

Website MOT Report

Heworth Without Parish Council

Date: 9th June 2026

As part of our ongoing commitment to helping you maintain a website that is accessible, user-friendly, and up to date, we've carried out a Website MOT to review overall performance, layout consistency, and compliance with accessibility standards.

We're pleased to report that the site is performing well in several key areas. Below, you'll find a summary of our findings along with some recommendations, should you wish to explore further enhancements.

Accessibility Check

- This has been updated to show that the site is and any new content added will be WCAG 2.2 AA compliant

Reminders:

- All images MUST include appropriate alternative (alt) text.
- All links MUST be set to open in a new window

Note: For best practice any posters used throughout the site would link to a PDF for accessibility purposes. This will also apply to any informational images used on this website.

Page-by-Page Summary

Home Page

- The 'YorkView' link is NOT set to open in a new window AND is broken.
- **Suggestion: would the content at the bottom of the page be better at the top perhaps put into a 2 column component with the existing content already at the top in the 1st column?**

Parish Council

- **Parish Council landing page** – the content has been cut and pasted and therefore in the wrong format – this has been resolved
The 'View the Code of conduct...' link was not set to open in a new window – this has been resolved. Also, H6 styling applied.
- **Your Councillors** – the information on the right hand side had been cut and pasted and was therefore in the wrong format – this has been resolved.
- The images of the Councillors are all mostly different sizes. Whilst not inaccessible it does make the page look messy. Would look much better if they were all the same size.
- **Meeting, Minutes & Agendas** – the opening text had been cut and pasted and was therefore in the wrong format – this has been resolved.
- The link to the 2026 meeting dates was not set to open in a new window – this has been resolved. Also H6 styling applied to the link.
- **Strategic Documents and Policies** – None of the 'Freedom of Information and Data Protection' links were set to open in a new window – this has been resolved.
- 'Other Documents and Policies' – this section has been tidied up. The majority of the links were not set to open in a new window – this has been resolved.
- The Financial information links from the years 2020 to 2025 were not set to open in a new window – this has been resolved.

Suggestion – It is felt that this Financial Information would be better suited to having its own page under the Council section. This would make it easier for the public to find.

- **Parish Council Newsletter** – The page has been tidied up. Nearly ALL the links were NOT set to open in a new window – this has been resolved.

News

- The 'HWPC Spring Newsletter 2026.' News item for instance has a link to a PDF (/Sites/2764/_UserFiles/Files/Newsletters/Parish Council Newsletter Spring 2026.pdf). This breaks the accessibility rules! It should use more descriptive text to explain what the link is.
- This will apply to any existing/all News items.
- This has NOT been resolved

Events

- The content had been cut and pasted and was therefore out of style – this has been resolved.
- New layout has been introduced.
- The image had no alternative text – this has been resolved.
- Any images used should link through to a screen readable PDF.

Stray Road Allotments

- Correct heading style applied
- The map has been centred
- Links are now set to open in a new window
- Email address now set to be a live link
- Images put into a 2 column component rather than one on top of the other.
- The redundant 'New Heading Text' component has been deleted

Community Information

- The link to Heworth Christ Church is broken!
- The link to Priory Medical Group is broken!
- The link to East Parade Medical Group goes to an unsecure site!

Useful Links

- The link to Heworth Christ Church is broken!
- This link is also on the Community Information page. Is it needed in both places? The same goes for the Hempland Lane Primary School!
Could the Job Centre link and the Nearest Register Office link be put onto the Community Information page and then the Useful Links page could be deleted.

Recognition of Donors and Benefactors

- Correct heading style applied
- The contents in the table were in the wrong format – this has been resolved.