

## News and Updates from Totland Parish Council January 2020

Happy New Year to you all and we hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. 2019 was a very busy year full of projects and Councillors want to continue with this for 2020.

During 2019 we worked with the 1<sup>st</sup> Freshwater/Totland Scout Group and West Wight Nursery for the Car Boot Sales on Colwell Common. In addition West Wight Sports & Community Centre along with West Wight Men in Sheds also joined which allowed us to run a Car Boot every Saturday. We hope this will continue for 2020 and that we have a Car Boot every Saturday morning between April and September, weather dependent and Community support.

The Community Mosaic project continues to run, and the first four panels were installed last year at the Totland Beach toilet block. These really look amazing and if you have not already viewed I urge you to go and see them. The remaining four will be installed by April this year. This has been a great project and Councillors thank all the residents who have participated in this project it is something we can all be very proud of. Once the mosaics have been completed we have another project in mind and further details will follow in the next couple of months.

The Christmas Market on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November was very successful despite the last minute change of venue to the Memorial Hall. We had many people attend throughout the day and thank you to all who came and supported this.

**2020 Parish Council Meeting Changes.** From January 2020 the Parish Council will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday instead of Wednesday and bi-monthly. The start time will remain as 7pm. Dates for 2020 are as follows:

Monday 13th January 2020

Monday 9th March 2020

Monday 11th May 2020

Monday 13th July 2020

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Monday 9th November 2020

Planning meetings will be called as and when required with Extra Ordinary meetings being called in between should they be required.

**Men in Sheds** continues to run in Totland and they will remain open on Thursdays between 2pm and 4pm at Turf Walk, all are welcome.

We also have West Wight Men in Sheds who meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday on the Recreation Ground. You can check out their Facebook page West Wight Men in Sheds to see what they are doing. During 2019 Totland has helped with our memorial seats and will continue in the Spring whilst West Wight have painted the outside of the office.

**Meet & Eat** continues to be successful and is held the first Friday of each month. They meet at St Saviours Holy Family Centre which is on the FYTBus route B round. All welcome. The next one is Friday 3rd January 2020 and 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

## **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.

**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 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.

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