

Compton Bassett Parish Council Website Accessibility Statement

1 Introduction

The Parish Council is required to have a website accessible for all users and a *Website Accessibility Statement by the Public Sector Bodies (Website and Mobile Applications) (No 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018*, which came into force in September 2018. This statement has been compiled in collaboration with the Council's IT advisor and a review of national guidelines and a sample of statements from similar bodies.

2 Website Accessibility Statement

This statement refers to the Compton Bassett Parish Council section of the Compton Bassett village website only. The village website is owned by Manor Cottage Studios, who upload and manage content supplied by Compton Bassett Parish Council for their section of the website. Accessibility means that the parish council element of the website is designed to be used by as many people as possible. For example, users are able to:

- zoom in by up to 300% for optimal text reading
- navigate most of the website using just a keyboard
- listen to most of the website using a screen reader (including the most recent versions of JAWS, NVDA and VoiceOver).

Our intention is always to use clear English for clarity of understanding.

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

3 What to do if you can't access parts of the Parish Council website area

If you need information in a different format such as accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille:

- email the Parish Clerk parishclerk@comptonbassettparishcouncil.gov.uk
- Call the clerk, Diane Zeitzen on 07828 630764
- We will consider your request and get back to you within five working days

We are unable to provide a text relay service for people who are deaf, have a hearing or speech impediment. The Council does not have audio induction loops. Please bear in mind the the Parish Clerk works part time only.

4 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*. If you are not happy with how we respond to your enquiry, contact the Equality Advisory and Support Service (EASS)

- Freephone Telephone 0808 800 0082
- Text phone 0808 800 0084
- <https://www.equalityadvisoryservice.com/app/ask>

5 Technical information about the website accessibility

The Parish Council website area is intended to be compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1 AA standard. As far as we are aware, the only non-compliance concerns image labels, which ongoing work will address.

6 How we tested the Parish Council website area

The Parish Council website area was tested on 11th August 2020. The test was carried out in house by Manor Cottage Studios. We sampled pages from each of the main headings in:

- <https://comptonbassettparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

7 What we are doing to improve accessibility to the Parish Council section

We welcome comments and suggestions from users to improve this website. Please contact the Parish Clerk

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parishclerk@comptonbassettparishcouncil.gov.uk
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This statement was approved by the Compton Bassett Parish Council at its meeting on 13th August 2020. It is reviewed annually and was updated on 11th August 2020 following a review by councillors and a consultation with the Parish Council's IT advisor.

Diane Zeitzen, Clerk
13th August 2020