

# Follow-up questions on accessibility assessment

These notes serve as a discussion guide and record of a conversation between the School Placements team and Zoonou following the initial accessibility assessment report.

## 2.4.1 Bypass Blocks - Heading Structure Incorrect

- Affected services:
  - Funding Mentors
  - This also affects School Placements, although it was not raised by Zoonou as an issue
- When form validation errors are present, a **<h2>** appears on the page before a **<h1>**.
- This is as required for the [error summary](#) component of the GOV.UK Design System.

### Outcome

- Agreed with Zoonou that this is a non-issue because it follows the GOV.UK Design System.

## 3.3.2 Labels or Instructions - Required Format Fields Information Not Present

- Affected services:
  - Funding Mentors
  - School Placements
- According to [3.3.2 Labels or Instructions](#), **aria-describedby** is a sufficient technique to meet this criterion.
- We are using the **aria-describedby** attribute to associate the formatting hint text with the input element (as evidenced in the screenshots supplied by Zoonou).

### Outcome

- Zoonou confirmed that this is a false-negative. There is no issue to fix.

## 4.1.2 Name, Role, Value – Elements Must Only Use Support ARIA Attributes

- Affected services:
  - Funding Mentors
- Conditional reveals on radio inputs

- This is a [known and documented limitation](#) of the GOV.UK Design System's 'conditional reveal' functionality on radio inputs.
- According to [MDN web docs](#), our use of the [aria-expanded](#) attribute seems to be valid. I'm not sure what Zoonou means when they say it's "not supported"?

## Outcome

- This is not something which needs to be resolved.
- While it's technical incorrect, according to the HTML specification, it has no real world impact on end users.
- Advice is to continue using the GOV.UK Design System implementation.

### 1.3.1 Info and Relationships - Page Regions Not Identified with ARIA Landmarks

- Affected services:
  - School Placements
  - Funding Mentors
- The [phase banner](#) and [back link](#) do not have ARIA landmarks.
- We've used the markup specified by the GOV.UK Design System for both of these components.
- We've reached out to the GOV.UK Design System team and they've confirmed that this is a [known issue](#) which they are tracking.
- Our understanding is that while automated accessibility testing software might consider it to be an issue, there is no strong evidence to suggest there's a real-world impact on users.
- Deque, the body which operates axe-core, [lists this as "best practice"](#) rather than a strict requirement.

## Outcome

- Agreed that this is a non-issue.
- We'll continue to use the GOV.UK Design System components. That way, we'll benefit from any upstream improvements in the Design System.

### 3.3.1 Error Identification - Text Description Not Provided for Error Field

- Affected services:
  - Funding Mentors
- This is not an error – it's a search which has returned zero results.
- Therefore we think this is a non-issue, unless Zoonou has reason to believe otherwise?

## Outcome

- Agreed that this is a non-issue.

### 4.1.2 Name, Role, Value – Check Your Answers Is Inaccessible on Android Talkback

- Affected services:
  - School Placements
- A [video supplied by Zoonou](#) shows that links inside the [summary list](#) cannot be selected on Android devices using Talkback.
- Does it only affect this specific 'Check your answers' page, or does it affect all of them? It was only raised as an issue on one page, but the same component is used in multiple places throughout both services.
- I've tried enabling TalkBack on my Android device and accessing the same page as shown in the video. However I've not been able to reproduce the problem as demonstrated.
- Can Zoonou give any more guidance as to how this behaviour can be reproduced? Or any pointers on what might be going wrong?

## Outcome

- Zoonou have confirmed that this is a non-issue. They have been unable to reproduce the issue, nor have we.