

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2010 Starting 7.30pm

The Council Offices, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland

### Present

Councillors; Carol Bryan (Chairman), John Honeychurch, John Howe, Vince Fennell and Alistair Jones.

### 1/10 Apologies for absence

Councillors: David Eccles, Val Cooke and David Filby

Also in attendance: Mr Bob Nelson (ENO), PCSO Mike Thornton

### 2/10 To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> March 2010 and report on matters arising from those minutes

Minutes - having been circulated and read were agreed. Proposed Councillor Honeychurch, seconded Councillor Fennel and all unanimously agreed.

#### Matters arising

Grass Cutting Quote - Clerk confirmed the quotation had been agreed for 3 years. -

#### **Resolved**

### 3/10 Public Question Time

There were no questions.

### 4/10 To receive any declarations of interest in items on the Agenda

Cllr Howe - anything with regards to IOW Council.

### 5/10 Police Report

PCSO Mike Thornton attended the meeting and delivered this report. for Freshwater, Colwell and Totland as follows:

Crime Statistics for Freshwater, Totland and Colwell 2009														
Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year	Change from 2008
Assault	5	2	4	4	6	7	9	4	6	6	3	4	60	UP 1
Burglary Dwelling	0	1	0	1	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	10	DOWN 1
Criminal Damage	12	12	6	8	9	7	10	10	7	11	9	8	109	DOWN 6
Public Order	3	1	3	0	0	2	0	5	4	2	2	0	22	DOWN 13
Rowdy & Inconsiderate	9	17	20	21	23	10	6	13	8	16	15	12	170	DOWN 35
Theft	5	3	5	8	9	5	14	9	2	4	3	2	69	UP 1
Theft of Vehicle	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	UP 1
Theft from Vehicle	1	4	0	2	1	1	3	1	0	2	0	0	15	UP 2
Theft Pedal Cycle	0	0	0	1	3	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	9	UP 2
Crime Statistics for Freshwater, Totland and Colwell 2010														
Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year	Change from 2009
Assault	7	4	8										19	
Burglary Dwelling	0	1	2										3	
Criminal Damage	7	4	9										20	
Public Order	1	2	2										5	
Rowdy & Inconsiderate	8	12	10										30	
Theft	2	1	8										11	
Theft of Vehicle	1	1	0										2	
Theft from Vehicle	1	0	1										2	
Theft Pedal Cycle	1	2	1										4	

They also produced a Beat Report, as follows:

Carol Bryan  
Chairman  
12<sup>th</sup> May 2010

Since the last meeting in March the majority of crime statistics have either stayed the same or have fallen. There has been an increase of assaults, by a small amount, which has been reported to us and has been detected and dealt with. Rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour has fallen by 50% since the same time last year. We are continuing to visit schools, homes of children, youth club and even adults to give words of advice regarding their behaviour. We are still visiting addresses to give security advice and reassurance.

Speeding is continuing to be an issue island wide, last month we took a member of the community out with us on speed checks in the Colwell road area. This will also be done in Totland and Freshwater areas if there is a particular area which you feel is of great concern then please let us know.

Hopefully now the clocks have changed and summer is on its way bringing warmer weather we would like to remind everyone to shut windows when you leave your property.

Both West Wight Middle School and officers from the West Wight Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team have been working closely together for a number of years in trying to combat bullying and other forms of anti-social behaviour in the West Wight. Part of this work will involve Police Officers and staff coming into the school over the next few weeks to talk about and discuss such issues as: What is bullying? What does a bully look like? Who is bullied? And just as important, how do we stop bullying from happening? Bullying in both the school environment and in later life in the workplace is destructive for the person on the receiving end of it but will also have a profound impact on the perpetrator. Whether it is carried out with verbal threats, physical assaults or by the use of social networking sites, text messages or e-mails, it is a form of Anti Social behaviour that will not be tolerated by the school and those matters considered more serious in nature will be reported to your local Police for their attention. Parents and carers are asked to help support the school in such matters by discussing with their children the impact of bullying in and out of school.

Your local Policing team will endeavour to attend your parish meetings, however due to operational reasons this may mean we cannot commit to every meeting.

If there is anything you wish to discuss with your local Policing team please contact:

SGT Mark Lyth	07901102396
PC Matt Rumsey	07901102402
PC Andy Fidler	07901102303
PCSO Mike Thornton	07901102385

These numbers can be given out to members of the public. However, if you need to report an incident or crime please use 101, or if it's an emergency call 999.

You can email: [westwight.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:westwight.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

Emphasis to use the 101 number to report matters rather than emailing was talked about. Councillor Howe attended the Crimestoppers meeting this week and the report was pleasing

### **6/10 To receive Report from our Isle of Wight Councillor - John Howe.** **Refuse Collection**

As the local Councillor, I am very disappointed that the I W Council has decided to remove the 'back door' collection that has been in place for a long time. Many of the residents of Totland are finding this difficult having, in some cases, to carry their dustbins from the back garden where they keep them, through their house and into the front garden and then to kerbside if they live in terraced properties. If

you know anyone who is struggling, please ask them to contact me on 753414 or by e-mail at: [john.howe@iow.gov.uk](mailto:john.howe@iow.gov.uk) and I will do my best to resolve the problem.

### **Potholes**

Potholes continue to be a problem for residents. I have investigated a problem for one resident whereby he hit a pothole and damaged his wheel/tyre, which cost almost £100.00 to repair/replace. I was amazed when I followed this up for the resident to discover that, unless the pothole had been reported previously to the I W Council, their insurance company would not consider a claim. If you are aware of any potholes in the Parish, please could you report them either direct to the Isle of Wight Council or to me and I will report it to them.

### **School re-organisation**

The re-organisation continues with the first changes taking place in September 2010. Primary schools will then retain year 5 which will increase the numbers within those schools. The Middle schools will decrease by one year in September. Our local primary schools are in discussion with the local authority to prepare for the extra numbers. Weston Community School will have a new Head teacher after the Easter break - Ms Angela Collins.

Congratulation must go to St Saviours for winning Global Rock.

### **Car Parking/permits**

Many Island residents are, quite understandably, upset with the removal of the annual car parking permits. I am concerned as to how this may affect businesses across the Island and hope that in the future there may be a compromise that would be beneficial to both Island residents and the I W Council.

### **Planning**

I have not been made aware of any planning problems within the Parish recently but if any member of the Parish Council or any resident have issues over Planning, please ask them to contact me on 753414 or [john.howe@iow.gov.uk](mailto:john.howe@iow.gov.uk)

### **7/10 Report from Mr B Nelson, Environment & Neighbourhood Officer.**

#### **CCTV**

A meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> March at Moa Place to finalise the proposal for the installation of an 8m. column to house a CCTV camera took place with Cllr Flury, Cllr Howe, Bob Nelson, Sgt Lyth, Darren Vaughan (CCTV Manager IOWCC) and representatives from Southern Electricity to discuss the options available within budget.

I await estimates from Southern Electricity for the installation of the column and associated services and the cost of the Predator camera, which I hope to obtain in the coming days.

The need for this equipment was recently highlighted following an act of vandalism to one of the skate park ramps. A local youth has been charged with arson and will appear in court on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April.

A large plywood sheet was unlawfully removed from a local building site and set on fire on top of an existing ramp in the skate park area, causing damage to the surface board and de-laminating the slope board.

I have contacted Nash Fabrication who have been awarded the refurbishment contract for the skate park and have received an initial estimate on £430 to replace the damaged surface board.

I would like to take this opportunity in thanking the local SNT Police for their swift and prompt action in dealing with this issue, again sending out a clear message that this type of behaviour will not be tolerated in our neighbourhood.

A Compensation claim has been submitted to the Court for damages.

### **Mini Motor Bikes/Bicycles**

The problem of motorbikes and bicycles being driven on pavements and in public areas has again been highlighted recently. I have, on more than one occasion, recently stopped cyclists using pavements, footpaths and other no cycling areas. The local police SNT have been active in stopping unauthorised usage of cyclists and mini motorbikes in public areas and have recently seized a motor bike for unlawful use on a public highway. As stated in my report to Totland Parish Council in March an area of land at the Old Fort Warden holiday camp, Totland, which was a popular area for mini motorbikes and quad bikes, has been withdrawn by the land owner following many complaints about noise and the environmental issues effecting local residents. This has in effect dispersed the bike users to use other areas around the local neighbourhood.

I am keen to find an alternative site for the user group somewhere in the local area preferably not in residential areas or that may have an environmental impact on wildlife and fauna.

### **Dog Glove Dispensers**

The dispensers have now been removed from Totland Parish following the withdrawal of this free facility by the IOWC due to cost.

### **Vandalism**

Sometime during the Easter holiday period the area around the public toilets at Totland revetment was the target of vandalism. The notice board, dog waste bin and litter bin were damaged. I have reported this to the Police and logged a crime number. All the affected street furniture has been replaced or will be replaced in the near future. Despite this unusual occurrence, Totland remains a safe and clean environment and I will continue to support the local SNT Police to counteract and detect any form of anti social behaviour in the West Wight area.

### **Summary**

The hoarding board and posts that were installed at the entrance to Hurst point view have now been removed.

I have continued throughout the previous month to work closely with the highways engineer identifying defects to the highway infrastructure and put in place remedial repairs. This work continues.

I continue to patrol the parish as much as possible and I am delighted with the cleanliness and general appearance.

Yarmouth Bridge will be closed from 17<sup>th</sup> April until the 29<sup>th</sup> April for repairs to the mechanism; pedestrians will however still be able to access the bridge.

West Wight Conservation Group working alongside the unpaid work (Probation service) will be carrying out a litter pick throughout Freshwater and Totland on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April starting at Moa Place Freshwater at 10am, members of the public are invited to assist and all equipment will be supplied.

Councillor Howe thanked Bob for visiting the local schools with regards to the bullying.

**8/10 To report on matters relating to Open Spaces.**

None.

**9/10 To receive the report from the Turf Walk Sub Committee**

The Clerk reported that the committee had met this week and agreed that the 'Terms of Reference & Constitution' be put forward to the next Annual General Meeting. The accounts have been signed off for this year.

**10/10 Finance Committee Report**

To be carried over to next month.

**11/10 Report from the IOW Parish and Town Council Meeting  
Councillor V Fennell.**

No report.

**12/10 Latest information from the Skate Park.**

The Clerk handed round the Skate Park Expenditure/Income report for 2009/10. Bob Nelson had already updated the Members of the Skate Park.

**13/10 Latest Report from West Wight Landscape Partnership**

Councillor Howe will attend the meeting by the end of this month and will report back with regards to the Turf Walk and Carnival.

**14/10 To receive report from Cllr Howe re Totland Recreation Ground Project**

Councillor Howe brought drawings in for the Recreation Ground. Larger plans will be placed in local schools and the parish office over the next couple of weeks.

**15/10 Yarmouth Harbour.**

No report

**16/10 Quotations & Donations**

Quotation

A quotation for the materials required to fence the Turf Walk had been received to which Councillor Howe will take to the WWLP as 13/10.

Donations

A donation request for West Wight Community Carnival had been received and it was agreed that this would be carried over to the next meeting.

Donation received from Councillor Bryan for the shop of £40.00. We are expecting another donation within the next month from the shop as well.

### **17/10 Shop**

Donations received as 16/10.

### **18/10 Regeneration – Village Design Statement**

The next meeting will be 17<sup>th</sup> April 2010 again all welcome. Agendas have been distributed and the Clerk has some spares.

### **19/10 Correspondence**

Letter from Rachel Bradley – All agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to Rachel and the Clerk to put a sign in the window asking for helpers.

Letter from West Wight Planetway – The Clerk to respond accordingly.

Letter from Totland & Freshwater Archive Group to be forwarded to our Archivist for comment.

### **20/10 Accounts notifications and Clerk & RFO 3 month probationary period.**

**The Chairman proposed that this part of the meeting be dealt with in-committee (excluding press and public) - resolved.**

Council went into committee.

Meeting continued for the accounts and Council resolved to pay the accounts.

Proposed Councillor Honeychurch seconded Councillor Jones. – **Resolved.**

### **Accounts**

<u>Cheq No</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Details</u>
2390	Companies house	15.00	Annual Return
2391	H Gibbs	704.18	Wages
2392	H M Revenue	42.33	Tax & NI
2393	Helping Hands	500.00	IT Sessions
2394	D Shaw	600.00	Annual Audit
2395	County Press	41.13	APM Advert
2396	Freshwater PC	68.48	Skate Park
2397	IWALC	385.95	Annual Subscription
2398	Southern Water	6.85	Winchester House
2399	Southern Water	40.21	Esplanade standpipe
2400	Petty Cash	50.00	Petty cash
2401	J Phillips	18.00	Window Cleaning
2402	Brighstone	2577.83	6 monthly maintenance

**Date of next Parish Council Meeting – 12<sup>th</sup> May 2010 at 7.30pm.**

**Date of next Planning Meeting – To be advised.**

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.