

Torpoint Archives & Heritage Centre,

The Hub, Fore Street, Torpoint, Cornwall. PL11 2AG.

Telephone: 07530976981

Email: admin@torpointarchives.org.uk

Website: www.torpointarchives.org.uk

President Tremayne Carew Pole

Torpoint Organisation of the Year 2013-2014

Registered Charity No. 1043650

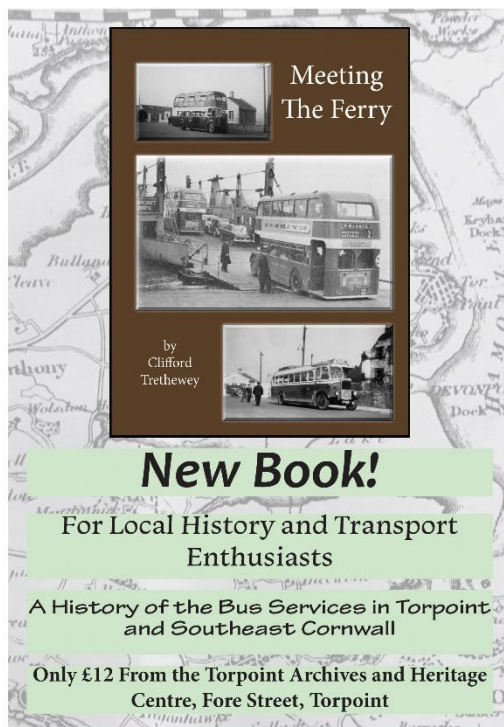
Founder members Pat & Freda Manning

TAHC REPORT June 2025

Dear Members and Volunteers,

Some of the Team have remarked that they work harder (but more enjoyably) than they did in their employment days! A lot of hours are certainly spent on Archives matters in the Library premises and at home. Some volunteers are covering 3 or 4 sessions per week including the last Sunday in the month. As an experiment the Library will be open each Saturday during July and August. In June the Archives also opened on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays 10am – 12noon.

However, age and infirmities take their toll, so a recruiting programme is under consideration. The only qualification needed is an interest in Torpoint, its people and its places, past, present and future.



It has been wonderful that Ken encouraged his brother, Clifford Trethewey to collate his lifetime's collection of photographs and research on local transport into a book. Clifford has kindly waived any right to profit from sales of the book. The Archives is very grateful to benefit from Clifford's generosity. It is a trip down memory lane and of interest to everyone, especially those who grew up locally in the 1940s 1950s and 1960s and bus enthusiasts from anywhere. It is a limited print run so don't miss out if you would like a copy.

There is a strong bond between the Royal Navy and Torpoint and on June 20th, Torpoint Mayor, Councillor Julie Martin and the Captain of HMS Raleigh, Jane Roe signed The Armed Forces Covenant.



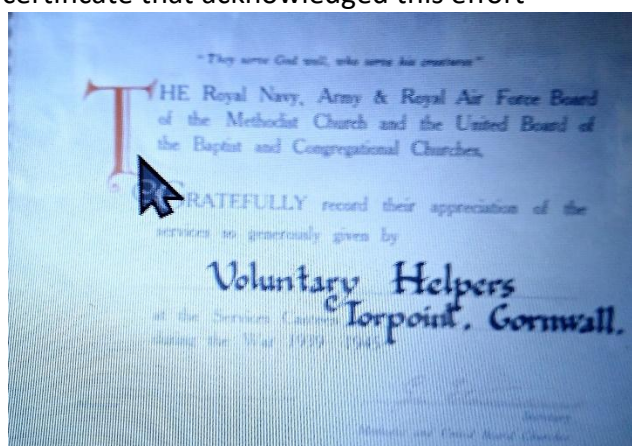
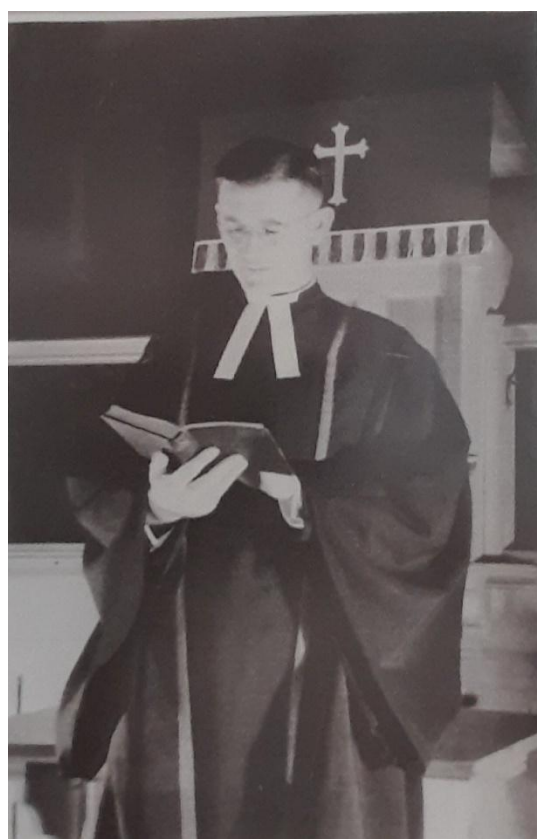
This historic occasion was witnessed by representatives of organisations in Torpoint, including the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Treasurer of Torpoint Archives. (photos by Katie Martin Promotions and Photography)



Torpoint exists because of its connection to the Armed Forces whether it be shipbuilding in the 1800s, the Worcestershire Regiment training at Tregantle in WW1 or the more “recent” arrival of the HMS Raleigh Establishment in 1938.

The ethos of Volunteering is also longstanding in Torpoint.

On the right is Rev Edwin Turner who was the minister at the Methodist Church in Fore Street during WW2. He and a team of volunteers organised a canteen for servicemen and distressed households after bombing raids. It was open every evening. In TAHC collection we have this faded certificate that acknowledged this effort



All the

support given to the Archives by the Volunteers, Members and Friends is much appreciated. Without you the Archives couldn't continue its work. If you live locally you may like to visit the Library and Community Hub at 6pm on **Thursday July 3rd 2025** for a look at the display and attend the **Archives AGM.**



Mike Pearn, Chairman
Copy to The Hub Manager (for info).
Torpoint Town Council