# Wisbech St. Mary Parish Council Accessibility Statement

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### Using this website

This website is run by Wisbech St. Mary Parish Council. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website and strive to ensure that it's made easier to use and more accessible for people with disabilities, with the strong belief that every person has the right to live with dignity, equality, comfort and independence. For example, that means you should be able to:

- zoom in up 300% without the text spilling off the screen
- navigate most of the website using just a keyboard
- navigage most of the website using speech recognition software
- listen to most of the website using a screen reading (including the most recent versions of JAWS, NVDA and VoiceOver)

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

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

### Viewing the website, the way you want to

Our website makes available the UserWay Website Accessibility Widget that is powered by a dedicated accessibility server. The software allows www.wisbech-st-mary-parish.co.uk to improve its compliance with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1).

#### **Enabling the Accessibility Menu**

The www.wisbech-st-mary-parish.co.uk accessibility menu can be enabled either by hitting the tab key when the page first loads or by clicking the accessibility menu icon that appears on the corner of the page. After triggering the accessibility menu, please wait a moment for the accessibility menu to load in its entirety.

#### How accessible is this website?

We know some parts of this website aren't fully accessible:

- you can't modify the line height.
- some PDF documents aren't fully accessible to screen reader software
- you can't skip to the main content when using a screen reader
- Some of our code does not pass the w3c validation checker
- Some images do not have text alternative.

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

If you need information on this website in a different format like accessible PDF, Word, large print, easy read. you can use our contact us form on our main menu at the top of each page or email wsmparishcouncil@outlook.com.

We'll consider your request and get back to you in within 10 working days.

# 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 the accessibility requirements, you can use our contact us form on our main menu at the top of each page or email wsmparishcouncil@outlook.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).

### Technical information about this website's accessibility

Wisbech St. Mary 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 <u>Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1</u> AA standard.

#### Disclaimer

Wisbech St Mary parish Council continues its efforts to constantly improve the accessibility of its site and services in the belief that it is our collective moral obligation to allow seamless, accessible and unhindered use also for those of us with disabilities.

Despite our efforts to make all pages and content on www.wisbech-st-mary-parish.co.uk fully accessible, some content may not have yet been fully adapted to the strictest accessibility standards. This may be a result of not having found or identified the most appropriate technological solution.

#### How we tested

We used an accessibility checker to test the pages across our main website platform at <a href="https://www.wisbech-st-mary-parish.co.uk">www.wisbech-st-mary-parish.co.uk</a> The website was last tested using <a href="https://www.siteimprove.com">www.siteimprove.com</a> on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2020 and the test was carried out internally.