

## Totland Parish Council

Minutes of the **TOTLAND PARISH COUNCIL** meeting held on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.00pm**, at Totland Parish Council offices, The Broadway.

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Jan Cave (JC), Gareth Wyre (GW), Vince Fennell (VF), Hilary Benns (HB), Chris Jarman (CJ) and John Howe (JH).

**Others Present:** Parish Clerk/RFO

### 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, but this is not a given.

Ref	Item
<b>217/22</b>	<p><b>APOLOGIES</b> <i>To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance.</i> Apologies were received from Councillors Wood and Blamire. Both accepted.</p>
<b>218/22</b>	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> <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>
<b>219/22</b>	<p><b>MINUTES &amp; MATTERS ARISING</b></p> <p><b>1.</b> <i>To receive for approval minutes of the Parish Council meeting(s) as below:</i> <i>Full Council – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023</i> Proposed Councillor Fennell, seconded Councillor Howe, all agreed. <b>RESOLVED</b> minutes accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.</p> <p><b>2.</b> <i>Matters arising sheet as attached to Agenda</i> <i>This item is for updates from previous meetings only.</i> Colwell Car Park – no feedback on reducing parking spaces by 4. Letter sent to Costcutters asking them to litter pick around the shop and lane to help keep Totland a litter free area. The letter expressed that Totland is a great place to live, and the Parish Council spend a lot of time encouraging residents and visitors to take their rubbish home or dispose of it responsibly. Keeping the area as clean as possible is part of our community and hoped they agreed with this ethos. Unadopted roads - A copy of the letter sent to residents of The Mall and Uplands Road has been requested, but nothing has been received. It is understood the letters have been sent out to residents asking them to make their road safer ie. making good the potholes. Kings Coronation 6<sup>th</sup> May – The Chairman has purchased envelopes and is currently decorating them. Wildflowers will be put inside and all Councillors will help with this. The envelopes will be distributed to St Saviours School and West Wight Nursery. Councillors would also like Green Gym, local shops and the office. Lamp post crown prices still outstanding.</p>
<b>220/22</b>	<p><b>FINANCE &amp; GRANTS – papers to be distributed at meeting or attached to Agenda</b></p> <p><b>1.</b> <i>To agree the approval of payments to 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023</i> <b>APPROVE</b> and <b>RESOLVED</b> to make payments by cheque/bank transfer/debit</p>

card/direct debit as below: proposed Councillor Wyre, seconded Councillor Fennell all agreed.

Biffa Waste	Office rubbish collection	£3.70
Everflow	Utilities	£269.66
High Glass	Window cleaning	£24.00
R Selby	Lawn mower annual maintenance	£124.31
M Adams	Colwell toilet repairs	£25.00
Brighstone Landscaping	WW Nursery grass cutting	£156.96
H Gibbs	Warm spaces refund	£38.35
Tesco	Warm spaces thank you gift	£16.25
ICS	Public toilet cleaning & annual materials	£1929.00
DMR Engineering	Play area report	£240.00
Wight Computers	Software and security	£14.54
EDF	Utilities	£42.00
SSE	Utilities	£161.31
Toms Tree Ties	Tree ties	£124.80
Vinyl Banners	Car boot banners	£81.23
Companies House	Statement of Accounts Totland Trust	£13.00

2. *To approve the movement of ringfenced monies to reserves for 2022/2023.*  
Councillor Wyre proposed and Councillor Fennell seconded, all agreed.
3. *Post Office Services, to receive and update on the request for additional funding.*  
The Clerk updated Councillors from the meeting attended on 28<sup>th</sup> February. No further to add from Community Action to date.
4. *Grass Cutting Contract update*  
Brighstone Landscapes have reduced the annual charge for 2023/24, a saving of £524.25. It was agreed this saving would go towards Turvills Field overall plan.
5. *To consider Grant Applications:*  
West Wight Churches Together – application request £1000.00.  
Councillor Benns proposed, Councillor Wyre seconded and all agreed.  
**RESOLVED:** £1000.00 would be granted to West Wight Churches Together.  
The remainder of the grants for 2022/2023 award would be moved to reserves for 2023/2024.
6. *Environmental Officer*  
*To decide whether to continue using the Environmental Officer services or cover in house.*  
Councillors agreed to move this in house. Play areas would be checked weekly by the maintenance person and use DMR Engineering twice a year with a full report back to Council at a cost of £400.00 + VAT.  
Toilets would be checked by the maintenance person and Councillors. Check sheets would be put into the toilets for the cleaner to complete.

**221/22**  
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***PLANNING APPLICATIONS, DECISIONS, APPEALS & TREE WORKS***  
*To consider planning applications as below:*

**Replacement of four dilapidated beach huts with eight new beach huts**

Beach Huts Land Adjacent Beach House The Promenade Totland Bay

Ref. No: 23/00231/FUL

Comments: Overall it was agreed this would tidy the area, with Councillors asking if a condition to ensure the sea wall was kept clear of stones year round to be added.

**Demolition of existing storage building; proposed storage building/day shelter**

Land Adjacent Beckfield Weston Lane Totland Isle Of Wight

	<p>Ref. No: 23/00227/FUL    Comments: No objections</p> <p><b><u>Variation of conditions 2 and 3 on P/00130/19 to allow amendments to include removal of recessed balcony, alterations to opening positions on front and rear elevations, increase the internal size of annexe and revised bedroom locations</u></b></p> <p>7 Farthings Way Totland Bay Isle Of Wight PO39 OLD  Ref. No: 23/00338/RVC  Comments: No comment</p>
<p><b>2.</b></p> <p><b>3.</b></p> <p><b>4.</b></p>	<p><u>Planning Decisions</u>  <b>GRANTED</b>  <b>Application No:</b> 22/02319/FUL  <b>Proposal:</b> Totland Pier Madeira Road Totland Bay Isle Of Wight PO390JP  <b>Location:</b> Minor external alterations proposed to consented two storey Restaurant under planning permission 19/01619/FUL</p> <p><b>REFUSED</b>  <b>Application No:</b> 22/02320/FUL  <b>Location:</b> Totland Pier, Bay Cafe Madeira Road Totland Bay Isle Of Wight PO39 0JP  <b>Proposal:</b> Proposed Change of Use from Class E (café) to Class C1 (hotel/guest house) and minor external alterations to the Bay Cafe as consented under planning permission 19/01451/FUL  <b>Decision Date:</b> 02/03/2023</p> <p><u>Treeworks</u>  <b><u>T1 Ash - remove 4 lowest branches and T2 Ash - remove lowest branch. Works proposed due to Ash Die Back</u></b>  Weston Villa Weston Road Totland Totland Bay Isle Of Wight PO39 OHA  Ref. No: 23/00320/TW   Received: Mon 20 Feb 2023   Validated: Mon 20 Feb 2023   Status: Registered</p> <p><u>Treework Decisions</u>  None</p>
<p><b>222/22</b></p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p>	<p><b>REPORTS</b></p> <p><i>Isle of Wight Councillor Totland &amp; Colwell - Councillor Jarman.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isle of Wight Council budget agreed.</li> <li>• Second homes declaration – Full Council this week</li> <li>• Southern Water event attended</li> <li>• TPO – Meadow Barn, works required to this tree.</li> <li>• TRO – Totland Parish Council request will be reviewed in June.</li> <li>• Military Road – National Trust will not change the classification of this land and therefore traffic will be re-routed.</li> <li>• Shoebox Appeal for Ukraine children on the Island for Easter.</li> <li>• Walk the Wight.</li> </ul> <p><u>Open Spaces</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Turvills Field meadow was cut on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February and raked on the following Wednesday all looks and good and residents also happy.</li> <li>• Natural Enterprise are putting together a management plan which will be shared with the public when ready.</li> </ul>

<p>3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The volunteer who looks after the middle section planting on Cokes Green is no longer able to continue. The area looks scrubby and uncared for. Councillors would like to thank her for all she has done and that a request for a volunteer to take this over would be advertised and if this could not be filled Councillors agreed to remove the planting and return to grass.</li> <li>• Shed has been erected at Weston.</li> </ul> <p><i>Clerk</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Meeting – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 6.30pm. Community Connector will be the guest speaker.</li> <li>• Agreed to renew parking for 1 Sherwood.</li> <li>• On behalf of the landlord the Clerk finding a roofer to make the canopy safe. An electricity check is also being carried out on flats and offices as FYTBus has received a quote to rewire the office.</li> <li>• New policy for Memorial seats has been prepared and document will be shared to all Councillors and added to the April Agenda for discussion.</li> <li>• There was a fire in the Colwell ladies public toilets on Friday evening, small damage and they have been locked until cleaner carries out deep clean. Also, on Saturday an attempt was made to the men’s, this has been reported to the Police.</li> <li>• A meeting with IOWC &amp; IR representatives will be held on Wednesday regarding the bins in Totland.</li> </ul>
<p><b>223/12</b></p>	<p><b>ONE HORSE FIELD</b></p> <p><i>To receive details on the various vandalism in One Horse Field and agree an action plan deal with this matter.</i></p> <p>An area has been used to make a large den which was cleared by Gift to Nature. This has happened twice with both times being cleared. Gift to Nature returned to One Horse Field to clear up the litter and return the rubbish bin to its owner. They had used the contents of the bin to light the fires. They have not cut up the trees which have been chopped down believing they are less likely to be burnt in their current form. Disappointing, especially the trees which have been cut down, but no significant environmental damage and the area will recover. The Rangers spoke to the young people last week and we had hoped they appreciated the need to curtail their activities. Looking ahead, we could clear the whole area, to make it less attractive, but the timing of this work is not ideal in terms of the bird nesting season. Without monitoring the site continuously, it is difficult to police. Happy to try to reason with them and I'm sure the Rangers would meet and talk to them. It is obvious lots of endeavour has taken place. We will try to keep a close eye on the site but that's more a reactive approach rather than addressing the issue. We do need to try to curtail things before the summer, when fire lighting will be more dangerous. Without in any way condoning their activities it is a shame they have intensified things because there are probably worse places for them to be.</p> <p>Councillors agreed to keep clearing for now and address again if this continues. Through social media and the website Councillors ask for residents offering goods free of charge should not be left outside for anybody to take. Two bikes that had been in reasonable condition were left as free and were taken, however, these ended up over the cliff in One Horse Field.</p>
<p><b>224/22</b></p>	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter had been received from More Than Homes stating they had withdrawn from the Weston site.</li> <li>• A resident has asked permission to place underground power cable approximately 8’ in One Horse Field. Councillors agreed and for the</li> </ul>

	Clerk to deal with the necessary paperwork.
<b>225/22</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b> <i>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.</i> <i>If a decision is to be made this will be added to the Agenda for the next meeting.</i> JH asked if the Clerk could write to Coastal Defence asking them to investigate the groynes condition and damage caused by there erosion and see if pressure could be put on the owners to carry out necessary works.

Meeting closed 8.15pm