



## **News and Updates from Totland Parish Council August 2022**

### **Car Boot Sales – Colwell Common**

These commenced during May, with sellers to arrive at 8.30am and buyers 9.00am. They will run every Saturday until September supporting local charities.

### **BBQ's & Fires**

We urge all not to have any BBQ's or fires around Totland, especially during the summer months. Please remind any family members or visitors of this.

### **Litter**

This summer Parish Councillors have again funded 2 large Biffa bins outside the public toilets at Colwell and Totland. These are for beach rubbish only, not domestic or business waste. If the bins are full, please do not add to the pile either take it to the next bin or even better take it home with you. There are no excuses.

### **Mosaic Project**

The project has finished, and the final 4 panels will be installed on the back of the Totland toilets. This has been a fabulous project and we thank all the volunteers who came every week to be part of this. Thank you also to The Totland Bay Mosaic Arts Company for the design and leadership on this project.

### **Sea Wall**

The path between The Waterfront and Widdick Chine has now been repaired and open. Works are required on occasions, and we ask when these happen, and the barriers are in place, to not climb over for your own safety.

### **Welcome Back Fund**

We were successful with a grant from the Welcome Back Fund last year and received 4 park benches. 3 of these have been installed on Turf Walk as a Happy to Chat area. We also have 4 picnic benches which will be installed shortly on the Recreation Ground and Colwell Common.

### **Tree Works**

We have had tree works carried out on Stokes Green and Turvills Field recently. At the entrance to Stokes Green the piers were leaning due to the self-seeded trees around this entrance and in Turvills Field we removed some dead elms.

### **One Horse Field**

Working with Gift to Nature and the Police we are looking at providing something for our youth in this area. If you have children who would benefit from meeting with us to discuss plans, please speak with the Clerk.

### **Vandalism**

We have dealt with various vandalism of late, mainly graffiti tagging. Do you know who this is? The culprits are aged between 8 and 14 years old and must come home with coloured fingers. A lot has been on the play equipment in the Recreation Ground, and also on signage around the village. We are doing our best to keep on top of this at a cost to the Parish Council.

### **Beach Buoys**

The beach buoys have been positioned at both Colwell and Totland for the second year. Colwell side is to help with launching of watercraft and Widdick Chine is aiming to promote

safe swimming. Personal Watercraft Vehicles are still able to come ashore but not inside the safe swimming area.

**August Office Opening:**

The office will be closed on Monday and Friday throughout August, but open longer Tuesday – Thursday, 9am – 2pm. The office is closed for annual leave from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August and will reopen on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

**Defibrillator Locations:** The Waterfront Bar, Needles Battery, Memorial Hall, Colwell Public toilet block and Totland Parish Office. All are easily accessible 24/7.

**Recycling:** Afton Marsh Recycling Centre – This is open and you can now take household rubbish, however, you **MUST** book a time online or over the telephone. You **cannot** just turn up; you will be sent away.

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Ward Councillor Chris Jarman – email: [chris.jarman@iow.gov.uk](mailto:chris.jarman@iow.gov.uk)  
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Ward Councillor Surgeries are held in the office on a Thursday between 9am and 10am.  
Please check in advance to ensure this is going ahead should you wish to talk with Councillor Jarman.

Your Parish Councillors' are: Chairman Jan Cave, Vince Fennell, John Howe, Steve Blamire, Helen Wood, Gareth Wyre, Hilary Benns and Chris Jarman.