# **Accessibility statement for Uffington.net**

#### 1 <u>Introduction</u>

- 1.1 This accessibility statement applies to <a href="www.uffington.net">www.uffington.net</a>.
- 1.2 This website is run by Uffington Parish Council ('the 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)
- 1.3 We have also made the website text as simple as possible to understand. <u>AbilityNet</u> has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

# 2 How accessible this website is

- 2.1 We have audited the website against the latest accessibility standards and, whilst most of the site is compliant, we know some parts of this website are not fully accessible, for example:
  - Text will not reflow in a single column when you change the size of the browser window
  - You cannot modify the line height or spacing of text
  - You cannot change colours, contrast levels and fonts
  - Most older PDF documents are not fully accessible to screen reader software
  - You cannot skip to the main content when using a screen reader

#### 3 Feedback and contact information

- 3.1 If you need information from this website in a different format like accessible PDF, or large print, please contact us:
  - Email: parishcouncil@uffington.net
  - Call: 01235 833466
  - Write to: Uffington Parish Council, Moorcroft, The Greenway, West Hendred, Wantage, OX12 8RG
- 3.2 We will consider your request and get back to you in 10 days.

# 4 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 are not meeting accessibility
requirements, please contact: The Council Clerk by one of these means:

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#### 5 <u>Enforcement procedure</u>

5.1 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).

# 6 Technical information about this website's accessibility

- 6.1 The Council is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.
- 6.2 The website is built and maintained using the 1&1 IONOS 'mywebsite' site builder content management system (CMS) and hosted by IONOS. The CMS allows for simple page creation and a limited ability to adjust various parameters through a customised front end. Unfortunately, the use of this CMS also imposes limitations when it comes to being able to change some of the attributes required to increase accessibility compliance and these are highlighted in the Non-accessible content section below.

# 7 Compliance status

7.1 This website is partially compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1 AA standard, due to the non-compliances listed below.

#### 8 Non-accessible content

8.1 The content listed below is non-accessible for the following reasons.

#### 9 Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations

9.1 There are no non-compliances in this section; they all fall within the 'Disproportionate Burden' category listed below.

# 10 <u>Disproportionate burden</u>

10.1 Many older Parish Council record documents (eg pdf meeting minutes) may not fully comply and correcting would be a disproportionate burden.

#### 11 Navigation and accessing information

11.1 There is no way to skip the repeated content in the page header as this governed by the CMS used by the hosting company (1&1 IONOS). We are unable to modify this.

# 12 <u>Interactive tools and transactions</u>

- 12.1 The design of the forms is governed by the CMS used by the hosting company (1&1 IONOS). We are unable to modify this.
- 12.2 We've assessed the cost of fixing the issues with navigation and accessing information, and with interactive tools and transactions. We believe that doing so now would be a <a href="disproportionate burden">disproportionate burden</a> within the meaning of the accessibility regulations. We will make another assessment when the supplier contract is up for renewal, although there are currently no plans to do this.

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

# 13 PDFs and other documents

- 13.1 Some of our PDFs and Word documents are essential to providing our services. For example, we have PDFs with information on how users can access our services, and forms published as Word documents. We use PDFs for information that should not or does not need to be changed by readers. We use Word forms for documents that require users to be able to edit them.
- 13.2 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. For example, we do not plan to fix historic Parish Council meeting agendas and minutes which form the majority of such documents.
- 13.3 Any new PDFs or Word documents we publish will meet accessibility standards.

#### 14 Live video

14.1 We do not plan to add captions to live video streams because live video is <a href="exempt from meeting the accessibility regulations">exempt from meeting the accessibility regulations</a> and we do not currently (January 2021) plan to provide any video streams.

# Preparation of this accessibility statement

- 14.2 This statement was prepared on 28 January 2021. It was last reviewed on 28 January 2021 (initial publication date).
- 14.3 This website was last tested on 21.01.2021 The test was carried out by Mark Woodman.
- 14.4 We checked all pages on the site for compliance and corrected faults to the best of our ability or within the practical limitations of the CMS.
- 14.5 You can read the full Accessibility Test Report for details of the changes made.