

# Totland Parish Council

Minutes of the **TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE** meeting held on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7.30pm** in the **PARISH OFFICE**, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland.

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Vince Fennell (VF), Jane Cave (JC), David Filby (DF), Steve Blamire (SB), Iain McKie (IM), Helen Wood (HW) and John Howe (JH)

**Also Present:** Helen Gibbs – Parish Clerk & RFO  
Public x 2

**Public Forum** Nothing.

**279/16 APOLOGIES**  
All in attendance.

**280/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**  
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.  
None

**281/16 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**  
To receive for approval minutes of the Parish Council meeting as below:  
Full Council Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
**RESOLVED.** Proposed Councillor Filby, seconded Councillor Cave all agreed.  
Finance Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017  
**RESOLVED.** Proposed Councillor Blamire, seconded Councillor Howe all agreed.

**282/16 FINANCE**

- To receive bank reconciliation and balances to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017.  
**NOTED**
- To approve the schedule of payments to 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 and listed below. **RESOLVED.**
- To agree payment to the new Window Cleaner monthly £18.00 via BAC.  
**RESOLVED.** Proposed Councillor Howe, seconded Councillor Cave all agreed.
- To accept and agree recommended proposal from the Finance Committee for the Precept request to the Isle of Wight Council for 2017/2018.  
**RESOLVED.** The recommended proposal from the Finance Committee for the Precept request to the Isle of Wight Council for 2017/2018 at £99984.00 was accepted. The Localised Council Tax Support Grant has again been passed down and this has reduced to £1859.00. Proposed Councillor Filby, seconded Councillor Cave all agreed.

<b>Payment Method</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount</b>
BT	Island Cleaning Solutions	£638.00
DC	B & Q	£62.00
DC	Staples	£19.56
3023	Chairmans Allowance	£100.00
3024	Freshwater Parish Council	£78.00
3025	Lake Cleaning Supplies	£75.12
3026	Ricoh	£157.33

3027	County Press	£112.32
3028	5 Star Pest Control	£225.00
BT	Hi Glass	£18.00
BT	IOW Geek	£53.99

**283/16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**1. To review applications for comment;**

Application No.	Location	Proposal
<a href="#">TCP/09789/Z/ P/00060/17</a>  No Comment	Down House, Alum Bay New Road, Totland Bay, Isle Of Wight, PO39 0ES	Variation of conditions 2, 4, and 5 of P/01081/16 - TCP/09789/Y to allow alterations to approved design
<a href="#">TCP/02515/B - P/01652/16</a>  No Comment	Pilots Point, The Beach Isle Of Wight PO39 0BQ	Householder Application Demolition of existing conservatory proposed replacement conservatory extension at 3rd floor level
<a href="#">TCP/32916 - P/01698/16</a>  No Comment	Hillcrest Cliff Road Totland Bay Isle Of Wight PO39 0EW	Householder Application Demolition of car port and single storey extension proposed porch car port and single storey extension proposed external alterations

Councillor Howe informed Councillors that Officers of the Planning Department could not see any reason to object to Application No. TCP/32847 land adjacent to Kirribilli, Alum Bay New Road. However, Councillor Howe had refused to sign this off due to the concerns over the surface water problems that exist now and will only get worse if this development goes ahead. Councillors asked the Clerk to write to the Planning department asking for the surface water problem to be addressed within this application and resubmit.

**2. To note Planning Permission Granted:**

Application No.	Location	Proposal
<a href="#">TCP/06554/W, P/01553/16</a>	Bay Cottage (formerly Lomerick), Church Hill	Demolition of existing wing; alterations; proposed two storey side extension; shed (readvertised)
<b>Decision:</b> Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert) <b>NOTED</b>		

Application No.	Location	Proposal
<a href="#">TCP/23037/B - P/01555/16</a>	Seagulls Rest Colwell Chine Road	Change of use from a bed and breakfast (C1) to a residential dwelling (C3)
<b>Decision:</b> Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert) <b>NOTED</b>		

**284/16 GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT 2017-2020**

- To ratify the advert placed in the County Press at a cost of £93.60.  
**RESOLVED.**
- To receive tenders for the Grass Cutting Contract and agree contractor for 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017-31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.  
**RESOLVED.** The Clerk circulated the 3 applications that had been received. The highest price submitted was £11,000/year and the lowest was £3273.80/year. Councillors agreed to accept the lowest quotation. Proposed Councillor Howe, seconded Councillor Filby all agreed.

**285/16 ISLE OF WIGHT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (IWALC)**

1. To receive verbal report from the representative Councillor Howe. Minutes would be circulated to Councillors.
2. To decide if Totland Parish Council would remain in IWALC for a further year at a cost £507.18.  
It was agreed Totland Parish Council would not remain in IWALC for 2017/2018. Proposed Councillor Filby, seconded Councillor McKie.
3. To receive responses from Lloyds & HSBC Banks regarding Island wide closures  
These letters were **NOTED** and Councillors were appalled by the various banks decisions at this time. The Post Office can be used to withdraw money and pay in at no charge.

**286/16 1<sup>st</sup> FRESHWATER & TOTLAND SCOUT GROUP**

To agree the Scouts Fun Day hire of Recreation Ground 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017  
Councillors agreed with this request.

**287/16 EVENTS**

1. To agree dates for forthcoming Car Boot Sales being the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday month.  
**AGREED.**
2. To agree to Advertise in the County Press; cost circulated. 8 x 10cm £144.  
**AGREED** for the Advert to appear in March giving all the dates. Clerk to obtain further costs for smaller adverts to appear 1 week before and the day before each event. HW would help promote via social media.

**288/16 SUMMERS LANE**

1. To receive updates on the additional signage and speed reduction to 20mph.  
There had been no feedback and the Clerk would chase again. The 20mph speed limit was still high priority with both the Clerk and Councillor Howe pressing for this as a matter of urgency.
2. To report on the gritting of Summers Lane  
The road was gritted and Island Roads will be replacing the missing salt socks and will replenish them when necessary.

**289/16 WEST WIGHT SPORTS & COMMUNITY CENTRE RUNNING FESTIVAL JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup> – 4<sup>TH</sup> 2017**

To agree the use of Colwell Common for overflow parking if needed.  
Councillors agreed to this.

**290/16 MEN IN SHEDS**

To confirm use of the shed on Turf Walk. Invited to March meeting.  
The Clerk met with Age Concern and the men twice and they are really keen.  
L Prior of Age Concern will attend the March meeting with further information.

**291/16 BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION DEFIBRILLATOR**

To receive information regarding the application for five free defibrillators for the West Wight and agree for the Clerk to be the lead on behalf of Totland Parish Council.  
The Chairman and Clerk have been working with P Noctor of the Needles National Coastwatch team and G Kennett Freshwater Parish Council on this. We have requested 5 but there is no guarantee we will be awarded then all. A Memorandum of Understanding will be agreed with the NCI and others arranging maintenance on all machines. No financial cost will fall on Totland Parish Council.

## **292/16 WEST WIGHT COUNCIL GROUP MEETING**

To agree the attendance and date change – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017 @ 7pm Brighstone.

Councillors Fennell and Cave will attend this session.

Councillor Howe asked if the Sports Centre could be added to the Agenda and how the Town and Parish Councils can continue to support them along with keeping the pressure on the Isle of Wight Council for a share in funds.

## **293/16 REPORTS**

To Accept Verbal or Written Reports from sub-groups, committees and representatives of committees and agree recommendations from the committees.

### **1. Ward Councillor John Howe**

A meeting has been arranged with Planning, Building Control and the Pier owner. I am hoping getting them together they will be able to sort out any problems and continue the work on the pier.

I am still working on bus travel for the youth with Southern Vectis.

I have also been asked to see if the bus stop at the top of Church Hill could be moved to a hard standing rather than on the embankment by the school.

### **2. Open Spaces**

a. Playbuilder repairs £1676.00. It was agreed for this work to be carried out. **RESOLVED**

b. To receive updates regarding the Shed on Weston School site Councillor Blamire and the Clerk had looked at the shed offered to the Parish Council and all is good and recommended the Councillors accepted this. The base is currently slabs and this would be good enough. There is also some fencing on site that could be moved and available for the Parish Council to use. It was very obvious once on site that the sloped area would be better if included in the lease from the Isle of Wight Council as this would aid as a buffer zone rather than become no man's land. Councillors were happy to accept this report and asked for further enquiries regarding moving the fence to be made. Councillor Blamire would follow this up.

c. To confirm Tree work approval by Isle of Wight Council.

Works have been agreed on Turf Walk with all recommendations seen as general management. We are still waiting for Turvills Field and Junc Church Hill to be confirmed.

Service plans for the planting of Trees along The Broadway had been received and although a lot of work may be involved it was still seen as a possibility.

3. Skate Park – Repair works are due to commence next week and the Committee are hoping this will cure the problem, if not an urgent meeting will need to be called for them to decide what next.

Councillor Blamire has made contact with a local person who would be happy to 'manage' the Skate Park, carry out repairs etc. The Clerk would speak to him and ask the Committee for their thoughts.

## **294/16 CLERK'S REPORT**

To receive the Clerk's report and matters arising.

The Clerk had met the new Sergeant who had apologised for not being in touch sooner. He is looking for priorities for Totland and the West Wight in general. The Police Beat Surgeries will continue for now. The Clerk had requested the need for priorities to be added to the Agenda for the West Wight Group of Councils meeting.

A resident had found some money on Turf Walk back last year. The Clerk informed Police, advertised in window and nobody came forward so the finder asked for it to be donated to the Breast Screening Unit in Newport. Clerk has arranged this.

The Parish Office is now a Foodbank drop off point and this will be advertised. Soup Kitchen – Slim and Give Campaign – we have received some donations, and I am happy to keep going. I have added both to the monthly Island Magazine. The Clerk has been contacted regarding a large amount of money which they had initially thought was Parish Council money, being spent on removing the pews at Christ Church and replacing with other seating. It was agreed for the Clerk to contact Christ Church to ask if they would consider relooking at a possible lease to the Parish Council for the Church Hall on The Broadway.

The archive room in the Memorial Hall is in need of a heater. The cost would be no more than £300.00. The Clerk reminded Councillors how important the temperature remains constant for our Archives.

As the Bowling Club comes under the Recreation Ground lease the parish council will need a survey carried out on the building for insurance purposes. The cost would be £75.00. Agreed.

Mosaics costings received and forwarded. The Clerk asked if we could have a working party to deal with this. Councillor Cave and Wood agreed to work with the Clerk on this.

### **295/16 LEASES**

To receive updates.

Public Toilets: The Isle of Wight Council have assured me this will be sent through next week.

Colwell Common: The Clerk is waiting for RJR to send a copy.

Weston School: Clerk had changed the term from 3 to 25 years and included the sloped area – waiting for feedback on this.

Councillor Howe asked if the Clerk could arrange a meeting with RJR Solicitors in order that the outstanding's could be discussed. Councillors agreed, Clerk will arrange.

### **296/16 UTILITIES**

To update on the electricity supply (sewerage pump) on the Recreation Ground. Councillor Cave and the Clerk met with Southern Water on the Recreation Ground regarding this ongoing matter. Southern Water confirmed the 3 site users Cadets, Scouts & Bowling Club would more than likely be responsible but also the land owners who would have agreed to this pump could also be responsible? The Clerk confirmed the Isle of Wight Council were the land owners and Councillor Howe would take this back to them.

### **297/16 CORRESPONDENCE**

To receive correspondence and action as required:

1. West Wight Arts Association thank you to Councillors for allowing the Parish Office and Clerk to continue selling their tickets. **NOTED.**
2. Trees  
Tree works at Christ Church & The Car Park, The Broadway had been approved. **NOTED.**

### **298/16 TABLED ITEMS**

None

### **Date of next Parish Council meetings:**

Full Council Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 7.00pm **Guest Speaker**

Lois Prior of Age Concern Men with Sheds Project.