

## **News and Updates from Totland Parish Council April 2016**

**Public Toilets** discussions has been the main item this month. At the February Full Council meeting Councillors agreed they would take the two toilets, Totland Beach and Colwell Bay, from the Isle of Wight Council from  $1^{st}$  April 2016 and ensure they stayed open. We have now sourced a cleaning supplier to ensure minimal disruption from this date. The Councillors are hoping to carry out repairs and maintenance to the Totland Beach block over the next couple of months.

**Events;** Colwell Common is looking to host up to 13 car boot events this year between 1<sup>st</sup> June and 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Open Day update**; The response received from the open day questionnaire had been very good and last month we reported that Totland would continue to support the West Wight Sports & Community Centre for a further two years and also take the responsibility of the public toilets. In addition we asked about Colwell Common and The Broadway Car Park. Councillors have agreed to revert back and cut both parts of the Common and will discuss the car park with the Isle of Wight Council as soon as possible.

**Dairy Dates:** 

| Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April   | Annual Parish Meeting at the Church Hall, The Broadway.         |
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| At 6.30pm                        | Guest speakers include Natural Enterprise to talk about One     |
|                                  | Horse Field and the planned maintenance for 2016/2017 and       |
|                                  | Adam Tucker the Local Area Co-Ordinator. This is for all        |
|                                  | residents to attend. Refreshments will be available.            |
| Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> June   | Totland Recreation Ground will be used for another Fun Day      |
|                                  | run by the 1 <sup>st</sup> Freshwater and Totland Scouts group. |
| Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> August | Art & Craft on Turf Walk will be back this year. Please         |
|                                  | contact the Clerk if you would like a stall.                    |
| Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> August | Messy Church will be hosting an event on Colwell Common.        |
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**Reminder:** Improvement works at Afton Marsh Recycling Centre have started. The site will be closed to the public from Saturday 5 March for up to three weeks. Once reopened there will be extended opening times 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 -** tickets can be purchased or reserved from the Parish Office for monthly concerts held in the Memorial Hall.

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