



Citizen science collaboration grant

Guidance for applicants on completing the Data Management and Ethics Plan.

The Data Management and Ethics plan is an opportunity for applicants to demonstrate their commitment to best practice in data management and to explain how they will address the ethical dimensions of their proposed project.

The page limit for the Data Management and Ethics Plan is maximum two sides of A4. There is no minimum or maximum page allowance for each section.

Data Management

Your data management plan should be guided by UKRI's [Common principles on data policy](#) and our [Guidance on best practice in the management of research data](#).

More detailed, subject-specific data management guidance is available in each Council's relevant documentation, linked to below. Please follow whichever guidance is most suited to the principle research discipline of your proposal.

AHRC: <https://ahrc.ukri.org/documents/guides/research-funding-guide1/> (pg. 62)

BBSRC: <https://bbsrc.ukri.org/about/policies-standards/data-sharing-policy/>

EPSRC: <https://epsrc.ukri.org/about/standards/researchdata/>

ESRC: <https://esrc.ukri.org/funding/guidance-for-grant-holders/research-data-policy/>

MRC: <https://mrc.ukri.org/funding/guidance-for-applicants/2-the-application/#2.2.8>

NERC: <https://nerc.ukri.org/research/sites/data/dmp/>

STFC: <https://stfc.ukri.org/funding/research-grants/data-management-plan/>

Ethics

Your ethics plan should highlight and explain how you will treat any ethical issues that arise from the conduct and content of your proposed research, particularly issues which are unique to, or more likely to occur, when using, or citizen science approaches.

Building on the [Ten principles of citizen science](#) you should provide assurance that you have considered and are adequately prepared for the ethical issues that may arise during your proposed project.

Further guidance on the ethics of conducting citizen science can be found on the [Citizen Science Association's Ethics Working Group webpage](#).