

# Totland Parish Council

Minutes of the **TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE** meeting held on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 2.30pm** in the **PARISH OFFICE**, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland.

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Vince Fennell (VF), John Howe (JH), Jan Cave (JC), Gareth Wyre (GW), Helen Wood (HW) and Steve Blamire (SB),  
**Also Present:** Helen Gibbs – Parish Clerk & RFO

**Public Forum - None**

<b>248/17</b>	<p><b>Chairman</b>  <i>To Elect a Chairman for the Finance Committee or just this Finance Meeting</i>  Councillor Wood proposed Councillor Wyre and Councillor Cave seconded this. Councillor Wyre accepted the position of Chairman for this Finance meeting only.  <b>RESOLVED.</b></p>
<b>249/17</b>	<p><b>Apologies</b>  <i>To receive apologies</i>  Councillor David Filby – accepted</p>
<b>250/17</b>	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b>  <i>Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in an item of business on the agenda no later than when the item is reached.</i>  <i>Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest. You must withdraw from the room when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter.</i>  Councillor Howe, West Wight Sports and Community Centre – Trustee.</p>
<b>251/17</b>	<p><b>Budget 2017/2018</b>  <i>To receive and note a copy of the current income and expenditure for 2017/2018.</i>  Councillors noted the income and expenditure sheet for 2017/2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017.</p>
<b>252/17</b>	<p><b>Contributions and Sponsorship</b>  <i>To consider all Contributions and Sponsorship for 2018/2019</i>  The Clerk high-lighted the contributions and sponsorship known to the Parish Council for 2018/2019 and listed below:</p> <p>One Horse Field: Currently the Parish Council contribute £1200.00 towards the maintenance and up keep of this land with Gift to Nature. A Site Development Plan has been put together based on local need and requests from users and short, medium and long term priorities were put forwards. Councillors agreed further money would be added to the budget to commence these plans over two years.</p> <p>Container: The Clerk met with a representative of R &amp; R Containers today regarding the possibility of placing a container on Colwell Common at the bottom end. This would be possible and suggested 2 or 3 railway sleepers be laid at the back and front of the container as the four corners needed the support only. Councillors agreed to purchase a container in green, 20' x 8', from R &amp; R Containers at £2350.00 + VAT from the reserves. The Clerk would confirm with planning all the details and providing no problems this would go ahead once the ground becomes firmer before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.</p>

	<p>Community Mosaics: A grant had been successful for £5500.00 for this ongoing project. The first panel took longer than anticipated, however, the second has come on quicker. Concern was expressed that this project could run out of money before the end. Councillors wanted this project to continue and complete and therefore suggested adding further funds to the project for this year and continue running. The additional funds should last another year and be 75% through the project, if necessary the project could reduce to one day rather than the current two.</p> <p>Tree Project: Councillors agreed for money to be in the budget to continue the project. There is also Open Spaces money ring fenced for this project.</p> <p>Events: Car Boots will need new banners and advertising in the County Press. Art &amp; Craft will need new banners and plenty of social media advertising along With posters around the Island. The Christmas Market would also need new banners.</p> <p>Skate Park: Further repairs and maintenance will be required this year and the normal competition to run in August. Further money will be put in the budget to ensure this asset remains open for the youth in Totland.</p> <p>West Wight Sports &amp; Community Centre Festival of Running has requested money towards this event in June.</p> <p>Memorial Hall: The report had been finalised and worked on three levels of priority over 3/5 years. The works plan required would be around £50,000. Additional money would be added to the budget. Councillors would like to see the accounts for the Memorial Hall and would like them to become more independent running and looking at lowering the Precept. The Clerk explained that the lease would run until 2021 and the Precept would be required to continue to be paid until a new lease had been agreed between the Parish Councils and the Committee later this year.</p>
<b>253/17</b>	<p><b>Localised Council Tax Support Grant</b> <i>To confirm Localised Council Tax Support to the value of £1394.00 for 2018/2019.</i> The Clerk had now received confirmation of this amount as above.</p>
<b>254/17</b>	<p><b>Budget and Precept 2018/2019</b> <i>To prepare the budget for 2018/2019 and the recommendation to Full Council for the Precept request to the Isle of Wight Council for 2018/2019.</i> Councillors reviewed the draft budget and considered these figures which had included the contribution and sponsorships discussed earlier this meeting. Residents want the Parish Council to continue with the events run this year and Councillors agreed good value for the Parish precept was given. The budget was agreed, proposed Councillor Howe, seconded Councillor Cave and all agreed. The request to full council will be to raise the precept to £129953.96 less the Council Tax Support Grant of £1394.00 and expected income of £10137.00 = £118422.96. <b>RESOLVED</b> Budget attached to minutes.</p>
<b>255/17</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b> <i>None</i></p>

**Meeting closed 3.55pm**