



News and Updates from Totland Parish Council May 2021

It has been lovely to see people enjoying the facilities in Totland now that we are coming out of lockdown, however, we must all remember this pandemic is not over and to remain safe.

Beach Safety

Councillors were concerned last year with the amount of people who came into both Totland and Colwell Bay by boat and also the use of personal watercraft boats, jet skis for example, that were sharing the waters with swimmers. Councillors have been working with the Isle of Wight Council to bring back the beach safety buoys and after the Beach Safety Consultation carried out by the Isle of Wight Council, they agreed to this and we expect the buoys to be put out during June. The Parish Councillors are looking to add to these buoys around Widdick Chine area in time for the summer season. This will all be possible because the Parish Council have agreed to financially contribute towards this for 5 years.

One Horse Field

This area is for everyone to enjoy and sadly young people are abusing certain areas. The view point is litter picked daily by local people and the rubbish includes empty beer cans. If this is you or you know someone who uses this field, please leave this beautiful area as you find it. The Fire Brigade attended a fire in this area over the Easter holidays which could have been extremely serious.

Colwell Common

Car Boot Sales will commence from 1st May and providing we get enough support these will run through until September, this is all subject to Government guidelines.

The damaged trees on the Common have also been replaced and will be regularly watered.

Parking Reminder: Signs have been erected informing all that no overnight parking is allowed for any vehicles and Councillors request local people stop using this as a second car parking space or for vehicles that are either SORN or do not hold a current MOT. The area is for users of the facilities only.

Defibrillator Locations: The Waterfront Bar, Needles Battery, Memorial Hall and Colwell Public toilet block. All are easily accessible.

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

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