

Totland Parish Council

Minutes of the **TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL** meeting held on the **Wednesday 11th March 2015** at **7.30 pm** in the **PARISH OFFICE**, Winchester House, The Broadway, Totland.

PRESENT: Councillors: John Honeychurch (JHC), Colin Bradley (CB), David Bryan (DB), John Howe (JH), David Filby (DF), Jan Cave (JC) and Adrian Bolton (AB) left 8.45pm

Also Present: Helen Gibbs (HG) Parish Clerk & RFO

PUBLIC FORUM: None

255/14 APOLOGIES

Councillors: Vince Fennell (VF) unwell.

256/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Bryan

Yarmouth Harbour – Boat Owner

Councillor Howe

Yarmouth Harbour – Family member Harbour Commissioner

Totland Archive Group – Member

257/14 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**

Full Council Wednesday 11th February 2015

Proposed Councillor Bryan, seconded Councillor Howe all agreed.

258/14 FINANCE

1. The bank reconciliation and balances up to 28th February 2015 were accepted.
2. The schedule of payments, up to 11th March 2015 and listed below, were approved.
3. Letter from Lloyds bank with revised opening dates and times from 1st June 2015 was noted.

RESOLVED: Proposed Councillor Bradley, seconded Councillor Filby all agreed.

Cheque	Payee	Amount
2847	Freshwater PC	76.05
2848	Southern Electric	21.64
2849	Southern Electric	122.01
2850	Southern Water	38.55
2851	Southern Water	8.06
2852	Petty Cash	50.00
BT	Annual Return	13.00

259/14 REPORTS – only written reports accepted

1. Isle of Wight Councillor – Councillor Howe verbal report. JH has dealt or is dealing with different issues as below:
Colmar Way ditch to be cleared by April.
New development query in Hurst Point View
Alum Bay car parking issues: long traffic jams and residents unable to get to their homes still being looked at.
There has been regular parking across a fire hydrant on Alum Bay New Road & Alum Bay Old Road – Island Roads have agreed to put marker which will stop the parking.
JHC asked who sets Island Roads priorities – JH told him that Island Roads currently set their own priorities, however, an external company has been brought in to review this system.
JH confirmed most complaints received are on Island Roads.
2. Open Spaces
Covered by agenda items.
3. Time Bank Information Event
Letter received asking the council to consider financially supporting them and explaining what they want to achieve. Councillors would like further information before gifting them – Clerk to arrange.

260/14 TOTLAND REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP

The Clerk reported back to members that Colwell Common did not seem a favourable place to hold the Art & Craft annual event and again suggested the Recreation Ground. It was thought that the local Bowling Club, Scouts /Brownies and Army Cadets could be involved by holding an open day event. Councillors agreed for the Clerk to make enquiries and bring back to the April meeting to confirm if this event would go ahead this year.

261/14 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk had again reported to Development Control the dangerous scaffolding poles around the pier and the owner had again been contacted. This will be ongoing now until the scaffolding is completely removed.

DB revealed the newly marked out parking spaces by the Pier Café were just wide enough, however, the boxes were not long enough for an average car. This will see cars overhanging in the spaces and therefore could receive a parking ticket. Also there are too many marked out spaces not giving enough turning room and this made it very difficult for cars to get in and out of these spaces. Cars are very close to people sitting outside on the decked area. Near misses have already been witnessed. As the Isle of Wight Council have accepted this contract the parish council would like to know if a Safety Audit and Risk Assessment had been carried out and if yes request a copy of this. Clerk to send request to JH as Ward Councillor to take to the Isle of Wight Council.

Lorries are parking overnight on Colwell Common Road which causes problems for residents who are trying to come out of their drives as visibility has been reduced. Clerk contacted BT and asked for them to make their drivers aware this is a residential area and to show consideration.

Reports had been received of youth cutting small trees down on the Recreation Ground behind the goal area. Police had been informed. This is to be monitored.

The hedge on Weston Road/Cokes Green is overgrown and contractors have been asked to cut back off the road.

Dogs on Beach signs have not been put on the new railings along Totland front. JH will enquire about this.

The edge of the steps from Stokes Green to the Pier has been painted by CB.

262/14 PARISH OPEN SPACES SIGNAGE

Quotation agreed, Clerk to arrange immediately. Proposed Councillor Filby, seconded Councillor, all agreed.

263/14 CONSULTATIONS

1. Secondary (11-16) and Post 16 A-Level Education.
Councillors would like to comment as the Parish Council, item to be added to the April Agenda.
2. Second Tranche of Marine Conservation Zones (MCZ)
Councillors would like to comment as the Parish Council and Clerk will complete questionnaire with the help of DB. This will be added to the April Agenda.

8.45pm Councillor Bolton left meeting

264/14 TOTLAND RECREATION GROUND EASEMENT REQUEST

It was proposed that the request from the Developer for an easement be granted to allow connection to be made to the Southern Water Pumping Station on the lower land as per the plan provided by the Isle of Wight Council. This is providing the Isle of Wight Council agree to work in partnership with the Parish Council and that the proposed £15,000.00 offered be used for the drainage in the football pitch area and that all legal costs will be covered in this money. Proposed Councillor Filby, seconded Councillor Bradley – agreed Councillor Cave and Honeychurch. Against Councillor Bryan. Councillor Howe abstained.

265/14 CORRESPONDENCE

1. Discretionary Services: - Members requested that a 125 year lease be granted if they agreed to take on the maintenance of Colwell Common. JH would clarify why this would start 1st April 2015 when the contract runs until 31st March 2016.
2. Councillor Fennell requested permission to look after the Archives. Defer to next meeting for VF to speak about his experience.
3. Island Roads – new street name request. Councillors agreed Ivylands Close for the development off Hurst Point View was the preferred choice.
4. Freshwater & Totland Archive Group – defer to next month.
5. BDO – letter received informing council PE Sexton Electrical Contractors Limited – In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation. The letter stated that an outstanding balance of £84.00 was due, clerk had asked this debt to be proved.
6. Dr John Howells, JH had dealt with this. Letter was **NOTED**.

266/14 TABLED ITEMS - Noted

Totland Beat Report February 2015
Age UK Forthcoming Dates

267/14 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Confirmed as Tuesday 5th May 2015 at 7pm in the Church Hall.

Councillor Cave attended the 'Our Place' meeting and updated Councillors of its contents.

Meeting Closed 9.55pm