

# 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 builds on the existing obligations to disabled people under the Equality Act 2010 and the duty to make reasonable adjustments for disabled people.

## Accessibility Statement for Aymestrey Parish Council Website

This website is run by Aymestrey Parish Council. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. Visitors should be able to navigate the website using just a mouse, or keyboard.

### Conformance status

The [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \(WCAG\)](#) defines requirements for designers and developers to improve accessibility for people with disabilities. It defines three levels of conformance: Level A, Level AA, and Level AAA. Aymestrey Parish Council website is partially conformant with WCAG 2.1 level AA.

Partially conformant means that some parts of the content do not fully conform to the accessibility standard.

### Limitations and alternatives

Despite our best efforts to ensure accessibility, there are some limitations. Known limitations are listed below. Please contact us if you find other issues which are not listed.

Known limitations:

- Uploaded images may not have text alternatives because we cannot ensure the quality of contributions.
- Older PDFs may not comply.
- Scanned documents, for example the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) under Documents/Financial; and documents supplied from external sources; for example Standing Orders and Financial Regulations (supplied by the National Association of Local Councils) are not in an accessible format and do not comply with the Accessibility Regulations. These documents can be provided in an alternative format, or on alternative media, on request to the Clerk.
- It is not possible to navigate to all the information in the website purely by keyboard although most is accessible
- ARIA\* (see below for definition) markup has not been used
- Where extra content is shown or hidden on focus, it cannot be dismissed, interacted with (and not disappear when the user moves to it) and does not stay visible until dismissed by the user.

## Compatibility with browsers and assistive technology

The website is designed to be compatible with the following assistive technologies:

- Mobile Phones
- PC and Mac Computers
- All Tablet devices
- All known Browsers
- Screen Readers

## Technical specifications

The website relies on the following technologies to work with the particular combination of web browser and any assistive technologies or plugins installed on your computer:

- HTML
- CSS
- JavaScript

These technologies are relied upon for conformance with the accessibility standards used.

## How we tested this website.

The website was tested in November 2020. The test was carried out by The Clerk using wave.webaim.org.

## Feedback

We welcome your feedback on the accessibility of the website.

Please let us know if you encounter accessibility barriers:

- Phone: 07398 222 310
- E-mail: <https://www.aymestrey.org/contact-the-clerk/>

We try to respond to feedback within 7 business days.

This statement was prepared on 25 November 2020 by Mrs Maggie Brown, Clerk.

### \* Definition of ARIA:

WAI-ARIA, the Accessible Rich Internet Applications Suite, defines a way to make Web content and Web applications more accessible to people with disabilities. It especially helps with dynamic content and advanced user interface controls developed with Ajax, HTML, JavaScript, and related technologies. Currently, certain functionality used in Web sites is not available to some users with disabilities, especially people who rely on screen readers and people who cannot use a mouse. WAI-ARIA addresses these accessibility challenges, for example, by defining new ways for functionality to be provided to assistive technology. With WAI-ARIA, developers can make advanced Web applications accessible and usable to people with disabilities.