



News and Updates from Totland Parish Council March 2018

Totland Parish Council is planning to undertake a major restoration and enhancement of the areas that surround the entrance to the seafront during 2018 and this commenced last month. The areas known as Stokes Green, Turf Walk and lower Madeira Road (known locally as Pier Road) were once part of the former Totland Bay Hotel's grounds and were extensively landscaped during the late Victorian/Edwardian period. The parish has been researching the original landscape design and planting schemes from old photographs and documents held within the parish archives, from this work a plan has been developed to restore some of the redundant footpaths and terracing and develop a new planting scheme for the area.

Car Boots on Colwell Common will commence on Saturday 14th April with sellers setting up from 8.30am and buyers arriving at 9.00am. No pre-booking is required just turn up.

Stoke Green Steps: Works have been carried out to the handrail on the steps that lead down to the Pier Café last month, this work is necessary in order to keep them in a good condition for us all to carry on using. If you notice any problems, please let the Clerk know.

Beach Cleaning: The Parish Council has teamed up with Totland Pier Café in a novel way to keep the local beach clean. Litter pickers will be given a discretionary discount on food and drink. We are also thankful to B & Q in Newport who donated the buckets and bags. We are also hoping to have a Plastic Awareness day in June, watch out for further information.

Projects: The Mosaic project continues to run on Tuesday and Wednesday between 2pm and 4pm and we have spaces available on the Wednesday sessions. If you are interested come along and have ago, full training given and no experience is necessary.

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.

Garden Bags: This service is no longer available. The new scheme that has now been launched means residents can now have their garden waste collected from their home. By subscribing for a 240 litre wheeled bin or hessian sacks to be picked up from the kerbside for £60.00/year. The scheme is in partnership with Amey and the Isle of Wight Council who have said it will make gardening easier and save having to load the car up with heavy bags of wet garden waste. If you would like further information drop into the Parish Office and the Clerk will be happy to help.

Reminder: We are currently in the Winter Timetable but will revert to Summer from 26th March 2018

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. (30th October 2017 to 25th March 2018)**
- Summer 7.00am to 8.00pm. (26th March 2018 to 28th 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.

CONTACT DETAILS: 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.

Email: totlandparishco@googlemail.com or follow the Clerk on Twitter [@TotlandClerk](https://twitter.com/TotlandClerk). The parish council also have a Facebook page which is updated daily.

Ward Councillor John Howe Telephone 753414 or email: john.howe@iow.gov.uk

Your Parish Councillors' are: Chairman Vince Fennell, Vice Chairman Jan Cave, John Howe, David Filby, Steve Blamire, Helen Wood and Gareth Wyre.

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