

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW  
TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL  
Held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2006 in  
The Council Offices, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland

Present: Councillors; J Howe, 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.

52/06 Public Question Time

Mrs Cave of the West Wight Football Club attended the meeting to ask Councillor George Cameron if he had any information regarding the two letters he was handed at our last meeting, re: Totland Recreation Ground (which needs urgently sorting out as the season starts shortly), and Hamilton Lodge Hotel.

Unfortunately, Councillor Cameron was not at the meeting and Mrs Cave said she was very disappointed that she had received no response from Councillor Cameron. Councillor D Filby suggested that Council write a severe letter to Councillor Cameron stating that Council feel he is not fully responding to villagers complaints. It was unanimously agreed by Council that a l

etter be sent to Councillor A Sutton with a copy to Councillor Cameron and Mr and Mrs Cave.

53/06 Apologies

Councillor J Honeychurch and Councillor G Cameron tendered their apologies.

54/06 To receive Report from Councillor George Cameron (e-mailed).

- Totland Parish Plan: The Parish Plan for Totland is on schedule and after last Monday's meeting, which was well attended, I feel very confident that we will create a Plan with future vision and identify community led projects. Special guests at Monday's meeting were Sgt. Cliff Jones and Brighstone Parish Councillor Jill Wareham who helped to produce a Parish Plan for Brighstone. Both were very helpful and informative.
- Wind farm: Public consultation will take place at the Memorial Hall on the 21<sup>st</sup> June. One of several dates and venues on the Island to have a display and talks/feedbacks with the public on the proposed application of the wind farm.
- Highways: Several issues have been raised. And resolved as it was brought to my attention. The Avenue still seems to be a problem and a meeting has been arranged with Highways to reach a solution.
- Conservation: The signed petition has been forwarded to the Cabinet Member responsible (Ian Ward) who is now in position to peruse the wishes of Totland Residents. I will update when information is available. I am however a little

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concerned that the Government is proposing to change the rateable value system for properties and I do not know if residents who signed the petition were aware of this at the time of signing. I can recommend further public consultation if the Parish Council feel it is needed. In the meantime I will proceed as previously discussed and agreed.

- The parking problem re the builders has been reported and it seems a bit better but I was told it is difficult to enforce.

55/06 To receive declarations of acceptance of office from the councillors.

These were duly accepted.

56/06 Election of Chairman for 2006/2007.

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

57/06 Election of Vice Chairman for 2006/2007.

Councillor John Honeychurch was elected Vice Chairman, Proposed Dr B Hinton, seconded Councillor V Fennell and unanimously agreed.

58/06 To receive the declarations of acceptance of office from the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

These were duly accepted.

59/06 To adopt standing orders as circulated.

Proposed Councillor V Fennell, seconded Councillor C Bryan.

60/06 To adopt financial regulations as circulated.

Proposed Councillor D Filby, seconded Councillor V Fennell.

61/06 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.

62/06 To complete Bank Instructions with regard to signatories to cheques.

These remain the same with all the Councillors being signatories except Councillor Mrs V Cooke, our new Council Member, and forms will be obtained from the Bank for her signature.

63/06 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 J Howe.
Footpaths and seats:	Councillor D Filby, C Bryan, A Jones.
Archivist:	Councillor Dr B Hinton.

School Governors

Totland Community School  
St Saviours School

Councillor J Howe.  
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Representing the Council

United Charities Trust:  
Freshwater & Totland Memorial  
Bungalows:  
Memorial Hall Arts & Leisure Co.

Councillor V Fennell.

Councillor J Honeychurch.  
Councillors Dr B Hinton, J Howe,  
J Honeychurch and A Jones.  
Councillor C Bryan.

West Wight Sports Centre Trust:  
IOW Association of Town and Parish  
Councils:

Councillor D Filby.

West Wight Youth Club:

Councillor V Fennell.

West Wight Information Centre:

Councillor V Fennell.

Totland Regeneration Partnership.

Councillors J Howe, J Honeychurch,  
V Fennell.

Totland Village Charitable Trust:  
Yarmouth Harbour Commissioners -  
Advisory Committee:

Councillor J Honeychurch.

Island Waste:

Councillor V Cooke.

Councillor J Howe.

64/06 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 £780 to £800 per year. Proposed Councillor V Fennell, seconded Councillor Dr B Hinton and unanimously agreed.

65/06 To receive any declaration of interest in items on the Agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

66/06 To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on the 12 April 2006 and the Planning Meeting held on 27 March 2006.

The Minutes were duly agreed and signed. Proposed Councillor V Fennell, seconded Councillor C Bryan and unanimously agreed.

67/06 To report of matters arising from the Minutes; for information only.

As Councillor Cameron was asked to let Council know what he was doing for Totland Businesses at our last meeting, Councillor C Bryan commented that she would like to have seen an answer in Councillor Camerons Report.

68/06 Planning Matters

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

There were no declarations of interest.

b) To consider the planning applications.

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1. Location: Wilmington Heights, Eden Road, Totland Bay.  
Proposal: New garage and amended car parking scheme within approved apartment construction on same site (works commenced).

Councillors object to retrospective planning on this project as we understand it has already been started.

2. Location: Wood End, Church Hill, Totland Bay.  
Proposal: Alterations and conversion of garage to living accommodation.

Council had no comment regarding this proposal.

69/06 Accounts: To consider the payment of the accounts (as listed below):

Payments:

V Gallard	£468.81	Salary
Inland Revenue	£ 66.55	Tax and NHI
Petty Cash	£ 30.00	
Mr Sloper	£650.00	Office rent (first half)
Chairman's Allowance	£400.00	(First half)
Whitecare Alarm Services	£227.28	
JCB Imaging	£ 31.60	Colour copying of Walks.
Waitrose.com	£ 18.99	Broadband.
J Howe	£ 29.80	Expenses
WBS	£121.49	Stationery.
Staples	£ 44.97	Laminator and pouches.
V Gallard	£ 18.00	Underpayment in previous salary.

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

Councillor Fennell also proposed a vote of thanks for the excellent work that Mrs Jennings is doing, seconded Councillor Bryan and unanimously agreed.

70/06 Correspondence

A letter was received from Mr Ronald Baker regarding a cinder track or footpath alongside the main road at Colwell Common . Council discussed this matter and it was proposed by Councillor D Filby that we write to Mr S Matthews at the Isle of Wight Council to do something about this, with a copy to Mr Baker. Seconded by Councillor V Fennell and agreed.

Council confirmed that the new street name of Fairfield Park to the new development at Fairfield Way was perfectly acceptable.

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71/06 Question and Information Time

Councillor D Filby advised Council that the gate to Stokes Green was broken and needed repair. Councillor Howe asked the Clerk to look into this.

Councillor D Filby also requested that a letter be sent to the Parks & Gardens, Isle of Wight Council, regarding the cutting of the grass at Totland Recreation Ground. He said the cutting around the tree stumps and swings etc, near the young children's play area was very slap dash, with missed areas.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.