Accessibility Statement

This website is run by Timberscombe Parish Council and village volunteers.

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 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

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.

How accessible is this website?

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

- you can't modify the line height or spacing of text
- most older PDFs aren't fully accessible to screen reader software
- we are unable to alter the colours of the contact button or label the search button as these are standard for wordpress websites.

What to do if you can't access parts of 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 contact us.

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

timberscombepcclerk@gmail.com

We will respond to your request within 10 working days.

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

Timberscombe Parish Council is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the <u>Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility</u> Regulations 2018.

This website is partially compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1 AA standard.

The website is provided by WordPress and all new and updated code released in WordPress must conform with these guidelines as per the <u>WordPress Accessibility Coding Standards</u>. Some current features and functionality in development may not yet fully comply, and known issues are listed in the WordPress Trac "accessibility" focus.

Some of our photographs are not fully described. We are working to improve this.

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

Many of our older PDFs and Word 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 success criterion 2.4.3 focus order, ensuring correct tab and reading order in PDF documents.

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 Word documents we publish will meet accessibility standards.

How we tested this website

The main website was tested on 16/07/2020. The test was carried out using www.wave.webaim.org Accessibility Test

What we're doing to improve accessibility

To improve the accessibility of our website we are:

- regularly monitoring the accessibility of our website
- informing all contributors of presentation rules required when uploading information to the site.
- making our PDF documents (created after 22 September 2018) as accessible as possible
- working through the site to label photographs correctly.