Working with Plugins

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What are plugins?

Plugins are extra pieces of software like expansion packs that you can use to increase the functionality of your website. There are many different types of plugins from security features, design and content. All plugins are stored in the plugins library - you can view the plugins at any time from the dashboard click on PLUGINS.

Updating a plugin

Plugins can be updated either through the Updates option, either listed in the menu at the top of the screen, or in the main dashboard to the right hand side of the admin screen. Or you can also update a plugin from the Plugin in Library.

Installing a new plugin

Activating a plugin

Deactivating a plugin

Deleting a plugin

Plugins currently installed

This is a list of current plugins and if they are PRO versions. The pro versions have been paid for and require a yearly subscription.

- Better Docs - the documentation plugin that allows us to create how to's and other instructions for the website. We can also use it to create an online policy and procedures or information on how to put the newsletter together - anything you like.
- Classic Editor - a more simple way to create posts (content) by using just headings and text with the ability to add media such as images in an easy to understand manner
- Download Manager - This plugin allows us to provide free downloads to visitors and also tracks the number of times a download has been downloaded

- Elementor - A design plugin that allows for custom layouts without the need to know hard coding to create the website layout. You can also save pages as sections and templates for later use in the built in template library.
- Elementor Pro - A PAID FOR PLUGIN. This expands the use of basic Elementor to allow for more design functionality to include headers and footers, posts to the front page and social media links among more.
- Embed Press - This allows users to link and embed large files such as PDF or videos from YouTube into pages and posts
- Essential Addons for Elementor - a free plugin that allows even more Elementor design options such as the forms
- Events Widget & Calendar - A PRO paid for subscription that allows us to display events on the website, sell tickets and more. The pro version of this allows us to reschedule events/classes automatically
- Image Optimiser - This free plugin from Elementor allows the site to compress any images in the media library to save on space
- Instant Images - A free plugin that allows us to link with 4 different free stock image sources to easily import them into pages and posts
- Jetpack - links the website to the Facebook page so that posts are automatically added to the Facebook page.
- Newsletter - currently not active - this allows for the distribution of a newsletter direct from the website to listed members emails
- Ninja Forms - A free plugin to create forms for the website
- Really Simple SSL - a free plugin to ensure the website stays compliant with security requirements
- Royal Elementor Addons - A free plugin to expand Elementors range of design elements
- Ultimate Member - a free plugin that allows for control of members information. This plugin will also allow for members to add their own profile picture and create a biography. This plugin will also allow you to charge for memberhips
- Video Conferencing with Zoom - Setup not yet complete, the SDK licence key is yet to be created. This will allow for us to have zoom meetings via the website. Visitors will only need to visit our website to get a link to join a meeting, they wont need to have Zoom installed on their device.
- Wordfence Security - A free plugin that keeps the website free from hackers and spammers

- Yeoast SEO - a free plugin that helps Google search the site making it more visible.