

Totland Parish Council

Minutes of the **TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL** meeting held on **Monday 8th March 2021** at **7.00pm**, Virtual Meeting with Microsoft Team.

PRESENT: Councillors: Jan Cave (JC), Helen Wood (HW), Hilary Benns (HB) left meeting due to internet problems at 7.55pm, John Howe (JH), Vince Fennell (VF), Gareth Wyre (GW) and Steve Blamire (SB)






Others Present: Parish Clerk and 2 members of public

Public Forum

There will be up to 15 minutes available for members of the public to speak, in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure, copies of which are available at meetings or on the website. At the Chairman's discretion, members of the public may be invited to speak on specific items during the meeting.

Members of the public would like to speak on the Planning matters later in the meeting. Councillors agreed to this.

205/20	<p>APOLOGIES <i>To receive and accept apologies for non attendance.</i> All in attendance.</p>																																																														
206/20	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST <i>Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in an item of business on the agenda no later than when the item is reached. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest. You must withdraw from the room when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter.</i> None</p>																																																														
207/20	<p>MINUTES <i>To receive for approval minutes of the parish Council meeting(s) as below:</i> Full Council – Monday 8th February 2021 - RESOLVED Proposed: Councillor Fennell, seconded Councillor Benns, all agreed. Extra Ordinary – Monday 1st March 2021 - RESOLVED Proposed: Councillor Fennell, seconded Councillor Benns, all agreed.</p>																																																														
208/20	<p>FINANCE & GRANTS – papers to be distributed at meeting or attached to Agenda</p> <p>1. <i>To receive bank reconciliation and balances to 28th February 2021.</i> Bank reconciliations to 28th February 2021 were NOTED</p> <p>2. <i>To ratify the approval of payments to 8th March 2021.</i> RATIFIED – All cheques, bank transfers and debit card payments listed below: Proposed Councillor Fennell, seconded Councillor Howe all agreed.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Ref:</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Supplier</th> <th style="text-align: right;">Amount</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Description</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>Badger Action Group</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£50.00</td> <td>Turf Walk inspection</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>Biffa Waste</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£84.42</td> <td>Rubbish removal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>EDF Energy</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£22.00</td> <td>Utilities Totland toilets</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>EDF Energy</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£22.00</td> <td>Utilities Colwell toilets</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>Edge IT Systems</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£564.00</td> <td>Accounts package annual subscription</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>Everflow</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£398.24</td> <td>Utilities Public toilets & Office</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>Hampshire Assoc. Local Councils</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£36.00</td> <td>Training</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>High Glass</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£18.00</td> <td>Window cleaning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>Idverde</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£2662.08</td> <td>Open Space maintenance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>ICS</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£810.95</td> <td>Public toilet cleaning February</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>Signpost Express</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£195.60</td> <td>Parking signs Recreation Ground</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>Talk Talk</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£31.20</td> <td>Telephone & Internet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FPO</td> <td>Wight Computers</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£171.59</td> <td>Website hosting</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>Wight Computers</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£12.28</td> <td>365/Avast subscription</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Ref:	Supplier	Amount	Description	FPO	Badger Action Group	£50.00	Turf Walk inspection	FPO	Biffa Waste	£84.42	Rubbish removal	DD	EDF Energy	£22.00	Utilities Totland toilets	DD	EDF Energy	£22.00	Utilities Colwell toilets	FPO	Edge IT Systems	£564.00	Accounts package annual subscription	DD	Everflow	£398.24	Utilities Public toilets & Office	FPO	Hampshire Assoc. Local Councils	£36.00	Training	FPO	High Glass	£18.00	Window cleaning	FPO	Idverde	£2662.08	Open Space maintenance	FPO	ICS	£810.95	Public toilet cleaning February	FPO	Signpost Express	£195.60	Parking signs Recreation Ground	DD	Talk Talk	£31.20	Telephone & Internet	FPO	Wight Computers	£171.59	Website hosting	DD	Wight Computers	£12.28	365/Avast subscription
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	<p>3. <i>To receive Grant Application(s)</i> Totland Bay Bowling Club A grant application had been received from Totland Bay Bowling Club to host a PSA Blood Testing Event in conjunction with Wight Prostate Cancer Support Group at the Clubhouse on Saturday 24th July 2021. The aim is to provide the opportunity for up to 250 men from the West Wight area, generally over the age of 45, to have a PSA blood test free of charge. Councillors agreed to donate £800.00 under S137. Proposed Councillor Wyre, seconded Councillor Fennell – all agreed RESOLVED.</p>
<p>209/20 1.</p> <p>2.</p>	<p>PLANNING APPLICATIONS, DECISIONS, APPEALS & TREE WORKS <i>To consider planning applications as below:</i></p> <p><u>Retention of shed and completion of 2 summerhouses</u>  Adeline Alum Bay New Road Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0ES Ref. No: 21/00249/HOU Received: Mon 08 Feb 2021 Validated: Thu 11 Feb 2021 Status: Registered Comments: No objections</p> <p><u>Condition compliance application on P/01201/17 relating to condition 3 (archaeological works)</u> Christchurch Alum Bay New Road Totland Totland Bay Isle Of Wight PO39 0ES Ref. No: 21/00209/DIS Received: Tue 02 Feb 2021 Validated: Tue 02 Feb 2021 Status: Registered Comments: Councillors will leave this with the Planning department.</p> <p><u>Proposed construction of 6 dwellings</u>  Land At (Plots 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 And 29) Summers Court Totland Isle Of Wight Ref. No: 20/02246/FUL Received: Tue 22 Dec 2020 Validated: Tue 16 Feb 2021 Status: Registered Comments: Councillors were again disappointed with the poor quality of design for these properties. Island Roads comments are noted and supported regarding driveways and access. Councillors would like to see conditions to this application to include no parking in the turning area and to double yellow line before the turning area to ensure access for emergency vehicles at all times and of course refuse vehicles. The Parish Council support the footway and note there is currently no evidence of such a feature on site. The width of this path should be a minimum of 3m to allow disability access. The site is surrounded by trees and hedges and as we are now in the nesting season would ask how works will continue.</p> <p><u>Proposed demolition of existing dwelling; construction of replacement dwelling (revised scheme)</u>  Solent Pines Cliff Road Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0EW Ref. No: 21/00402/FUL Received: Wed 24 Feb 2021 Validated: Fri 26 Feb 2021 Status: Registered Comments: To be discussed at the next meeting. Previous comments were: <i>Totland Councillors strongly object to this application. Clarity is required to the correct south eastern boundary and the impact on neighbouring properties should be addressed. There are TPO's on site which are not included in the report and Councillors request the Tree Officer to visit the site before decisions are made.</i></p> <p><u>Retention and completion of driveway and landscaping</u>  Kirribilli Alum Bay New Road Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0ES Ref. No: 21/00290/HOU Received: Thu 11 Feb 2021 Validated: Mon 22 Feb 2021 Status: Registered Comments: Providing Highways are happy and the drainage is properly managed Councillors had no further objections.</p> <p>To receive feedback regarding works that have been ongoing with permission. <u>Refurbishment of shop and reception area; proposed alterations and conversion of barn and stables to provide new café and ancillary facilities</u>  Stoats Farm Weston Lane Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0HE Ref. No: 20/02234/FUL Received: Mon 21 Dec 2020 Validated: Mon 21 Dec 2020 Status: Registered Comments: Planning must satisfy themselves that works are being carried out as proposed on the application as it appeared various works were taking place prior to any approval granted. General notes: The site is a mess and mud spills onto the carriageway regularly, this</p>

<p>3.</p>	<p>needs to be cleared. The expectations for the cafe should also be managed with access and parking as there is no on street parking around this area. Councillors have asked if the boundary wall is to be reinstated. Neighbours have contacted the Parish Office regarding the drainage and this should be dealt with to avoid flooding.</p> <p>DECISIONS – <i>To receive planning decisions from the Isle of Wight Council</i> Application No: 20/02176/FUL Location: Stoads Farm Weston Lane Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0HE Proposal: Demolition of campsite washroom facilities; proposed replacement washroom facilities DECISION: GRANTED</p> <p>Application No: 20/01937/TW Location: 4B Fairfield Way Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0EF Proposal: Refusal of the following: The oak tree situated as detailed in the application is to the setting of the area and the wider environment. The application to remove the tree carries insufficient information to demonstrate the tree has damaged the decking of the property and is causing the damp to the house. It is felt that removal of the tree could cause the surrounding trees to become exposed and unsafe. It is also felt the issue of shade could be partially resolved through less means and help to address light to the garden and as such would not require the trees removal. For this reason, the council cannot justify the trees removal at the present time. Allowance of lesser works: Whilst on site it was felt the shade issue could be addressed by the following works to the oak tree. These would be considered acceptable. Crown raise to 5m above ground level and crown reduce the remaining tree by 20% DECISION: REFUSED</p> <p>4. <u>Tree Work Applications: to note</u> <u>T1; Scots Pine (Pinus Sylvestris) - Remove significant deadwood, reduce/thin tertiary boughs overhanging neighbours on lowest secondary bough, crown clean, total 15-20%.</u> Pine Needles Church Hill Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0EU Ref. No: 21/00176/TW Received: Thu 28 Jan 2021 Validated: Thu 28 Jan 2021 Status: Registered</p> <p><u>T1 and T2; Oaks - Fell</u> 6 And 7 Eden Place Totland Totland Bay Isle Of Wight PO39 0HP Ref. No: 21/00254/TW Received: Mon 08 Feb 2021 Validated: Wed 10 Feb 2021 Status: Registered</p> <p><u>Resubmission of 19/01338/TW - Granted 03/01/2020 T1; Corsican Pine - Felled to near ground level. T2 Corsican Pine - Second limb extending towards the houseback reduced back to the first secondary branch to leave the crown in better form.</u> Hermitage Lodge Cliff Road Totland Isle Of Wight PO39 0EW Ref. No: 21/00394/TW Received: Tue 23 Feb 2021 Validated: Tue 23 Feb 2021 Status: Registered</p>
<p>210/20</p>	<p>REPORTS <i>To Accept Verbal or Written Reports from sub-groups, committees, and representatives of committees and to agree recommendations from the committees.</i> <u>Isle of Wight Councillor John Howe</u> I have been driving around roads checking all good such as water/drainage. I feel the best way forward for Totland is to ask for a survey to be carried out in order to see if our drains are adequate. We can then tie this into future planning applications. More houses are being built and naturally there is more surface water. Currently Planning suggest it is an Highways issue and Highways think it is a Planning issue. All Totland drainage comes together at Madeira Road down to the Pier. Councillors asked if a survey would look at the condition of the pipes and it was felt probably not.</p> <p><u>Open Spaces – Councillor Blamire</u> The tree replacements for Colwell are on their way. We have also been in touch with the grass cutting contractors regarding the strimming around the new trees and damage being caused. They have met with their own tree contractor on site and on inspection</p>

	<p>they can agreed that there is some strimmer damage that has been caused by them on seven trees which they have apologised for as the teams were given clear instructions to avoid them.</p> <p>The trees in question are now in bud and they fully expect them to come out into leaf and bloom after assessing them. There are already signs of healing.</p> <p>They have proposed to install some tree pits for no cost to the parish council with bark mulch on every tree you have planted along with some strimmer guards. The mulch will only help the trees flourish. They can then monitor the damaged trees during the flowering season and assess if any need to be replaced. Several of the trees have marks from where the nursery grower have had ties on to tight as they were being grown which could also look like they have been damaged by the contractor. It was also noted that there are also some torsion fractures on various trees on the common.</p> <p><u>Youth Facilities - To receive an update on the Pump Track on the Recreation Ground.</u> Mr Cave has been in contact with a representative from Freshwater Parish Council to ascertain what they have planned for the advertised Pump Track on the Stroud. They are now putting him in contact with the person who is managing this. Councillors feel that as they are in a position to move this forward now, they would continue with their plans and ask Mr Cave to refine his proposal and costs and bring this back to the Parish Council.</p> <p><u>Car Boot Sales – Colwell Common</u> <i>To discuss whether these will restart in May</i> The Clerk had made contact with West Wight Men in Sheds and West Wight Nursery who are both happy to be involved. The Scouts have also been contacted but to date the Clerk had not heard back from them.</p> <p>Councillors agreed this would be good to start again and run from 1st May until 25th September. This would give both charities 6 each for this year.</p> <p>The area would remain completely fenced off with the seller’s cars suitably spaced. We need to look at parking cones to stop cars parking on Fort Warden Road, middle section of the Common. JH will look at the cones and speak with the Clerk. Councillors suggested supplying a hand sanitiser machine for the entrance and asking sellers to also provide.</p>
<p>211/20</p>	<p>CLERKS REPORT <i>To receive the Clerk’s report and information on matters arising from previous meetings and is not already included within this Agenda</i> The Clerk had instructed the contractor to carry out works to the play equipment on the Recreation Ground – new chains on swings, spring on cable run and gym equipment sanding the rust and treating. In addition the floor mats need lifting and relaying. Works will be carried out later this week. Playground remains open, outdoor gym still closed.</p> <p>A second letter had been sent to Lanes End resident regarding the abandoned car, and Island Roads had also been contacted. Island Roads investigated this; however, it looks like the house has been sold and so this may resolve itself. <i>The day after the Parish Council meeting the abandoned car was removed.</i></p> <p>No overnight parking signs on the Recreation Ground have been erected and notices shall be put on vehicles.</p> <p>Permission has been given for resident to spread ashes in Turvills Field.</p> <p>A new bin has been requested for Turvills Field</p> <p>An Expression of Interest to hire Weston Field has been received.</p>
<p>212/20</p>	<p>CONTRACTS 1. <i>To receive contracts for the undertaking of the public toilet cleaning for the next 4 years and agree contractor.</i> Two quotations have been received and Councillors agreed to offer the contract to</p>

	<p>Island Cleaning Services. Proposed Councillor Fennell, seconded Councillor Howe, all agreed. RESOLVED. Island Cleaning Services will be offered the contract to clean the public toilets at Totland and Colwell until 31st March 2025.</p> <p>2. <i>To discuss the quotation received for the Cladding of Colwell Public Toilets</i> This quotation was noted at this time. Councillors have asked the Clerk to contact Danfo and ask for a quotation to refurbish Colwell toilets.</p> <p>The Clerk was waiting to hear back from Southern Water regarding their building. They did make contact after this meeting and are happy to work with the Parish Council.</p>
<p>213/20</p>	<p>ANNUAL PARISH MEETING <i>To agree the date for the Annual Parish Meeting.</i> Councillors agreed this date should be mid April and would like to share as many details with residents to encourage them to be part of this. If an Agenda was fully circulated they could make contact before or after should they not be able to join on line. It was proposed an A4 sheet in the form of a leaflet giving full information about what the Councillors had achieved and further plans. The Clerk advised 7 days notice was minimum. Proposed Councillor Howe, seconded Councillor Cave all agreed.</p>
<p>214/20</p>	<p>BEACH SAFETY INITIATIVE <i>To receive updates regarding the matters arising from the February meeting.</i> <u>Marine Leisure groynes update</u> The Clerk had spoken to the representative of Marine Leisure who have explained there are no funds to replace these groynes. The Clerk explained the problems this would have on the seawall and the affect it could also have on the Waterfront. They explained that there only income is from car parking and this money is spent on railings and protecting the cliff along Turf Walk. They had looked into fundraising but not sure how this could work. It was noted Marine Leisure own to the 2nd steps towards Colwell and then just past the Waterfront, they also own from the lifeboat house along Widdick Chine. Councillor Howe has tried to contact Coastal Protection and the Environmental Agency to discuss this further, however, ultimately as this is privately owned land this should be dealt with by Marine Leisure. Councillors were very disappointed with this response as for many years no works have been carried out and it has been neglected.</p> <p><i>To receive information regarding the Beach Management Zoning and agree response.</i> Councillors felt this plan was disappointing and 4 buoys was not acceptable. Councillors want the swimming channels to be reinstated at Colwell and more at Widdick Chine.</p> <p>The Clerk has spoken with Ms Poston who explained what she had been working towards for the start of the summer season and putting together a grant for this. Councillor Howe suggested Totland investigated this further as he was extremely concerned this would not happen in time. Councillor Howe also asked if we could use the Trust the Parish Council had already set up.</p> <p>It was proposed by Councillor Blamire and seconded by Councillor Howe that the response to the Isle of Wight Council is that the strategy they have agreed for Totland/Colwell is inadequate. This does not help the safe swimming zones at Colwell and Widdick Chine which had been requested. The Clerk would feed back any further information obtained and arrange a further meeting should the need arise.</p> <p>Councillors asked the Clerk to contact the supplier and ask for a price on behalf of Totland and Colwell to include the swimming channels.</p>
<p>215/20</p>	<p>POST OFFICE <i>To receive verbal updates from the Clerk.</i> Action IW are still trying to bring Royal Mail to the table to discuss ways forward. They had liked the idea that the Parish Council could arrange with FYTBus to take the post to Coop in Freshwater, however, Royal Mail has not accepted this at this time.</p>
<p>216/20</p>	<p>CHURCH HALL <i>To receive updates from previous meeting.</i> An email was sent to the Church representative asking them for a commitment in</p>

	<p>principle, nothing had been heard back to date.</p>
217/20	<p>TOTLAND PIER LTD <i>To receive updates from previous meeting</i> The easement for the gas has been agreed and almost completed with the electric. The Solicitor is now working on the plant house slab.</p>
218/20	<p>CORRESPONDENCE <i>To receive correspondence and reply as necessary.</i> To confirm letter from the Isle of Wight Council regarding Brown sites Councillors have suggested the Weston School site.</p> <p>An email has been received from a resident regarding youth damaging One Horse Field. Police have been informed.</p> <p>A request through Everson Funerals to have a memory tree around Totland for a client has been made. Councillors agreed that they could arrange to plant a tree on Colwell Common which would be in keeping to the area on behalf of the client with the cost being recharged. If this is agreeable and they wanted to move forward a quotation to carry this out would be arranged.</p>
219/20	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS No decisions can be made under this item, however, Councillors can bring any matters up at this point that do not appear on the Agenda. If a decision is to be made this will be added to the Agenda for the next meeting.</p> <p>The Clerk mentioned the June 2022 bank holiday celebrating the Queens Platinum Jubilee and to think of some ideas to honor this.</p>

Meeting closed 8:45pm