

Accessibility statement for Barts Health Archives and Museums online catalogue

This accessibility statement applies to the Barts Health Archives and Museums online catalogue: <http://www.calmhosting01.com/BartsHealth/CalmView/default.aspx>. The catalogue is run by Barts Health NHS Trust and uses CalmView, a third-party web publishing platform for archives, developed by Axiell. The content of the online catalogue is developed to meet the accessibility standards outlined in this statement.

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Customising the site

There are a number of customisation options for your browser and device that could help you use the catalogue more effectively.

AbilityNet (<https://mcmw.abilitynet.org.uk/>) provide advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

Feedback and contact information

Please contact us at barts.archives@nhs.net if you have an accessibility query including:

- if you are experiencing issues with accessing information or using our online catalogue;
- if you find an accessibility problem not listed on this statement;
- if you have positive feedback on the accessibility considerations made.

Alternative formats

If you need information on our online catalogue in a different format like accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille, please contact us at barts.archives@nhs.net.

We'll consider your request and get back to you in 14 days.

Complaints process

If you have reported a problem with the online catalogue, or asked for an alternative format, but you are not happy with our response, you can **contact us** at barts.archives@nhs.net to register your difficulty. This helps us improve our systems.

Enforcement procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) is responsible for enforcing the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (the 'accessibility regulations').

If you're not happy with how we respond to your complaint, **contact the Equality Advisory and Support Service (EASS)** at: <https://www.equalityadvisoryservice.com/>.

Technical information about this website's accessibility

Barts Health NHS Trust is committed to making its website and associated subdomains accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.

Compliance Status

Barts Health Archives and Museums online catalogue is partially compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1 AA standard (<https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/>) due to the non-compliances listed below.

Non-accessible content

Some parts of the catalogue may not work for everyone. Below are known issues that we either need to fix, cannot fix, or do not need to fix right now.

If you find something that does not work that we missed, remember to **contact us** at barts.archives@nhs.net.

Content issues

The content on the Barts Health Archives and Museums online catalogue is predominantly archival-standard catalogue records and digital images.

Some images contain embedded text that is part of the work itself. The images are accompanied with metadata created by the curators of the archive. Text content within the image (such as dialogue or signs), or captions accompanying the image, are included as true text in the accompanying metadata. There may be some description of, or contextual information about, the image within the archival catalogue record, but the level of description is not consistent across all records.

Full accessible adjustments are not always possible, for example, creating alternative text descriptions for every item in the archive. Please see the Disproportionate Burden Section for further details.

We will create accessible adjustments, such as providing alternative text descriptions, upon request following a discussion of requirements with the requesting user. Please contact us at barts.archives@nhs.net for further information.

Platform issues

- Some parts may not be fully compatible with screen readers (WCAG 2.1)
- You may not be able to access all content by using the keyboard alone (WCAG 2.1)
- Some text may not reflow in a single column when you change the size of the browser window and at certain levels of magnification (WCAG 1.4.10)
- There may not be sufficient colour contrast between font and background colours especially where the text size is small (WCAG 1.4.13)
- Images do not have alternative text descriptions and may contain embedded text such as a captions or signs (WCAG 1.1.1). Please see the Disproportionate burden section for further information on this

- The site uses some images for decorative purposes only but these are not identified as such (WCAG 1.1.1)

Disproportionate burden

This section covers issues that we cannot fix right now. We've assessed the cost of fixing these issues but believe that doing so would be a **disproportionate burden** within the meaning of the regulations.

We are unable to provide alternative text descriptions for all visual materials within the Barts Health Archives and Museums catalogue.

If you are unable to access any content on our online catalogues, please **contact us** at barts.archives@nhs.net to discuss your requirements.

Content that is not within the scope of the accessibility regulations

This section covers issues that we do not need to fix right now. The law calls these exemptions.

Third-party content

The Barts Health Archives and Museums online catalogue uses CalmView, a third-party web publishing platform for archives developed by Axiell. Some aspects of its accessibility are outside of our immediate control.

The images depicted on the online catalogue may be owned by a third-party. This may or may not be the creator of the item themselves, and they may be living or deceased. It is not possible to ask the original creator to assist with the creation of accessibility requirements such as providing a definitive alternative text.

How we have tested the catalogue

Using following criteria: Government accessibility checklist:

<https://alphagov.github.io/wcag-primer/checklist.html#checklist>

Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1 AA:

<https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/>

Preparation of this accessibility statement

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