**GREAT WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Accessibility Statement**

**Version 1**

*This policy document should be reviewed and updated as necessary.*

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| **Version** | **Review Date** | **Reviewed By** | **Summary of Changes** |
| 1 | October 2022 | S. Gilbert | New document. |
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**Great Waltham Parish Council – Accessibility Statement**

1. Great Waltham Parish Council (“Council”) is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018. It looks to ensure digital accessibility for people with disabilities. It continually looks to improve the user experience for all and to recognise and apply the relevant accessibility standards.
2. This document details how the Council provides access to information relating to its activities and decisions. In particular, it describes how it makes available Council content at this website: **e-voice.org.uk/greatwalthamparish**

Conformance Status

1. The Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) defines requirements for designers and developers to improve accessibility for people with disabilities and identifies that sites should be accessible to all, with easy-to-read layouts, clear design, and good contrast, and that they are tested on mobile devices, tablets, desktop browsers and screen readers.
2. The WCAG define three levels of conformance: Level A, Level AA, and Level AAA. Fully conformant means that the content fully conforms to the accessibility standard without any exceptions. Partially conformant means that some parts of the content do not fully conform to the accessibility standard.
3. Currently the Council’s website is partially conformant with WCAG 2.1 AA standard. It contains a single non-compliance area (‘Iframe elements that have missing or empty title attribute’ in relation to the display of a Google map on the website).

Measures to Support Accessibility

1. The Council undertakes regular reviews of the website to ensure accessibility levels are maintained.

Feedback

1. The Council welcomes feedback on accessibility to the website. If users encounter accessibility barriers, they are encouraged to contact the Council by:

* Phone: 07880 717329, or
* E-mail: [clerk@greatwalthamparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@greatwalthamparishcouncil.co.uk), or
* Post: The Parish Office, Great Waltham Village Hall, South Street, Great Waltham, Chelmsford, CM3 1DF.

The Council will look to respond to feedback within 7 business days.

1. This statement was prepared on 17th October 2022. It was last reviewed on 17th October 2022.

This website was last tested on 13th August 2022. The test was carried out by the Council running an EquallyAI Accessiblity Report.