

## **News and Updates from Totland Parish Council May 2019**

The Annual Parish Meeting will be Tuesday 14th May at 6.30pm in the Church Hall on The Broadway. We will have guest speakers from FYTBus, Men in Sheds and the Archive Group. All Totland residents are welcome to attend to hear what the Parish Council has been doing over the last year and plans for this year.

**Mosaics**. Hopefully by now you have all seen phase one of the Community Mosaic project at the Totland Beach toilets. This has been achieved by an Awards for All Grant and the many volunteers who come along every week to be a part of this project. We have now started phase two and if you would like to be part of this project come a long on Tuesday afternoons at 2pm.

Car Boot Sales on Colwell Common: The season has begun and each Saturday until 28<sup>th</sup> September there will be a Car Boot on Colwell Common, (except 29<sup>th</sup> June and 31<sup>st</sup> August). Weather plays a huge part with this and we will keep you informed on the Parish Council Facebook account. The Parish Council will be supporting the West Wight Nursery, 1<sup>st</sup> Freshwater/Totland Scout Group, West Wight Sports & Community Centre and the West Wight Men in Sheds with these events. Please come along and support these groups. Sellers can set up from 8.30am with buyers coming along from 9.00am.

**Poo Watch** – This has been a joint initiative with the residents of Totland and the Parish Council. By now each household in Totland should have received a form which gives you the opportunity to report any person who is not picking up after their dog. We are not looking for names and addresses but more locations and times of where and when this is happening, and you need to have witnessed this; this is very important as we cannot act on hearsay. A description of the person and dog and the road names are what we need. These forms can be dropped into the Parish Office at any time and more forms are also available. You can also email the Clerk.

## What Happens to this information?

This information will be gathered onto a database and once a pattern emerges the Environmental Officers will be informed.

If you have any questions relating to Poo Watch, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk. We have already identified two offenders and are currently working with the Environmental Officer.

**Men in Sheds** we have two sites for the Men in Sheds, West Wight will be on the Recreation Ground. They are currently repairing the container and are hoping to have a workshop and kitchen/rest area. Whilst this work is being completed they meet at the Corner Room at Fort Victoria every Thursday. We also have Totland Men in Sheds who meet at Turf Walk on a Thursday between 2pm and 4pm. If you are interested in being involved with this project, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

**West Wight Churches Youth Project** have been awarded a grant to continue the good work they do with the Youth in Totland. They meet weekly at the West Wight Sports & Community Centre and offer a variety of activities.

**Lift the Lid Project – Live from the Parish Hall.** Totland Parish Council are working on this project as partners and the artist Julie Myer is actively meeting local people. An event will be held in the Church Hall on The Broadway on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019 between 1pm and 5pm.

**Meet & Eat** This will continue on the first Friday of each month and the next one will be Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May and 7<sup>th</sup> June. They meet at St Saviours Holy Family Centre which is on the FYTBus route B round. All are 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.

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

- Three days a week; Saturday, Sunday and Monday, including bank holiday Mondays.
- 10am to 6pm.

## **Other Parish Office Services**

The Parish Office continues to offer a photocopying and laminating service for all 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 regularly updated.

**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.