# **APPLICANT GUIDANCE NOTES**

An online DBS check can be completed by accessing the internet from any PC/Laptop that has this facility. If you do not own your own computer you can go to any internet café or local library. Please be aware that you must complete your application form in full as part completed applications form cannot be saved.

## LOGGING ONTO THE SYSTEM

Please enter the following address in the web browser:

## https://disclosure.capitarvs.co.uk/stoke

## Please ensure that you can see 'STOKE ON TRENT CITY COUNCIL' in the top left hand corner.

If you are **not** taken directly to the 'Start New Application' page, please click on '**Start Application**' in the orange box entitled '**DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE (DBS) APPLICATION'** to enter the system and start your application.

Please note at this stage of the process your login details are case sensitive.

1. Enter the Organisation Reference that has been supplied to you by the company that you will be/are working for :- NEWMANCATHMAT

#### 2. You DO NOT need to enter a Password

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Please enter your reference number and password to start a new application.	
Start New Application	
Organisation Reference (*): Password:	
	Enter •

Once you have completed this section click 'Enter'.

## STATEMENT OF FAIR PROCESSING

You will now be taken to the 'Stoke on Trent Council Statement of Fair Processing' outlining our terms and conditions. Please read the statement and tick the box to confirm this has been read and agreed to.

CRVS Statement of Fair Processing

By accessing this website and providing Capita Recruitment Vetting Service (CRVS) with your personal details, you agree to accept and be bound by the terms of the CRVS statement of fair processing which is summarised below.

Using the IT specification supplied by the DBS Capita Recruitment Vetting Service has produced an online disclosure system, e Bulk, which is an alternative to the standard paper forms, therefore allowing you to complete your application at any location with internet access

Our online service is committed to protecting the privacy of our users. When you supply any personal information to this site we have legal obligations towards you in the way we deal with your data as follows:

- 1. We will hold your personal information on our systems for as long as needed to meet the service you have requested, and remove it in the event that the purpose has been met.
- 2. We will ensure that all personal information supplied is held securely, in accordance with
- the Data Protection Act 1998.
- We will provide a safe and secure experience for users of this site.
   We will ensure that the information you submit to us remains private, and is only used for the purposes set out below.
- Fair Processing Principles
  - Your personal information is only processed with your knowledge.

  - Only information that we actually need is collected and processed.
    Your personal information is only seen by those who need it to do their jobs.
  - Personal information is retained only for as long as it is required.
    Decisions affecting you are made on the basis of reliable and up to date information.
    Your information is protected from unauthorised or accidental disclosure.
    Inaccurate or misleading data will be corrected as soon as possible.

  - Procedures are in place for dealing promptly with any dispute.

All information requested is used solely for the purpose of producing a Disclosure and Barring Service certificate and is collected, stored and processed by CRVS and the Disclosure and Barring Service in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. We will treat your personal information as confidential and we will not disclose it to any third party except: (i) with your prior agreement; (ii) as necessary for providing our e-bulk online disclosure service to you; or (iii) as required by law.

Any organisation which uses the CRVS e-Bulk online disclosure service is obliged to sign a service contract requiring them to:

- Abide by the Data Protection Act 1998
  Have a policy for secure storage, handling, use, retention and disposal of Disclosures and Disclosure Information

The CRVS e-Bulk solution is hosted within an ISO27001, Capita owned data centre and all components of the service are protected by intrusion detection and intrusion prevention devices. Completed applications are fully encrypted and securely transferred to Disclosure and Barring Service using the e-Bulk Interface.

I have read and understand this statement (tick to confirm)  $\square$ 



Once you have ticked the consent box please click 'Next'

## **APPLICATION PRE-ENTRY STATEMENT**

You will now see the application pre-entry statement; this gives concise information in regards to the requirements by the DBS regarding acceptable identification in support of your DBS application.

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A key requirement of the Disclosure process through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) is for your identification to be verified by the organisation requesting this Disclosure on you.
If you do not hold at least one of the identification documents listed below you should seek clarification from the organisation requesting this Disclosure on you prior to starting your application as you may not be able to submit your application online.
<ul> <li>Current valid Passport</li> <li>Biometric Residence Permit (UK)</li> <li>Current Driving Licence (UK, Isle of Man/Channel Islands) (full or provisional)</li> <li>Birth Certificate (UK &amp; Channel Islands) - issued within 12 months of your date of birth</li> </ul>
Sometimes, we might be required to undertake an External ID Verification Validation check. If so this is undertaken independently and may require your consent.
Please read the document DBS list of acceptable identification for details about the identification we require. You can get further guidance about the DBS Disclosure process at <a href="http://www.gov.uk/dbs">http://www.gov.uk/dbs</a> .
Please note, only English language applications can be submitted online - Welsh language applications must be submitted using the paper application route. If you require your certificate to be produced in the Welsh language please do not continue with this online application and contact the organisation requesting this application on you as a Welsh language application form must be completed and submitted to the Disclosure & Barring Service.
I have read and understand this statement (tick to confirm) $\square$
Previous     Next

- The application form is a simple 5 step process. Please complete all fields.
- Mandatory fields are denoted by (\*)

Mistakes on the application form will cause delays in processing and may result in an invalid disclosure application.

# **SECTION 1 – ABOUT YOU**

Please enter your personal details.

**If you have any middle name(s) ensure that you enter these details,** particularly those that appear on your identity documents, e.g. passport, driving licence, birth certificate, etc. Any missing information from this or any other section can severely delay the processing of your criminal record check.

1) About You 🕴 2) Address History 🍀 3) Additional Info 🕴 4) Employment	i 5) Confirm
The application form is a simple 5 step process, please complete all fields provided.	Information
Mandatory fields are denoted by (*)  Personal Details  Gender (*):  Title (*):  Forename (*):  Middle name 1:  Middle name 2:  Middle name 3:  Surname (*):  Date of birth (*):  -DD-  -MM-  -YYYY-  NI Number:	Middle Names Please supply all middle names, especially those that appear on you identity documents, e.g., passport, driving licence, birth certificate, etc Failure to comply will result in delays. Language Only English language applications can be submitted online. Welsh language applications must be submitted using the paper application route. If you require you certificate to be produced in the Welsh language please contact the organisation requesting this application on you as a Welsh language application form must be completed and then submitted to th Disclosure & Barring Service. Minimum age for DBS checks Someone who is aged under 16 at the time of application is not allower to apply for a DBS check.
Contact Details	
Language (*):  select  To speed up the resolution of any queries with your application please provide a telephone number or email address we can use to contact you Telephone No: Telephone No: If you have an email address please supply this to allow an automated email to be sent to you to confirm your application has been submitted Email Address:	

Once you have completed this section click 'Next'.

## **SECTION 2 – ADDRESS HISTORY**

Please enter your current address. If you have not lived at this property for more than five years, you will be taken to another screen. Here you will be required to add any additional addresses to ensure your address history goes back the required five years. **Please note if you do not provide a minimum of five years address history, you will not be able to proceed to the next stage of the application process.** 

### **Address Dates**

There cannot be any gaps/overlaps in your address history. Please ensure that the month and year of each address follows that of the previous address. Students who switch between their permanent residence and education establishments must enter each address with dates consecutively, e.g. parents' address Dec 2009 – Jan 2010, university address Jan 2010 – March 2010, parents' address March 2010 – April 2010 etc. Do not run addresses/dates simultaneously as your application form will be rejected by the DBS. Once an address has been entered, you can edit any information by clicking on the '**Edit**' button.

### Postcode

Please ensure that all UK addresses have a full postcode; if you cannot remember your postcode please use the Royal Mail <u>UK Postcode Finder</u> link provided within the address information box.

### No Fixed Abode UK

If you were of no fixed abode within the UK please enter the nearest hostel address to the location you were based.

#### Foreign Addresses/Travelling Overseas

If you have travelled overseas and cannot supply the address for a foreign country then please enter 'no fixed abode' for Address Line 1. Please then enter the Town/City and Country of where you were residing within this period.

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1) About You : 2) Address History : 3) Additional Info : 4) Employment : 5	) Confirm
Please enter your current address	Information
Current Address	Address Dates There cannot be any gaps or overlaps
Address Line 1 (*):	in your address history. Please ensure that the month and year from a previous address are repeated as the
Address Line 2:	same date at the start of your next address. Students who switch between
Town (*):	their permanent residence and educational establishment must enter each address with dates consecutively
County	e.g. parents address Dec 09-Jan 10, University address Jan 10-March 10,
Country (*): Please select 💌	parents address March 10-April 10 etc. Do not run addresses/dates
Date from (*): -MM-	rejected by the DBS.
	Postcode Please ensure you fully enter your postcode, partial postcodes will cause

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# **SECTION 3 – ADDITIONAL INFO**

## Place of Birth

Please enter details of your place of birth.

#### **Nationality at Birth**

Please enter your Nationality at birth and state YES or NO as to whether this has changed since you were born. If this has changed, you will be required to enter your current nationality.

## **Changed Surname**

If you have changed your surname please provide your birth surname and the year you changed it. Please ensure that where names change they run in date order and with no gaps.

#### **Other Names**

Please provide details of any other names used at any time during your lifetime and the dates during which the names were used. Please enter each forename, middle name(s) and surname separately using the 'Add Name' button below. If you have used any aliases, e.g. William known as Bill, please also supply these details.

#### Failure to supply any additional information may cause your application to be delayed.

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lease complete the following ac	ditional information						Information
Place of Birth							Change of name(s) Please ensure that where names change they run in date order and
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County:							Other names If you have used any other names any time during your lifetime please
Country (*):	Please select			•			provide them.
Nationality at birth (*):	Please select		•				Aliases Please supply details of any alias names you may have used includin
Have you changed your nationality since birth? (*)	Please select 💌						dates from and to, e.g. William kno as Bill etc within the Other Names section. Failure to do so could cause
Have you changed your birth surname? (*)	Please select 💌						your application to be delayed or rejected by the DBS.
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Once you have completed this section click 'Next'.

# **SECTION 4 – EMPLOYMENT DETAILS**

#### **Position Applied For**

Please insert the correct job role as supplied to you by your current/new employer. You will either be required to select your job role from the dropdown list provided or enter this manually. No abbreviations are permissible, e.g. Admin Asst should read Administrative Assistant. If you are a volunteer do not enter just volunteer, please enter in which capacity your job role is, e.g. Coach.

Failure to enter the correct job role may cause your application to be delayed or invalid.

#### **Employer Name**

This has been defaulted to the organisation you are applying through and should not be amended.

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1) About You : 2) Address History : 3) Additional Info : 4) Employment : 5)	Confirm
Please complete the fields below	Information
Employment Details         Position Applied For (*):       • select •:         Employer Name (*):       CHEQS ORGANISATION         Conviction History         Please refer to: Rehabilitation of the Offenders Act. The DBS can no longer remove convictions, cautions and reprimands held on the Police National Computer*         *For exceptions to this legislation or for more information please refer to Subabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 at:         www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/1198/pdfs/uksi 20131198 en.pdf         Do you have any convictions, cautions, reprimands or final warnings that are not defined as 'protected' by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974? (*): 'f select 's	Position Applied For Please insert the correct job role as supplied to you by your current/new employer. No abbreviations or acronyms are permissible, e.g. Nursery Asst should read Nursery Assistant or SMSA should read School Meals Supervisory Assistant. If volunteer do not enter just volunteer, please enter in which capacity your job role is e.g. Coach. <b>Employer Name</b> This has been defaulted to the organisation you are applying through but can be amended if required. <b>Conviction History</b> If you have ever been convicted of a criminal offence or received a caution, reprimend or final warning that is not 'protected' as defined by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (as amended
Next *	select Yes. For more information see <u>Rehabilitation of Offenders Act</u>

## **Conviction History**

If you have <u>never</u> been convicted of a criminal offence or never received a caution, reprimand or warning then please select '**No**'. If you have been convicted of a criminal offence, or received a caution, reprimand or warning that **is** 'protected' as defined by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act then please also select '**No**'.

If you have ever been convicted of a criminal offence, caution, reprimand or warning that **is not** 'protected' as defined by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act then please select '**Yes**'.

For more information, please refer to Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 at:

http://www.justice.gov.uk/guidance/docs/rehabilitation-offenders.pdf

Once you have completed this section click 'Next'.

## **SECTION 5 – CONFIRMATION AND CONSENT**

Now please read through your application to ensure that there are no omissions/errors before you submit your application. If you wish to edit a section of your application click on 'edit' next to the section of the form that requires changes.

At the end of the application please make sure that you complete the Applicant Consent section.

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Personal Details					
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Forename:	TEST				
Middle Names:					
Surname:	APPLICATION				
Date of birth:	18/07/1984				
Gender:	MALE				
NI Number:	AA123456B				
Contact Details					
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Town:	SHEFFIELD			Edit	
County:					
Country:	UNITED KINGDOM				
Nationality at birth:	BRITISH				
Current nationality:	BRITISH				
Employment Details					
Position Applied For:	TESTER			Edit	
Employer Name:	CHEQS ORGANISATION				
Conviction History					
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Applicant Consent					
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## Now click 'Complete'.

All details correct at time of upload. 14.03.2014

You have now completed your application form and you will be given a submission reference number. **Please make a note of this number for reference purposes.** If you entered an email address onto your application form you will receive a confirmation email containing these details.



Your application form will be processed by your employer once they have verified your identity. Please see below for guidance on identity verification.

#### Next step - identity verification

In line with the DBS code of practice all applicants requiring a DBS check must have their identity verified.

#### How do I have my identity verified?

Please provide original identification to the Nominated Person who has requested you complete a disclosure (usually the Appointing Manager) and provide identification as listed in the acceptable ID table (see table below). Your application form will be processed by your employer once they have verified your identity, and then sent onto the DBS.

## Tracking the progress of your application with the DBS

If you supplied an email address whilst entering your application, as soon as your application has been received at the DBS and is assigned a DBS Application Reference number you will receive a second email detailing this information. This email will also include details and links to the DBS website to enable you to track the progress of your application from the moment the disclosure process commences. You will also be able to subscribe to the DBS Update Service as soon as your application is in process.

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- Denoted with \* it should be less than 3 months old
- Denoted with \*\* it should be less than 12 months old