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Cookies are small text files which are downloaded to your computer or mobile device when you visit a website or application. Your web browser (such as Internet Explorer, Safari or Google Chrome) then sends these cookies back to the website or application on each subsequent visit so that they can recognise you and remember things like personalised details or user preferences.

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Cookies are referred to as session or persistent, depending on how long they are used:

- Session cookies only last for your online session and disappear from your computer or device when you close your browser.
- Persistent cookies stay on your computer or device after the browser has been closed and last for the period of time specified in the cookie. These persistent cookies are activated each time you visit the site where the cookie was generated.

## Which cookies may LAT use and why?

When you use our Website, the following 4 categories of cookies may be set on your device:

### 1. 'Strictly necessary' cookies

These cookies are essential in helping you to move around our websites and use their features, such as accessing secure areas of the website. Without these cookies, services cannot be provided. These cookies do not gather information about you that could be used for marketing or remembering where you've been on the internet.

Some examples of these essential cookies include:

- Remembering previous actions (such as text you've entered in a registration form) when navigating back to a page in the same session.
- Identifying you as being signed in to Lawestrust.org and keeping you logged in throughout your visit so that you don't need to sign in each and every time you visit.

## 2. Functional cookies

These cookies allow websites and applications to remember choices you make (such as your user name, language or the region you are in) and provide enhanced, more personal features. The information these cookies collect is usually anonymised which means we can't identify you personally. They do not gather any information about you or remembering where you've been on the internet.

We may use these types of cookies to improve your experience on our Website.

Some examples of how we do this include:

- Remembering if we've already asked you if you want to fill in a survey or if you've completed a survey, so you're not asked to do it again.
- Remembering if you've been to the site before so that messages intended for first-time users are not displayed to you.
- Remembering when you've voted in a poll or rated a product or article so that you don't do this more than once during your visit.
- Supporting social media components, like Facebook or Twitter (where a website uses a plugin from these third party platforms, for example).

## 3. Analytics cookies

In order to keep The LAT Website relevant, easy to use and up-to-date, we may use web analytics services to help us understand how people use them. For example, to see which parts of our Website are most popular, identify which properties have been viewed online, identify when errors occur and test different versions of a page or feature to see which one works best.

These web analytics services may be designed and operated by other companies on our behalf. They do this using small invisible images known as "web beacons" or

"tracking pixels" that may be included on The LAT Website. These are used to count the number of times something has been seen. These web beacons are anonymous and do not contain or collect any information that identifies you.

The web analytics services may also use cookies and similar technologies to make the information collected by the web beacons more useful. When you are viewing a website, a cookie is transferred to your browser by the web server and is stored on your computer. It can only be read by the server that gave it to you.

Cookies allow web analytics services to recognise your browser or device and, for instance, identify whether you have visited our Website before, what you have previously viewed or clicked on, and how you found us. The information is anonymous and only used for statistical purposes. It allows us to track information, such as how many individual users we have and how often they visit our websites. It also helps us to analyse patterns of user activity and to develop a better user experience. For example, we might see that many people who viewed Property A also viewed Property B and we can then recommend Property B to everyone else who viewed Property A.

## 4. Other third party cookies

Please note that on some pages of our websites you may notice that cookies have been set that are not related to LAT. When you visit a page with content embedded from, for example, Google maps, these service providers may set their own cookies on your web browser. These anonymous cookies may be set by that third party to track the success of their application or to customise their application to you. LAT do not control the use of these cookies and cannot access them, as cookies can only be accessed by the party who originally set them. Check the third party websites for more information about these cookies.

## Commenting on The Lawes Trust Website

Our website allows you to contact us and or complete an application. One of the tools we use to enable contacting us or completing the application form on our website is provided by a third party. In providing this service, they may set cookies on your web browser. To do this, they may use third-party analytics tools to help measure traffic and usage trends on an anonymised and aggregate basis.

## How to control your cookies

LAT do not use cookies to collect personally identifiable information about you. These cookies are set to improve your experience on our website and to enable you to benefit from specific features and to set preferences. However, there are various ways that you can control and manage your cookies which are discussed in more detail below. Please note any settings you change will not just affect The LAT cookies. These changes will apply to all websites that you visit (unless you choose to block cookies from particular sites).

## Managing cookies in your browser

You can choose to enable or disable cookies in your internet browser. By default, most internet browsers accept cookies but this can be changed. For further details on how to manage cookies, please read further on how to manage cookies and check your browser settings and options. Most modern browsers will allow you to:

- See what cookies you've got and delete them on an individual basis.
- Block third party cookies.
- Block cookies from particular sites.
- Block all cookies from being set.
- Delete all cookies when you close your browser.

You should be aware that any preferences will be lost if you delete cookies, including where you have opted out from cookies, as this requires an opt-out cookie to be set. Blocking cookies completely will mean that many websites will not work properly and some functionality on these websites will be compromised. For this reason we do not recommend turning cookies off when using our Website.

To find out more about how to manage your cookies follow the links below which take you to the 'Help' sections for each of the major browsers:

• Internet Explorer: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/help/278835/how-to-delete-cookie-files-in-internet-explorer>

• Firefox: <https://support.mozilla.org/en-US/products/firefox/protect-your-privacy/cookies>

• Google

Chrome: <http://support.google.com/chrome/bin/answer.py?hl=en&answer=95647>

- Opera: <http://www.opera.com/browser/tutorials/security/privacy/>
- Safari: <https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201265>
- Android: <https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/32050?co=GENIE.Platform%3DAndroid&hl=en>
- Blackberry: <http://support.blackberry.com/kb/articleDetail?ArticleNumber=000003865>
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## Managing analytics cookies

It is possible to opt out of having your anonymised browsing activity within websites recorded by analytics cookies. LAT use the following analytics provider and you can opt out of their cookies by clicking on the following link. Please note that this will take you to the relevant third party's website and generate a 'no thanks' cookie, which will stop any further cookies being set by those third parties.

Once again, please note that by not allowing analytics cookies, we are unable to learn what you like or don't like about our Website and thus cannot improve your user experience.

- Google Analytics: <https://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout>