

# News and Updates from Totland Parish Council July 2022

## **Jubilee Celebrations**

Totland were lucky enough to have three beacons in the end with the third on Totland Beach. This was a very popular choice as accessible for all. The Parish Councillors would like to thank Richard Crowther who acted, at the last minute, as the Town Crier at Totland Beach and announced the lighting of the beacon. The two others at Tennyson and the Needles were equally popular and several other beacons could be viewed from these points. Thank you to all who helped with this especially the students at the Isle of Wight College and 1<sup>st</sup> Freshwater/Totland Scouts. If you have any photographs of these beacons please forward them to the Parish Office as we are producing a booklet of all the beacons for the Queen. Councillors delivered Cream Teas to the Care Homes in Totland to celebrate the Jubilee.

#### Car Boot Sales - Colwell Common

These commenced during May, with sellers to arrive at 8.30am and buyers 9.00am. They will run every Saturday until September supporting local charities.

**Wight Fibre** – reminder. Parish Council are still working with Wight Fibre. We have received a number of complaints regarding works being carried out by Wight Fibre and the Parish Office are arranging a meeting with supervisors to discuss and sort these problems. Ward Councillor Chris Jarman is also dealing with various complaints as well. We have been informed that these works are being carried out on behalf of the Government and not the Isle of Wight Council or Island Roads. However, Island Roads will be responsible after 18 months of works completed so it is in their best interest to sort any problems at the time.

#### Sea Wall

The path between The Waterfront and Widdick Chine has been closed as a void opened earlier in May. An investigation has taken place and repairs are due at anytime. The barriers should not be climbed over, please use the Widdick Chine steps to access the beach.

## **Beach Buoys**

The beach buoys have been positioned at both Colwell and Totland for the second year. Colwell side is to help with launching of watercraft and Widdick Chine is aiming to promote safe swimming. Personal Watercraft Vehicles are still able to come ashore but not inside the safe swimming area.

**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 now take household rubbish, however, you <u>MUST</u> book a time online or over the telephone. You <u>cannot</u> just turn up; you will be sent away.

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Ward Councillor Chris Jarman – email: <a href="mailto:chris.jarman@iow.gov.uk">chris.jarman@iow.gov.uk</a> 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 Jan Cave, Vince Fennell, John Howe, Steve Blamire, Helen Wood, Gareth Wyre, Hilary Benns and Chris Jarman.