

## What you need to do.

### 1. Activate your Account

The first time you receive a secure email from the council you need to activate your account by creating a passphrase.

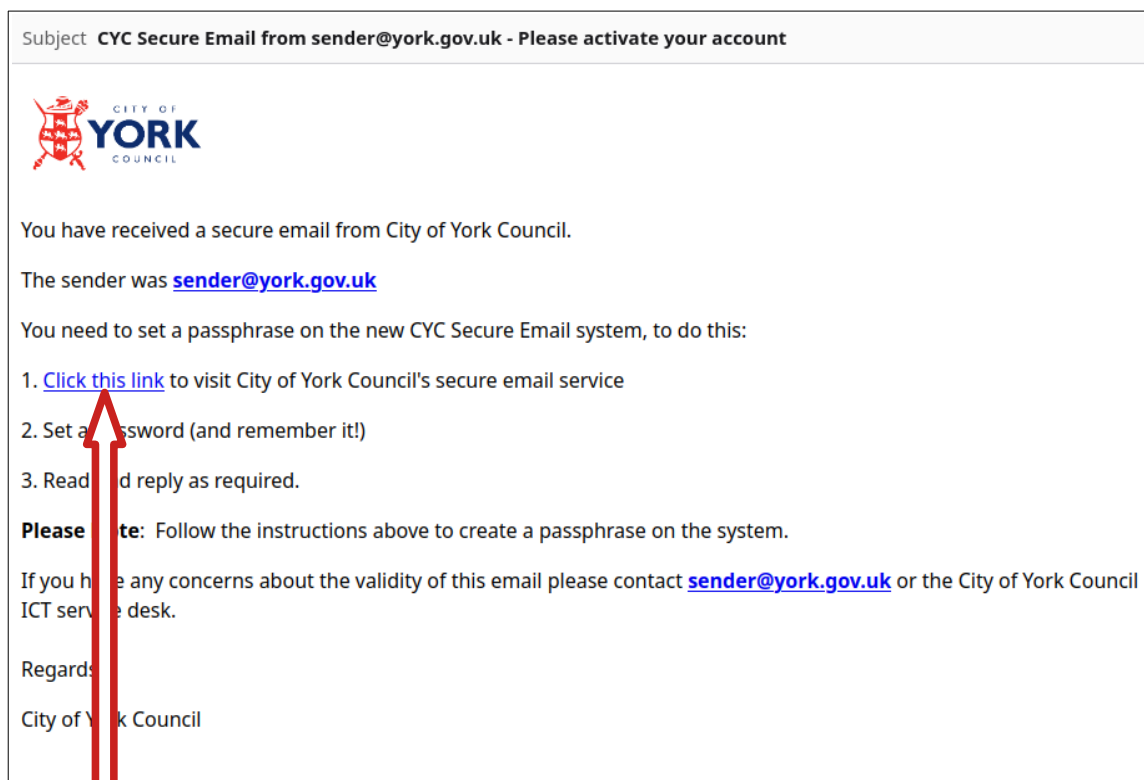
**Note:**

- You only need to activate your account once.
- You do not need to register.

### 2. How to Activate your account

To activate your account and access your secure email, follow the instructions in the message:

1. The initial email will look like this:

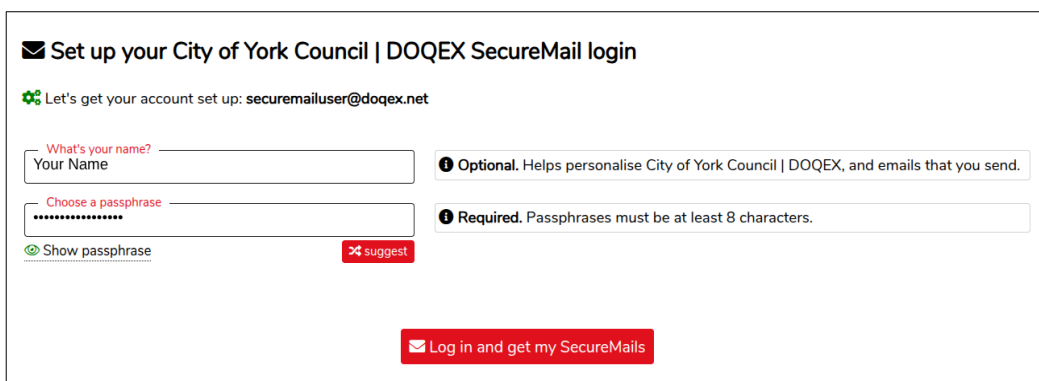


2. **Click this link** in the message.

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3. Your web browser will open ...

4. You will see this page like this:



5. Enter your name.

**Note:** This is optional, but doing so helps personalise emails you send to the council.

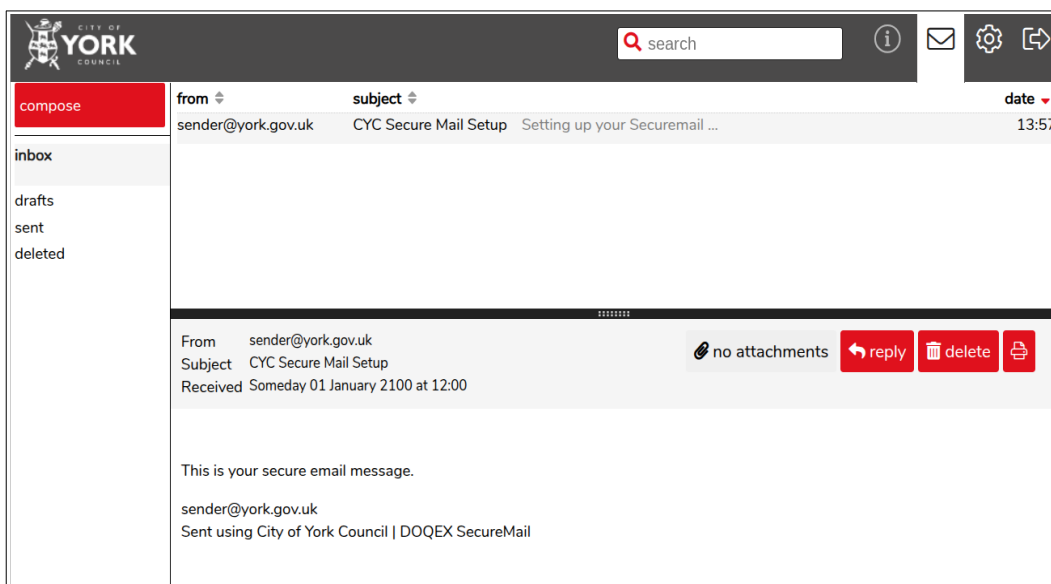
6. Choose a passphrase. You have 2 options:

- Type or copy your own passphrase into the box, or
- Click the **suggest** button. You can click it as many times as you like.

**Tip:** Click "Show passphrase" to check the password.

7. Finally, click **Log in and get my SecureMails**

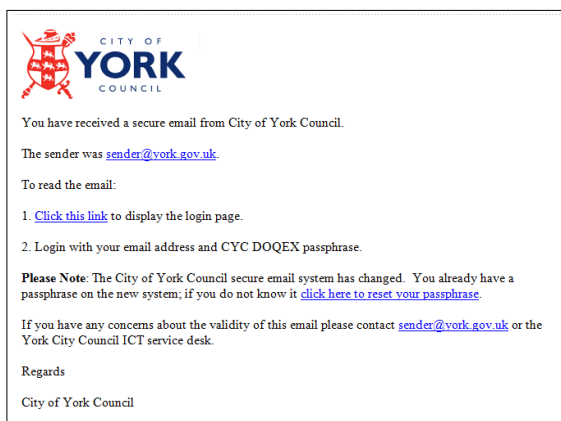
8. Done. Your inbox is active and will now open.



## 3. What next?

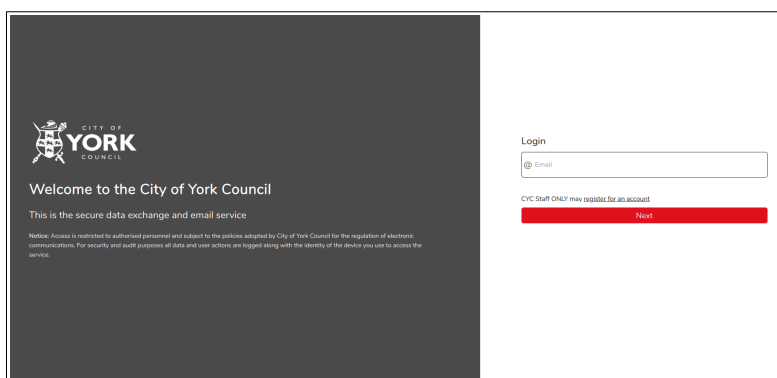
Every time you receive a secure email from City of York Council, you will get an email notification.

It will look like this:



To read your secure email:

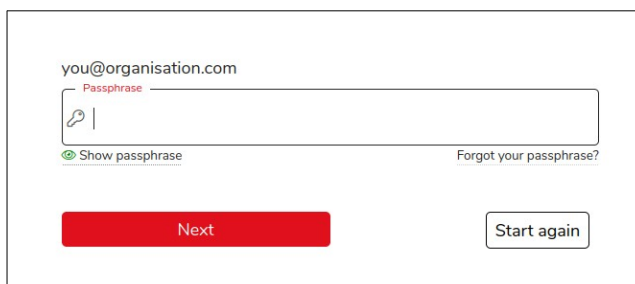
1. Either:
  - a. Click the link in the email, or
  - b. Go directly to <https://doqex.york.gov.uk>
2. You see the login screen.



3. In the Login box, type your email address.
4. Click **Next**

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## 5. Enter your passphrase



The screenshot shows a web interface for entering a passphrase. At the top, it displays 'you@organisation.com'. Below this is a label 'Passphrase' in red. A large text input field contains a key icon and a vertical bar. Below the input field, there is a green eye icon with the text 'Show passphrase' and a link 'Forgot your passphrase?'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: a red 'Next' button and a white 'Start again' button with a black border.

## 6. Click **Next**

## 7. Your inbox will open and you will see your messages.



## Forgotten your passphrase?

Don't panic, if you forget your passphrase either:

1. Click the "**Forgot your passphrase**" link
2. Click the reset passphrase link in any email notification, or
3. [Click here to reset your password](#)
4. If you need further help, please contact the ICT Service Desk.

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## What is SecureMail?

The City of York Council uses a secure email service to protect confidential information that we may send you. It also offers you a secure method of sending information back to the council.

As a recipient of secure email this means:

- You will receive notification emails when someone at the council sends you a secure message.
- You need to login to our Securemail website to read and reply to those secure messages.



## Useful Information

- The City of York Council | DOQEX Service address is: <https://doqex.york.gov.uk>
- We suggest you bookmark the secure email service login page service. On most browsers you do this by holding down CTRL and pressing D.
- Your account is created automatically but you must set a password before you can use the service. Setting a passphrase will activate your account.
- Notification emails will contain a link that you use to activate your account. You only need to do that once.
- After activation, notification emails will simply link to the login page.
- You can visit the securemail service anytime. Just login, you don't need to wait for a message.
- It is preferred that you use a desktop or tablet computer. You don't need to install any software but you must have an up-to-date browser.
- Each email address that receives securemail has a separate account. If you receive secure messages to more than one address ensure you login with the correct email address.
- You can only reply to emails or send email to specific council staff. You cannot email anyone else.
- Should you require assistance or have questions about the validity of emails you have received please contact the sender of the email.
- The City of York Council ICT service desk is available on 01904 552222.

Please read and retain this guide for instructions on how to access secure email.