Accessibility Statement for Onibury Parish Council

This website is run by the Chair of Onibury Parish Council. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. The layout and text have been made as simple as possible to understand. Visitors should be able to navigate the website using just a mouse, mouse pointer and keyboard.

The Government has produced an excellent guide for computer users with disabilities. This can be found at AbilityNet (https//mcmw.abilitynet.org.uk). It has detailed advice on making your device easier to use. This covers such things as making your screen images and text larger, using a test reader to convert to sound, using voice recognition to control your computer, increasing mouse pointer sizes, etc.

Technical Information about this website's accessibility

<u>www.onibury.org.uk</u> 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 partially compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines, version 2.1 (<u>https://www.w3.tr.wcag21/</u>) AA standard. Following a detailed examination of our website's features against the government checklist we have identified some areas where we are not fully compliant: -

- There is only one way to find content (there is no search engine)
- ARIA (see below for definition) mark-up has not been used
- Where extra content is shown or hidden on focus, it cannot be dismissed, interacted with (and not disappear when the user moves to it) and does not stay visible until dismissed by the user

These items have been discussed with our website designers who are currently working on a rebuild which will incorporate ARIA mark-up standards and make us fully compliant.

How we tested this website

The website was tested on 22nd September 2020. The test was carried out by the Chair of the Parish Council. We used WCAG2.1 level AA Primer published by Gov.UK as our checklist. The checklist is not available to view.

What to do if you cannot access part of this website:

If you need information on this website in a different format, like pdf, large print, etc please contact the Parish Clerk as detailed on the Home Page of the website. We will consider your request and reply within 10 working days if possible. If you cannot view the map on our 'Contact Us' page, contact the Parish Clerk for directions.

Reporting accessibility issues with this website

We are always looking to improve the accessibility of our website. If you find problems that are not already listed, or you think we are not meeting accessibility requirements, contact the Parish Clerk.

Enforcement Procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) is responsible for enforcing the Public Sector (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No.2) 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 (EASS) (https://www.equalityadvisoryservice.com).

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Definition of ARIA

WAI-ARIA, the Accessible Rich Internet Applications Suite, defines a way to make web content and web applications more accessible to people with disabilities. It especially helps with dynamic content and advanced user interface controls developed with Ajax, HTML, JavaScript, and related technologies. Currently, certain functionality used in web sites is not available to some users with disabilities, especially people who rely on screen readers and people who cannot use a mouse. WAI-ARIA addresses these accessibility challenges, for example by defining new ways for functionality to be provided by assistive technology. With WAI-ARIA, developers can make advanced web applications accessible, and usable, to people with disabilities.