

# News and Updates from Totland Parish Council February 2017

The colder weather is here and the Parish Office has FREE guides to keeping warm and well this winter from Age UK which includes a free thermometer. Please come and pick up a copy for yourself or a neighbour.

### **Open Spaces**

Phase II of the Tree Management Plan will commence shortly this is why you have seen numbers on trees around the parish. Works will include removal of dead trees or making them safe by either crown reduction or limb removal. The brambles on the Recreation Ground have been cut back and added to the management program.

### **Summers Lane**

Councillors are committed to reducing the speed limit on Summers Lane and Councillor John Howe has met with Island Roads and the Isle of Wight Council regularly to discuss this. The speed reactive sign currently on Weston Road will be moved to Summers Lane and Councillors are expecting this to be dealt with quickly. Councillors are also pushing for this road to be added to the gritting route for the future. Salt socks have been placed on parts of this road, however, this is not a solution and we are working towards the best solution for all. Please watch your speed at all times and drive carefully.

# Soup Kitchen - Slim and Give

The Parish Office has agreed to be a drop off point for the above campaign. This is aimed at getting rid of calorie-rich food and help the homeless. If you have decided to go on a diet and get rid of a few pounds this New Year, why not consider donating your calorie-rich foods to the Pop-Up Soup Kitchen. We can only accept non-perishable goods and cannot take clothes or blankets as they are too bulky. If popular the Parish Council will consider this as an ongoing amenity. Please support if you can.

## **Police Beat Surgery**

The next surgery will be in the Parish Office on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 11am. Please come along and meet and speak to your local Police Officers and Police Community Support Officers and let them know your concerns.

**Garden Bags;** Better quality garden waste bags are now in stock at the parish office at £1.30 each. To pre-book this collection please telephone 823777 and give at least three working days' notice to help guide the route. If you have any problems with this service please let the Clerk know.



# Please keep our village tidy

The Parish Office has received a number of complaints with regards to dog fouling. Always clean up after your dog – Over 400 dog litter bins are provided on the island, by The Isle of Wight/Island Roads and Parish Councils. If you witness this act please report these people.

Failing to be a responsible dog owner could result in a fixed penalty notice of £75.00.

### **Reminder: Winter Timetable**

Afton Marsh Recycling Centre open days and times:

- Three days a week; Saturday, Sunday and Monday, including bank holiday Mondays.
- Winter 7.00am to 6.00pm. (1<sup>st</sup> November 2016 to 25 March 2017)
- Summer 7.00am to 8.00pm. (26 March 2017 to 30 October 2017)

**West Wight Arts Association -** tickets can be purchased or reserved from the Parish Office for monthly concerts held in the Memorial Hall.

#### 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.

<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

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

The Parish Council meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, except August, and all Totland residents are welcome.