

# Ashwellthorpe & Fundenhall Accessibility Statement

This accessibility statement applies to Ashwellthorpe & Fundenhall Parish Council

This website is run by Ashwellthorpe & Fundenhall Parish Council. We aim to ensure that as many people as possible are able to use this website. Generally, 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 have also tried to ensure that we have made the website text as simple as possible to understand.

Go to [AbilityNet](#) to find 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:

- the 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
- most older PDF documents are not fully accessible to screen reader software
- some of our online forms are difficult to navigate using just a keyboard
- you cannot skip to the main content when using a screen reader

## What to do if you cannot access parts of this Website

If you need information on this website in a different format, we will happily provide it. Please contact the clerk to the Parish Council, either via email or telephone, with all such requests and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

- [clerk\\_ashfun@hotmail.com](mailto:clerk_ashfun@hotmail.com)
- Call 07813190516

## Reporting accessibility problems with this website

We are always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you find any problems that are not listed on this page or you think we are not meeting accessibility requirements, please contact the Parish Clerk about the issue by emailing: [clerk\\_ashfun@hotmail.com](mailto:clerk_ashfun@hotmail.com)

## Enforcement procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) is responsible for enforcing 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 website is partially compliant with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](#) AA standard, due to the non-compliances listed below.

Many of our older PDFs do not meet accessibility standards. For example, they may not be structured so they are accessible to a screen reader. This does not meet ECAG 2.1 success criterion 4.1.2.

From September 2020 any new documents (PDFs or Word documents) loaded onto the website will meet accessibility standards.

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 copies of minutes.

### How we tested this website

- We are carrying out **basic** checks of the website, as paying for detailed checks would be a disproportionate burden on our organisation.
- This website was last tested on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020. The test was carried out by the Clerk to the Parish Council.

We assessed the following pages which had good examples of the items that needed testing and which can be found on this website:

- Home page – access to site
- Home page – images
- Parish Council – meeting dates and agenda's text-based content page
- Minutes pages – containing PDF documents

A full explanation of the examples used for testing can be found by assessing this weblink:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/doing-a-basic-accessibility-check-if-you-cant-do-a-detailed-one>

### What we're doing to improve accessibility

- Regularly monitoring the accessibility of our website
- Making our PDF documents (created after 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018) as accessible as possible.
- Where possible, creating HTML pages rather than PDF document
- Continue to work to resolve all identified accessibility issues which are within our control and will release them to the website as soon as they are completed.

Ashwellthorpe & Fundenhall 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 2.1AA standard.

This statement was updated on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 and will be reviewed on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023