

## **ST BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL CHARITABLE FUND**

### **COOKIES NOTICE**

This Cookies Notice explains how St Bartholomew's Hospital Charitable Fund (registered charity number: 1211936) uses cookies (and other tracking technologies) through our website [www.sbhcf.org.uk](http://www.sbhcf.org.uk). This notice also explains what these technologies are, why we use them, and the choices available to you regarding the use of cookies whilst you are using our website.

#### **What are cookies?**

A cookie is a small text file that is downloaded onto your device (eg a computer, tablet or smartphone) when you access a website. It allows the website to recognise the device and store some information about your preferences or past actions. Cookies are used by almost all websites, including by [www.sbhcf.org.uk](http://www.sbhcf.org.uk).

Other technologies similar to cookies, such as tracking pixels and local storage, are covered by the same regulations.

You can find out more about cookies at <https://allaboutcookies.org>

#### **Why we use cookies**

We use cookies for the following purposes:

- For facilitating the core operations of our website (eg page navigation).
- To track use of our website through the collection of anonymous statistics. This will help us to see which parts of our website are most frequently visited and how users are interacting with them.
- To monitor and improve the performance and functionality of our website.

#### **Types of cookies we use**

The cookies we use can be categorised as follows:

Strictly Necessary Cookies – these are essential for the provision of basic functions or to access particular features of the website. These cookies are always enabled and our website won't work properly without them. You can set your browser to block these cookies, but this will mean our website won't work as well. These cookies do not require user consent under UK law.

Performance / statistical cookies – these allow us to count visits and traffic sources to measure the performance of our website

Advertising / marketing cookies – [www.sbhcf.org.uk](http://www.sbhcf.org.uk) does not currently use any advertising or marketing cookies. We may do so in the future and will update this notice as required.

The table below sets out the cookies we use and for what purposes

Strictly Necessary Cookies			
Cookie	Owner	Purpose	Duration
Cf_bm	Cloudflare	Supports <a href="#">Bot Management</a> by distinguishing between human and automated traffic. It identifies and mitigates malicious bots to protect websites.	30 minutes
Cookie Notice Accept	SBHCF	Identifies whether the user has accepted the use of cookies on the website.	Persistence (1 Month)

Performance / Analytical Cookies			
Cookie	Owner	Purpose	Duration
Google Analytics (_ga)	Google	Google Analytics (GA4) cookies are first-party text files stored on a user's browser to distinguish unique users, track user sessions, and gather website usage data, such as traffic sources, page views, and navigation patterns. They enable website owners to analyse visitor behaviour and improve user experience	Persistent (6 months) and session, respectively

Advertising / Marketing Cookies			
Cookie	Owner	Purpose	Duration
None at present	n/a	n/a	n/a

### Managing your cookie preferences

You can manage your cookie preferences using our cookie settings tool in our cookie banner. By clicking 'I accept cookies' when you first visit the website you consent to cookies being stored on your computer and/or mobile device. You also have the option to select 'I do not accept cookies'. This will reject all non-essential cookies. Our cookies banner also allows you to customise your settings by providing your consent to some types of cookies and not others.

Alternatively, you can change your browser settings to block or delete cookies.

Google has developed a browser add-on to allow users to [opt-out of Google Analytics](#) across all websites which use it.

### Third Party Cookies

Some cookies on our website may be set by trusted third party providers such as Google Analytics. If you use Google Chrome, you can opt-out of sending data to Google Analytics by downloading and installing the Google Analytics Opt-out Add-on.

### Third Party Links

This website includes links to third party websites. You should read the privacy notice and cookie policy of each external link visited. Clicking on those links may allow third parties to collect or share data about you. We are not responsible for the privacy statements of third party websites or applications.

### Updates to Cookies Notice

This notice may be updated from time to time to reflect changes in our cookie usage and changes in legislation, including finalised ICO guidance expected in 2026.

This notice was last updated in April 2026.

### Enquiries

Enquiries about how we use cookies can be sent to [support@sbhcf.org.uk](mailto:support@sbhcf.org.uk)