

Aymestrey Parish Council.

Information regarding Microsoft 365 versus other potential options.

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Summary Table

Feature / Concern	Microsoft 365	Google Workspace	OpenOffice/LibreOffice
GDPR Compliance	✅ Strong, UK/EU data residency	✅ Good, mainly EU-based	⚠️ Your responsibility
Data Security	✅ Enterprise-grade encryption & DLP	✅ Strong but less Windows integration	⚠️ Local-only, manual
Collaboration	✅ Excellent (Teams, SharePoint)	✅ Excellent (Docs, Sheets)	❌ Minimal
Integration	✅ Seamless with Outlook/Windows	⚠️ Web-only	⚠️ None
Cost	💰 Subscription	💰 Subscription	✅ Free
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