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### **FGC POLICY STATEMENT**

FGC are committed to protecting and respecting your privacy through an open and simple cookie policy. This policy aims to outlines the different types of cookies FGC needs to use for FGC website to function correctly to provide users of the site a smooth online experience. FGC urges all users of their website to read the following cookie policy.

FGC cookie policy is an open an ongoing policy which will change and update with government guidelines.

### **Introduction to Cookies**

Cookies are tiny trackers that connect users and websites. Cookies play a role in almost everything people do on the internet.

### **Internet Cookies Definition**

Internet cookies are small text files that a website downloads to a user's device in order to track their behaviour on the website, and to remember their preferences.

### **Performance and Functionality Cookies**

The cookie data that web servers collect is vital to creating the smooth online experience that people expect.

### **Essential Cookies**

Essential cookies are a site's basic form of memory, used to store the settings selected by a user on a given site. As the name implies, they are essential to a website's functionality and cannot be disabled by users.

### **Social Networking Cookies**

Social networking tracking cookies allow users to share content on social media platforms and help link activity between a website and third-party sharing platforms.

## Cookies FGC use

FGC website uses cookies that are strictly necessary for its services to function correctly. The list below describes the cookies FGC use on this site and what FGC use them for. FGC generally operate an ‘implied consent’ policy which means that FGC give you the opportunity to withhold your consent by clicking to not use cookies, adjusting your browser settings or by not using the website. If you are not happy to consent, then you should either not use this site, or you should delete the cookies having visited the site, or you should browse the site after adjusting your settings or using your browser’s anonymous usage setting (e.g. called “Incognito” in Chrome, “InPrivate” for Internet Explorer, “Private Browsing” in Firefox and Safari.)

## Cookies used and their purposes

PHPSESSID	Session cookie
POSTPASS	Password protected pages expires in ten days
WORDPRESS-TEST-COOKIE	These are the cookies that activate in the admin area of the website.
WOOCOMMERCE CART_HASH_#	Puts items in cart for purchasing for example the Fermanagh Roots journal.
Cookieconsent_status	Gives you the user the option to except or decline use of FGC website.
WC_FRAGMENT_#	Is a script using admin ajax to update the cart without refreshing the page.  Admin -ajax primary purpose is to establish a connection between the client and the server.

This list of cookies is subject to change as FGC develop the website.

## **FGC and PayPal**

When you purchase items through FGC site using PayPal, your payment is processed by PayPal – FGC would direct you to **PayPal's Privacy Policy** online to access their cookie policy . FGC website does not collect any of your financial details. The personal data that FGC website collects is the information you provide us with, e.g.: your name and delivery address.

## **FGC and Facebook**

When you the user log on to FGC Facebook page you are agreeing to use Facebooks cookies FGC would direct you to Facebook at **[www.facebook.com/policies/about/privacy/cookies](http://www.facebook.com/policies/about/privacy/cookies)**.

## **FGC and Enniskillen Castle**

Clients who access FGC booking form for genealogy appointments and emails are agreeing to use Fermanagh and Omagh District council cookie policy which can be access at

**[www.fermanaghomagh.com/yourcouncil/privacy-statement/cookies/](http://www.fermanaghomagh.com/yourcouncil/privacy-statement/cookies/)**

## **The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Cookies**

GDPR aims to give users greater rights over their data through stringent notification and consent guidelines. Under this law, users need to be informed of the existence of cookies on a website and then give valid GDPR cookie consent to their deployment. If consent is not given, the site in question cannot lawfully collect information from that user using cookies.

However, there are some exceptions. Essential cookies, performance cookies, and functionality cookies are often used based on GDPR legitimate interest or for the fulfilment of a contract. Therefore, user consent is not necessarily mandated for these cookies to be lawfully deployed.

## **Managing and Deleting cookies**

Users can manage cookies (and delete cookie files) by opening their web browser (such as Chrome, Firefox, or Safari) and locating where cookies are stored. For example, cookie storage can be enabled/disabled in Internet Explorer by clicking “tools,” then “internet options” and selecting the privacy tab. Information on deleting or controlling cookies is available at [www.aboutcookies.org](http://www.aboutcookies.org). Please note that by deleting FGC cookies or disabling future cookies you may not be able to access certain areas or features of FGC website.

## **Opting out of cookies**

Use FGC cookie control function “Beautiful Cookie Consent Banner” to manage your consent. If you would prefer to disable cookies when browsing this website, all modern browsers allow you to do this. Webpages are listed below detailing how to disable cookies using four popular browsers:

**Chrome cookie settings**

**Firefox cookie settings**

**Internet Explorer cookie settings**

**Safari cookie settings**

Otherwise, we suggest using the ‘Help’ feature in your browser for further information, consult the list at **About Cookies**

## **More information on cookies**

You may find the following websites useful for further information about cookies:

**Information Commissioner’s Office**

**[aboutcookies.org](http://aboutcookies.org)**

**[allaboutcookies.org](http://allaboutcookies.org)**

