



Accessibility Statement

This accessibility statement applies to Goring-on-Thames Parish Council (known as “the Council”). This website is run by the Council who want as many people as possible to use this website. We’ve made the website text as simple as possible to understand, adopted the Neve WordPress theme (well reviewed for accessibility), the WP Accessibility plug-in and added icons (on right hand side) to toggle Font Size and toggle High Contrast.

Non Accessible Content/ Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations

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

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

- The ‘All right, close’ and ‘Change your settings’ buttons at the right area of the Black cookies banner have low contrast - white on black. (The Cookie Policy is provided by plugin `wpconsent_cookie_policy` and we do not yet understand how to change its colours.)
- Headers, including search box and menus may not be perfectly accessible
- Labelling of email signup forms may not be clear
- pdfs are not all fully accessible according to the Tington PAC PDF checker - we are producing a procedure to ensure that future pdfs are created fully accessibly
- Historic pdfs can contain images/scans of text (eg minute or reports) rather than machine readable text. When we identify such a pdf we try to replace it with an accessibility compliant one, but due to the age of some of these items it is not always possible to recreate the pdf from source.
- We cannot guarantee the accessibility of third party websites to which we may link or documents supplied by third parties that the Council has no control over.
- You may not be able to skip to the main content when using a screen reader



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- live video streams will not have captions

Accessibility of the Council website relies on the following technologies to work with the particular combination of web browser and any assistive technologies or plugins installed on your computer:

- HTML
- CSS
- JavaScript

These technologies are relied upon for conformance with the accessibility standards used and we cannot guarantee that the site will work fully on older versions of assistive technology

Feedback and contact information

We welcome your feedback on the accessibility of the Council website. Please let us know if you encounter accessibility barriers on the Council website:

- E-mail clerk@GoringParishCouncil.gov.uk
- Phone: 07928 857549
- Postal address: Goring-on-Thames Parish Council, The Old School, Station Road, Goring, RG8 9HB

We try to respond to feedback within 7 business days

Enforcement procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission is responsible for enforcing the Public Sector Bodies (websites and Mobile Applications) (No2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (the 'accessibility regulations'). If you are not happy with how we respond to your complaint, contact the Equality Advisory and Support Service www.equalityadvisoryservice.com

Technical Information about this website's accessibility

The 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

The [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \(WCAG\)](#) defines requirements for designers and developers to improve accessibility for people with disabilities. It defines three levels of conformance: Level A, Level AA, and Level AAA. The Council website is partially conformant with WCAG 2.1 level AA. Partially conformant means that some parts of the content do not fully conform to the accessibility standard (detailed below).

Disproportionate burden

We have not currently identified any specific issues that would be of disproportionate burden. We believe most tools should work with this site, but this maybe dependant on the version you are using.

Content not within the Scope of the accessibility regulations

The following is exempt from the Accessibility regulations

- pre-recorded audio and video published before 23 September 2020
- live audio and video
- heritage collections such as scanned manuscripts
- PDFs or other documents published before 23 September 2018 – unless needed to use a service.
- maps – information may be available in address format
- third party content under someone else's control (such as Hall booking systems)
- third party content under someone else's control (such Annual Audit information)
- content on intranets or extranets published before 23 September 2019
- archived websites if not needed for services and they are not updated

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)). These items may contain interactive forms and scanned images and may not work with screen readers. We will continue to request that these documents are made accessible, even though they are from a third party.



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Preparation of this accessibility statement

This statement was prepared on 31 March 2026. The website was last tested by the Cllr Emerson on a self evaluation basis. We test a number of pages within the site, and those documents most likely to be used by visitors to the website such as Agendas and Minutes.

The Council continues to work toward full WCAG compliance, but this will take time.