



News and Updates from Totland Parish Council March 2023

2023/2024 Budget

Residents have been speaking with the Clerk and it was thought this was worth mentioning again. In December Councillors met to discuss the budget for 2023/2024. It was resolved to continue supporting the West Wight Sports and Community Centre, the Community Connector and West Wight Nursery. The Beach Buoys would also remain at Widdick Chine and Colwell. Whilst slow the Church Hall is still going ahead and upgrading to the Colwell public toilets has been included for this year. The Responsible Financial Officer with Councillors worked hard to ensure there would be **0%** increase and wanted to be able to do this during these tough financial times whilst still offering good value.

Annual Parish Meeting

This will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday 28th March 2023 at 6.30pm. All Totland residents are welcome to attend this meeting.

Warm Spaces at the Memorial Hall

This has been well received and Councillors would like to thank the Memorial Hall and the Friday Market team for all being part of our Warm Spaces. This ended at the end of February but we will keep watching and listening to local needs and if necessary restart or try to help where we can.

Totland Cycle Skills

The open session in the Church Hall for the Totland Cycle Park was well attended with the majority liking the plans. The plan included a dog agility area and new toilets. This will now move to the next stage where we seek permissions and confirm costings with contractors.

Open Spaces

We have been working with the landowners and Rights of Way to remove the stones off the sea wall as Councillors are aware the area by the pier is difficult to pass.

Councillors have also engaged with Natural Enterprise who currently carry out the maintenance of One Horse Field, to work with the Council on Turvills Field. A management plan is being put together and we hope to have this agreed by 1st April.

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

CONTACT DETAILS: Parish Clerk – Mrs Helen Gibbs - Telephone 01983 756028
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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

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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.