



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

As previously reported, Parish Council meetings remain cancelled for now and we hope to resume them in September, however, this will be confirmed closer to this date. Councillors and the Clerk speak daily, and all are interacting with emails and text messages.

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

Various vandalism has been happening around the village from damaging the trees on Colwell Common to groups meeting at One Horse Field and lighting fires and leaving alcohol cans/bottles. If you have information on who these people are please either report to the Police or let the Clerk know.

We are entering the third year where Totland Parish Council have been encouraging beach users to take their rubbish home with them. We continue to encourage this and ask you all not to leave any of your rubbish on or around our beaches. Councillors share many of your concerns with regards to boats in both Colwell and Totland Bay and they are currently asking advice from many agencies as to what we can do. The Marine Unit of Hampshire Police have been made aware and are monitoring this as well.

The Public Toilets at Totland Beach and Colwell have been reopened 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. The important message is please **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.

**Delivery Service:** The Village Bakery continue to offer a doorstep delivery service to the over 70's for their Bakery products. Call Dave between 9am and 11am on 716400 or leave a message at any time. Remember to leave your name and telephone number.

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

**Men in Sheds:** Closed at this time but 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.

**Recycling:** Afton Marsh Recycling Centre – Closed at the moment.

**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.

**CONTACT DETAILS:** Parish Clerk – Mrs Helen Gibbs - Telephone 756028  
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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.