Freckleton Parish Council
Website Accessibility Statement

(This document was approved at the meeting held on 6th July 2020)

This website is run by Freckleton 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:

- Zoom in up to 300% without the text spilling off the screen
- Navigate the website using just a keyboard
- The text and pictures will reflow when you change the size of the browser window

The website text as simple as possible to understand.

How accessible this website is

Some parts of this website aren't fully accessible:

- Some older or externally sourced PDF documents aren't fully accessible to screen reader software
- It is currently not possible for the user to change colours, contrast levels or fonts
- It is currently not possible for the user to turn of the automatic Home page banner change
- It should be possible to navigate the website using speech recognition software
- It should be possible to listen to the website using a screen reader

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, large print, easy read or audio recording please contact us:

- email: clerk@freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk
- call: 01253 738951 during normal office hours (Monday to Friday 9:00am to 12 noon)

We'll consider your request and get back to you within 7 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 accessibility requirements, please report the issue to the clerk

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).

Contact us by phone or visiting us in person

Appointments can be made to visit Freckleton Parish Council by contacting the Clerk.

Technical information about this website's accessibility

Freckleton 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 not yet fully compliant with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](#) standards.

Non accessible content

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

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

PDFs and other documents

Some of our older PDFs and documents don't meet accessibility standards - for example, they may not be structured so they're accessible to a screen reader. This doesn't meet WCAG 2.1 success criterion 4.1.2 (name, role value).

The accessibility regulations don't require us to fix PDFs or other documents published before 23 September 2018 if they're not essential to providing our services.

Any new PDFs or other documents we publish will meet accessibility standards with the possible exception of externally provided documents on the noticeboard.

How we tested this website

This website was last tested in June 2020. The test was carried out by Sabretech Associates Ltd

Please see this link for notes and guidance on this list: https://www.wuhcag.com/wcag-checklist/

WCAG 2.0 checklist Level A (Beginner)

1.1.1 – Non-text Content Images contain ALT text.
1.2.1 – Audio-only and Video-only (Pre-recorded) There is no audio or video
1.2.2 – Captions (Pre-recorded) There is no audio or video
1.2.3 – Audio Description or Media Alternative (Pre-recorded) There is no audio or video
1.3.1 – Info and Relationships Pages are structured logically and separated by headings and subheadings using HTML header tags
1.3.2 – Meaningful Sequence Content on pages is presented in a meaningful sequence. This includes navigation menus separate from content, paragraphs used in order, headings to show importance.
1.3.3 – Sensory Characteristics No sounds are used
1.4.1 – Use of Colour Content doesn't rely on colour. There is no option to change colour or contrast
1.4.2 – Audio Control There is no audio or video
2.1.1 – Keyboard Website is accessible by keyboard only
2.1.2 – No Keyboard Trap Website can be navigated by keyboard and is controllable by tab and arrow keys.
2.2.1 – Timing Adjustable There is no time restricted content
2.2.2 – Pause, Stop, Hide There is no moving content
2.3.1 – Three Flashes or Below No content flashes more than 3 times per second
2.4.1 – Bypass Blocks There is a "skip to content" link on every page
2.4.2 – Page Titled The website uses clear and helpful page titles
2.4.3 – Focus Order Each page has a sensible focus order and can be navigated through by using the tab key
2.4.4 – Link Purpose (In Context) From 2018, links on the website are clear from the link text and surrounding content. Prior to 2018 the links for meeting minutes are not as clear.
3.1.1 – Language of Page Each page has a language assigned (en)
3.2.1 – On Focus Elements do not change when they receive focus
3.2.2 – On Input There are no input elements
3.3.1 – Error Identification There are no forms
3.3.2 – Labels or Instructions There are no forms
4.1.1 – Parsing There are no known code errors
4.1.2 – Name, Role, Value There are no forms

WCAG 2.0 checklist Level AA (Intermediate)

1.2.4 – Captions (Live) There is no audio or video
1.2.5 – Audio Description (Pre-recorded) There is no audio or video
1.4.3 – Contrast (Minimum) The contrast of dark text on white background passes the minimum requirements of 4.5:1. The is no option to change the colours or contrast.
1.4.4 – Resize Text Text can be resized to 300% without loss of function
1.4.5 – Images of Text There are no images of text
2.4.5 – Multiple Ways Pages can be found using the navigation bar and links in content. No search facility or sitemap is provided
2.4.6 – Headings and Labels Informative headings and sub-headings are used throughout
2.4.7 – Focus Visible Keyboard focus is visible by using outline, underlines or colour
3.1.2 – Language of Parts Language cannot be changed

3.2.3 – Consistent Navigation Navigation remains identical on every page
3.2.4 – Consistent Identification Icons and images used are consistent throughout the site
3.3.3 – Error Suggestion There are no forms
3.3.4- Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data) There are no legal commitments or financial transactions.

WCAG 2.0 checklist Level AAA (Advanced)

1.2.6 – Sign Language (Pre-recorded) There is no video
1.2.7 – Extended Audio description (Pre-recorded) There is no video
1.2.8 – Media Alternative (Pre-recorded) There is no video
1.2.9 – Audio Only (Live) There is no video
1.4.6 – Contrast (Enhanced) Contrast ratio of main text is greater than 7.1
1.4.7 – Low or No Background Audio There is no audio
1.4.8 – Visual Presentation A facility to allow the user alternative visual options has not been provided
1.4.9 – Images of Text (No Exception) There are no images of text
2.2.3 – No Timing There are no time controlled elements on the website
2.2.4 – Interruptions There are no interruptions
2.2.5 – Re-authenticating There are no aspects of the website where this is relevant.
2.3.2 – Three Flashes There are no flashing elements on the website.
2.4.8 – Location There are breadcrumbs on every page of the website. No sitemap is provided
2.4.9 – Link Purpose (Link Only) The purpose of every link from 2018 onwards is clear from the text. Prior to 2018, links are not as clear
2.4.10 – Section Headings Every section is started with a heading where necessary.
3.1.3 – Unusual words There are no unusual words.
3.1.4 – Abbreviations There are no unexplained abbreviations.
3.1.5 – Reading Level The content is clear and concise and a person with 7-9 years of schooling would be able to understand
3.1.6 – Pronunciation There are no pronunciation issues.
3.2.5 – Change on Request The Home page has a banner showing pictures of the village that automatic changes. The change is paused on mouse over or selection. No ability to prevent the change is provided
3.3.5 – Help Accessed through accessibility menu