Who is the Data Controller for the personal data used to issue my National Entitlement Card?

A data controller is someone who makes decisions about why and how data is processed. Scottish Councils are joint Data Controllers for the NEC Scheme because they work together. The Data Controller for your data will normally be your local Council. Their logo appears in the top right of the saltire side of the card.

Some colleges and universities issue cards that carry NEC branding; however, the data is not held by the NEC Scheme, and your college or university will be the Data Controller.

You can identify whether your card is an NEC, and who the lead Data Controller is by looking at the first six digits of the short number printed on the card under your name. In the example to the right, the six digits are:633725, and the table below confirms the lead Data Controller is Dundee City Council.



First six digits	NEC Scheme?	Lead Data Controller (click on name for link to website page on data protection)
630086	No	North East of Scotland College (NESCOL)
630087	No	University of the Highlands and Islands
630092	No	Edinburgh College
633231	Yes	South Lanarkshire Council
633250	Yes	Fife Council
633279	Yes	North Ayrshire Council
633284	Yes	North Lanarkshire Council
633285	Yes	West Lothian Council
633289	Yes	Renfrewshire Council
633297	Yes	Argyll and Bute Council
633511	Yes	West Dunbartonshire Council
633546	Yes	East Lothian Council
633559	Yes	South Ayrshire Council
633560	Yes	Aberdeen City Council
633564	Yes	East Dunbartonshire Council
633570	Yes	East Renfrewshire Council
633597		This is from the longer number and is the same for all cards. Please check your card again.

First six digits	NEC Scheme?	Lead Data Controller (click on name for link to website page on data protection)
633603	Yes	Highland Council
633624	Yes	Comhairle nan Eilean Siar
633668	Yes	City of Edinburgh Council
633670	Yes	Dumfries and Galloway Council
633678	Yes	Midlothian Council
633679	Yes	Shetland Islands Council
633687	Yes	East Ayrshire Council
633708	Yes	Perth and Kinross Council
633719	Yes	Angus Council
633724	No	University of Abertay
633725	Yes	Dundee City Council
633727	Yes	Aberdeenshire Council
633733	Yes	Falkirk Council
633734	Yes	Orkney Islands Council
633737	Yes	Moray Council
633739	Yes	Stirling Council
633740	Yes	Glasgow City Council
633741	Yes	Clackmannanshire Council
633743	Yes	Scottish Borders Council
633744	Yes	Inverclyde Council
633866	No	Dundee & Angus College Check staff and student portals for more details.