

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Accessibility Statement

We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. For example, that means you should be able to:

- zoom in up to 300% without the text spilling off the screen
- navigate most of the website using speech recognition software
- listen to most of the website using a suitable screen reader

We've also made the website text as simple as possible to understand.

[AbilityNet](#) has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

How accessible this website is

Some parts of this website may not be fully accessible:

- some PDF documents may not be fully accessible to screen reader software
- some text and links may have poor colour contrast
- maps may be difficult to navigate using screen reader software

How to request content in an accessible format

If you need information in a different format contact us and tell us:

- the web address (URL) of the content
- your name and email address
- the format you need, for example, audio CD, braille, BSL or large print, accessible PDF

Reporting accessibility problems with this website

We're always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you find any problems not listed on this page or think we're not meeting accessibility requirements, please contact the Parish Clerk.

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 \(EASS\)](#).

Technical information about this website's accessibility

This council is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.

This website is partially compliant with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](#) AA standard, due to the non-compliances and exemptions listed below.

Non-accessible content

The content that is not accessible is outlined below. Should you require any content that is not accessible to you, please contact the Parish Clerk and we will make every effort to provide you with information in an alternative format.

Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations

We may have some scanned PDF documents on our website. Scanned PDF documents do not comply with the Accessibility Regulations 2018 but these documents can be provided in an alternative format or on alternative media, on request.

Disproportionate burden

The Preston Parish Website is hosted and developed by the Parish Clerk at minimal cost to the Parish. This is a cost effective solution enabling the Parish meet its statutory obligations whilst operating within a small and finite annual budget. A clear restriction arising from this approach is that there is limited scope to adjust webpage template parameters which are largely based on CSS Framework themes.

The cost of moving the Parish website to a fully WCAG 2.1 compliant web platform would likely consume a large proportion of the Parish Council's annual budget and incur and annual recurring maintenance together with audit cost liability thereafter. It is the Parish Councils considered opinion that, whilst full WCAG 2.1 compliance remains a clear aspiration, the current costs involved would represent a disproportionate burden within the meaning of the accessibility regulations.

Content that's 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.

Preparation of this accessibility statement

This statement was prepared on 7 February 2021. It was last reviewed on 4 March 2021. We used the methodology described in "Website Accessibility Requirements" produced by [**NALC**](#). This website was tested using the WAVE Webaim tool.

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