

TOTLAND MONTHLY PARISH NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY  
BY JOHN HOWE, CHAIRMAN.

The New Year has not started too well for the Parish as the wall at the bottom of Stokes Green (opposite the pier by the car parking bays) has moved slightly and the wall is cracking. We have instructed a Structural Engineer to inspect this and report his recommendations.

However, on a much brighter note, Totland has new street bins, Cokes Green has a new garden with tropical plants and the Spring bulbs are already well established in the planters, all helping to brighten up the Village.

We have gone out to tender for the Grass Cutting and Maintenance Contract for the Turf Walk, Stokes Green, Turvills Field, Cokes Green and Jubilee Pump. The closing date for tenders is 12 noon on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> February.

I picked up a leaflet called "Celebrating Islandness" which states that from January the Isle of Wight Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Unit, in conjunction with the Isle of Wight Council Conservation and Design Team are running a project entitled "Celebrating Islandness". The aim is to record the small but all important details of our Island's wonderful environment.

Perhaps they should look at preserving Villages where bungalows are being replaced by blocks of flats. Your Parish Council will ask them for their support against planning applications in Totland for demolishing bungalows and Victorian houses to be replaced with blocks of flats, especially as most remain unsold.

We would like to thank Bob Nelson, our Town Centre Manager, for all the hard work he puts in on behalf of Totland.

"Look out for this regular newsletter on the work of your parish every month in the Beacon".

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