

## Cookies policy

This page gives information about the cookies used when you visit this site.

### Why we use cookies

When you visit [thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk](https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk) we use cookies to store details about your visit. We do this to:

- Store information needed to make the website and the applications on it work properly
- Customise the site and its services so they remember your preferences
- Find out how people are using the site

We encourage you to accept the cookies our website uses as some are needed for the site to work for you. And they also help us to improve the services the site and the Council provides you with.

### What are cookies?

A cookie is a small text file stored on your computer or mobile device by a website's server. Only the server that set the cookie will be able to retrieve or read its contents.

Each cookie is unique to your web browser. It contains anonymous information such as a unique identifier, the site name and some digits and numbers.

Information about your visit to our site is collected in a such a way that no-one is personally identified. And we do not associate any data gathered from the site by cookies with any information that identifies you from any source.

### Controlling and deleting cookies

Please see [www.aboutcookies.org.uk](http://www.aboutcookies.org.uk) for details of how to [manage](#) the cookies that are stored on your computer.

### Websites linked to from this site

The websites that this site links to, may also use of cookies. Please check them for their own cookie policy.

### More information

- More information about cookies is available on [www.aboutcookies.org.uk](http://www.aboutcookies.org.uk).
- Guidance on the [Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations \(PECR\)](#) can be found on the [Information Commissioner's Office website](#)
- Our [privacy policy](#) and [https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/website-disclaimer?target=\\_blank](https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/website-disclaimer?target=_blank)

### Cookies used

| <b>Name of system</b>   | <b>Cookie name</b> | <b>What is the cookie used for?</b>  | <b>How long does the cookie persist for?</b> |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| <b>Google Analytics</b> | <b>_ga</b>         | Google Analytics sets cookies to help us accurately estimate the number of visitors to the | Two years                                    |

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| <b>Javascript</b>               | has_js  | Identifies whether a browser has Javascript enabled to display Javascript elements or go to non-Javascript .  | Expires at the end of the session              |
| <b>Cookies allowed</b>          | cookie-agreed-en                                      | Stores the user's response as to whether non-essential domain-specific cookies can be used.   | Three months                                   |
| <b>Cross-site login</b>         | CHOCOLATECHIP<br>OATMEAL<br>drupal_uid<br>drupal_user | Essential for storing joint information to enable cross-site login (SSO) between Community site and main Hub site.  | One hour<br>One hour<br>One month<br>One month |
| <b>Performance improvements</b> | authcache   | Essential cookie used to improve caching performance for unauthenticated and authenticated users  | One month                                      |
| <b>Account login</b>            | SESS_random_strin                                     | Used to identify your user session  | One month                                      |
| <b>Share This</b>               | __uset<br>__stid                                      | Allowing easy integration with numerous social networks, including Facebook, Google+, Twitter and LinkedIn.   | One day<br>One year                            |
| <b>Scorecard Research</b>       | UIDR<br>UID   | Web tracking used by ShareThis. If using ShareThis, there is no way to opt out of ShareThis tracking.   | Two years<br>Two years                         |
| <b>Google+</b>                  | NID<br>OTZ  | Integration with the Google+ APIs sets various session cookies on the .google.com domain. These are used to transfer login and user information between different Google sites. | 6 months<br>One month                          |

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