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NEW FROM THE EAST LOOE TOWN TRUST



Co-op Community Fund

Once again the Trust has pleasure in thanking the team at Looe's Fore Street Co-op stores and their customers for nominating our seafront Christmas light-up fund to share donations based on sales of Co-op own brand products. Already around £1000 has been raised, and the Trust will be topping up the pot itself to extend Looe's cheerful harbour-side Christmas lighting along the seafront. Our team is already looking at the practicalities and styles.

New beach safety signage

East Looe Beach is Looe's designated bathing water which means that the Environment Agency takes a weekly sample of bathing water for analysis during the season. Predicted water quality is posted in a sign by the main slipway before 10am

daily.

for this season. people vising the seafront and East Looe Beach will see that we have put up beach safetv warning signs. There is a tall primary sign by the Beach Café with another by the Pier Café, and they are in the RNLI style which is familiar around the UK. Another sign has beach information and contacts.



The big message is a reminder that there is no lifeguard service in operation. The most noticeable change on the ground is that we will be tethering four yellow beach marker buoys to indicate the limit of the swimming zone, between the end of the pier and Tom Barber's rocks. They will normally be in place between 1st May and 30th September and between those inclusive dates no jet skiing or kite surfing is permitted in the swimming zone. Other reminders include a warning not to use inflatables in strong or offshore winds, and a reminder that a windsock flies from the tractor shed.

No launching is permitted from the beach (as before), except as authorised by the Trust, and of course the activities of the sailing and rowing clubs, Harbour Commissioners, and emergency services. With the increasing popularity of water sports, along with sea swimming, our objective is to reduce conflicting activities in the swimming zone, and maintain the excellent safety record at East Looe Beach.

Museum reopens!

Our volunteer museum team has been quick off the mark to reopen after lockdown. Not that they were idle during that time. There are brilliant new displays featuring Looe Island and smuggling. Displays have been refreshed and re-labelled, so do come in and see the new look for yourself. Individual prebooked tours for groups of four (presently) can be booked online through this link:

https://old-guildhall-museum-and-gaol.arttickets.org.uk/ or search online for East Looe Town Trust - Art Tickets

Guildhall Community Tea Room too...

It is very welcome news that the Tea Room Club is planning to reopen on 22^{nd} June, subject to Covid rules. Trust Manager Jane Day will be helping them to ensure that things are Covid secure. The easy access, ground floor tea room is provided without charge by ELTT, and the Tea Room Club is self-funding. If you would like to learn more please contact the Trust office.

Guildhall weddings

Our Guildhall team puts in a lot of work to ensure a memorable day for couples who have booked the Guildhall for their wedding. Happily they enjoy doing it, and they are expecting a busy time as the bookings are already coming in. Jane says, "The sight of a wedding party in Fore Street, or making their way through town for some photos on the beach cheers everyone up". Here's to happy days ahead.

Brian Galipeau Chairman





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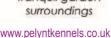
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LOOE OLD CORNWALL SOCIETY



After a very successful series of meetings via Zoom, Looe Old Cornwall Society will hold its usual summer programme of boat trips and outings, and hope to resume meetings in St Martin's Hall in September, subject to government regulations at the time.

Meetings are held at 2.30pm on the second Saturday of the month, and all are welcome. For further information please telephone 01503 220042 or e-mail looeoldcornwall@hotmail.co.uk.



THE BENEFICE OF ST. MARTIN WITH ST.NICHOLAS, LOOE & ST. WENNA, MORVAL



This Benefice is currently without a Priest. We were sad to see Philip go, but understand that he felt it was time for a change of direction for him and, after a year of being unable to provide worship in our churches, he felt it was a good time also for the parish.

We are now in a period of "Transition" (formerly "Interregnum") during which the contacts are:

Looe – Deirdre Croker – 01503 264414 Morval – Mike Willmott – 01503 240218

Representatives of both parishes are currently working on our Parish Profiles, which will be co-ordinated together into a document which will be used by the Diocese for advertising the position of Rector.

Meanwhile, we are hoping to re-open our churches from July onwards, and soon there will be full service schedules on the church doors and also the website:

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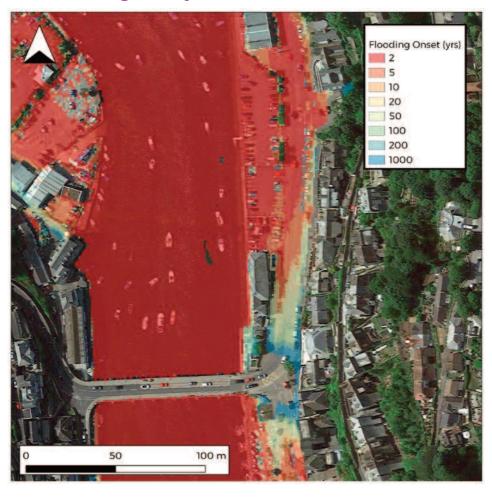
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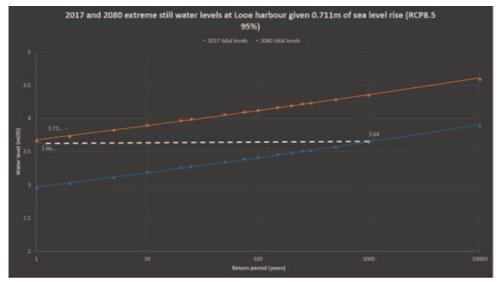
Looe Flood Defence and Regeneration Scheme



A big thank you to everyone who has shared their experiences of flooding in the town with us over the past few weeks.

We are still gathering evidence on the dates and extent of historical flooding over the past 20 years so, if you have not already done so, please continue to email any information about your experiences, including dates and photographs if possible, to LooeFloodDefence@cornwall.gov.uk.





During the past few weeks members of the project team have been assessing the impact of different wave conditions on different breakwater layouts. Work is also continuing on assessing potential locations for the flood gates and the different types of flood gates which could be used.

Over the coming months we will be collecting more detailed data to inform the final design. This includes information on tidal levels, tidal flow, and the movement of sediment along the river, as well as completing the topographic survey by assessing the doorstep level of every property that could flood in the future and carrying out detailed ground investigations.

We are also working with Council planners and the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) to screen and then scope the extent of the EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment). We have already carried out over-wintering bird surveys and are just collating the results. We will continue our studies into areas of sea grass and the reef within the Marine Conservation Zone.

We need to build a strong economic case to help secure Government and other sources of funding for the scheme. Generating more money in the local economy and creating more jobs means looking at the traditional economic model of the town. Providing a range of different offers will help Looe become a place which attracts tourists all year round and encourages local people to visit the town and spend money.

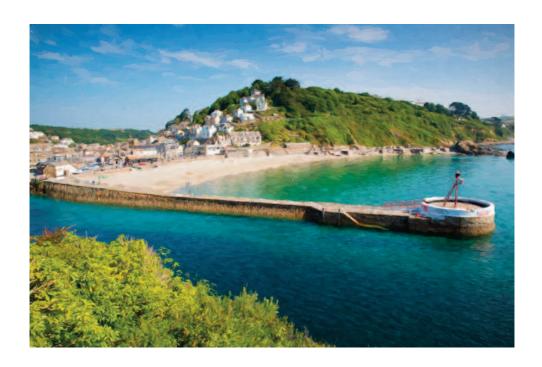
The project team are currently working with partners to carry out an economic study which is looking at a number of areas to support regeneration. These include:

 Harbour Businesses: Investigating the potential effect of the flood defence scheme in helping to retain more of the fresh fish caught in the local area by encouraging its use in new and existing restaurants – "fish to plate".

- Commercial zone: Reducing the risk of flooding would help to encourage
 people to invest in existing shops and businesses as well as attracting new ones
 to the town, helping to improve the range and quality of the offer.
- Active waterscapes: Building on the increased interest in healthy and active living, this would focus on the effect of the scheme on activities based around marine ecology and water sports.
- Relocation: The last few years have seen an increase in people wanting to
 move out of cities, either for a change in lifestyle including setting up businesses
 or retire. Providing a range of high quality accommodation and business
 opportunities protected by the scheme will enable Looe to take advantage of
 this trend.

Our studies may take us off in a different direction to those outlined above but we will keep you up to date.

Last month we issued the second edition of the Looe Flood Defence newsletter. This was published on the Looe Flood Defence pages on the Let's Talk site: https://letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/looe-flood-defence, as well as being sent to partners and stakeholders. We are also continuing to add the latest information about the scheme, including answers to Frequently Asked Questions, to the Let's Talk site. You can subscribe to the site to receive alerts when new information is added, as well as receiving copies of the newsletters. You can also email us at LooeFloodDefence@cornwall.gov.uk.





LOOE RNLI NEWS AND EVENTS



Can you help to bring the Ollie Naismith II to Looe?

Next year, our current D Class Ollie Naismith will have reached the end of its operational life and needs to be replaced. To make this happen the RNLI has launched The Looe Lifeboat Appeal – Ollie Naismith II. Our appeal has got off to a great start with several generous donations, and our supporters have come up with some wonderful fundraising events. The appeal team are planning fundraising events, including concerts in the Boathouse, beach activities and open days, details of these will be released when circumstances allow.

People wishing to support the appeal can donate and/or fundraise in a number of ways

- Visit our Just Giving page: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/looe-lifeboat-appeal or visit our donation page: http://www.looelifeboats.co.uk/donate.html
- If you want to hold a fundraising event or activity you can set up your own Just Giving page by visiting: https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/looe-lifeboat-appeal

and clicking on the "Start Fundraising" button

Could your stunning photo of a "Seascape" or "Looe at its best" win a very generous first prize from Portbyhan Hotel?

This is the theme of our photographic competition, raising funds towards the Looe Lifeboat Appeal. The author of the winning photograph will win dinner, bed and breakfast for two at the Portbyhan Hotel. The winning photograph will grace the front of a 2022 Calendar, which will also feature the 12 "runner up" photographs. Full details on how to enter can be found at:

http://www.looelifeboats.co.uk/photocomp.html

Keeping safe

Throughout the pandemic, our crew at Looe have been ready to answer the pager and rescue those in difficulty. As lockdown restrictions relax, many of you will want to go out to enjoy our coastline, beaches and water-based activities. Please remember to Respect the Water, check the tide times, wear appropriate buoyancy aids and take a method of calling for help.

Shouts

Between 29th March 2021 and 22nd May 2021 our crews launched to seven shouts. More information at www.looelifeboats.co.uk/recentshouts.

Souvenir Shop

Our souvenir shop beside the boathouse is now open. The shop has a wide range of products, many new for 2021.

LOOE ISLAND NATURE RESERVE UPDATE

Well, since the last update, the weather certainly has been interesting, hasn't it? April was cold and very dry and we feared that the Island's water supplies would be drying up early, then it's been a wet and windy May. Result? The island's wildlife and vegetable gardens have been confused!

Still, in late May a dedicated team of birders visited to survey our nesting coastal birds. They found good numbers of breeding Great Black-backed Gulls and Herring Gulls. Great Black-backs are the world's biggest gull and the island supports one (if not 'the') biggest breeding colony in Cornwall – so be impressed! As to Herring Gulls, I know it may sound surprising but nationally they are red listed as being in decline, so continuing to record good numbers here is reassuring. Then there are the well camouflaged (and hence vulnerable to trampling) nests of exuberant Oystercatchers...numbers were a little lower than usual but hopefully we'll find a few more nests as the season progresses. On the southern cliffs pairs of Shags and Fulmars were recorded but many of the Cormorants have already fledged. Indeed this is the time of year when at least one visitor will mention seeing our 'penguins', but nope there are no penguins here, just young cormorants doing a fair penguin impression as they pose upright showing off their pale bellies and dark backs.

This year we saw the successful breeding of a pair of Ravens. These spectacular black birds pair for life and they started nesting at their cliff site back in February. Their nest is bulky and crudely made of sticks but it does the job. Then in May the young finally left their nest. We often hear Ravens making croaking, tok and prruk prruk noises or gliding, rolling and twisting though the sky – they really do look like they are enjoying life!



Monitoring of Grey Seals has been interesting – rough weather makes it difficult to spot them amongst the white water, then there's the challenge of photographing them for identification. A couple of times a year we take part in seal censuses and, in late April, 10 seals were recorded as using the Island's waters but since then sightings have been low. Although we know that seals are very mobile marine mammals and that their presence here comes in peaks and troughs, the other day I was relieved to photograph my favorite seal, Duchess. For it's when a seal 'disappears' that for a while that we worry something may have happened to it. You can help record wildlife too. Should you spot a seal (or any wildlife) remember to give it space and avoid disturbance, and send your sighting to: https://erccis.org.uk/share-sightings.

The recent strong winds and rain have been having an interesting impact on the Island's vegetation! We love to see blossom and the fruit trees, Rowan (mountain ash) and Hawthorn were putting on a fine display, but these May storms are sure to have blown off petals. Will the insects have had chance to feed on the flowers? Will the pollinators have fertilized them? Will there be a good harvest of fruit and berries? Only time will tell.



Finally, if you want to learn more about the island take a look at our pages (https://www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk/explore/visit-looe-island) on the Cornwall Wildlife Trust's website. There you'll find details about visiting and there's also lots of information about watching wildlife well and sharing your wildlife sightings.

Claire Lewis
Warden's Assistant
Looe Island Nature Reserve

LOOE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION





Looe War Memorial: The memorial was unveiled and dedicated on 14th May, 1921. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 precautions we were unable to mark the centenary, other than flying the five memorial flags (Merchant Navy Association, Royal Navy Association, Union Flag, RBL Flag and Royal Air Force Association).

Royal British Legion Centenary: The British Legion (later to become the Royal British Legion in 1971) officially came into being on 15th May, 1921, the day after the Looe War Memorial was unveiled. Again, due to Covid-19 restrictions, we could only mark the day by flying the Royal British Legion flag.

Looe RBL Branch Meetings and Centenary: Our branch was formed on 2nd July, 1921, and hopefully we will be able to mark our 100th birthday on, or around that date, as we hope to recommence our meetings at the beginning of July. We will publish further details once the situation becomes clearer.

Helpline: If you, or your family, need help or advice from the 'Legion' then please call the Royal British Legion's free helpline on 0808 802 8080. Lines are open 8am to 8pm, seven days a week.

Update from Australia: In the previous issue we mentioned Lieutenant Colonel Campbell DSC, who lived at East Cliff, and served through WW2 although turning 55 in 1939. We are pleased to report that we have received further information from his granddaughter in Australia. She recalls that her grandfather was recalled from retirement in 1939, with the rank of Major, and posted to France to command a company of the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps (AMPC), later renamed the Pioneer Corps. The unit was evacuated in June 1940 in Operation Ariel (more on 'Ariel' later) and then sent to the Isle of Man, to guard an internment camp for enemy aliens. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and eventually became the Commanding Officer of the Liskeard Battalion of Home Guard.

We Will Remember Them: Last year was the 80th anniversary of the evacuation of Dunkirk which took place between 27th May and 4th June, 1940. The Association of Dunkirk Little Ships planned to sail their little fleet to Dunkirk to mark the anniversary but, due to Covid, the event was first rescheduled to 2021, and then 2025. A number of Looe shallow draught boats were commissioned by the War Office to repatriate troops from Dunkirk but were not actually used. One such boat was the Moby Dick (later renamed Moose), a Looe Lugger, built by Pearn and Sons in 1925. She was owned by the Looe Harbour Master and used for shark fishing. Two Looe boats, built by Frank Curtis, did actual go to Dunkirk: the motor yacht Ann and the pleasure yacht Voyageur, which was built on the lines of Cornish Lugger.

Some may remember Joe Hill who lived in Looe for many years. In 2010 he was

interviewed on Radio Cornwall about his experiences at Dunkirk when, aged 22, he was a private in the Royal Army Service Corps. He related that at night, whilst waiting to be evacuated from the beaches, they would line up in the water in the hope that the German fighter pilots would think they were sea defences, and that he and his mates just took all in their stride.

The majority of soldiers evacuated from Dunkirk were brought home by Royal Navy destroyers. Norman Stevens, from Sandplace, near Looe, had been a senior steward on cruise ships but, with the outbreak of the war, he became a canteen manager on a Royal Navy destroyer with the rank of Petty Officer. Unfortunately, we don't know the name of the destroyer, but it made a number of trips to Dunkirk and Norman told his family that 'Everyone was wet all the time and that he gave all the canteen stock away to the rescued soldiers'. Sadly, not long after Dunkirk, Norman died due to an illness. He is remembered on the Looe War Memorial.

Over a third of a million British and French troops were evacuated from Dunkirk in Operation Dynamo, but that wasn't the end of the story. There were still over 100,000 British troops still in western France, which increased to nearly 160,000 when two more infantry divisions were landed to bolster the French Army. Unfortunately, it was too late to stem the German advance into France and, on 13th June, the French indicated that they were going to negotiate a peace agreement with the Germans. The British had no alternative but to extricate their forces from France (Operation Ariel). Vessels were sent from along the English South Coast, including the H.M. Transport Lancastria which sailed from Plymouth. The operation was successful and over 190,000 troops, of various nationalities, were evacuated from ports along the French coast. A very notable exception was the loss the Lancastria. On 17th June the Lancastria, due to her size, had to anchor about 10 miles off St Nazaire and have evacuees ferried out to her. By midday she was full, and well over her permitted number of passengers, but there was no record made as to how many were actually aboard. She had to wait for other ships to load and, at about 4pm, a single enemy plane dropped four bombs which hit the Lancastria and she sank within 20 minutes with a huge loss of life.

Some may remember Looe builder, Ken Pote, who was in the Army and evacuated from France in 1940. The first evacuation vessel he was on was sunk and he spent some time in the water before being rescued. He eventually got home and later that year married Iris Pengelly of Looe. Their son, Mike, recalls that his father attended the 'Lancastria' reunions, which would suggest that he was on her when she was bombed. The loss of the Lancastria was Britain's biggest ever maritime disaster, greater than the Titanic and Lusitania combined, with the losses estimated at between 3,000 and 6,000 soldiers, sailors, airmen and civilians. The official report into the sinking is subject to the Official Secrets Act and is not due to be released until 2040. Looe RBL remember the Lancastria by flying the Looe War Memorial flags at half-mast on Thursday 17th June.

David Welch – Looe RBL
Tel: 01503 265573 email: looe.rbl@rbllooe.com



The last few weeks have been very busy as we have been working hard to develop the recommended routes for the three trails so we can share them with you as soon as possible.

Thank you to everyone who has contacted us via the Let's Talk site: letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/looe-valley-trails or by email: lvt@cornwall.gov.uk to give us their views on the project so far. It has been great to see the level of support for creating the trails, with many of you telling us you can't wait for them to be ready. We share your enthusiasm!

We are also listening to the concerns which have been raised. While we have been responding directly to those who have contacted us with questions and comments, we are also publishing information in the FAQ section of our Let's Talk site.

Finalising the recommended routes

Although we are making good progress in developing the recommended routes, there is still some more work to do before we are able to publish them for comment. We want to find the right balance between protecting the environment and encouraging people to get into their local, natural environments and improve their health and wellbeing, and supporting economic regeneration. The routes are being designed to minimise, wherever possible, any negative effect on residents and the environment.

We are also looking at opportunities to make improvements in and around the proposed routes. These could include providing new stopping places, new signage and bike parking facilities (see pitcures on the following page). We are continuing to talk with landowners, local communities and other key partners on specific areas of concern and hope to be able to share details of the recommended routes soon.

Supporting economic regeneration

As well as creating a network of multi-use trails connecting Looe, Liskeard, Bodmin and Cremyll and opening up access to some of the most beautiful and distinctive landscape in Cornwall, the project will play a key role in supporting the economic regeneration of South East Cornwall.

By supporting the development of new businesses, including cycle hire operators and cafes, and encouraging more local people and tourists to visit the area all year round, the project can help to boost the local economy, secure existing jobs and create new ones. We are currently drawing up a business case which identifies the economic benefits to the local community and will be publishing this as soon as it has been completed.

Design Panel

In the last newsletter we provided details of the new Design Panel we were setting up and invited people to apply to join. We had a positive response to the invitation so thank you to everyone who expressed in taking part. A preliminary meeting of the Panel, with members representing the main Town Councils, Community Network Panels and the Looe Development Trust, who were the originators of the Looe Valley Trails project, took place last month. Members discussed the rules of the group as well reviewing the applications received from the wider community.

A number of new members have been identified to join the Panel who will represent the communities in which they live. However there is a potential gap in the representation of young people and those with different needs. To address this we have reserved two seats for these groups and are now actively seeking people to come forward to join. If you would like to get involved, please contact us at lvt@cornwall.gov.uk

The first full meeting of the Design Panel is due to take place during the next few weeks. This will start to look in details at different elements of the scheme. We will be providing feedback on the meeting on the Let's Talk site and in future newsletters.

Environment Panel

Now that the Design Panel is up and running, we are now looking to set up the Environment Panel. This group will focus on scrutinising and directing best practice in all aspects of the environment. The Panel will include representatives of key stakeholders and relevant community groups to ensure that the environment is protected. Details of the application process for this Panel will be published on our Let's Talk site in the next few weeks so make sure you keep an eye out.











HERITAGE CENTRE SUMMER SEASON 2021



Everything was ship shape and ready for re-opening at Looe Harbour Heritage Centre in the historic Old Sardine Factory venue in West Looe. From Wednesday 26th May, the Heritage Centre re-opened for safe 30-minute 'timed slot' bookings from just £5 per slot.



From Monday 31st May they are bringing back their popular Family Craft Activity Workshops and putting on four days of sea-themed workshops for families and children over the half-term break. Groups of up to six will be based at a workshop table, socially distanced safely from other visitors – families can choose between sessions to make 'Jiggly Jellyfish

Suncatchers' or 'Wobbly Whales '.

These Covid-secure hour-long craft

workshops and the safe 'timed slot' tickets, as well as exclusive private 45-minute tours of the Heritage Centre for families and support bubbles can be booked via their website at: www.oldsardinefactoryheritagecentre.org/.



To celebrate the re-opening, Looe Harbour Commissioners who own and manage the Heritage Centre have offered two days of free 'timed slots' bookings open to all. Emma Wilkinson, the Venue Operations Manager says: "It's been a long, dark winter and we are so pleased to be opening the Heritage Centre again for the summer season. We have set up two days of free 'timed slots' to say to the people of Looe "spring is here...come down and say hello, see our exhibits and the stories of fisherfolk and the Harbour, and enjoy being out again". Visitors can also now spoil themselves and have a delicious cup of coffee and a cake when they visit, as we're launching a brand new Heritage Centre Coffee Shop at the Old Sardine Factory when we re-open."

The first day of complimentary timed slots during Launch Week was on Wednesday 26th May. Complimentary slots have also been made available for Saturday 29th May. Book in advance via the website to ensure you get a slot, or drop in if you prefer.

The Heritage Centre and Coffee Shop will be open for five days a week initially, increasing to more days and hours from Monday 21st June. Full details on the website: www.oldsardinefactoryheritagecentre.org/.



MAYOR'S REPORT MARCH 2021





None of us could possibly have predicted at the beginning of last year what we were in store for, or predict the immense challenges we would face in our community, Cornwall, the UK and the world.

I have been incredibly proud and humbled to have been Mayor of such a wonderful community and chairman of a Council that puts Looe at the heart of what it does, now and in the future.

Although it has been such an incredibly difficult and challenging year in so many different ways, with great sadness for our losses, our community once again came together to help each other in an incredible way. I cannot thank everyone enough for their resilience, public spirit, kindness and consideration of others. In such a short time we became one of the best organised volunteering networks, with over 150 volunteers helping our local community. Looe's response was so incredible that we are now recognised as leading the way for others and lessons learnt here are helping and supporting many other communities across Cornwall. Our help and befriending lines were very successful and from March to October our volunteer network took over 1340 calls on the helplines, delivered over 340 prescriptions and helped around 310 vulnerable people with a range of essential services. This has nearly doubled now.

I would like to give a special thank you to the small group of volunteers who coordinated our volunteer response; in particular to Cllr Simon Barker and also to Cllr Michala Powell whose IT skills created our volunteer databases.

Looe Community Cupboard, which is still running, is again a significant collaboration led by the Council and I would like to thank everyone that help set it up and still are making donations, in particular East Looe Town Trust who donated the new cupboard, Looe Development Trust who manage all the finances, and Cllr Edwina Hannford.

Looe Hardship Fund, with the Council in collaboration with Looe Development Trust and the Rusty Bucket together with our two Cornwall Councillors, has supported many families and individuals throughout the town and I hope that this fund will continue to support many others in their moment of need.

Looe Library was the only library in Cornwall to maintain a service during full lockdown, operating a click and deliver service, again dependent on volunteers for delivering books. We have received many messages thanking us for this service from our residents, in particular in care homes and in rural areas, as we have helped to keep minds active. Looe Library was also the first library in Cornwall to offer online live activities, such as Rhyme Time and coffee mornings, which have now been adopted by many other Cornish libraries.

Volunteers have been essential to our response to COVID and my thanks go to each and every one of them for their selfless response to the need of others. Volunteers also supported the Town Council in spray-signing the streets and in maintaining our communication with messages of encouragement and hope.

In order to keep our streets safe, we also employed street marshals to help limit the number of vehicles using Fore Street. They helped to prevent approximately 100 vehicles a day from using Fore Street by guiding them and giving advice.

We were delighted to receive two letters from the Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall, Colonel Edward Bolitho, in October. The first was to congratulate our volunteers and co-ordinators and the second to congratulate the Council on the support and organisation of the group.

We are now looking at how we can continue to help our town stay safe, particularly when lockdown ends and visitors arrive. We have already employed marshals again.

My sincere thanks go to the Old Bridge Surgery, Looe Development Trust and Looe Lions for their hard work in developing the Millpool Centre as a vaccination centre for the Town. The organisation has been incredible, and Looe is top of the vaccination statistics in Cornwall.

Last year saw us have to do things in different ways, from holding virtual meetings to how to put on a Christmas for our town. Again, I never cease to be amazed at the generosity of our community:

- Looe's 'Secret Santa' appeal raised funds to ensure our children received a
 present this year.
- Looe Lions delivered Christmas hampers to those in need.
- We worked with the Harbour Commissioners and Looe Lions to help Santa and his two reindeer visit the streets of Looe.
- Both Julie and I had the very difficult job of judging the best Christmas displays;
 without a doubt this year beat all others with absolutely incredible displays.
- Looe Town Council ran a 'virtual' 12 days of Christmas and had an amazing array of local groups and organisations join in the fun (although the Harbour Quiz was the most challenging!)

Over the last 18 months there have been big changes within the Council.

In order to move our Council forward and be in the best position to support and grow our community, as well as taking on those services that Cornwall Council will no longer be providing, we totally restructured the Council, first of all employing a new Commercial Strategy Director and Town Clerk, Mel Colton-Dyer.

My special thanks go to Mel who more than hit the ground running and as already mentioned, now has Looe leading the way in Cornwall. Not only have our staff changed, but we have had seven new Councillors join us in the last 12 months and have just gone through the election process.

Our new Councillors bring a wealth of different skills and experience but one thing

they all have is common is a love and passion for Looe and a desire to work hard to make a positive difference to the town and for its residents. They arrived at the Council at a challenging time, but also at an exciting time with the Council working on delivering a number of key projects. Again, I would like to thank every one of them for the incredible work they have done for the Council and the skills that they have brought.

As part of our transformation and desire to reach as many of our community as possible, we have launched a new Looe Town Council website, where we welcome any community news or updates. Community groups can also have a page on the website. We are also about to launch a new state of the art destination website.

I am delighted to report that Looe Neighbourhood Development Plan has been submitted to Cornwall Council. Details of the plan can be found at: http://www.futurelooe.town/. This is a significant step forward for Looe as neighbourhood planning gives us, as a community, direct power to develop a shared vision for our neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of our local area. There will be public consultation in the near future and I urge you to take an interest.

We are helping set up a town team. This will drive the town revitalisation which is so essential at this current time. It is aimed at social, economic and environmental prosperity. It requires the town bodies to work together which includes business, third sector/charities, youth/schools.

Finally I would like to again thank all the members of LTC staff for the dedication and hard work and also to my deputy Edwina Hannaford and Committee Chairmen for all they do.

Cllr Martin Gregory Mayor of Looe



LOOE TOWN COUNCIL AGM





The Annual Meeting, and first physical meeting since March last year, of Looe Town Council was held Covid-safely on 17th May at St Martin's Church Hall. The meeting was chaired by Cllr Martin Gregory and started with the Annual Reports from Committee Chairs – see following pages.

The new Mayor and Deputy Mayor were then elected. They are:

Mayor and Chair of the Council: Cllr Martin Gregory

Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chair of the Council: Cllr Edwina Hannaford

Both Councillors thanked the other members and signed their declarations of acceptance of office.

Standing Committees and Chairs of Committees were also appointed. They are:

Planning Committee – Cllr James Lundy
Finance Committee – Cllr Simon Barker
Policy and Strategy Committee – Cllr Tony Smith
Services and Asset Management Committee – TBC
Community Hub Committee – Cllr Jon Holmes
Staffing Committee – all Chairs of Committees, Mayor and Deputy Mayor

Also elected as Councillors for Looe: Cllr Viv Sullivan Cllr Armand Toms Cllr Carla Jones

The full agenda and minutes of the meeting can be found on our website: https://www.looetowncouncil.gov.uk/.

Mel Colton-Dyer Commercial Strategy Director and Town Clerk Looe Town Council - Konsel Tre Logh





LOOE LIBRARY & COMMUNITY HUB REPORT



The move from the Guildhall Council offices to the Millpool library site in the summer of 2019 was a complex exercise that required hard work and commitment from members and staff.

The Council took the decision to amalgamate Looe Town Council into the Library building on the Millpool, with the day to day running of the library devolved to the Council in December 2019. However the formal transition arrangements were not agreed with Cornwall Council until March 2019.

Plans for renovation of the former Library building were drawn up and the actual works were relatively straightforward, thanks in the main to Cllrs Sullivan, Martin and Lundy in particular. Innovations like a water refill point were included. Nonetheless it was an unsettling experience for staff and members, especially as it coincided with an organisation restructure and reliance on the service of an interim Clerk.

The refurbishment did mean we delivered library services a bit differently utilising the mobile library service and click and collect. Staff commitment and good will was key, but we did complete the Summer Reading Challenge with a successful event in the Millpool Centre to support the challenge.

In partnership with Looe Live Music Festival and with the hard work of the Deputy Clerk Laura Kellaway, we delivered the visitor information pop-up trailer. Although we were not able to find a location to park the trailer in East Looe it was successfully deployed at Looe Live in September 2019.

The formal reopening of the Library Hub was in October 2019. It was well attended by residents and had a child focus with activities and crafts. We were honoured to welcome the Bookstart Bear. Aided by a small team of volunteers to support library activities, things settled down once the works were completed and normal library activities and services resumed including Rhyme Time and book readings.

We lost momentum a little over this transition period, with a further setback as we lost further staff including the Library Hub Manager, who moved to new opportunities and retirements. But with the new Strategic Director and Clerks appointment in October 2019 there was a renewed focus on planning for the future.

The pandemic and lockdown in March 2020 of course stopped all face-to-face activities in the Library, but we still maintained a click and collect lobby service and home delivery service using repurposed staff and the Looe Coronavirus Volunteers. We were the only Cornwall Library to do this throughout the pandemic. We also provided an information service as best we could under the circumstances.

With the hard work of staff and members, the Looe Coronavirus Volunteer support

group was established. Thanks should go in particular to Cllr Simon Barker, but all Cllrs played their part. Volunteers helped residents by collecting prescriptions, providing lifts to hospital and shopping. The prescription collection service continues even now.

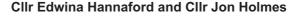
We appointed a new Library Hub Manager in June 2020 which has seen a renewed focus on developing the library offer, Information Services and visitor activities with a multi-tasking flexible staffing approach, which was part of the original Council vision.

The pop-up Visitor Information trailer came into its own through the summer of 2020. It was stocked with information and visitors were able to self-serve. The trailer will still be a feature of our Visitor Information offer.

The main focus of our work through the back end of 2020 has been staff recruitment, establishing our values and a focussed work plan, developing a new Visit Looe branding, and delivering the new visitor destination website. www.visitlooe.co.uk. The website with new branding was soft launched on 12th April and we are very grateful to Emma and the team for this important milestone. There will be a more formal launch to come as the visitor economy and society reopens, as the pandemic hopefully eases. A full marketing plan is almost at completion so we can fully promote everything our area has to offer.

Serving residents and visitors under the motto #hereforlooe has always been our priority as a Council and we will continue to develop this theme post-pandemic. When allowed to do so, we see the Library Community Hub being a focus for supporting social issues in the town with opportunities for training, volunteering and events.

We would like to formally thank staff and members past and present for all your commitment and hard work over a very difficult period. We are optimistic with a new Chair and full staff complement we can take the Community Hub to another level.







LOOE TOWN COUNCIL: FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT 2020 / 2021



The most important event for Finance was the appointment of a new RFO (Responsible Financial Officer) whose role is to effectively manage and monitor the Council's finances, advise the Council on a financial strategy that meets its finance and policy objectives and ensure that its accounts and administrative procedures comply with the requirements of Accounts and Audit and other relevant Regulations. During the period the RFO has implemented a new accounting system and reconciled a large number of historic financial issues. This has aided the Council in having good oversight of the financial running of the council operations.

On a monthly basis, the Finance Committee considers, and where appropriate authorises, outstanding invoices, recent Bank Reconciliations and upcoming contracts. The Committee also approves requests for financial assistance. In the year, requests were approved for a number of applicants including Isight Cornwall, St Pinnock Band, Looe in Bloom, The Rusty Bucket, the Christmas Lights, Looe Radio, Cornwall Air Ambulance, the Merlin Trust, RNLI, St Martin's Burial Ground and Enterprising Looe.

The Committee has introduced or updated a number of policies and procedures including the Data Retention Policy, Business Continuity Plan, standing orders, Looe Emergency plan, Staff Handbook, Terms of Reference of the Finance Committee and outstanding priorities, Financial Regulations and Investment Strategy.

The purpose of the Finance Committee is to support the Council's strategic direction and stewardship of the Council finances, investments and sustainability. In particular, the Committee provides the Council with assurance concerning all aspects of finance and operational performance relating to the provision of Council services. The Finance Committee supports the Council in the delivery of projects and investments, and provides advice and recommendations where necessary.

The Finance Committee is responsible for ensuring that the Council meets all its financial related regulatory, compliance and other related responsibilities, and for monitoring the keeping of accounting records and systems of internal controls.

The Committee deals with all aspects of the Council's Corporate Governance including the management and control of budgets for central services, administration, the Council's civic and Mayoral services, corporate management, external and internal audit, performance management, democratic representation, and community and other grants.

The Committee recommends to Council the annual budget, variations and supplementary estimates relating to budgets of the standing Committees, and any Corporate plans, strategies and policies. The Committee receives Auditors' reports and makes recommendations regarding any matters arising from such reports.

The Committee reviews the management accounts on a monthly basis prior to submitting a summary to the full Council. It also reviews the published financial information and AGAR, (Annual Governance & Accountability Return) which includes the findings of the Internal Auditor, together with Governance Statements and Financial Statements. The AGAR is then submitted to the independent external auditor appointed by the Audit Commission for examination. The committee also appoints the independent internal auditor. The Committee also initiated a number of other projects including the Town Recovery Strategy, Covid Hardship Fund, devolution plans from Cornwall Council and bids for external funding.

One of the most important functions of the Committee is the preparation of the budget and precept for the next period. The RFO, CSD and Committee put in considerable work to understand current and historic issues and to ensure the Council is properly prepared for its future responsibilities.

Finance Summary: The estimated year end accounts indicate a positive close to the year, income being marginally below budget whilst expenditure was markedly below, resulting in an overall increase of reserves. The accounts however, have obviously yet to be audited. Notably, the Library Hub income was effectively nil due to Covid and expenditure ended the year considerably below budget. The Council's finances at year end may be considered sound, allowing for outstanding capital expenditure and decisions that the Council may make regarding devolution in the year ahead. In general, the Council's financial position indicates improved budgetary control. Cash reserves at year end are expected to be £500k, up from the carry forward of £466k at the beginning of the year.

Thanks to Fiona Wilkes-Jones (the RFO) and Mel Colton-Dyer the CSD for their support and help. Thanks to all on the Finance Committee for their support during the year and their efforts in progressing the many changes that have been implemented.





LOOE TOWN COUNCIL: PLANNING COMMITTEE SUMMARY 2020/2021



The last 12 months has been a very busy time for the Planning Committee which has had an increase in the number of planning applications which are received each month. I will set out below the various achievements:

Annette and Karen

After 11 years as Admin and Planning clerk we said goodbye to Annette who had been a real support to the committee and was extremely reliable and supportive. We welcomed Karen, who joined Looe Town Council as Admin and Planning Officer back in February; she has proven to be a real asset to the Planning Committee helping to streamline paperwork which has led to extra efficiency and time saving. A new database has been introduced to record all planning applications received into an Excel spreadsheet this also applies to enforcement cases. The Committee and I enjoy working with Karen and look forward to what the next 12 months bring.

Looe Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

After nearly six years of working on the plan, myself and Cllr Hannaford as Co-chairs are pleased it has finally been submitted and passed its compliance screening. Moving forward, the plan will be assessed by a government planning inspectorate and will go out for a final community consultation before it goes to referendum. My thanks go to steering group members and of course Steve Besford-Foster as project coordinator. The NDP will play an important part in planning decision making. The detailed tailored policies will help shape the future of our beautiful town.

Government Planning White Paper

The Planning Committee made strong representation to the Planning White Paper and filled in a number of very in-depth surveys. It is extremely important that we do not lose 'Localism' when it comes to making planning decisions and the Town Council retains its position when it comes to being a consultee during any planning process.

Introduction of a policy for planning appeals

My recommendation as planning chair was to introduce a policy re planning appeals that would allow Looe Town Council to appoint a planning consultant should the Council wish to have representation in an appeal that would be reviewed by a planning government inspectorate; this was agreed by Committee members. This may be for a number of reasons for example, a piece of land may be protected within our NDP as protected green space or a planning application may fall within our conservation area. It is important to uphold our NDP policies. However, Looe Town Council reserve the right not to have representation on all planning appeals.

Article 4 directive and review of photographing our conservation areal historic environment

We are currently updating our Article 4 directive with the help of a well-respected member of the public Mr David Gamblin. Mr Gamblin has also kindly offered to photograph and record buildings in our town which are of importance in the conservation area.

If Council members and the community spot buildings being photographed, it's for these purposes. Mr Gamblin will have a Looe Town Council lanyard on to show he has been authorised to do this on our behalf. Updates will be put on the LTC website and Facebook page.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mel, Karen, Annette and all Planning Committee members for their support and dedication over the last year which is much appreciated.

Cllr James Lundy Planning Chairman

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Calls to 03 numbers cost no more than a national rate call to an 01 or 02 number and must count towards any inclusive minutes in the same way as 01 and 02 calls.

HAVE YOU DISCOVERED VISIT LOOE?





Have you visited the new Visit Looe website – the official destination website for our beautiful town?

The site was launched in April and aims to provide a resource for visitors to help plan and enjoy their time in and around Looe.

If you run or work in a business that welcomes visitors, check that your business is included on the site and get in touch with the team via the website to take advantage of the free 'silver' membership offer that is currently available.

There are other membership packages that provide promotional opportunities across the site and banner advertising is also available to help raise awareness of your business.

Visit Looe is managed by Looe Town Council and the team is currently working on ways to promote the town this autumn, so if your business would like to be involved or if you are planning an event, contact the team via the website.

There are lots of exciting plans underway to promote Visit Looe. If you would like to be a part of this, please get in touch with the team via www.visitlooe.co.uk



Looe Library, click and collect continues

The Community Hub Team at Looe Library continues to be busy providing a click and collect service.

We are currently carrying out some remodelling works in the library reception that will improve the working area for our team and also the service we can provide to customers.

Looe Town Council would like to thank customers for their patience and we look forward to welcoming you inside again soon.

To keep to up to date with our opening plans, please visit: www.looetowncouncil.gov.uk and find Looe Library on Facebook.



Do you own a residential property in the LOOE CONSERVATION AREA?

Are you considering making alternations to it?



If you answered yes to these questions, please read on – this will affect you...

You're probably already aware that Looe was designated a Conservation Area in 1973 because of its history and special character. Our town's heritage is irreplaceable and it is in all our interests to preserve and enhance it. What you may not know, is that an Article 4(2) Direction also applies in Looe (within the shaded area on the map below).



This means that planning applications will be required for certain types of alterations to building which, in other residential areas, may qualify as permitted development.

This includes the erection, alteration or removal of a **chimney** on a house (or any building within the curtilage of a house) and any of the following development which front a highway, a waterway or an open space:

- The **enlargement**, **improvement** or other alteration of a house, including alteration to or replacement of **windows and doors**;
- The alteration of a house roof, including re-roofing;
- The erection or construction of a **porch** outside any external door of a house;
- The erection or demolition of a gate, fence, wall or other means of enclosure within the curtilage of a house;
- The **painting or rendering** of walls and other minor works.

When you apply for planning permission, Local Authority officers have an opportunity to guide you on which forms of development are appropriate for the Conservation Area. Applications for alterations that don't preserve or enhance the character or appearance of buildings, such as replacing traditional windows and doors with aluminium or uPVC, or altering the proportion of windows, will normally be recommended for refusal. Where modern materials have replaced traditional ones, it is expected that the correct original materials and details will be restored as circumstances allow or when further replacement is needed.

If you are thinking of carrying out alterations or any other building works within the Conservation Area, we strongly advise you to consult the Planning team at Cornwall Council who can give expert advice on requirements. You can find more information and contact details on their website at Planning and Building Control - Cornwall Council or call the Planning team on 0300 1234 151.

Looe has many nationally important buildings, many of which are listed for their special architectural and historic interest. If you own one of these buildings, you should also be aware that Listed Building Consent is required for all demolition works as well as any alteration (both inside and outside) or extension which is likely to affect is character as a building of special architectural or historical interest.

Planning rules are designed to improve and enhance our surroundings so, by working together within the legal boundaries, we can all enjoy a better living environment and prosperous local economy.



ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT: EDWINA HANNAFORD

I'm pleased to announce that I have been re-elected to represent the people of Looe West, Pelynt, Lansallos and Lanteglos on Cornwall Council for four more years.

I would like to thank my opponents Ron Greenhaugh and Rod Truan for conducting their campaigns in a principled and courteous manner.



Gracious thanks to all the Council staff that worked tirelessly to ensure that democracy could happen in a safe and secure way in the polling stations and at the Wadebridge Showground count.

I would like to thank all my friends and family who have helped me fight this campaign. Special thanks go to my husband Simon for putting up with me! I honestly could not have done it without you all and your generosity of time.

Finally, the greatest thanks goes to the people of the division who have put their faith and trust in me. I promise to repay this by working hard for you all with tenacity, empathy and diligence.

I will be a strong voice for you in County Hall and work in our community to make our wonderful corner of Cornwall an even better place in which to live and work.

Now that the dust from the election has just about settled, it's time for the hard work to start all over again. Please note my council email has changed and is now: cllr.edwina.hannaford@cornwall.gov.uk. My mobile remains the same: 07717203725. The old email address is being auto forwarded to my new email but please update your contacts list.

For the next two weeks we have member induction, meeting new colleagues and reacquainting with old ones. The new Council administration will be formally approved at the next Council meeting on May 25th. It will be an 'in-person' meeting because the emergency Covid regulations that allowed remote meetings have not been renewed by Government, which I think is an oversight. Evidence has shown that public participation has actually increased because of the convenience of online meetings, let alone the financial and carbon savings.

I am currently finalising my Councillor surgery dates which will have to be by appointment if face-to-face. To be confirmed but I'm looking at the following:

Last Friday of month: 10am-12noon Polperro Methodist Church and

1-3pm Pelynt Social Club

First Saturday of month: Whitecross Village Hall local produce market

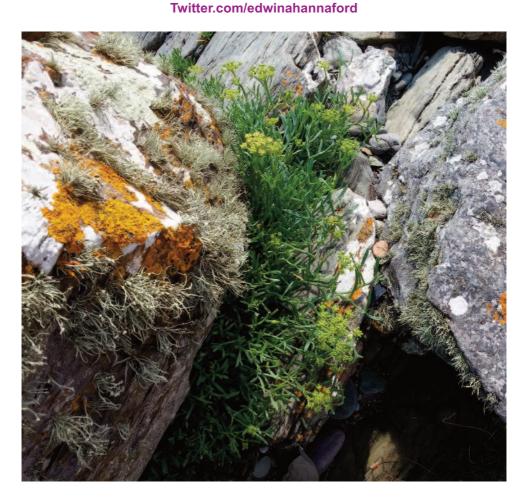
10am-12noon

Most Fridays: Looe Library Community Hub, Council Chamber

10am-2pm

I will continue to stand up for West Looe, Lansallos, Pelynt and Lanteglos; post useful information on social media; and make sure you get the representation you all deserve.

Cllr Edwina Hannaford Penwyn, Barbican Hill, Looe Cornwall PL13 1BQ Telephone 07717203725 Email cllr.edwina.hannaford@cornwall.gov.uk Facebook.com/cllredwinahannaford



THANK YOU TO THE PEOPLE OF LOOE EAST AND DEVIOCK FROM COUNCILLOR ARMAND TOMS

Dear Residents,

You will never know how proud I am to serve the community as Cornwall Councillor for the new Looe East and Deviock ward of Cornwall Council.

Being born in the community I serve, it is an honour and a privilege to represent you all in this way. With the new parishes added of Morval, St Keyne and Deviock to the old Looe East and St Martin's ward, my area has more than doubled in size. The larger



wards at Cornwall Council face greater challenges but we have great connections between the communities in this new area. It is not my intention to change the way I work and I will be out and about when events such as flooding, landslides and accidents happen reporting to the authorities to secure help.

The numbers of Councillors and the political make up of Cornwall Council may have changed, but I promise to work with Councillors Kate Ewert, Edwina Hannaford, Jane Pascoe, Nick Cracker and Phil Seeva for the good of the area. As I have said many times, I will put people before politics and work with anyone who wants to help and support Cornwall. I often do litter picks in my area and would be willing to support any community effort to clean up an area – call me on the contacts below.

Councillor Armand Toms 36 Trenant Road, East Looe, Cornwall, PL131EP Tel 01503 264823 Email cllr.armand.toms@cornwall.gov.uk



KELTIQUE NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Government went ahead with its decision to continue to relax restrictions on 17th May and Keltique was therefore able to resume its weekly rehearsals on Monday 17th May from 7pm until 9pm. This was made possible because one of our members lives on a farm and kindly offered the use of a barn. We carried out a risk assessment and the venue meets all current criteria. It is not quite business as usual: members bring their own chairs and are socially distanced (2m apart) when they sing, the number of singers is limited to 28 and we do not interact socially before and after the rehearsals. Despite the above restrictions, our first rehearsal in many months was a very joyous occasion.



We are looking forward to resuming our programme of concerts and, subject to confirmation, we have two events in our summer diary:

- 27th June 3pm when we will sing for RNLI in Looe. This is to help raise money for their new boat.
- 17th July Singing on the Wooldown at the top of Looe for the town's celebration to thank the Covid volunteers. The event starts at 1pm and we expect to be singing near the end.

We look forward to seeing you at one or both of those two events.

For more information about Keltique, including details of events, check out our website at www.keltique.org.uk, our Facebook page, or call Carole on 01503 263237



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MICHELLE'S STORY AT LOOE – VOLUNTEERING INTO PAID WORK AT THE BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION!



Tell us about you! What do you do when you aren't volunteering? What inspired you to sign up? What did your friends and family make of it?

I originally volunteered four days a week whilst the shop was opening and setting up, and was one of the first volunteers in the door! I'd seen the poster in the window asking for volunteers, and was totally new to the local area and wanted to meet people as I don't know anyone locally. Later, when the paid position became available, I jumped at the opportunity, as I already knew a lot of the staff anyway and I knew the job, having learnt a lot before opening. I now do three days a week as a part-time paid assistant.

My family thought it was great that I was volunteering and then went for the paid job. My sister-in-law kept saying it would be good for me as I love to chat and socialise with people!

Why did you want to volunteer? (Right time of life? Give something back? Trying to get work experience?)

I wanted to meet people, and enjoyed the social aspect. I also wanted to get work experience as I hadn't worked in a long time, and this was a good way of gaining some experience.

Is there a personal link to the BHF? Can you tell us about this?

A few members of my family have heart conditions and have had treatment at Oxford, with regular check-ups, so it feels good to be giving something back to the BHF.



What have you enjoyed about volunteering? Do you have a favourite moment?

I've enjoyed being here from the start and coming all this way from when I started as a volunteer, and the amount of training I was given – I feel like I am learning every day. I love one of our regular customers, who is over 90 years old and is just amazing – she's so fascinating, I'd love to go for a coffee with her, she's so sweet!

There have been so many staff here from different shops during the opening, supporting the shop, and it's been great meeting them all and working with them.

Has it helped you at all? i.e. built up confidence/helped you find work/supported you through a tough time etc, helped you make new friends?

Yes, it's built my confidence up again, and I've made new friends locally, which was the original aim from when I first arrived in Looe!

Would you encourage others to get involved? And if so, why?

Definitely, yes, because it's a really nice thing to do. If it helps you as well and you feel you've got time to volunteer, and you want to meet new people, it's great. I think a lot of people volunteer because otherwise they'll sit at home, and it gets you out and mixing with people — and it's all different ages here, not just young people or older people like it used to be in charity shops, so it's lovely to work with a range of different people you'd never normally meet!



If you are interested in volunteering, please call and ask for Chris or Michelle at the shop on 01503 262388 or pop in to see them at the British Heart Foundation, Palfrey Bakery, Fore Street, Looe, PL13 1AD. Volunteers can work flexible shifts across the week in a friendly, COVID-secure shop. Full training and reasonable travel expenses provided. Join our friendly team to help serve customers on the till, sort donations behind the scenes, or specialise in a department such as books, music and vinyl, film, fashion or online sales.

Jack Burrows
Retail Volunteering Manager South West & South Wales
British Heart Foundation





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| | 6:15pm - 7:15pm | One Fit Bump (From 14 weeks to birth) 0789 473 7451 |
| | 7:30pm - 8.30pm | One Fit Mama Ladies Eve Circuits (0789 473 7451) Starting soon Call Theresa for more info |
| | 7.30pm - 9pm | Looe Karate Club (1st floor) 01503 264767 first floor |
| Tues | 8.30am - 9.30am | Pilates with Kerry - 07588 220 007 first floor |
| | 11am - 12pm | Pilates with Gocha Wellness Ground floor 07539 178 840 |
| | 2pm - 3.30pm | Gentle Exercise Class with Looe Breathers - 01503 265947 1st Floor |
| | 6.15pm - 7pm | Power Hooping: Bond Fitness 07779 059 868 1st Floor |
| | 7pm - 8pm | Pure Stretch : Bond Fitness 07779 059 868 1st Floor |
| Weds | 10am - 11am | Hartbeeps: Musical play sessions for pre school children: 07786 544 849 1st F |
| | 11.30 & 1pm | Hartbeeps: musical play for pre-school children contact Lisa |
| | 4pm - 5pm | Sound therapy yoga with Maria (starts 2nd June 2021) |
| | 6pm - 7pm | Adult contemporary dance with Gocha wellness |
| | 7pm - 8pm | Pilates: Gocha Wellness Ground Floor |
| Thurs | 8.30am - 9.30am | Pilates Kerry King 1st Floor |
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| | 7pm - 9pm | Ukulele Club (Ground Floor) contact Roger Lane: 01503 262775 |
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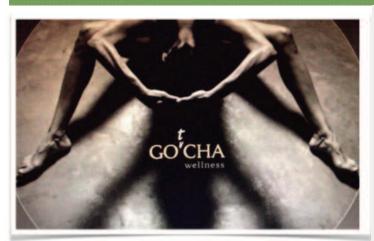
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Of all who had to remain in their homes,
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Of masks, to reduce the chance of infection,

Then all of a sudden, with the restrictions all face Along came a change in the human race, The front-line services gave of their all, (And continue to give as they answer their 'call') Shops were closed, but arrangements were made To ensure food and toilet rolls all 'made the grade' Shop owners and staff, volunteers, friends, 'Stepped up to the plate' as if to make amends For that which had happened,t'was not their fault But all proved the addage, they were all 'worth their salt',

Scientists argued as did MP's, but all did their best To protect us all with a world-wide test, Millions caught this 'replacement for flu' So many died, how, so sad the time flew, With day after day, numbers increasing, Making one wonder when the virus was ceasing Its hold on the public, no restrictions on race, On colour, on gender, all a part of God's grace.

Now to the future, whene'er it may start
'Normal' never to be as it was in your heart
Or in your mind, as a new era dawns,
But do not become upset or forlorn,
Life is wonderful and always will be
Each day a new blessing for us all to see
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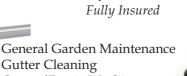


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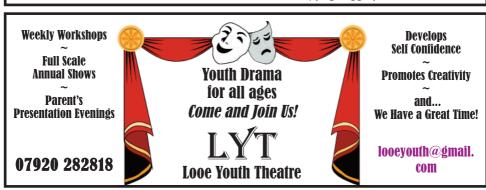
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