

News from Totland Parish Council April 2015

Spring has arrived judging by the pretty pink hyacinths outside the parish office. They have been planted and maintained by our wonderful Volunteer Planters.





There have been several complaints from local people with regards to dog owners not picking up their dogs mess. Love where you live? Please don't leave it, bag it, tie it, bin it. It's not difficult and would make Totland much cleaner. We are hoping to work with the Isle of Wight Council later in the year to deal with this problem.

FREE one to one Computer Sessions are still available to suit your needs. Four residents have already started their quest and have spoken to friends and relatives who are not based on the Island by using Skype. The Parish Office has a computer suite which is free to use for all Totland residents. Please speak to the Clerk for more information.

Open Spaces – The step edges from Stokes Green to the Pier have been re-painted white, please take care when using these steps and use the handrail provided. It has been reported to the Clerk that the badgers on Turf Walk have been busy again, however, the Parish Council are unable to carry out any works until July, please take care in this area.

Sea Wall – The Isle of Wight Council have sent out Design and Build Invitations to Tender documents to 4 civil engineering contractors and tenders were due back on 16^{th} March but this has now been extended until 30^{th} March to give the contractors time to design and price their bids.

Parish Office Services - The Parish Office continues to offer a photocopying and laminating service and the Computer Suite is available for all Totland residents to use.

Garden Waste Bags - available at £1.30 each

Recycling Bags Collection Point – The Parish Office is now a designated Collection Point for Recycling Bags on behalf of the Isle of Wight Council. To use this service you will need to telephone the Isle of Wight Council 'Contact Centre' (823777) to be given a unique reference number before you can collect them.

<u>CONTACT DETAILS</u>: Parish Clerk – Mrs Helen Gibbs - Telephone 756028 Totland Parish Council, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland Bay, PO39 0AX. The parish office is open Monday - Thursday 9am–12 noon. Email: totlandclerk or follow the Clerk on Twitter @TotlandClerk

Ward Councillor John Howe Telephone 753414 or email: john.howe@iow.gov.uk

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

What's On!

West Wight Arts Association - tickets can be purchased or reserved for monthly concerts held in the Memorial Hall. There is an additional concert on Sunday 24th May at 2.30pm with The Heath Quartet, tickets available now on a first come basis.

NEW VENUE – Hearing Aid Maintenance drop in clinic & coffee afternoon is now at Freshwater Methodist Church on Brookside Road the 2nd Thursday of every month 2.00-4.00pm

FOFL – A Quiz night at the Library has been arranged for Monday 13th April from 7-9pm. Please book in advance by calling into the Library.

Christ Church - Thursday 2nd April at 4pm Zacchaeus. A modern musical retelling of an old bible story – free entry.