

# Totland Parish Council

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Minutes of the **TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL** meeting held on the **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 7.00 pm** in the **PARISH OFFICE**, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland.

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Vince Fennell (VF), Colin Bradley (CB), David Bryan (DB), Adrian Bolton (AB), John Howe (JH), David Filby (DF) and John Honeychurch (JHC) 7.20pm

**Also Present:** Helen Gibbs (HG) – Parish Clerk & RFO.  
West Wight Sport Centre representatives, Gill Kennett MBE (GK), Clare Griffin (CG) and Brian Friend (BF)

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## Guest Speakers

GK started by thanking Councillors for inviting them to this meeting and circulated The Future 2014-2020 reviewed December 2014 to all Councillors. GK talked about where the Sports Centre currently is and future plans and how they had received help in proportionate manners, also how the Trustees are working on reducing possible outgoings. GK also told Councillors that the Trustees have raised an issue with the Isle of Wight Council with regards to capital spending on other Sports Centres.

CG spoke about the number of new and ongoing projects and how they are engaging with the youth and what was on offer to all age groups including Walking Football for less mobile people. Funding/grants had been obtained and these are ring fenced for different projects. The centre currently employs 21 FTE staff and open 90 hours week. There are 150,000 visits through the door each year and not all West Wight people so we are bringing residents from around the Island. 350 children learn to swim each week and there are 6 different youth clubs currently in operation.

Figures supplied to the Sports Centre of £18.00 per year, based on band D properties in the West Wight area only, would cover the £77,000 deficit for 2015/2016.

BF talked through the figures with the Councillors and confirmed that the Trustees are actively looking how they can be more efficient. He also pointed out that some grants are one offs and not annually and CG confirmed that they apply for all grants that are available to them.

GK informed Councillors that Freshwater Parish Council had arranged for a consultation day on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January to ask residents for their views and know the priorities. The outcome of this day would be passed to the Clerk as soon as possible.

Councillors thanked the Trustees for bringing this information and would discuss how Totland could best help.

Trustees left at 7.30pm.

A letter had been received from C Atkinson supporting the West Wight Sports Centre and this letter would be added to the Agenda for the next Finance meeting. DB proposed that the Finance meeting be changed from 21<sup>st</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> January, in order that the report could be read from Freshwater Parish Councils open day all agreed.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** None

**228/14 APOLOGIES**  
Councillor Jan Cave (JC)

**229/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Bryan  
Yarmouth Harbour – Boat Owner

Councillor Howe  
Yarmouth Harbour – Family member Harbour Commissioner  
West Wight Sports Centre – Trustee

**230/14 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS**

The minutes of the last meeting as below were approved as a true and accurate record and were duly signed by the Chairman. **RESOLVED**  
Finance Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2014  
Proposed Councillor Fennell, seconded Councillor Filby all agreed.  
Full Council Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2014  
Proposed Councillor Filby, seconded Councillor Fennell all agreed.

**231/14 PLANNING – to be considered**

*Application:* TCP/19036/H

*Location:* Former Seawinds Holiday Bungalows, Hurst Point View

*Proposal:* Demolition of two units proposed pair of semidetached houses with provision of parking for one dwelling.

*Comments:* There should be a minimum of 1 parking space per dwelling as lack of parking facilities on Hurst Point View. To confirm this is within the building development envelope. Main concerns are also to the drainage systems and whether they can cope with further development as Totland already has major problems with drainage.

*Application:* TCP/20988/A

*Location:* land adjacent to The Shieling, Colmar Way

*Proposal:* Three detached dwellings with garages alterations to vehicular access (readvertised application as proposal affects a public right of way).

*Comments:* By using the Public Right of Way which is an extremely narrow footpath and not a road causes much concern to Councillors. This footpath is used by many including children walking to and from school and the additional amount of traffic will affect their safety. Councillors suggest an alternative route be considered and to not include the Right of Way. Concerns are also to the drainage systems and whether they can cope with further development as Totland already has major problems with drainage.

Planning Refused

None

Planning Granted

*Application:* TCP/19036/H

*Location:* Reef House, Cliff Road

*Proposal:* Householder Application. Demolition of conservatory proposed alterations and single storey extension on north west elevation to form sun room new raised patio area.

*Application:* TCP/27150/A

*Location:* Littencot, Cliff Road

*Proposal:* Householder Application Proposed single storey extension on side elevation to enlarge lounge area with balcony area at first floor level with glazed balustrading

*Application:* TCP/11726/C

*Location:* 2 The Avenue

*Proposal:* Householder Application Demolition of garage and summer house proposed detached building to provide self-contained annexed accommodation.

Ivyland Development updates:

This has still not been resolved and emails are still being sent back and forth with information not answering the residents questions. Councillor Bryan proposed that the Parish Council employ a Quantity Surveyor to take a look at this application, Councillor Bolton seconded this and all agreed. Councillor Filby will provide a contact for the Clerk. Clerk to arrange and proceed as soon as possible.

## **232/14 FINANCE**

1. The bank reconciliation and balances up to 31st December 2014 were accepted.
2. The schedule of payments, up to 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015 and listed below, were approved.

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Councillor Howe, seconded Councillor Bradley all agreed.

<b><u>Cheque</u></b>	<b><u>Payee</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
2839	Freshwater Parish Council	71.91
2840	J Mackett	36.00

## **233/14 REPORTS – only written reports accepted**

Isle of Wight Councillor – Councillor Howe verbal report

Sea wall prices are coming in and is still hoping to be open late Spring.

Open Spaces

Quotes have been requested for tree works and will be looked at by the Open Spaces committee. Considering the weather all is relatively good.

Clerk had contacted Southern Water after reports had been received that Youth were 'hanging' around in Turvills Field.

Totland Regeneration – Art & Craft on Turf Walk

Clerk felt the Turf Walk would not be suitable for this year's event and suggested the Recreation Ground. Councillors suggested using Colwell Common although there would be no water or electricity a generator could be sourced. Clerk will make enquiries with the Isle of Wight Council into the hiring of this area.

## **234/14 CLERK'S REPORT**

Report

- Clear Recycling Bags - Parish Office is now a Collection Point for these bags. Residents must ring the Isle of Wight Council for a reference number before collection.
- Christmas tree lights are now off
- Cllr Bradley has removed the wreaths around the War Memorial as they were being blown around.
- Newsletter delivery – Councillor Filby obtaining costs for this through the Post Office.
- Local Community Magazine - The Parish Council continue to have space each month.

- A Letter has been sent to the Isle of Wight Council regarding the need for additional parking for Alum Bay in support of Cllr Howe to prevent traffic jams.
- The War Memorial will be professionally cleaned early spring.
- Chestnut paling on the entrance to Turvills Field to be replaced. Clerk will check what we already have and if not big enough will arrange a quotation.
- Clerk meeting with Isle of Wight Council to discuss the Recreation Ground from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015
- Seesaw has been repaired in the play area on the Recreation Ground.

**235/14 ISLE OF WIGHT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

The Clerk has received an invitation to the Spring Seminar to be held at Riverside in March at a cost of £25.00 per delegate. Councillor Fennell and the Clerk to attend and send back a written report. Planning training has also been arranged at £50.00 per delegate. Councillors agreed no representation by Totland - would deal with applications when they come up.

**236/14 QUALITY COUNCIL**

From 6<sup>th</sup> January 2015 the new Local Council Award Scheme was launched and this replaced the Quality Parish and Town Council scheme. The Quality Council status will expire on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015 but an application for an automatic transition to the Foundation level of the new Local Council Award Scheme – at no cost and without taking part in any accreditation process can be carried out whilst considering working towards the next two award levels. Councillor Bryan proposed the Council sign up to the Foundation Level for now, seconded by Councillor Fennell, all agreed.

**237/14 CONSULTATION**

Isle of Wight Highways Amenities Permission Policy (Street Licensing) – no comment

**238/14 CORRESPONDENCE**

Freshwater Parish Council – Barclays Bank closure of Avenue Road branch.  
**NOTED.**

**239/14 TABLED ITEMS - Noted**

Totland Beat Report December 2014  
Keep Britain Tidy 'We're watching You' Dog Fouling Campaign  
Access Newsletter December 2014

**Any other Business**

Councillor Fennell – The Memorial Hall have asked if the Parish Council would move their Archives to a different room. Councillors are happy with the room they currently have and do not want to move. All agreed not to move the Totland Archives to a different room.

Ex Parish and Ward Councillor Audrey Smith died Christmas Day and the family are holding a private service but welcome all to the wake on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January. Councillor Howe and Honeychurch would represent Totland.

**Meeting Closed 8.55pm**