

Southam Parish Council

## **WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT**

This Accessibility Statement applies to the website [www.southamtoday.org.uk](http://www.southamtoday.org.uk)

### **Using this website.**

This website is managed and owned by Southam Parish Council. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. For example, this means that you should be able to:

- change colours, contrast levels and fonts
- zoom in up to 300% without the text spilling off the screen
- navigate most of the website using just a keyboard
- listen to most of the website using a screen reader

We also aim to make the website text as simple as possible to understand.

AbilityNet has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

### **Assessment.**

The accessibility of the website was assessed using the following browsers / software:

- Wave
- Microsoft Edge (Read Aloud)
- Chrome (Screen Reader for Google Chrome)
- Windows Narrator
- NVDA

### **Technical information about this website's accessibility.**

Southam 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 (the "accessibility regulations").

### **Compliance status.**

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

Exemptions:

- Documents published before 23 September 2018
- PDFs published before 23 September 2018

Third party documentation created with scanned PDFs:

- AGAR financial documentation

Existing documents not updated due to disproportionate financial burden:

- Minutes of Parish Council meetings between October 2018 and December 2019

Minutes are archived at the end of each municipal year and the cost of reproducing all minutes since October 2018 is considered disproportionate in relation to the Parish Council's annual precept. We have reproduced all minutes from January 2020 and any new PDFs or Word documents we publish will meet accessibility standards. However, if there is any document you would like us to update, please get in contact.

**Reporting accessibility problems with this website.**

We are always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you find any problems not listed in this statement or if you think we are not meeting accessibility requirements, please contact the Clerk via email on [clerk@southamtoday.org.uk](mailto:clerk@southamtoday.org.uk) or the Webmaster via email on [webmaster@southamtoday.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@southamtoday.org.uk) Alternatively you may use the contact form on the website.

Please also contact the Clerk or Webmaster if you require any information in a different format. We will consider your request and get back to you within 21 days (but usually sooner).

**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 are not happy with how we respond to your complaint, please contact the Equality Advisory and Support Service (EASS) at <https://www.equalityadvisoryservice.com/>

**Preparation of this accessibility statement.**

This statement was prepared and first published on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 and will be reviewed at least every 12 months. (Last reviewed 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021).

Clerk

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