

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Wednesday 11th May 2005 in
The Council Offices, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland

Present: Councillors; Mr J Howe (Chairman), Mr V Fennell, Mr J White, Mrs A Smith, Dr. B. Hinton, Mr J Honeychurch.

Apologies: Mr D Filby.

There were three members of the public present and the newly elected Councillor A Jones, who was asked by the Chairman to join them.

49/05 Public Question Time

Mrs P Thompson raised the subject of Totland beach and seafront. The two entrances are giving concern and are Health and Safety hazards. The slipway is extremely slippery and dangerous and she asked that these be brought up to standard. Council agreed with her and would pass the matter on to Councillor George Cameron for his action.

50/05 Declarations of Interest in items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interest

51/05 Planning Matters

a) To receive declaration of interest in planning matters :-
Councillor Howe declared an interest in planning matters as a member of the Isle of Wight Council Development Control Committee.

b) To consider the following planning applications :-

(i) Location: Carina, Cliff Road, Totland Bay.

The Council had no comment to make on this application.

(ii) Location: Land adjacent "Jamila", Broadway, Totland.

Council queried the access.

(iii) Location: St Lawrence, Heatherwood Park Road, Totland

Council agreed as long as it does not affect the adjacent properties.

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52/05 To confirm the Minutes of Meetings of the Council on 9th March 2005

These were confirmed as a true record. Prop. Councillor V Fennell. Seconded Councillor A Smith, All were in favour

53/05 Report on matters relating to Open Spaces

Councillor J Honeychurch reported that he had noticed the footpaths were not being kept up to standard, especially the footpath from Colwell beach to Fort Warden Road. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the IoW Council, Open Spaces regarding this.

54/05 To Receive the Report of the Turf Walk Regeneration Subcommittee

Councillor John Howe told the Council that more grass seeding was being done and that grass cutting was being carried out next week.

55/05 To report on matters arising from the agenda - for information only

Dr B Hinton had had various Totland Parish Council pictures framed which were of great interest. He has left these in the office for labelling and for hanging in the office, if required.

Dr B Hinton also mentioned that Mr Peter Gibson who does two beach sweeps a year voluntarily, should be thanked and congratulated on his efforts. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a letter to him.

The question of double yellow lines outside the Post Office in Totland was discussed, and Councillor J Howe read a letter from the Sub-Postmaster whereby he stated that elderly residents need to be able to park outside to enable access to collect their benefits. The Council asked the Clerk to write a letter to Highways.

56/05 Accounts

To consider the payment of the following accounts :-

V Gallard	£ 515.37	Salary + (difference due from last month £23.92).
Inland Revenue & NHI	£ 28.51	
Chairman's Allowance	£ 330.50	
Carnival Committee	£ 200.00	
WBS-Stationery	£ 117.20	
Artframes	£ 44.95	(framing of 3 Totland Parish pictures)

The Council resolved to pay these accounts. Proposed Mrs A Smith, Seconded Mr V Fennell

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57/05 Correspondence

Councillor J Howe read a letter from West Wight Sports Centre informing they will not be going ahead with the Festival of Sport this year but the Triathlon will still happen. It was agreed by Council that the donation of £150 could be used to promote the Triathlon.

58/05 Question and Information Time

Mrs V Cooke raised the question of workman starting work early on the Clifton Nursing Homes site, sometimes as early as 7 a.m. It was agreed that the Clerk should check with Planning or Environmental Health the legitimate start and finishing times.

Dr B Hinton commented on the letter from The Council re: Library opening hours dated 5 May (Polling Day). He felt it was wrong to slip this through during an election period.

Councillor V Fennell stated the bin outside the Totland Post Office by the telephone box needs replacing as does the bin in the Totland car park. The Clerk was asked to deal with this.

Councillor V Fennell asked what the situation was on the seat from the bus shelter. This is still being chased up.

The Chairman officially welcomed Councillor A Jones to Council. He also stated that he was disappointed that Councillor G Cameron had not come to the meeting and asked Councillor A Jones to invite him to our next meeting.

Councillor J White said this was his last meeting on Council and the Chairman thanked him for his work and said it had been a privilege working with him. He also paid thanks to Councillor C Huggins who also leaves Council.

Councillor J Howe then thanked all his Councillors for their hard work and effort.

It was agreed by Council that Mr David Baggott would come into the office next week to advise the new Clerk on various procedures.

There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.