

Accessibility Statement

This website is run by Symondsbury Parish Council. We want as many people as possible to be able to use the 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

We have also made the website text as simple as possible to understand.

Ability Net (<https://mcmw.abilitynet.org.uk/>) has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

How accessible is this website?

- We know some parts of this website aren't fully accessible
- You can't modify the line height or spacing of text
- Some PDF documents aren't fully accessible
- You can't skip to the main content when using a screen reader
- Some pages have poor colour contrast
- Some heading elements are not consistent

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, audio recording for example, please contact the Clerk by email Symondsbury@dorset-aptc.gov.uk or telephone **07967 683897**. We will consider your request and be in touch with you within 15 working days. Please provide your name and email address together with the format that you are require.

Reporting accessibility problems with this website

We're always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you find any problems that are not listed on this page or think that we're not meeting accessibility requirements, please **contact the clerk by email Symondsbury@dorset-aptc.gov.uk** or telephone **07967 683897**.

Enforcement Procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) 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, please contact **the Equality Advisory and Support Service (EASS)** (<https://www.equalityadvisoryservice.com/>)

Contact us

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Email Symondsbury@dorset-aptc.gov.uk

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Technical Information about this website's accessibility

Symondsbury 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 currently partially compliant with the **Web Content Accessibility Guidelines Version 2.1** (<https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/>) AA standard, due to the non-compliances listed below:

Non-accessible content

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

Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations

- Some images do not have a text alternative, so people using a screen reader cannot access the information. **See WCAG 2.1 success criterion 1.1.1 Non-text content.**
- There may be pages with read more/click here links **See WCAG 2.4 Success Criterion 2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context).**
- There may only be one way to locate a web page within a set of web pages **See WCAG 2.4 Success Criterion 2.4.5 Multiple Ways**
- There may be some pages where HTML isn't perfectly formed, such as a stray end tags. **See WCAG 2.1 success criterion 4.1.1 Parsing.**
- Many of our older PDF's and Word documents don't meet accessibility standards – for example, they may not be structured so they're accessible to a screen reader **See WCAG 2.1 success criterion 4.1.2 name, role, value.**

When we publish new content we will make sure our use of images meets accessibility standards and to fix issues, where possible, as they arise and to check new content for accessibility as it is published.

Disproportionate burden

This website serves the residents within the Symondsbury Parish and neighbouring parishes. Whilst we wish to make the website accessible to all there will be some areas of non-compliance which would be a disproportionate burden to fix. To minimise costs to

taxpayers all work has been undertaken by in-house volunteer councillors and the parish clerk. We have not employed external consultants.

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

Not applicable.

How we tested this website

This website was tested manually by the clerk during the summer of 2020 prior to the writing of this statement.

This statement was prepared on 14th August 2020.

This statement was last reviewed on 14th August 2020.

Symondsbury Parish Council