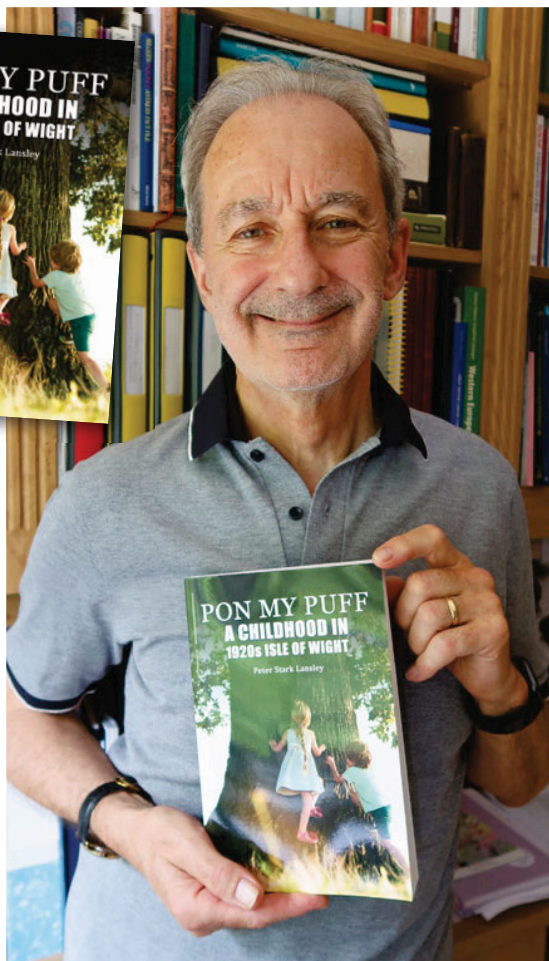


## Twice Rescued Island Book

Peter Stark Lansley's manuscript for *Pon My Puff: A Childhood in 1920s Isle of Wight* was first discovered in a trunk in 2013, 60 years after it was written. His son, Dr Charles Lansley, got it published through a local publisher in Newchurch, but sadly when they ceased trading the book went out of print.

Charles Lansley went on a rescue mission to try and find a publisher to prevent it from ending up in a dusty old trunk again, and happily, he succeeded. The autobiographical novel, by the late Peter Lansley who died in 1999, is a true story of a child's upbringing by his grandparents in 1920s Isle of Wight. We gain a greater understanding of what family and Wootton village life was like in the 1920s, when the steam train ran supreme, when there was no electricity or telephone, and when it was safe for a five-year old to walk into the village alone.

Peter Stark Lansley's son, Dr Charles Lansley, with the new edition of the book



Peter Stark Lansley, 1947



The suitcase with Lansley's note book manuscripts (found in a trunk in his garage in Alverstone Garden Village)



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### Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Update

The Parish Council would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all residents who took the time to complete the Neighbourhood Plan Consultation for Nettlestone & Seaview. Your valuable feedback and ideas will be carefully considered as we refine the plan before submitting it to the Isle of Wight Council and the Government examiner. Your input plays a vital role in shaping the future of our community and we are grateful for your involvement in this important process.

### Welcoming Our New Councillors

We are pleased to introduce three recently co-opted members to Nettlestone & Seaview Parish Council: Roy Colledge, Jules Hayward, and Martyn Heather. Each brings a wealth of experience, enthusiasm, and dedication to serving our local community (Cllr's Colledge and Heather are both former Councillors who have returned to the Council). We look forward to their contributions as we continue working together for the benefit of residents across the parish.

### Sandlands Allotments – New Season Starting September

The new growing season at Sandlands Allotments begins in September, and it's the perfect time to start planning your gardening projects. While most plots



are currently allocated, we welcome residents to join our waiting list for future availability. If you are interested in securing a plot or have any questions, please contact the Parish Clerk at [clerk@nettlestoneandseaview-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@nettlestoneandseaview-pc.gov.uk).

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Check the website to keep abreast of the latest meeting details: [www.nettlestoneandseaview-pc.gov.uk/meetings/](http://www.nettlestoneandseaview-pc.gov.uk/meetings/) - All are welcome to attend!