

# Accessibility statement for Kirklington Parish Council's website

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## Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications)(No.2) Accessibility Regulations 2018

The regulations came into force on 23 September 2018 and implement the EU Directive on the accessibility of websites and mobile apps of public sector bodies. The purpose is to improve the accessibility of public sector websites (including Parish Council sites) so that they can be used by as many people as possible – this build on the existing obligations to disabled people under the Equality Act 2010 and the duty to make reasonable adjustments for disabled people.

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This website is run by Kirklington Parish Council. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. For example, that means you should be able to:

- Amend settings
- Navigate the website using just a mouse, mouse pointer and keyboard
- Zoom in without text spilling off the screen

We've also made the website layout and text as easy as possible to understand. The government has produced a guide for disabled computer users. [AbilityNet](#) has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability. It covers such things as making screen images and text larger, using a text reader to convert text to sound, using Voice Recognition to control your computer, increasing mouse pointer sizes etc.

## Feedback and contact information

If you need information on this website in a different format like accessible pdf, large print etc please contact:

Mrs Helen Cowlan (Clerk): 22 Cardinal Hinsley Close, Newark NG24 4NQ; Tel: 07905 787086; Email: [kirklingtonpc@gmail.com](mailto:kirklingtonpc@gmail.com)

We will consider your request and get back to you in 10 working days. If you cannot view the map on our 'contact us' page, please contact the Clerk for help with directions.

## 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. If you're not happy with how we respond to your complaint please [contact the Equality Advisory and Support Services \(EASS\)](#).

## Compliance status

Kirklington Parish Council is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications)(No.2) Accessibility Regulations 2018. The provider, Hugo Fox, has confirmed that the website is compliant with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](#) AA standard.

Known issues:

- Contrast issues – testing has identified that the contrast (between fonts and backgrounds) may need adjusting and the Parish Council will work with Hugo Fox to check and correct issues as required.
- Historical documents – the Parish Council will review documents since 23 September 2018 (see below) and adjust formats to ensure they are compliant. This may mean adjusting layout and style rather than content.

The Parish Council anticipates that these changes will be made over the next six months, but timeframes will be updated here.

### **Content that is not within the scope of the accessibility regulations**

The accessibility regulations [do not require us to fix PDFs or other documents published before 23 September 2018](#) if they're not essential to providing our services. We are currently working to ensure that any documents produced since that date are accessible. Any new PDFs or Word documents published will meet accessibility standards.

We do not use live video streams (which are also [exempt from meeting the accessibility regulations](#)).

### **Preparation of this accessibility statement**

This statement was prepared on 21 September 2020, and it was last reviewed on 12 October 2020, by Helen Cowlan (Clerk) following advice from Hugo Fox.