

### News and Updates from Totland Parish Council December 2018

Totland Parish Councillors and the Clerk would like to wish all residents in Totland a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you to all the volunteers for their time again this year, you continue to do an amazing job by keeping Totland flowering and the War Memorial looked great for Remembrance Sunday.

**Remembrance Sunday**: The Royal British Legion would like to thank everyone for all the efforts in raising funds and taking part in the Remembrance Sunday parade at Yarmouth. It was a superb turn-out and we were lucky not to be drenched with the sort of rain we experienced on the Saturday! Special thanks go to the youth organisations, the ACF and to our bugler, Bertie Whistance. There is a video available on Totland Parish Councils Facebook account if you were unable to attend. The Parade will be in Freshwater next year.

**Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch at the Memorial Hall:** Councillor Jan Cave has once again led on this event which will take place on Wednesday 5th December at 1pm. Tickets are available from the Memorial Hall. Start your Christmas early and travel to the Memorial Hall by FYTbus. Route A or B will drop you off in time for lunch, then Route C will take you home once you are full of pud! Areas served Freshwater (including the Bay), Yarmouth and Totland.

**Christmas Opening Times:** The Parish Office will close on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 12.30pm and reopen on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 at 9.30am.

# **Christmas Refuse & Recycling Collections for Totland:**

Waste normally collected on:	Will now be collected on:
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	The same
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> December
Monday 31st December	The same
Tuesday 1st January	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January



Vandalism continues to drop but we are monitoring this with the local Neighbourhood Police Team. Please ring 101 if you see anything troublesome in Totland as reporting them will help keep are village safe.

**Local Area Co-Ordinators:** The Parish Councillors were very disappointed with the Isle of Wight Councils decision to no longer fund this very successful service. All referrals will be stopped immediate with the service finishing 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. This is a very worrying time for members of the community as it is unsure what this will mean for them. Councillors will be working with Freshwater Parish Councillors and the community to seek their views and ideas on how we can go forward from this disappointing outcome.

**Men in Sheds** continues to run in Totland and will be moving to the Corner room at Fort Victoria for the winter. They will remain open on Thursdays between 2pm and 4pm and all are welcome. You can also check out their Facebook page West Wight Men in Sheds.

**Meet & Eat** was a new project which started on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. This will continue on the first Friday of each month. They meet at St Saviours Holy Family Centre which is on the FYTBus route B round. All welcome.

### **Foodbank**

The Parish Office will continue to be a Collection Point for the Foodbank and we welcome donations for this very good cause. Please support if you can.

**West Wight Arts Association -** tickets can be purchased or reserved from the Parish Office for monthly concerts held in the Memorial Hall.

## Reminder: We have moved in to Winter Timetable

Afton Marsh Recycling Centre open days and times:

- Three days a week; Saturday, Sunday and Monday, including bank holiday Mondays.
- Winter 10.00am to 6.00pm. (30<sup>th</sup> October 2017 to 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018)
- Summer 10.00am to 6.00pm. (26<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018)

#### **Other 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.

<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 & Tuesday 9am – 12noon and Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am–12.30pm.

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or follow the Clerk on Twitter @TotlandClerk. The parish council also have a Facebook page which is updated daily.

**Ward Councillor John Howe** Telephone 753414 or email: <a href="john.howe@iow.gov.uk">john.howe@iow.gov.uk</a> Your Parish Councillors' are: Chairman Vince Fennell, Vice Chairman Jan Cave, John Howe, David Filby, Steve Blamire, Helen Wood, Gareth Wyre and Hilary Benns.

The Parish Council meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 7pm, except August, and all Totland residents are welcome.