# Abinger Parish Council

Abinger Common, Abinger Hammer, Forest Green, Oakwood Hill & Walliswood

## Accessibility Statement

Date Policy Reviewed	Date Policy Adopted
Created December 2024	Rev. 1.0 17-Feb-25

### Introduction

Since September 2020, all parish, town & borough councils must have a website that complies with Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (WCAG), and in October 2024 that rating level changed from WCAG2.1 AA to WCAG2.2AA so that it meets Accessibility Guidelines as set out in the Public Sector Bodies Accessibility regulations.

This accessibility statement applies to the Abinger Parish Council (APC) website.

#### **1** How accessible this website is

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

- <sup><sup>1</sup></sup> change colours, contrast levels and fonts
- $\pi$  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**
- $\pi$  listen to most of the website using a screen reader.

The website text is designed to be as simple as possible to understand.

<u>AbilityNet</u> has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

#### 2 What to do if you can't access parts of this website

It is possible that some parts of this website are not fully accessible:

- nonline forms may be difficult to navigate using just a keyboard
- third-party media feeds such as Facebook and Twitter may have missing alt text and contrast issues.

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To increase accessibility, click the 'man' icon non-screen to turn some other accessibility features on.

Accessibility
Hugofox incorporates additional features to make use of the site easier for users with visual disabilities.
Turn Accessibility Features On/Off
○ ON ● OFF
Save Accessibility Settings

If you need information from this website in a different format:

- mail: clerk@abinger-pc.gov.uk
- call or write to the clerk: Beccy Anderson, 9 Spencers Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 2JQ m: 07716 928430

We'll consider your request and get back to you in 14 days.

### 3 **Reporting accessibility problems with this website**

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

#### 4 Compliance Status

This website is guaranteed to work flawlessly on all devices<sup>1</sup>.

This website is compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.2 AA standard.

#### 5 Content that's not within the scope of the accessibility regulations

#### 5.1 PDFs and other documents

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Hosted by Hugo Fox <u>https://www.hugofox.com/home/</u>

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services. For example, we do not plan to fix documents for meetings that took place before 23 September 2018.

Any new PDFs or Word documents we publish on the website will meet accessibility standards.

### 6 What we're doing to improve accessibility

We review our website for improvements in accessibility on a yearly basis and will make updates to the website as required.

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