### **Accessibility Policy**

#### 1. Purpose

1.1. The purpose of this policy is to outline how everyone has equal access online to the products, services and information we provide.

### 2. Using our website

- 2.1. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. This means that you can:
  - Modify the font, colours, line height or spacing of text
  - Zoom in up to 300% without text spilling off the screen
  - The text will reflow in a single column when you change the size of your browser window
  - Navigate the website using just a keyboard
  - Translate the website into a different language
  - Listen to the website using a screen reader
- 2.2. We have also made the website text as simple as possible to understand, where possible.
- 2.3. We also provide **assistive technology**, enabling all websites visitors to customise their experience through a range of options to suit their online accessibility and language needs.
- 2.4. The **AccessAngel** toolbar provides text to speech functionality, fully customisable styling features, reading aids and a translation tool with over 100 languages, including 100 text to speech voices and many other features.

#### 3. Reporting accessibility problems with this website

- 3.1 We're always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you encounter content that you cannot access, then please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@greatcentralgazette.org">info@greatcentralgazette.org</a> and we will provide you with an accessibility alternative.
- 3.2. Any feedback we receive will be dealt with by the team and we aim to get back to you within 48 hours (if a response is requested).
- 3.3. If you are not happy with how to respond to issues you have raised with us about the accessibility of our website, then contact the Equality Advisory and

<u>Support Service</u> (EASS). The <u>Equality and Human Rights Commission</u> (EHRC) is responsible for ensuring websites meet accessibility standards.

# 4. Third-party content and functionality

4.1. We may make use of **third-party resources** that embed content in our website. Wherever possible we will ensure these are conformant.

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

- 5.1 AccessAngel is committed to making its website accessible, in line with the **Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2 2018**.
- 5.2. We aim for conformance with the **WCAG 2.1** (**Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1**) at level **AA**.

# 6. What we're doing to improve accessibility

Our accessibility journey is continuing. We regularly scan the website to confirm fixes of known issues and schedule the fixing of any new issues.

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