



GREAT TORRINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Assertion 10:

This is a new element to the AGAR for 2025/2026.

Great Torrington Town Council is compliant in almost all areas of Assertion 10.

Assertion 10 - Digital and data compliance (Assertion 10 added to clarify data compliance, previously covered under Assertion 3) Note: Assertion 10 will not appear on the AGAR until 2025-26

To warrant a positive response to this assertion, the authority needs to have taken the following actions:

1.47 Email management - **compliant**.

1.48 All smaller authorities (excluding parish meetings) must meet legal requirements for all existing websites regardless of what domain is being used. – See 1.49 below website accessibility needs checking and bringing up to date.

1.49 All websites must meet the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.2 AA and the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (where applicable). – Great Torrington Town Council (GTTC) is currently WCAG 2.1 compliant and has an accessibility statement in place. The council have been trying to work with the existing website supplier/manager to implement updates to WCAG 2.2 AA, however this has ultimately not been possible. The council is now seeking quotes for a new fully compliant website; this will be put in place as soon as possible and before the end of the next financial year.

1.50 All websites must include published documentation as specified in the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Transparency code for smaller authorities (where applicable) – Great Torrington Town Council need to publish information about land they own on the website. This will be done by the end of July 2026.

1.51 All smaller authorities, including parish meetings, must follow both the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2016 and the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018. - **Compliant**

1.52 All smaller authorities, including parish meetings, must process personal data with care and in line with the principles of data protection. - **Compliant**

1.53 The DPA 2018 supplements the GDPR and classifies an authority as both a Data Controller and a Data Processor. - **Compliant**

1.54 All smaller authorities (excluding parish meetings) must also have an IT policy. This explains how everyone - clerks, members and other staff - should conduct authority business in a secure and legal way when using IT equipment and software. This relates to the use of authority-owned and personal equipment. - **Compliant**