**Accessibility statement for Himley Parish Council**

This website is run by Himley 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:

* change colours, contrast levels and fonts
* zoom in up to 300% without the text spilling off the screen
* navigate most of the website using just a keyboard
* navigate most of the website using speech recognition software
* listen to most of the website using a screen reader (including the most recent versions of JAWS, NVDA and VoiceOver)

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

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

**How accessible this website is**

We know some parts of this website are not fully accessible:

* You cannot modify the line height or spacing of text
* most older PDF documents are not fully accessible to screen reader software

**What to do if you cannot access parts of this website**

If you need information on this website in a different format like accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille please contact us:

* email: himleyparishcouncil@gmail.com
* call 01902 896 963

We’ll consider your request and get back to you as soon as possible.

**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, contact: himleyparishcouncil@gmail.com

**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)](https://www.equalityadvisoryservice.com/).

**Contacting us by phone or visiting us in person**

Find out how to contact on us at our [website contact page](http://www.himleyparishcouncil.co.uk/contact.htm)

**Technical information about this website’s accessibility**

Himley 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.

This website is partially compliant with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/) AA standard, due to the non-compliances listed below.

* Although every attempt has been made to meet the standard, fully testing the website for every eventually would be a disproportionate burden. However, we will endeavour to make any changes identified and reported to us.

**Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations**

* We are unaware of any non-accessible content but accept that there may be issues that we have not found. We will make every effort to resolve these if they are reported to us.

**Disproportionate burden**

We’ve assessed the cost of fully testing all issues with navigation and accessing information, and with interactive tools and transactions. We believe that doing so would be a [disproportionate burden](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/952/regulation/7/made) within the meaning of the accessibility regulations. However, We will to attempt to fix any non-accessibility issues as they are reported to us.

**Content that’s not within the scope of the accessibility regulations**

**PDFs and other documents**

Many of our older PDFs and Word documents do not meet accessibility standards - for example, they may not be structured so they’re accessible to a screen reader. This does not meet WCAG 2.1 success criterion 4.1.2 (name, role value).

The accessibility regulations if they’re not essential to providing our services. For example, we do not plan to fix minutes of Parish Council Meetings.

**How we tested this website**

This website was last tested in December 2019. The test was carried out by Chipmonk Computing, an approved IT services company.

**What we’re doing to improve accessibility**

We intend to keep our website accessible to as many people as possible. To this end, we will endeavour to fix any issues reported to us via our [website contact page](http://www.himleyparishcouncil.co.uk/contact.htm).