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Our community spirit was certainly a sight to behold at our recent Civic Parade held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September, as over 300 people marched proudly through Torpoint to St. James Church for the Civic Service. Thank you to all who attended including representatives of local organisations, Mayor's Chaplain Rev'd Canon Lynn Parker, Mayor's Cadet Chris Hancock, representatives from Cornwall Council and HMS Raleigh, the Lord Mayor of Plymouth Councillor Wendy Foster, visiting dignitaries and Torpoint Town Councillors. Several visiting dignitaries commented on the feeling of warmth that seemed to ripple through the whole event. The pupils from Torpoint Nursery and Infant School and Carbeile Junior School sang beautifully in church, thank you to the children and parents who supported them. Once again thank you to all who helped, paraded on the day, organised or contributed in any other way.

Congratulations to Mr Chris Still our Citizen of the Year and to Mr Karl Curtis and all of the team at the Torpoint and Rame Community Sports Centre, run by YMCA Plymouth, who received the Organisation of the Year. Both awards were presented by Cornwall Councillor John Crago. I am pleased to add that over £300.00 was collected during the service and this will be divided between St. James Church and my chosen charity Cancer Research UK.

With regret I have to report that once again the town was visited by Travellers at the end of August who decided to force entry into Horson sports field. The incident was quickly reported to Cornwall Council who in turn started legal proceedings to remove them from this site. Unfortunately this took several days to enforce and sadly the field was left with an excessive amount of rubbish unceremoniously dumped there. I have been assured by Cornwall Council that this will all be removed at no cost to the town. Our Cornwall Councillors John Crago and Gary Davis are working closely with their colleagues in Cornwall Council to ensure that the whole unfortunate episode is not repeated again.

By the time you read this our next community event, the Town Carnival, will have been held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September – let us all hope the weather is kind.

Until next month.