

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Wednesday 9th May 2007 in
The Council Offices, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland

Present: Councillors; J Howe, J Honeychurch, V Fennell, Dr. B. Hinton, D Filby, A Jones, Carol Bryan, V.Cooke and Mrs S Jennings (RFO).

There were 2 members of the public present.

147/07 Public Question Time

There were no questions from the public.

148/07 Apologies

County Councillor George Cameron tendered his apologies as he was out of the Country.

148/07 To receive Report from Councillor George Cameron.

Councillor Cameron will submit a report on his return.

149/07 To receive declarations of acceptance of office from the councillors.

These were duly accepted.

150/07 Election of Chairman for 2007/2008.

Councillor John Howe was elected Chairman. Proposed: Councillor D Filby, seconded Councillor J Honeychurch and unanimously agreed.

151/07 Election of Vice Chairman for 2007/2008.

Councillor John Honeychurch was elected Vice Chairman, Proposed Councillor C Bryan, seconded Councillor V Fennell and unanimously agreed.

152/07 To receive and sign the declarations of acceptance of office from the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

These were duly accepted and signed.

153/07 To adopt new Code of Conduct

There were duly accepted, proposed Councillor B Hinton, seconded Councillor A Jones and unanimously agreed.

154/07 To adopt standing orders as circulated.

Proposed Councillor B Hinton, seconded Councillor S Jones.

155/07 To adopt financial regulations as circulated.

John Howe
Chairman
13 June 2007

Proposed Councillor B Hinton, seconded Councillor S Jones.

156/07 To appoint the Internal Auditor.

It was agreed that Devid Shaw would continue as our Internal Auditor. Proposed Councillor V Fennell, seconded Councillor D Filby and unanimously agreed.

157/07 To complete Bank Instructions with regard to signatories to cheques.

These remain the same with the addition of Councillor Mrs V Cooke and Mrs S Jennings (R.F.O). (All eight members of the Parish Council are signatories).

158/07 To Appoint Members to serve on committees (numbers normally appointed in parenthesis).

Finance Committee	Full Council.
Planning Committee	Full Council.
Chairman of the Planning Committee:	Councillor Mrs C Bryan.
Footpaths and seats:	Councillors D Filby, A Jones. V Fennell and V.Cooke..
Archivist:	Councillor Dr B Hinton MBE.

Representing the Council

United Charities Trust:	Councillor V Fennell.
Freshwater & Totland Memorial Bungalows:	Councillor J Honeychurch.
Memorial Hall Arts & Leisure Co.	Councillors Dr B Hinton, J Howe, J Honeychurch and A Jones.
West Wight Sports Centre Trust:	Councillor C Bryan + J Honeychurch and J Howe..
IOW Association of Town and Parish Councils:	Councillor V Fennell.
West Wight Youth Club:	Councillor V Fennell.
West Wight Information Centre:	Councillor V Fennell.
Totland Regeneration Partnership.	Councillors J Howe, V Fennell
Totland Village Charitable Trust:	Councillor J Honeychurch, J Howe.
Yarmouth Harbour Commissioners - Advisory Committee:	Councillor V Cooke.
Island Waste:	Councillor J Howe.

159/07 To agree the amount of the Chairman's allowance in pursuance of Section 15(50) of The Local Government Act 1972 and as set out in the budget of the previous Council.

It was agreed to increase the allowance from £800 to £1,000 per year as the Chairman puts in long hours working on behalf of the Parish and the community as a whole. Proposed Councillor C Bryan, seconded Councillor V Fennell and

unanimously agreed.

160/07 To receive any declaration of interest in items on the Agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

161/07 To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on the 11 April 2007 and the Planning Meeting held on 2 May 2007.

The Minutes were duly agreed and signed. Proposed Councillor C Bryan, seconded Councillor A Jones and unanimously agreed.

162/07 To report of matters arising from the Minutes; for information only.

Councillor D Filby raised the topic of sponsorship for the Youth Island Games (Corsica 2007) which was raised at our last meeting. He informed Council that any donation should be forwarded to the Isle of Wight Council towards the expenses of all the athletes from the Island. Council agreed a cheque for £50 should be forwarded. Proposed Councillor D Filby, Seconded Councillor V Fennell and unanimously agreed.

A letter had been sent to David Holmes, in reply to his letter read out at our last meeting, giving him the information he requested. We have since heard that he has taken his planning refusal to appeal.

163/07 Planning Matters

a) To receive any declarations of interest in planning matters.

Councillor D Filby declared an interest in the following property and abstained.

b) To consider the planning applications.

1. Location: The Broadway Inn, Broadway, Totland Bay.
Proposal: Demolition of store and beer cellar; single storey extension to form store and wc's, alterations to include replacement and new doors and windows; boundary wall.

Councillors had no comment regarding this application except to add that it was nice seeing something restored to how it used to be to enhance the local heritage of Totland.

164/07 To Receive report from Turf-Walk sub committee:

There were no reports.

165/07 Accounts: To consider the payment of the accounts (as listed below):

Payments:

Mrs S Jennings (Responsible Financial Officer) circulated a copy of the Totland Parish Council Budget 2006/07 and gave a report on the years finances and informed Council that they had under spent by £2,000.

V Gallard	£509.28	Salary
Inland Revenue	£ 79.56	Tax and NHI
Chairman's Allowance	£500.00	(First half)
Waitrose.com	£ 18.99	Broadband.
IWAPT	£ 13.50	LCR-2007/8 publication.
IWAPT	£314.73	Annual subscription 2007.
SLCC	£ 88.95	Manual for SILCA training.
NRG	£ 91.13	Photocopier rental.
Carnival Committee	£300.00	Donation towards Freshwater and Totland Carnival expenses.

Proposed: Councillor V Fennell, seconded Councillor C Bryan and unanimously agreed.

166/07 Correspondence

The Clerk read out a letter from Sgt Bolwell of Yarmouth Police Station asking for a donation towards the PCSO's cycle kits which were costing £150 for each PCSO. Council agreed to pay for one kit to the value of £150. Proposed: Councillor V Fennell, seconded Councillor C Bryan and unanimously agreed.

The Clerk read out two letters from Mr Peter Garlic regarding matters he had raised at our last meeting and had not been actioned, these being:

- a) The bank of wild orchids on the recreation ground whereby it has since been mown twice more.
- b) The double yellow lines at junction of Broadway and Granville Road, not been repainted.
- c) Footpath in front of 19 to 24 Lanes End, no action taken because of nesting birds.
- d) The yellow buoys marking 200 metres from the shore, place in the same position as last year and are no use whatsoever. Would like them moved.

He also commented on the car covered in hand painted advertisements parked alongside Colwell Common and asked for something to be done about this. Councillor D Filby informed Council that the Isle of Wight Council (Highways) had this in hand and it was being dealt with.

The above letters will be passed to Councillor George Cameron on his return.

I letter was received from Bradley Barnes thanking us for our donation of £50 towards his forthcoming Tanzania trip and has informed us that he will send us a

copy of the diary that he will make whilst there.

167/07 Question and Information Time

Councillor V Fennell asked when the hedge was going to be cut along Weston Road. The Clerk informed him that Brighstone Landscapes had this on their list to do but were very busy at the moment.

Councillor B Hinton asked Council if he could have their permission to buy a good framed map for the archives. Council informed him that they were happy for him to do this.

Councillor C Bryan said there were 2 cars (4 wheel drives) parking on the grass at Lanes End. She said she would get their registration numbers and pass them to the Parish Office for action.

Councillor Bryan also mentioned the car parked on the grass by the sign at the bottom of The Avenue and asked the Clerk to report it to Highways.

Councillor A Jones said that in light of the forthcoming children's painting competition for Art on the Turf Walk, he thought it would be a good idea for Councillor Howe to approach the schools to recommend another competition for the children to make Christmas Cards. Councillor Howe said he would look into this.

Councillor D Filby asked Council if they had noted how delightful Turvills Field had looked so far this year.

He also commented on how hard Rachel Bradley was working towards a colourful "One Million Blooms" competition which Totland had entered.

Councillor B Hinton mentioned that resurfacing in Uplands Road has not been done. Councillor Howe informed Council that the builders have said that they are definitely going to do it, the only question is when?

Councillor J Howe raised the subject of Suffolk House and said he was disappointed that a "Social Housing property" was being sold off to the highest bidder no doubt for luxury private flats instead of selling it for affordable homes for our younger residents who were having great difficulty getting on to the housing ladder. Council agreed with him and asked the Clerk to write to the Ombudsman for Property Management, and advise him of their feelings.

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.