## **Accessibility statement for**

## **Kempley Parish Council**

This accessibility statement applies to Kempley Parish Council (The council).

This website is run by Kempley Parish 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)

We’ve also made the website text as simple as possible to understand. [AbilityNet](https://mcmw.abilitynet.org.uk/) has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

### **How accessible is this website?**

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
* live video streams do not have captions
* 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

### **Feedback and contact information**

If you need information on this website in a different format like accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille:

* email: clerk@kempleyparishcouncil.org
* call: 07910 842879

We’ll consider your request and aim to get back to you within 7 days.

### **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’re not meeting accessibility requirements, contact the council clerk:

* email: clerk@kempleyparishcouncil.org
* call: 07910 842879

### **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)](https://www.equalityadvisoryservice.com/).

## **Technical information about this website’s accessibility**

Kempley 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.

### **Compliance status**

This website is not compliant with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/) AA standard. The non-compliances and exemptions are listed below.

**Non-Accessible Content**

Despite our best efforts to ensure accessibility of the Council website, there may be some limitations. Below is a description of known limitations, and potential solutions. Please contact us if you observe an issue not listed below.

**Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations**

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

* Images do not have a text alternative, so people using a screen reader cannot access the information
* Some of our online forms might be difficult to navigate using just a keyboard

**Disproportionate burden**

#### **Navigation and accessing information**

* There’s no way to skip the repeated content in the page header (for example, a ‘skip to main content’ option)
* It’s not always possible to change the device orientation from horizontal to vertical without making it more difficult to view the content
* It’s not possible for users to change text size without some of the content overlapping

#### **Interactive tools and transactions**

* Some of our interactive forms are difficult to navigate using a keyboard. For example, because some form controls are missing a ‘label’ tag
* Our forms are built and hosted through third party software and ‘skinned’ to look like our website

The cost of fixing the issues with navigation and accessing information, and with interactive tools and transactions would, we believe, be a [disproportionate burden](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/952/regulation/7/made) within the meaning of the accessibility regulations. We will make another assessment when the supplier contract is up for renewal.

### **Content that’s not within the scope of the accessibility regulations**

#### **PDFs and other documents**

The accessibility regulations [do not require us to fix PDFs or other documents published before 23 September 2018](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/952/regulation/4/made) if they’re not essential to providing our services.

Documents, including PDF’s, relating to the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) are provided by an external source and are outside the control of the Council. These documents are not covered by the regulations [(Part 1 – Section 4(2)(e))](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/952/regulation/4/made). These items may contain interactive forms and scanned images and may not work with screen readers.

#### **Live video**

We do not plan to add captions to live video streams because live video is [exempt from meeting the accessibility regulations](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/952/regulation/4/made).

## **Preparation of this accessibility statement**

This statement was prepared on 27th October 2022. It will be reviewed on an annual basis.

This website was last tested on 27th October 2022. The test was carried out by the Clerk to the Council on a self-evaluation basis.

We test a number of pages within the site and test those documents most likely to be used by visitors to the website such as Agendas and Minutes.