Kniveton Parish Council Website Accessibility Statement

This accessibility statement applies Kniveton Parish Council's website, <u>www.kniveton.net</u>, which was set up by the Council.

We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. For example, that means that you should be able to;

- Change colours, contrast levels and fonts
- Zoom in up to 300% without text spilling off the screen and will reflow in a single column
- Navigate most of the website just using a keyboard
- Navigate most of the website using speech recognition software
- Listen to most of the website using a screen reader

Whilst we have made the website text as simple as possible to understand, we know that parts of our website are not fully accessible.

Technical information about this website's accessibility

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

We have run 2 website accessibility checkers on the website and, whilst this demonstrated it does not contain broken links, we know at the moment, that the website is not fully accessible as there are the following issues:

- search engine functionality is not available
- the browser is not secure
- limited usability, for example, documents are not tagged properly; there are no online forms
- failure of technical standards, for example, website contains images without a textual description

We are currently investigating these issues and this statement will be updated once we have identified solutions to improve the accessibility. However, the navigation tables on the home page are fully functioning and easy to use.

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').

What we are doing to improve accessibility

Unfortunately the website platform we currently use cannot be easily upgraded which means that are no quick fixes to the compliance issues. Therefore until a solution is agreed if you need information on this website in a different format like accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille: please e-mail <u>kniveton.pc@gmail.com</u>, We'll consider your request and get back to you in 30 days.

Disproportionate burden

We will assess the cost of fixing the issues with navigation, accessing information, building interactive tools and transactions to meet the compliance regulations.

As the free website checkers both indicated that further manual testing of the technical functionality is needed to gather more detail we believe that doing this now would be a disproportionate burden within the meaning of the accessibility regulations. We will investigate costs of purchasing a hosted website, that has a registered domain and which is WCAG 2.1 AA compliant by 1 April 2021.

Preparation of this accessibility statement

This statement was prepared on 4 September 2020 and it will be reviewed within the next 12 months.

You can read the accessibility checker reports below:

Kniveton Parish Council Accessibility Reports

1) Power mapper – Chrome WCAG 2.1 checker

| Overall Quality | 21% pages have critical issues | 3% pages have non-critical issues | 9 pages with quality issues | 23% have issues, worse than average |
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| <u>Errors</u> | | | 0 pages with broken links or other errors | 0% have issues, better than average |
| Accessibility | 18% pages have critical issues | | 7 pages with accessibility problems | 18% have issues, better than average |
| <u>Compatibility</u> | 18% pages have non-critical issues | | 7 pages with browser specific issues | 18% have issues, worse than average |
| <u>Search</u> | 3% pages have critical issues | 16% pages have non-critical issues | 7 pages with search engine issues | 18% have issues, worse than average |
| <u>Standards</u> | 6% pages have critical issues | 16% pages have non-critical issues | 8 pages have W3C standards issues | 21% have issues, worse than average |
| <u>Usability</u> | 3% pages have critical issues | 21% pages have non- critical issues | 9 pages with usability issues | 23% have issues, worse than average |

| Rule Group | Violations | Warnings | Manual Check | Passed | N/A | Score | Status* |
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| Landmarks | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 0 | R |
| Headings | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 94 | PI |
| Styles/Content | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 15 | 9 | NI-R |
| Images | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 43 | NI-R |
| Links | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 20 | NI-R |
| Tables | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | -1 | na |
| Forms | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 17 | NI-R |
| Widgets/Scripts | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 50 | PI-R |
| Audio/Video | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 | R |
| Keyboard | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 25 | NI-R |
| Timing | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | R |
| Site Navigation | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | R |
| All Report | | | | | | | |
| Groups | 9 | 2 | 30 | 7 | 84 | 23 | NI-R |

2) https://fae.disability.illinois.edu/summary/17458c746ac73c59/rc/

*Status Definitions set out below

Status Definitions

| Abbrev | Score | Status | Description | |
|------------|-------|---------------------------|--|--|
| С | 100 | Complete | Complete means all rules have passed. There were either no manual checks or all manual checks have been resolved. | |
| R | 0 | Required Manual Checks | Manual checks are required to verify accessibility. Mark-up has been identified that needs to be reviewed to determine if accessibility requirements have been met. Start with the website and page level manual checks since they affect website and page navigation and identification of content and then start on the element level manual checks. | |
| AC AC-R | 95-99 | Almost Complete | Almost Complete means that you seem to understand the accessibility requirements of the rules, and are close to fully implementing their requirements on all pages within the website. "-R" means there are required Manual Checks. Mark-up has been identified that needs to be reviewed to determine if accessibility requirements have been met. | |
| PI | 50-94 | Partial Implementation | Partial Implementation means that you may understand at least some of the accessibility requirements. | |
| PI-R | - | | "-R" means there are required Manual Checks. Mark-up has been identified that needs to be reviewed to determine if accessibility requirements have been met. Please re-read the accessibility requirement and review the techniques before trying to improve the accessibility. | |
| NI | 0-50 | Not Implemented | Incomplete means that you do not understand the accessibility requirements of the rules or did not consider accessibility in the design of the website. | |
| NI-R | | | "-R" means there are required Manual Checks. Mark-up has been identified that needs to be reviewed to determine if accessibility requirements have been met. Please read the accessibility requirements and review the techniques before trying to improve the accessibility. | |
| na | - | Not Applicable | No mark-up was found that identified a known or possible accessibility issue. | |