

TORPOINT NEWSLETTER



October 2024



DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER

Friday 1st

BONFIRE & FIREWORK DISPLAY

Thanckes Park

Jenny66hughes@gmail.com

Sunday 3rd

**TORPOINT COMMUNITY
CINEMA - FRANKENWEENIE**

Council Chambers | 4pm

Torpointcommunitycinema@gmail.com

Tuesday 5th

**TORPOINT & RAME PENINSULA LIONS CLUB
MONTHLY MEETING**

Torpoint & District Comrades Club | 7.30pm

Saturday 9th

TORPOINT LIBRARY & COMMUNITY HUB

Saturday Opening | 10am – 12pm

Sunday 10th

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Monday 11th

ARMISTICE DAY

Saturday 16th

CHRISTMAS NOT CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Council Chambers

Friends@thanckes.org.uk



Sun 10 Nov - Remembrance Sunday

Saturday 23rd

LANTERN MAKING

Council Chambers

Torpointtownpartnership@gmail.com

Saturday 23rd – Saturday 30th

**CHRISTMAS WINDOW
DISPLAY COMPETITION**

Torpointtownpartnership@gmail.com

Sunday 24th

TORPOINT STREET MARKET

Fore Street | 10am – 3pm

Torpointmarkets@gmail.com

Saturday 30th

CRAFT FAYRE

Council Chambers

Jenny66hughes@gmail.com

Saturday 30th

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON

Fore Street | From 3pm, Switch On at 6pm

DECEMBER

Tuesday 3rd

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Friday 6th

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE

Library and Community Hub

Saturday 7th

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Saturday Opening | 10am – 12pm

Wednesday 11th

CAROLS IN THE PARK

Bénodet Park

Friends@thanckes.org.uk



Sunday 22 December - Polar Express showing

DECEMBER (CONT)

Wednesday 11th - Friday 13th **CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**

St James Church

To enter contact jane kent59@yahoo.co.uk

Saturday 14th **TORPOINT LIBRARY & COMMUNITY HUB**

Saturday Opening | 10am – 12pm

Saturday 14th **FRIENDS OF THANCKES PARK GROUP**

Bénodet Park

Friends@thanckes.org.uk

Wednesday 18th - Friday 20th **CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**

St James Church

To enter contact jane kent59@yahoo.co.uk

Sunday 22nd **TORPOINT COMMUNITY CINEMA - POLAR EXPRESS**

Council Chambers | 4pm

Torpointcommunitycinema@gmail.com

MONTHLY

Third Thursday of each month **TORPOINT COUNCIL MEETING**

Committee Room | 7pm

An open forum will precede the meeting.

Members of the public wishing to put a question to the council can do so, 24hrs prior to the start of the meeting, in writing to the clerk.

Last Sunday of each month **SUSTAINABLE SUNDAYS & REPAIR CAFÉ**

Torpoint Library & Community Hub | 10am -1pm

Torpoint Environmental Action Repair Café

The Toolbox Team will be present for small repairs to household items & the Sewing Repair Team for any sewing repairs.

Fourth Wednesday of every month **TORPOINT & RAME U3A**

Council Hall | 10am – Midday

u3asites.org.uk/torpoint-rame/groups

Coming up in 2025...

MAY

Thursday 8th
VE DAY 80 | Rendel Park

JUNE

Saturday 14th
TORPOINT FEST 2025 | Thanckes Park

Please note that Diary Dates are subject to change
To add an event to this diary please email admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk

TORPOINT LIBRARY IS A WARM HUB OF THE COMMUNITY

**AND WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME
BACK OUR
FREE SOUP FRIDAYS
STARTING FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER**



**DRECKLY'S CAFE IS OPEN DAILY FOR
HOT DRINKS AND CAKE**



Library EHO Award

We are delighted that Dreckly's Cafe at the Torpoint Library and Community Hub has been awarded a Food Hygiene rating of 5 - 'Very Good'!

Pictured - Dreckly Cafe receiving their Award

Repairs to the Chain of Office for Torpoint

In September the Torpoint Chain of Office was taken to Buck & Co Jewellers in Bodmin who specialise in the restoration and preservation of Civic Regalia.

The Torpoint Chain of Office is worn by the Town Mayor when attending Civic events, it comprises of a sterling silver civic chain consisting of three styles of links, and two main enamelled jewels.

The earliest jewel dates from 1895, and the later enamel jewel to 1937. The links on the main chain date from 1901 to 1914, and are made by Vale & Sermon, William James Deakin and Thomas Fattorini.

The most recent part of the chain is the central medallion bearing the inscription 'Torpoint Town Council' with a central enamelled jewel, bearing the inscription 'Torpoint Urban District Council', with an enamelled centre manufactured by Thomas Fattorini (1937) and hallmarked Birmingham.

The main jewel is inscribed on the rear as 'Antony Parish Council' (not hallmarked), and is inscribed on the edge 'to commemorate the establishment of the parish council in the 57th year of Queen Victoria's reign 1895'.

The front of the jewel bears the Comish Coat of Arms, shield with 15 bezants in pile, in black enamel.

This is surrounded by a laurel leaf motif. On the reverse, an oak wreath surrounds the names of the 'Parish Councillors of Antony'.



Pictured - The chain and the restoration process

Thanckes Park Tennis Courts



The renovation of Thanckes Park Tennis Courts earlier this summer was a huge success, very well received and supported by the community.

Membership is currently standing at 231 active members and when the weather allowed the courts were regularly fully booked.

The courts require ongoing maintenance throughout the seasons, all memberships purchased and pay and play bookings fund this.

Thank you to St Columba Rugby Trust for a generous donation, the courts now have equipment available for all to use!

Rackets and tennis balls for the community are located in a code locked box in Court 1 and the access code has been sent to all Thanckes Park ClubSpark Tennis members. Please treat these items with respect as they are there to help make tennis accessible to all.

To report any issues with the equipment please contact:
admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk.

We are delighted that good progress is being made with the recruitment of two volunteer Tennis Activators, which will allow Free Park Tennis to be established (10-11am on either Saturday or Sunday).

This will be a huge benefit to the local community and enable a wider and more diverse player base to access the courts. Please keep an eye out on social media or for emails from Clubspark for updates.

As part of the refurbishments an accessible path and gate were installed to court 1 and the space between the posts and bank is now appropriate for all users. It is fantastic to see that this court is already being taken advantage of, as one of the main goals of refurbishing the courts was to make tennis accessible to all.

Alongside this there is more fantastic news, Torpoint has been awarded funding from The Dan Maskell Tennis Trust to support the purchase of two sports wheelchairs for use within the community.



Pictured - The new tennis courts at Thanckes Park

Accessible play equipment update

Funds are being raised to make up part of a pot of money which will be used to purchase accessible play equipment for the community. The pot will comprise of community fundraising, grant funding, donations from community organisations and local Parish Councils and Town Council reserves.

What is Accessible Play Equipment?

Accessible play equipment is equipment, that gives children of all abilities the opportunity to participate in play. Inclusive play helps to build self-esteem and boost cognitive and social development, all children have the right to develop without barriers.

On Saturday 31st August the Torpoint Town Council Picnic and Play fundraiser for accessible play park equipment was a great success!

Without the help of Councillors and members of the public volunteering, and the families that came from far and wide to generously support the event, it would not have been possible to raise such a great amount of money towards this important project.

A huge thank you also goes to everyone who donated items including line dancing skills, cakes, coconuts, dog biscuits, wine for the stalls and all of the local people and businesses who donated raffle prizes.

The fabulous grand total raised was £856.51 which includes a generous donation of £200 from Torpoint Residents.

For more information on the project or to make a donation contact admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk

EXAMPLES OF ACCESSIBLE PLAY EQUIPMENT:

Inclusive Wheelchair Swing:

Users fully benefit from having their very own swing whilst still in their wheelchair. Children can either enjoy being pushed by someone else or use the suspended rope and pulley to move the swing themselves improving upper body strength and manual dexterity.



Inclusive Roundabout:

The roundabout sits flush to the ground to provide easy access for a wheelchair without any ramps or trap points. Children can enjoy the sensation of spinning together with plenty of space for wheelchair users ensuring they never miss out.



Torpoint Library & Community Hub

Everyone is welcome at the Torpoint Library and Community Hub! We have lots of different people that offer all kinds of help and support at the library. Pop in for a chat or phone us.

What's on

MONDAY

Quiet Library / Café

TUESDAY

Social Prescriber
(appointments)

Armed Forces Support
10am-12pm (2nd Tue of month)

Awenek Art for wellbeing
10am-12pm (weekly)

WEDNESDAY

Rhyme Time
10-11am (weekly),

Council Tax and Housing Benefit
Support 10am-12pm (weekly)

Friendship and Musical Memory's
Singing Group | 1-3pm (weekly)

Police Drop-in
1st (11am) and 3rd (1pm) Weds of Month

LEGO Club
3.30-5pm (weekly)

THURSDAY

Knit and Natter
1-4pm Drop-in (Weekly)

Brew and Banter
Veterans support
10am-12pm (3rd Thursday of month)

Debt Advice Drop-in
1-3pm (2nd Thursday of the month)

Cornwall Community Gateway
1pm-3pm (Last Thursday of the month)

FRIDAY

Quiet Library/Café

Arts Club
10am-12pm (weekly)

Careers advice
12-3pm (2nd & 4th Friday of the month)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Sustainable Sundays and Repair Cafe
10am-2pm (Last Sunday of the month)

Second Saturday of the month
Open 10am-12pm

CAP
DEBT
HELP

Lifting the weight of debt

Charity Registered No: 1097217 (England & Wales) SC038776 (Scotland). CAP is authorised and regulated by The Financial Conduct Authority. Product code: 10531A-1

Free debt advice
and personal
support in your
community

Get help today
0800 328 0006
capdebthelp.org

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against
poverty
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IT and Printing

Full access to our printing services
and computers.

Help and Support

We offer a daily support service for money,
health and general advice.

If you are struggling come and see us or
alternatively call –

Cornwall Gateway helpline on
01872 266383 (8am-8pm 7 days)

Or just pop into the library and
community hub for a chat and piece of
Home-Made Cake!

Library opening times

Monday – Friday | 9.15am-4.30pm

T | 01752 812215

E | Torpoint.library@liscornwall.org.uk





Torpoint Bonfire Night

Hosted By 2nd Torpoint Sea Scouts

Friday 1st November

6pm

Thanckes Park

**Community Bonfire and Firework
Display**

Refreshments on Sale

DONATIONS ON ENTRY





mike redshaw

www.mikeredshaw.com

PHYSIOTHERAPY
PERSONAL TRAINING
PILATES
REFORMER
YOGA

07918 121272 | 07899 088522

Rame Innovation Hub, West Antony Barns,
Torpoint, PL11 3AB

Book before you visit

Household
Waste and
Recycling
Centres



 **Cornwall recycles**
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www.cornwall.gov.uk/tipbooking

Book ahead for trips to waste and recycling centres

You'll need to book in advance before visiting the household waste and recycling centres in Newquay or Saltash.


The booking system has been developed to reduce waiting times and help keep road users safe.

From 9 September, Cornwall Council has been asking people to book in advance before visiting the Household Waste Recycling Centres in Newquay or Saltash.

The booking system will also be introduced at St Erth HWRC.

It's quick and easy to book online www.cornwall.gov.uk/tipbooking or over the phone by calling 0300 1234 141.

CABINET CC0329

 To open



Open the Lock box

Once the code (provided by the ambulance service via 999) has been entered the lock will beep twice, the handle will then be able to be turned anti clockwise to open the cabinet.



Defibrillator (AED) With Community Access

Please take a few moments to understand
the location of the one nearest to you
A loved one may need it one day



KEY

Staff Operated
AEDs Also Located
At Penntorr Health
& The Dentist

When
Open

24/7

Community
Events
Bookable

The nearest Defibrillator to here is located

TORPOINT PLAY TOTS

For Pre-School Children



EVERY THURSDAY

(Term Time)

9.30 - 11.30 AM

TORPOINT COUNCIL

CHAMBERS

£3 per session

(to include snacks and drink)

Come join the fun!




TORPOINT FEST 25

SATURDAY 14TH
JUNE 2025



THANCKES PARK

HEADLINE ACT
THE HARRY PEANUT SHOW



The Tuesday morning groups are run by Louise Collings, award winning Diamond Consultant, who welcomes all members past and present.



**yes
you
can**
with
**Slimming
World**

Torpoint Council Chambers
Every Tuesday

8am, 9.30am, 11.30am

Call Louise 07914 320697

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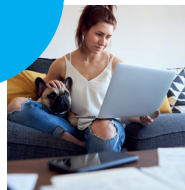
**Are your English, maths or computing skills
holding you back?**

We can help!

- Gradually build your skills at a level suitable for you
- Courses available to study online and in the classroom
- Start at various times throughout the year

Visit us at: **Torpoint Link into Learning**
Rear Entrance, Discovery Court
Fore Street, Torpoint, PL11 2AG

**Free English
and maths
courses
available**



www.cornwall.gov.uk/adultlearning

Call 0300 1231 117

Local charges apply

Updating Community Listings on the Town Council website

The Torpoint Town Council website is a valuable resource for people looking for information on business and community groups and activities that take place within the town.

Visit our website - torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/community.php

Please take a look at the community page and let us know if your business or community group needs changing or updating by emailing admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk.

**Over 70s
CHRISTMAS
LUNCH**

*For residents aged 70 and over
first come first served*

*To reserve a space RSVP to 01752 814165 from
Monday 4th November*

SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER

12:30pm
Torpoint Council Chambers



Police Station Update

We are pleased to confirm that the demolition of the old police station at the bottom of Fore Street has been successfully completed.

The site has been made safe, with hoardings erected around the perimeter, secured against large concrete blocks. This marks a significant milestone in the Torpoint Town Team Project Board's ongoing efforts to rejuvenate the area.

Behind the scenes, work continues to draw up plans for the replacement building to secure planning permission and attract funding and a developer to deliver much-needed homes for local people, along with a new community hub and library - the target is to commence the new development by the summer 2026.

In the nearer term, the Town Team plans to display impressions of the potential new development on the hoardings. We will also advertise various activities in the town to break up the long perimeter hoarding and bring some interest to the site.

We appreciate your patience and support as we work towards creating a vibrant and welcoming space for all residents.



Update on the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan

The Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan, if adopted, will play a crucial role in shaping the future development of our town and will become an integral part of local planning policy.

This community-led framework outlines plans for over 350 new homes, a supermarket, community spaces, and other infrastructure improvements, all based on feedback from residents over recent years.

Earlier this summer, our draft plan was submitted to Cornwall Council for the statutory Regulation 16 consultation. This formal process, conducted by Cornwall Council, seeks input from the public, landowners, and national bodies such as Sport England and Historic England.

The consultation concluded at the end of September, and the feedback is now being reviewed. The next step is for the plan to be assessed by a planning examiner to ensure it aligns with national planning policy and the Cornwall Local Plan.

If the examination is successful, the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan will proceed to a referendum, where every registered voter in Torpoint will have the opportunity to vote on its adoption. We hope this referendum will take place in the spring.



Torpoint Town Council welcomes any feedback on the content and frequency of their newsletters. Please write your comments below and return to 1-3 Buller Road, Torpoint PL11 2LD, or email admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk.