

# **Accessibility Statement**

# Using this website

This website was set up by Rother District Council but is run on a day to day basis by the Clerk of Peasmarsh 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 do the following using Readspeaker free software: -

- read the page out loud or read selected text
- get written and spoken translations in multiple languages
- convert selected text into an MP3
- block distractions on screen with a tinted mask
- enlarge text and read it aloud
- remove clutter and display only the main text
- customise options to suit your individual needs or preferences

We have 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 this website is

We know some parts of this website are not fully accessible:

 Most older PDF, Word, Excel and PowerPoint documents are not fully accessible to screen reader software

## What to do if you can't access parts of this website

If you need information on this website in a different format like large print, easy read, audio recording or braille please fill in our contact us form.

You can get alternatives to non-accessible content by:

- Viewing PDFs by getting the latest free Adobe Reader software
- Listening to our website or translating it using ReadSpeaker on our website

# Reporting accessibility problems with this website

We are always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you find any problems not listed on this page or think we are not meeting accessibility requirements, please contact the Clerk at peasmarshpc@outlook.com or call 07951 668713.

# **Enforcement procedure**

We (the Equality and Human Rights Commission) are responsible for enforcing the accessibility regulations.

If you are not happy with how we respond to your complaint, contact the <u>Equality Advisory and Support Service (EASS)</u>.

## Technical information about this website's accessibility

Peasmarsh Parish Council, in conjunction with Rother District Council as the owners of the website, is committed in making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.

This website is partially compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1 AA standard, due to the non-compliances listed below.

#### Non accessible content

In a test run on the minutes and agenda of this website by Rother District Council on 01/09/2020 it was reported that there was just one issue which was the title of the minutes. This was not deemed to be an issue.

## How we tested this website

As Rother District Council own the website they conduct the checks and according to their accessibility statement "Our website is checked by <u>SiteImprove</u> for Level A, AA and AAA standards of the WCAG 2.1. We continue to monitor issues that arise using their live report for our website. We aim to fix them as soon as we are able to.

We also subscribe to <u>Socitm Better Connected</u>. They use <u>Silktide</u> to test local authority sites for accessibility according to <u>The EU Directive on accessibility of public websites and mobile</u> applications. Our results are published on the Socitm Better Connected website."

## What we're doing to improve accessibility

We have produced an accessibility roadmap below which shows how and when we plan to improve accessibility on our website.

## Now

Accessibility Audit of all documents on this website – Currently in progress

## Next

Accessibility Audit of all website pages – Currently in progress

## **Future**

Consider and action any issues arising from the above accessibility audits