

## **News and Updates from Totland Parish Council August 2020**

Your Parish Councillors met as a virtual meeting though Microsoft Teams during July which was very successful. We hope to resume meetings in September, however, this will be confirmed closer to this date and at this time we are not sure if this will be in the Parish Office or continue as virtual meetings. Councillors and the Clerk speak daily, and all are interacting with emails and text messages.

The Parish Office remains closed; however, the Clerk remains in the office taking calls and picking up emails. If you would like an appointment or if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Helen.

The Public Toilets at Totland Beach and Colwell are opened and are cleaned daily and checked twice each day. They are also being deep cleaned regularly, however, should the need arise the Parish Council will lock them again. We have installed hand sanitizer at the entrances and urge you to use these. The important message remains **BE ALERT** and think how your actions may impact on others.

The West Wight Sports & Community Centre or at this time the Coronavirus Support Hub are still available to help with anything you may be struggling with, such as shopping. They have many volunteers who can help, please do not hesitate to pick up the phone and ring them on 01983 752168. They can pick up prescriptions and even deliver meals.

**Car Boot Sales:** These have been cancelled for now.

**Men in Sheds**: They are open but please check the availability before attending. They have started a WhatsApp group and all are welcome to join this. They are keeping busy though as they are part of the volunteer service at the West Wight Coronavirus Support Hub.

**West Wight Arts Association -** tickets for 2020/2021 will be available to purchase mid August, however, this will be monitored.

**Reminder:** Afton Marsh Recycling Centre open days and times:

At the time of writing this report residents could use the Recycling Centre, however, you need to book a time slot online and cannot just turn up. There are also limits to what you can take to the Centre.

<u>CONTACT DETAILS</u>: Parish Clerk – Mrs Helen Gibbs - Telephone 756028
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The parish office opening days and times are: Monday – Thursday 9.30am to 12.30pm.
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Your Parish Councillors' are: Chairman Jan Cave, Vince Fennell, John Howe, David Filby, Steve Blamire, Helen Wood, Gareth Wyre and Hilary Benns.