



News and Updates from Totland Parish Council May 2016

Public Toilet; The Parish Council has been responsible for the cleaning of the two public toilets, Totland Beach and Colwell Bay since 1st April 2016 and we are pleased to report that Island Cleaning Solutions, our contractors, have started very well and deep cleaned them at the beginning of April and will again at the beginning of every month. Councillors have accepted a quotation to add extra lighting to Totland Beach and to carry out minor maintenance including repainting. This should all be completed by the end of June. Any problems please report to the Parish Office.

Open Spaces; The areas around Totland are still sodden but with the warmer weather on its way the Committee are hoping this will resolve soon. Turvills Field will be brush cut as soon as the field dries out as well. The hedges on Turf Walk were cut in February and are looking well kept. Work around the badger holes again on Turf Walk is hoping to commence in July, however, the council needs to obtain a licence before this work begins. New signs have been erected on the Recreation Ground and minor repairs have been carried out on the playbuilder and gym equipment. A new dog bin will be installed this month at the top of Widdick Chine and this is being funded by the parish council after residents had requested one to stop people leaving bags in the area. Not picking up after your dog is an offence and spot checks are being carried out by the Environmental Officers regularly.

Events; As reported last month Colwell Common is looking to host up to 13 car boot events this year between 1st June and 30th September. We are looking for a group to run this event and work with the Parish Council, so if you know of any groups looking for fundraising ideas this year please contact the Clerk for more information.

Dairy Dates:

May & June	Best Kept Village Awards will be judged during May and June this year.
Saturday 25 th June	Totland Recreation Ground will be used for another Fun Day run by the 1 st Freshwater and Totland Scouts group.
Saturday 27 th August	Art & Craft on Turf Walk will be back this year. Please contact the Clerk if you would like a stall.
Saturday 27 th August	Messy Church will be hosting an event on Colwell Common.

Reminder: Afton Marsh Recycling Centre is open to the public as follows:

- Three days a week; Saturday, Sunday and Monday, including bank holiday Mondays.
- Winter 7.00am to 6.00pm. (26 October 2015 to 26 March 2016)
- Summer 7.00am to 8.00pm. (27 March 2016 to 30 October 2016)

West Wight Arts Association – The Annual General Meeting is Saturday 7th May 2016 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall. The short meeting will be followed by a piano recital, after which cheese and wine will be served.

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Ward Councillor John Howe Telephone 753414 or email: john.howe@iow.gov.uk
Ward Councillor Surgeries will be held third Thursday of each month; 21st April, 19th May, 16th June and 21st July, 11am – 12noon. All Totland residents are welcome to come and talk to the Ward Councillor.

The Parish Council meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, except August, and all Totland residents are welcome.