

# Data Protection Maturity Model



# Introduction

As organisations adapt to incorporate data protection principles and work toward embedding a data protection culture, those responsible struggle to demonstrate how far the organisation has progressed on the data protection journey.

For those responsible for data protection compliance it is critical to understand where you are on that journey to demonstrate:

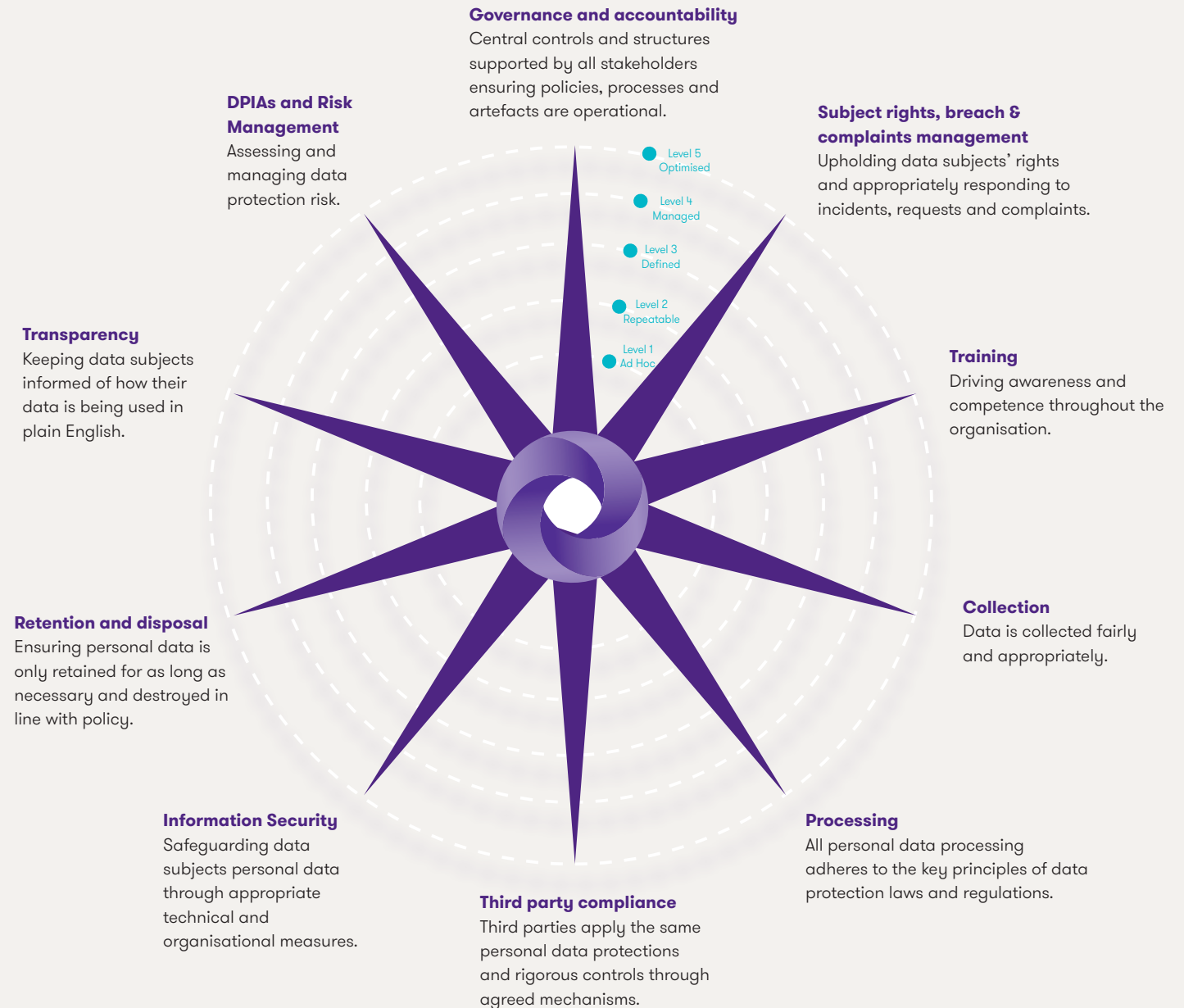
- effective risk management;
- achievements;
- evolving maturity; and
- value for money.

Grant Thornton's Data Protection Maturity Model enables organisations to assess current maturity levels and show, in an accessible way, the status of the organisation's data protection maturity:

- key compliance achievements;
- areas of data protection risk;
- desired state of compliance; and
- critical focus areas.

The Data Protection Maturity Model plots the 10 dimensions of data protection against five levels of maturity.

# The Data Protection Maturity Model



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