



News and Updates from Totland Parish Council November 2023

ROLL UP ROLL UP to the Totland annual Christmas Fair on Colwell Common in the big marquee on Friday 1st December 2023. The day will start at 1.45pm and we will be joined throughout the afternoon by music and singing, Huxley magic, Carols round the firepit with Christmas craft stalls and finishing with the Christmas tree light switch on at 6pm.

Public Toilets

Colwell public toilets: Councillors want to update these facilities over the winter which as you can imagine is very costly and therefore it is important when making decisions we get this right the first time. If you would like to see the plans

Church Hall

We are moving closer to owning the Church Hall and looking into the financing of this purchase. More details will follow which will tie in with the 2024/2025 budget.

Weston Academy and Playing Field/Car Park

The Parish Council took over the playing field and car park in 2018 on a Tenancy at Will with the Isle of Wight Council and has worked with the West Wight Youth Football Club to turn this in to a well established and good football pitch for 3 teams.

The Weston Academy site was on the market recently and this included the car park and a piece of land equal to the car park to gain access to the site. If this is sold with the car park and extra section this will put the amenity in jeopardy as the Football Association has very strict rules on the pitch sizes and run offs. We will keep you updated on this matter.

Vandalism

The defibrillator at Colwell was removed from the site and thrown on the roof of the toilets. The Clerk managed to salvage the machine and after purchasing new pads and starter pack this was back in service within a few days.

****** NEW Emailing List ******Councillors are building an emailing list for Totland residents in order that we can communicate with you quicker. Information will only ever come from Totland Parish Council and no junk email will be involved. If this is something you would be interested in joining, please email totlandmail@gmail.com with your name, address and postcode.

Defibrillator Locations: The Waterfront Bar, Needles Battery, Memorial Hall, Colwell Public toilet block and Totland Parish Office. All are easily accessible 24/7.

Recycling: Afton Marsh Recycling Centre – This is open and you can take household rubbish, however, you **MUST** book a time online or over the telephone. You **cannot** just turn up; you will be sent away. From mid October 2023 you can now book a same day slot. **Help with recycling centre bookings: Contact information - Contact Waste and Environment 01983 823777**

Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 5.00pm and Friday 8.30am to 4.30pm.

CONTACT DETAILS: Parish Clerk – Mrs Helen Gibbs - Telephone 01983 756028
Totland Parish Council, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland Bay, PO39 0AX.

The parish office opening days and times are: Monday – Thursday 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Email: clerk@totlandparishcouncil.org.uk or follow the Clerk on Twitter [@TotlandClerk](https://twitter.com/TotlandClerk).

The parish council also have a Facebook page which is updated regularly.

Ward Councillor Chris Jarman – email: chris.jarman@iow.gov.uk

Telephone 0790 500 2834

Ward Councillor Surgeries are held in the office on a Thursday between 9am and 10am.
Please check in advance to ensure this is going ahead should you wish to talk with Councillor Jarman.

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