

## News and Updates from Totland Parish Council December 2020

Where has this year gone? It has been an overwhelming year with the Covid-19 but our Community has bonded more and helped others who have been less fortunate. The West Wight Hub has been invaluable to all and continued through lockdown 2 and Councillors remain very supportive of this service. The Parish Office is open, and we ask that only one member of public enters at any one time. The Clerk has a number of local residents who she rings to make sure they are okay and if you are aware of a friend or neighbour who would like to be contacted, please let the office know. Councillors wish all residents a Merry Christmas and implore for a better 2021.

The Remembrance Parade was cancelled; however, this did not stop us all from paying our respects during the week up to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November. As it stands the parade at Totland is postponed until November 2021.

## Facilities in Totland.

Is there something you would like to see in Totland that currently is not offered locally? Possibly more on the Recreation Ground? Please let the Clerk know either in person, at the office or send us an email. Councillors would really like you to share your thoughts with them.

Councillors have supplied the school children at St Saviours Christmas baubles again this year for them to decorate for our tree on Cokes Green. Once finished we will ask them to display on the tree before the lights are switched on.

Councillors have been working with a contractor to deal with the mole problem we have been experiencing on Turf Walk, Stokes Green and the Recreation Ground. This is an annual contract and to date this is working well with these areas already beginning to benefit.

Councillors are also working with the Yarmouth Harbour Advisory Committee to make the West Wight Beaches safe for next year, more will follow on this over the next couple of months.

The Parish Council are waiting on confirmation from the Isle of Wight Council regarding the changes to parking along The Broadway. Where there is currently 30 minutes parking this will increase to 2 hours, however, restrictions will be in place for seasonal parking. The Broadway car park payment problem has been taken up with the Isle of Wight Council and further information will be shared when received.

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

<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.