

## TORPOINT LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY HUB

# DEVELOPMENT AND LOCALISM (D&L) COMMITTEE MEETING - THURSDAY 3 MARCH 2022 LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY HUB REPORT

**Income and expenditure**. Please access the income and expenditure documents for February 2022.

**Staff absence from work**. A member of staff had to self-isolate from Sunday 13 February to Monday 21 February, due to testing positive for COVID-19.

**Staff return to work**. The member of staff who had a bad fall during the Christmas/New Year break, and fractured her right arm just below the shoulder, began a phased return-to-work on Monday 21 February. Plans to open on the first Saturday of every month will now resume, starting on Saturday 5 March.

**Food box issues.** Since the issuing of food boxes on behalf of Liskeard & Looe Foodbank inc Torpoint & Rame began in December last year, 18 boxes have been issued.

**Social media engagement**. The number of Facebook followers has now reached 1000, 80% greater than pre-pandemic.

**Cornwall Libraries working groups.** On Friday 25 February, the CH&LDM took part in a virtual working group to discuss stock. On Wednesday 30 March, the CH&LDM is due to take part in another working group, this time to discuss the Home Library Service.

**February 2022 events**. The following events and activities took place in February:

Thursday 10 and 17 February, 1300-1600. U3A Crochet Course. Very well attended.

**Saturday 19 February - Free Crazy Golf**. Originally planned to be held on the grass areas outside the library, this event was moved to the Torpoint & Rame Community Sports Centre, due to the stormy weather that was forecast. The income generated on the day from the selling of refreshments totalled £119.71 (cash and card).

**Half-term**. A great success. Activities in the library Monday - Thursday, and on the Friday a popup library was erected at Thanckes Park:

- Footfall Mon-Thu = 801 (200.25 average per day).
- Café income, cash and card, Mon-Thu = £384.00 (£96.00 average per day).









Monday Monday

Tuesday Friday

**March 2022 events**. The following events have been planned for March:

- Thursday 3 March World Book Day 2022. The library will close one hour later at 1730.
- **Saturday 5 March, 0915-1215** St Piran's Day.

Visits scheduled for March 2022. The following visits have been scheduled for March:

**Thursday 3 March, 1330-1500**. Emma Moles and Paul Evered from Cornwall Library and Information Service (LIS). Emma is Head of the Education and Library Service, and Paul is Acting LIS Delivery Manager. The main purpose of their visit, is to discuss stock, plus the challenges that libraries will face in the future.

**Wednesday 9 March, 1300-1500**. Local social prescriber, Jes Hirons, has invited various stakeholders to join her at the weekly Wellbeing Hub, to discuss what social prescribing is all about.

**Wednesday 16 March**, 1330-1530. Sarah Marsh and Gillian Sanders from Cornwall LIS. The main purpose of their visit, is to see the Wellbeing Hub in action, with the view of introducing Wellbeing Hubs within other libraries in Cornwall.

**Scheduled activities.** The following activities have been regularly scheduled:

#### Monday

Crafts Group - Every Monday, 1300-1500. Torpoint Chapter Book Club - Every 1st Monday of the month, 1100-1200. Trefoil Guild - Every last Monday of the month, 1000-1200.

### Tuesday

Liskeard & Looe Foodbank inc Torpoint & Rame providing practical help to people who are struggling financially - Every Tuesday, 0930-1200 (starting after Easter). U3A Games Group - Every Tuesday, 1400-1600.

### Wednesday

Rhymetime - Every Wednesday, 0945-1145.
Wellbeing Hub - Every Wednesday, 1300-1500.
Job Coaching with Motive8 - Every 1st Wednesday of the month, 0930-1200.
U3A Creative Writing Workshop - Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, 1400-1500.
U3A Family History - Every 2nd Wednesday of the month, 1400-1600.

#### **Thursday**

Torpoint Archives Meetings - Every 1st Thursday of the month, 1000-1200. Cornwall Councillor Surgery (Cllr Kate Ewert) - Every 2nd Thursday of the month, 1000-1200.

### **Friday**

Arts Group - Every Friday, 1000-1200.