal data rights, please in the first instance contact the Data Protection Officer at the Department of Works and Pensions [rightofaccess.requests@dwp.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:rightofaccess.requests@dwp.gsi.gov.uk) . You can contact the Information Commissioner’s Office on 0303 123 1113 or via email <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/email> or at the Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

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