

# Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan 2010 - 2030

## Consultation Statement



## Consultation Statement – Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan

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## Preface

This Consultation Statement has been prepared by the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group ('NPSG') to conform with the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.

Section 15(2) of Part 5 of the Regulations sets out that a Consultation Statement should:

- a) contain details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood plan
- b) explain how they were consulted
- c) summarise the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted
- d) describe how these issues and concerns have been considered and (where relevant) addressed in the proposed neighbourhood plan

Part 1 of this Consultation Statement summarises all statutory and non-statutory consultation undertaken with the community in developing the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan ('TNDP')

The aims of the TNDP consultation process were to:

- 'front-load' the consultation, so (at the earliest stage) the Plan could be informed by the views of local people and other stakeholders
- ensure that consultation events and drop-in sessions enabled people to 'have their say' and get feedback on the emerging plan at key points in the process and when decisions were required
- engage with as wide a range of people as possible, using a variety of events and communication techniques
- ensure that the results of consultation and updates on the neighbourhood development plan were provided for local people as soon as possible after consultation events through the most appropriate and widely-read media

Agenda and minutes for all Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meetings are available on the Torpoint Plan Website here: <https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/steeringgroup.php>.

## Part 1: Community Consultation Statement

Torpoint Town Council ('TTC') was keen to ensure that the Neighbourhood Development Plan ('NDP') was a community-led document. The NPSG was established from community volunteers, with TTC representation. The widest range of people and groups have tried to be engaged.

Consultation was undertaken by the NPSG working to a strategy and programme that was agreed in March 2015.

Consultation events and surveys took place at the following stages in the neighbourhood planning process:

| Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan – Consultation Events |                            |   |
|---|----------------------------|---|
| Event   | Dates                      | Purpose   |
| Plan Area Designation                             | Apr 2014                   | Formal application and consultation   |
| Launch  | Mar 2015                   | Statement of intent, household leaflet and NPSG recruitment                         |
| First Community Questionnaire                     | Apr-May 2015               | Awareness-raising of purpose and process; gleaning community views on scope of Plan |
| Stakeholder Consultation                          | Jun-Nov 2015               | Inform and solicit early opinion and involvement                                    |
| Town Consultation Event                           | Nov 2015                   | Present outline possible future development projects for community consultation     |
| A Vision for Torpoint Leaflet                     | Jan 2016                   | Community consultation on draft "A Vision for Torpoint" leaflet                     |
| 1st Draft Plan Consultation                       | Feb 2017                   | Community consultation on draft policies  |
| Regulation 14 Consultation                        | August 2023 – October 2023 | Stakeholder consultation in accordance with the Regulation                          |

### 1. Background to Consultation on Neighbourhood Development Plan

TTC agreed to undertake an NDP in April 2014. An NPSG was established by TTC that comprised members of TTC, along with members of the community. The community volunteers were recruited from amongst those who expressed an interest in helping (either in person or by attending the open meetings held by the NPSG).

The level of consultation that has been undertaken for the NP goes beyond that required by legislation. TTC and the NPSG have continuously sought to work with the local community to make the Plan (as much as possible) reflect community views and wishes. The NPSG has been careful to work closely with Cornwall Council ('CC') at all stages of the process, and their partnership has proven to be both insightful and indispensable.

In preparing the TNDP, the NPSG has consistently ensured that residents and other stakeholders (including local authorities, interest groups, land owners, businesses and statutory bodies) have regularly been consulted and their comments considered. Whenever appropriate, these views have been incorporated within the evolving Plan. An early decision was taken to produce an NDP website, in order to facilitate the availability of the most current information, minutes and notices, as well as to keep residents and stakeholders updated on the Plan's progress. This was also undertaken to ensure a simple and efficient means of feedback.



## 2. Summary of Consultation Approach to Engage the Community

A number of community consultation stages were identified at the outset and set as key milestones in the Plan's progression. The community engagement was agreed by the NPSG. Its purpose included:

- enabling each consultation stage to be properly planned for
- ensuring the local community understood when and why they were being consulted.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group established that community engagement should be guided by a number of important principles:

- publicising as widely as possible
- utilising a variety of methods
- applying the right method to the task and the required outcomes
- providing appropriate levels of assistance, explanation and interpretation
- maximising access and opportunity
- encouraging reaction and feedback
- reporting back on what was said and how it has been interpreted.

Aside from the highly-programmed and organised consultation events, the NPSG has been keen to facilitate a continuous bilateral dialogue with the local community. This has been achieved by:

| <b>Communication Methods:</b>   | <b>Brief Description:</b>   |
|---|---|
| Public exhibitions, meetings and events   | Open events have been held in Torpoint for each major stage of the consultation.<br>The TNDP is a standing item on the TTC agenda and meetings are open to the public.  |
| Regular articles in the Torpoint & District Advertiser                                    | The Torpoint & District Advertiser published regular articles with updates on the TNDP.   |
| Use of social media   | A Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan Facebook page was created in February 2015, which currently has 966 likes, and many more readers. Every consultation has been publicised here.  |
| Local newspapers and noticeboards   | Torpoint Town Council – 4 noticeboards.<br>Articles in the Torpoint & District Advertiser.  |
| A community questionnaire delivered to all households and available for completion online | A questionnaire was sent out in June 2014 to every household in the Torpoint parish with the opportunity to complete the survey online via 'SurveyMonkey'.  |
| Leaflet distribution  | In December 2015/January 2016 a leaflet, highlighting the draft projects for "A Vision for Torpoint", was distributed via the Torpoint & District Advertiser, seeking feedback.   |
| Focus groups and workshops  | In addition to regular NPSG meetings, workshops have been held with specialist attendees: on housing, landscape planning, allocations, statutory consultees, Cornwall Council as well as key land owners.   |
| Survey and discussion with local businesses   | Presentations have been made to local businesses in Torpoint and the surrounding area.  |
| Directly contacting wider-than-local organisations and agencies                           |   |
| Consultation 'windows' during which comments have been invited on draft documents         | Consultation took place on initial views of what is important for Torpoint. Several consultation events were undertaken, including a consultation stand at Torpoint Carnival, Parents Evening at Carbeile Junior School, and a whole town meeting culminating in a community consultation on the first draft of the NDP in February 2017. |

### 3. Equality and Inclusivity

It was understood that the foundation of a good neighbourhood development plan is an effective and inclusive programme of consultation and engagement. The aim was to reach everyone with a stake in the future of the area, including: people living, working, or doing business here, those who deliver services to the local communities and those with influence over the future of the area. There was a desire to listen to everybody with a view, regardless of: gender, ethnicity, colour, disability, religion, family responsibility, age, occupation, marital status, sexual orientation, or trade union affiliation. Great effort has been made to reach those that others have traditionally found hard to engage with.

### 4. Initial Launch

It was decided to launch the NP process via the local media, thereby announcing TTC's intention to prepare the plan, and to create an initial interest in the community. This was all in advance of the application for the parish area of Torpoint to be designated as a neighbourhood area. The presentation delivered at the initial launch is here<sup>1</sup>.

It was felt important to establish an ongoing relationship with the local media to facilitate news on progress and encourage community feedback. An initial leaflet (see Appendix 1) was circulated to all households and a press release (see Appendix 2) circulated after the launch event where a presentation<sup>2</sup> was delivered, in the Torpoint & District Advertiser in April 2015.

Over the next eighteen months, a series of open meetings were held by the NDPSG that dealt with the initial aspects of organisation and plan development. These regularly included presentations and open question sessions to inform members of the community and encourage their involvement.

A website was set up during this period, as well as a Facebook page.

In November 2015, the NPSG presented outline possible future development projects for the town, known as "A Vision for Torpoint". Over 130 people attended a town consultation event led by the steering group, supported by the appointed consultants who were the partner organisation in the project and financially supported by a grant from the Big Lottery Fund.



#### 4.1 Who was consulted?

One of the primary local newspapers (Torpoint & District Advertiser) has had several articles reporting on the TNDP's progress. The public have been informed of upcoming consultations and open days.

The Torpoint & District Advertiser was a widely-read local publication (with free copies distributed every month to all villages in Torpoint and the Rame Peninsula). Regular articles on the status of the TNDP were published.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/331.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/331.pdf>

## 4.2 What did they say?

A leaflet was circulated to every household inviting residents to attend one of three presentations, which were given at the first consultation event, to start the dialogue with the local community. In April 2015, the Neighbourhood Development Plan steering group was formed. The first community questionnaire was hand delivered to all the households in Torpoint and an online version of the questionnaire was made available. There are approximately 3,300 dwellings in the town with 1,110 residents responding.

Torpoint Nursery and Infant School Children presented a video of their wishes for the community. Carbeile Junior School Children were asked for their ideas on how to improve Torpoint.

Following analysis of the first community questionnaire, a consultation stand was held at Torpoint Carnival to test out some of the ideas collected in the initial questionnaire. Members of the local community were invited to comment on their shopping habits and great feedback was received with 140 questionnaires returned. The Shopping Habits Questionnaire was made available at the Library for one week to seek additional feedback.

Key Land Stakeholders were invited to meet with the Town Planners to gain a better understanding of the current and future situation with land and buildings in Torpoint.

Consultations were undertaken with Carbeile Junior School Parents about green spaces as well as a stand at a local coffee morning.

The Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) presented outline possible future development projects for the town, known as the “Vision for Torpoint”. Over 130 people attended the three presentations, led by the steering group, supported by the appointed consultants who were the partner organisation in the project and financially supported by a grant from the Big Lottery Fund.

## 4.3 How were the issues and concerns responded to?

Torpoint residents were primarily focused on the dissatisfaction on the current recreation/leisure facilities in the town. 79% of residents responded saying “they would like to see a public swimming pool in Torpoint”, and 15% residents commented on the poor level of arts and culture in Torpoint.

A questionnaire on housing was distributed to all local Estate Agents.

At Carnival events, residents were invited to offer their suggestions on any further improvements they would like to see incorporated into the draft NDP.



In February 2017, printed copies of the first draft of the NDP were reviewed at drop in consultation events held at the Council Chambers, with printed copies made available at the Town Council Offices and Library.

## 5. Community Questionnaire

In April/May 2015, a short community questionnaire was distributed to every dwelling in the neighbourhood area which:

- asked people's views on the Torpoint of today
- specifically asked about people's aspirations for themselves and their neighbourhood
- encouraged people to keep in touch and receive updates on the progress from the NPSG

| Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan<br>Questionnaire |  |
|--|--|
| Date(s)  | April –July 2015                                       |
| Delivery Method(s)                                       | Hand delivered   |
| No. of questionnaires delivered                          | 3,400  |
| No. of completed questionnaires returned                 | 1,110  |
| Return Options   | Free Post envelope, drop-off points and 'SurveyMonkey' |

### 5.1 Who was consulted?

Everybody who lived, worked, or visited the neighbourhood area was given the opportunity to complete the Community Questionnaire. It was delivered to every address in the parish with a reply paid envelope enclosed. Additional copies were made available at the Library, Council Chambers, Doctors Surgery as well as prominent businesses in the town. A copy of the questionnaire is included as Appendix 3 to this report.

A 'SurveyMonkey'<sup>3</sup> version of the questionnaire was also set up and linked from the TNDP website. Its primary function (and advantage) was to facilitate the processing and analysis of questionnaire responses. Torpoint Nursery and Infant School Children presented a video of their wishes for the community.

Carbeile Junior School Children were asked for their ideas on how to improve Torpoint.<sup>4</sup>

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In October/November 2015, consultations were undertaken with Carbeile Junior School parents about green spaces as well as a stand at a coffee morning at Cornerstone Church.

### 5.2 What did they say?

Deadline for completion of the survey was 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015, the responses to the questionnaire were published to the website at that time (totalling 1,110 responses) was analysed using 'SurveyMonkey'.

This snapshot of opinion from the community was greatly appreciated and valued. It showed that 70% of the local people were dissatisfied with the current provision in the town for recreation/leisure facilities, such as: - sports facilities and arts and culture, this was considered to be a major issue in the town. It was found that 61% of respondents were satisfied with the current provision for open space, such as: - playgrounds, allotments and footpaths and 67% of people were dissatisfied with the current

<sup>3</sup> <https://youtu.be/JtE62vTMUio>

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/411.pdf>

landscape and waterfront in the town. 69% of respondents were satisfied with the community facilities in the town, such as: - the library, healthcare and waste recycling, there was much for the NPSG to consider.

### 5.3 How were the issues and concerns responded to?

In September 2015 the Town Planning appointed consultant was asked to seek more feedback about how the Town could become a better place. The Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan Carnival consultation questionnaire was used to gather opinion, see Appendix 4, with the questionnaire results shown at Appendix 5.

## 6. A Vision for Torpoint

In November 2015, the community were invited to a Public exhibition (see Torpoint Town Partnership Diary Dates, a press release and a letter to the local MP publicising the exhibition at Appendix 6), held at the Council Chambers. This exhibition provided an update on the Neighbourhood Plan, as well as the opportunity to look at emerging ideas and the opportunity to comment on ideas to influence the shape of the plan. Photos of the presentation boards are at Appendix 7 and the presentations, introduced by the Town Mayor, were delivered at two separate sessions, held at 10.00am and Noon, were attended by over 130 people, see Appendix 8. The Town Planning appointed consultants and Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) presented outline possible future development projects for the town, known as “A Vision for Torpoint”. The appointment of the Town Planning consultants was financially supported by a grant from the Big Lottery Fund as highlighted in the press release.<sup>5</sup> Two films highlighting the Public exhibition of the Vision for Torpoint are posted at the bottom of this webpage<sup>6</sup>.

### 6.1 Who was consulted?

A leaflet (see Appendix 9) explaining the proposed projects<sup>7</sup> of “A Vision for Torpoint”, was distributed to households in Torpoint over the New Year and during January 2016. Local businesses (see Appendix 10) were invited to have their say on the draft proposals at a consultation event held at The Jetty. There was strong support for the work of the NDPSG and a refined version of the “Vision for Torpoint” was released at the end of February 2016<sup>8</sup>, using question and answer feedback, at Appendix 11.

### 6.2 A Vision for Torpoint adopted by the Town Council

The “A Vision for Torpoint” was submitted to Torpoint Town Council for their consideration and adopted at the Town Council Meeting in April 2016<sup>9</sup> and presented at the annual Parish meeting<sup>10</sup>. The 180 page Vision document was the culmination of over 12 months of surveys and consultations, completed by the NDPSG and the Town Council<sup>11</sup> and launched in July 2016<sup>12</sup>.

### 6.3 Communicating “A Vision for Torpoint” - Road Shows and Stakeholder Sessions

“A Vision for Torpoint” in printed format was taken to various locations throughout the town and the Rame Peninsula, with hard copies being made available at the Council Offices and the Library.

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<sup>5</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/473.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> [http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/menu\\_page.php?id=23](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/menu_page.php?id=23)

<sup>7</sup> [http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/town\\_centre\\_project\\_opportunities.htm](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/town_centre_project_opportunities.htm)

<sup>8</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/torpointplanvision.php>

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/813.pdf> (minute number 06-16 (d))

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/977.pdf>

<sup>11</sup> [http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/vision/A\\_Vision\\_for\\_Torpoint.pdf](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/vision/A_Vision_for_Torpoint.pdf)

<sup>12</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/news.php>

#### 6.4 “A Vision for Torpoint” is Award winning! (November 2016)

The planning consultants entered “A Vision for Torpoint” into the Urban Design category of The Landscape Institute Awards 2016. Winning this category, the judges said of Torpoint Vision: “This was a robust and deliverable project clearly supported by a fully costs and realistically phased business plan – delightful piece of work”. The Landscape Institute Awards winning entry is at Appendix 12 and the press release is available [here](#)<sup>13</sup>.

#### 6.5 Visit to the town from the Chair of the RTPI SW and consultant for Lowin Associated (March 2017)

In March 2017, the Chair of RTPI SW and consultant for Lowin Associates, along with other Senior Planning Policy Officers, accompanied the NDPSG and planning consultants on a “Tour of Torpoint” highlighting key projects identified within the vision, Appendix 13 shares the full details of the tour route.

### 7. Further Community and Business Consultations

As well as the community questionnaire, from June 2015 to January 2016 all the local schools and businesses were consulted, seeking their thoughts and ideas on future developments in the town. The local Estate Agents were invited to complete a questionnaire and give feedback, see Appendix 14.

The feedback sought was aimed at ensuring that all local schools and business were made aware that neighbourhood planning was taking place in the area, and that they had an opportunity to make an important contribution.

#### 7.1 What did they say?

Children from Torpoint Nursery and Infant School presented a video<sup>14</sup> of their wishes for the community along with Carbeile Junior School children who presented numerous ideas on how to improve Torpoint from a young person’s perspective<sup>15</sup>. Key Land Stakeholders (see Appendix 15) met with the town planners to advise the current and future situation with land and buildings in Torpoint. Business representatives gave their opinions on the draft proposals presented in the ‘A Vision for Torpoint’. A questionnaire<sup>16</sup> on housing was distributed to all local Estate Agents and in September 2016, a progress stall inviting residents to offer suggestions to the draft NDP was held at Torpoint Carnival.

#### 7.2 How were the issues and concerns responded to?

It was clear from the consultations undertaken that the number of consultees is large and varied. All views and opinions were included in the document ‘A Vision for Torpoint’ as well as the preparation work towards the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan.

The NPSG undertook work to analyse and interpret the information gathered from what had been told through the various surveys and consultation events. This evidence was used to prepare a set of draft aims for the NDP. These then became instructive and instrumental to the development of draft objectives, as well as the overall vision statement.

In January 2017 a press release (see Appendix 16) announced the publication of the DRAFT Neighbourhood Development Plan. Then, in February 2017, printed copies of the first draft of the NDP were reviewed at drop in consultation events held at the Council Chambers, with printed copies<sup>17</sup> made available at the Town Council Offices and Library. The first draft was subsequently updated by the consultant, with all comments and suggestions, following the consultation.

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<sup>13</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/442.pdf>

<sup>14</sup> <https://youtu.be/JtE62vTMUio>

<sup>15</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/411.pdf>

<sup>16</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/474.pdf>

<sup>17</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/TPNP/TPNP1.pdf>



The Town Council resolved to adopt the draft NDP and it was submitted to Cornwall Council for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA screening) in July 2017.

In September 2017, NDP volunteers supported a progress stall at the Carnival, displaying notice boards, with copies of the draft NDP made available giving an opportunity for further feedback.

Articles were placed in the local newspapers. Posters and notices were used to encourage people to attend the open days to find out more about the NDP.

## 8. 1st Draft Plan Consultation and initial submission to Cornwall Council

In February 2017, a drop in consultation event (see Appendix 17) on the first draft<sup>18</sup> of the NDP was carried out at the Council Chambers and Offices and Torpoint Library with all comments and suggestions included in the revised draft by the consultant.

At the steering group meeting in March 2017, members reviewed the comments made in response to the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan consultation with a record of the outcomes<sup>19</sup> on the website. The comments and changes were passed onto the engaged planning consultant to update the draft document before presentation to the town council for adoption. Once adopted by TTC the document was forwarded to Cornwall Council for consideration.

| <b>Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan Draft NP Informal Consultation</b> |  |
|---|--|
| Date(s)   | February 2017  |
| Method(s)   | Hard copies of draft available at consultation events      |
| Location(s)   | Torpoint Council Chambers and Offices and Torpoint Library |
| Respondents (Nos.)  | 68   |

### 8.1 Who was consulted

The first draft document was available online and in hard copy to everybody with an interest in Torpoint's future. The consultation event was publicised in the local newspaper, on the website and posters displayed around Torpoint. People were invited to attend one of three open days to find out more. There was a steady stream of attendees who had a wide variety of questions. Many were just trying to understand the NDP and what it sought to achieve. NPSG members spent time with anyone who had questions, with the consultant in attendance offering advice and providing feedback.

### 8.2 What did they say?

The overwhelming impression left from this consultation was that local people were very supportive of the first draft policies and their intended consequences. The comments made by respondents were generally focussed on the draft policy statements and their implications.

### 8.3 How were the issues and concerns responded to?

The response to the consultation has been used to review and revise the policy statements and as evidence in support of many of the policies.

### 8.4 Submission to Cornwall Council

The Town Council resolved to adopt the draft NDP and it was submitted to Cornwall Council for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA screening) in July 2017.

### 8.5 NDP Progress Stall Carnival, September 2017

NDP volunteers supported a progress stall at the Carnival, displaying notice boards, with copies of the draft NDP made available giving an opportunity for further feedback.

### 8.6 Progress on the Neighbourhood Plan is paused

Between September 2017 to September 2018 work to progress the neighbourhood plan was paused to allow work to progress with the devolution of Torpoint Library from Cornwall Council to Torpoint Town Council.

<sup>18</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/TPNP/TPNP1.pdf>

<sup>19</sup> <http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/479.pdf>



## 9. Lower Fore Street redevelopment opportunities, swimming pool feasibility, heritage assessment and local green space designation

### 9.1 Lower Fore Street

Cornwall Council instructed a consultant (Clifton Emery Design) to undertake a feasibility study into the redevelopment opportunities at Lower Fore Street. In September 2018 the outcomes of the research were initially presented at a confidential briefing to Cornwall Council Members plus Members of Torpoint Town Council. Subsequently, in February 2019 an update to the initial research findings was scheduled and Cornwall Council again confidentially updated Cornwall Council and Town Council Members.

### 9.2 Torpoint Police Station

In March 2019 Cornwall Council acquired Torpoint Police Station, as part of a £495,000 regeneration scheme for Lower Fore Street. A PlymouthLive press release detailing the acquisition is available here:

<https://www.plymouthherald.co.uk/news/local-news/torpoint-police-station-turned-apartments-2550480>.

### 9.3 Feasibility Study for a new passenger ferry landing stage at Torpoint, instructed by Cornwall Council – June/July 2019

Cornwall Council, commissioned a Feasibility Study for a new passenger ferry landing stage at Torpoint and its potential economic impacts. As part of the study Town Council agreed to assist with the distribution of an online survey to local businesses, compiled by S4W Ltd, which sought opinions considering the options for developing a pontoon jetty in Torpoint, there were over 60 responses to the survey. This confidential report remains the property of Cornwall Council and has been shared with key stakeholders only

### 9.4 Lower Fore Street redevelopment opportunities, planning a Charrette - in partnership with Cornwall Council, June 2019 – January 2020

Cornwall Council, again, working in partnership with Torpoint Town Council, commissioned a review of the current and projected demand at Lower Fore Street as well as the redevelopment opportunities at the site. This resulted in further discussions and a Charrette event was planned for May 2020. (A Charrette is an intensive, community based event held over a number of days providing a hands-on co-design workshop that brings people from different disciplines and backgrounds together with members of the community to create a vision and implementation plan for a specific area.) Unfortunately, the Charrette event was postponed and subsequently cancelled due to Covid-19 and the worldwide pandemic.

### 9.5 Torpoint Swimming Pool Feasibility Study, Oct 2020 – June 2021

A significant outcome of public consultation on the Torpoint Vision and Neighbourhood Development Plan has been the number of people who have identified the need for a public swimming pool in Torpoint. Whilst there appears to be a strong community desire, it is important to understand whether or not it is a practical and economically viable proposition. Tor16(s) – Torpoint Swimming Pool feasibility study and Co4 from the Coastal Community Team Economic Plan highlights this as a key project for Torpoint. In October 2020, following a competitive tender process, a contractor was appointed to undertake the Swimming Pool Feasibility Study, to be located in Torpoint, Cornwall. The study highlights potential pool types and likely costs, complementary facilities, potential location for a new pool, potential operators, funding sources as well as potential running costs and business plan. The contractor consulted with many relevant bodies and made conclusions and recommendations in the study. In June 2021, the results of the study were presented and subsequently, the Town Council accepted the Swimming Pool feasibility study (minute number 56-21 minutes of the Development and Localism Committee)<sup>20</sup>. The Torpoint Swimming Pool Feasibility study is available here:

[https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/2048\\_1200170223.pdf](https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/2048_1200170223.pdf).

In January 2022, a working party group was established to progress the next steps of the Swimming Pool Feasibility study for Torpoint.

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<sup>20</sup> [https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/1953\\_308677989.pdf](https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/1953_308677989.pdf)

9.6 Torpoint Town Council secures Cornwall Council Vitality funding, to progress development opportunities at Lower Fore Street. A Town Transport Regeneration Study was commissioned in July 2021 and adopted in February 2022.

In February 2021 the Town Council secured £50k of Cornwall Council Vitality Funding, following a successful submission to the Town Centre Revitalisation Fund. This funding was used to progress development opportunities at the lower end of the town, as well as support the work of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. A Torpoint Transport Regeneration Study, conducted by CORMAC<sup>21</sup>, was considered and reviewed by the Town Team Project Board, a constituted group set up to progress the Lower Fore Street redevelopment. The report contains a recommended transport strategy for Torpoint and complements the town's ambitious regeneration and economic development plans.

#### 9.7 Heritage Assessment, evidence to support the Neighbourhood Development Plan – August 2021 to January 2022

Supported by the planning consultant, the Town Council engaged in a tender process to appoint a dedicated heritage consultant to undertake the Heritage Assessment evidence for the NDP. Following completion of an open-market tender Costwold Archaeology were contracted to undertake this work. In November 2021 two draft heritage assessments in relation to the Northern Fringe Allocation Site and the Town Centre Regeneration Site were received. The draft documents were reviewed by the NDPSG and submitted to the January 2022 Council meeting for approval (see minute number 184-21 (b)).<sup>22</sup>

#### 9.8 Local Green Space Designation, evidence to support the Neighbourhood Development Plan – June 2021 to January 2022

In June 2021 a virtual meeting which included key landowners, stakeholders, the planning consultant and members of the NDPSG was held to individually consider whether local green spaces should be designated for protection. At the meeting the consultant shared a PowerPoint presentation and referred to the guide from the Cornwall Council website, which had been previously circulated, detailing Local Green Space designation. Additionally, the consultant detailed the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) guidance, along with the Cornwall Local Plan. The Local Green Spaces Audit form was explained and initially used as an aide memoir and each green space was individually considered for protection. Once the meeting was concluded, the minutes were disseminated and a timescale for landowners to review the minutes was set. In January 2022, a working party group of members of the NDPSG met to consider and complete the 17 Local Green Space assessment forms, which were considered by the Town Council at the January 2022 Council meeting (see the report submitted to the Council here: [https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/2132\\_1361110068.pdf](https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/2132_1361110068.pdf)). The proposal to protect 9 out of the 17 Local Green Spaces was recommended and members unanimously resolved to approve the proposed green space assessments (see minute number 184-21 (b)).

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<sup>21</sup> [https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/527\\_1635242573.pdf](https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/527_1635242573.pdf)

<sup>22</sup> [https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/2182\\_1435490519.pdf](https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/2182_1435490519.pdf)

## 10. Submission to Cornwall Council for SEA screening (second time)

### 10.1 SEA AND HRA screening (July 2022)

Cornwall Council screened the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan to determine whether the plan requires Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) or Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA). Based on the scale of development proposed and the sensitive nature of the environment in the Neighbourhood Plan area, Cornwall Council is of the opinion that the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan could have a significant impact on the environment and therefore, Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required. With regard to European Sites, Cornwall Council are unable to conclude that the Plan will not impact upon the Plymouth Sound and Estuaries SAC and the Tamar Valley Complex SPA and as such Appropriate Assessment (HRA) will also be required under the Habitats Regulations Directive. This view is confirmed by the consultation bodies.

### 10.2 AECOM Instructed to undertake Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) or Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) November 2022 – August 2023

AECOM commenced work on the SEA and HRA reports and in January 2023 a project plan / timeline to referendum was prepared, see here: <https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/500.pdf>. The SEA and HRA reports were adopted at the August 2023 Council Meeting. The SEA report can be viewed here<sup>23</sup> and the HRA report can be viewed here<sup>24</sup>.

### 10.3 Re-consideration of Planned Development Sites (Antony Estate)

Following an announcement by the St Columba and Torpoint RFC (Torpoint Rugby Club), previously situated on Defiance Field, that they were becoming dormant, Antony Estate as landowner made revisions to their original offered housing and planning sites, resulting in previous plans having to be-reconsidered and agreed upon by all parties. The NDPSG met on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023 and suggested some changes to the Northern Fringe area of land adjacent to the A374 (Horson straights) (see minute number 4-23NDP (b))<sup>25</sup>.

## 11. Regulation 14 (Pre-submission Stage) Consultation 22<sup>nd</sup> August – 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023

NP regulations require that a statutory consultation period of 8 weeks is undertaken by the qualifying body (TTC) on the final draft plan prior to its submission to the local planning authority ('LPA'). This period of statutory consultation must be carried out in advance of the LPA Regulation 16 consultation. Torpoint Town council instructed GoCollaborate to undertake the online consultation, please see Appendix 18, the posters detailing consultation. The consultation deadline was extended to ensure all statutory consultees had been offered the opportunity to comment on the draft plan.

### 11.1 Who was Consulted?

The Regulation 14 consultation is specific about organisations and stakeholders that should be consulted. The legislation requires that prior to submitting the Plan to the LPA, the qualifying body must:

- publicise it in a manner that is likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work, or carry out business in the neighbourhood area
- consult any consultation body referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 whose interests the qualifying body considers may be affected by the proposals for a neighbourhood plan
- send a copy of the proposals for a neighbourhood plan to the LPA

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<sup>23</sup> <https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/512.pdf>

<sup>24</sup> <https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/511.pdf>

<sup>25</sup> <https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/506.pdf>

We endeavoured to give notice to all the residents and businesses within the parish area, via the newsletter<sup>26</sup>, together with a range of community organisations and voluntary sector bodies. A copy of the draft plan was also sent to Cornwall Council whose officers had already been involved in the consultation process and finalisation of the draft plan.

#### 11.2 How were they Consulted?

Torpoint Town council instructed GoCollaborate to undertake an online consultation. This directed people to an online copy, or hard copies that could be viewed at Torpoint library and community hub, as well as at the public event. An article was published in the local newsletter promoting the consultation, and reminders were issued via the Torpoint Facebook page. The Torpoint Town Council website also directed people to the Plan from its home page. Additionally, a link to the online consultation was sent via e- mail to a list of statutory consultees (Appendix 19) with explanation of what was required for the consultation, and the due date for responses.

#### 11.3 What did the Consultees say?

A total of 26 users registered and contributed to the online consultation leaving a total of 164 contributions. In addition to this a number of statutory consultees responded and made suggestions to amend the plan. Cornwall Council as a statutory consultee suggested a high number of changes to be made these were also incorporated into the plan. The policies within the draft plan have now been reorganised in accordance with these suggestions. A summary of the responses received is set out in a schedule at Appendix 20<sup>27</sup>.

#### 11.4 Project Plan to Referendum

An updated project plan to referendum is included at Appendix 21<sup>28</sup>.

### 12. Conclusions

The level of community consultation and engagement undertaken during the production of the TNDP has been varied and extensive. It has reached a very broad range of the local population through comprehensive methods and numerous media (both traditional and modern). A wide spectrum of groups and sections of the community have participated or commented on the emerging draft NP.

The comments received at each stage of the NP's progression have been fully considered and have helped to guide and shape the structure of the Plan. This has ensured that it is truly reflective of local people's views and mirrors their ambitions for the future of Torpoint to the year 2030 and beyond.

The amount of time taken to progress the TNDP is acknowledged a reminder that work was paused between September 2017 and September 2018 to progress the devolution of Torpoint Library from Cornwall Council to Torpoint Town Council. The Covid-19 worldwide pandemic also contributed to delays in progressing the plan. This Consultation Statement and the supporting appendices comply with Section 15(2) of part 5 of the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning Regulations.

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<sup>26</sup> [https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/3219\\_1500937959.pdf](https://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk/data/uploads/3219_1500937959.pdf)

<sup>27</sup> [https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/534\\_1032623408.pdf](https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/534_1032623408.pdf)

<sup>28</sup> [https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/533\\_1082205418.pdf](https://www.torpointplan.org.uk/data/uploads/533_1082205418.pdf)



# Your place, your plan

# TORPOINT

## Have YOUR say about the future of YOUR Town

The Current Resident(s)



March 2015

Dear Resident(s),

Please accept this leaflet as an introduction to the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan. The Plan is your opportunity to have a say on future developments, services and land use in our town.

It is intended to hold various meetings at Torpoint Council Chambers, York Road, the first will be on:

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015,**  
with presentations at the following times:  
**10.30am, 12.30pm and 2.30pm,**  
followed by question and answer sessions.

This event marks the start of our consultation with you, and will be an opportunity for you to have your say. We would really like to see you at the presentation to show your support for the future of Torpoint.

Yours faithfully,

*Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group*

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

17 March 2015

### TORPOINT LAUNCHES LANDMARK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTATION

*Torpoint Town Council this week announced the start of the town's Neighbourhood Plan project. The Council Chambers hosted around 200 members of the public who were keen to find out how neighbourhood planning would affect them, and to have their say on the future of Torpoint.*

A presentation led by Mayor Mike Pearn MBE, and Councillors Eddie Andrews, Gary Davis and Andrea Johnson was held for members of the public to learn more about Neighbourhood Planning. An open forum of questions and answers followed, and ensured that the townsfolk were able to raise then and there, the issues that mattered to them. An invitation to be part of a Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group saw tremendous support and a number of volunteers to participate in this new venture.

In addition to beginning dialogue with the local community, the Town Council are keen to ensure that the youth of Torpoint understand the role of neighbourhood planning, and how they too can get on board. Cllr John Tivnan visited pupils from Torpoint Community College along with fellow Councillor and Torpoint Community College teacher Chris Goodman, to share the message and encourage youth participation.

Mayor Mike Pearn MBE said, "Our meeting with the public starts the process of consultation with the residents of Torpoint, leading to a plan for the future development of the town that fits with the wants and needs of our local community.' He added, "this is an exciting time for the people of Torpoint, and I urge you to get behind the plan, and have your say."

Households in Torpoint can expect to receive a questionnaire after Easter, asking for more detailed thoughts and ideas to assist with pulling the plan together.

A website for the plan has been launched at [www.torpointplan.org.uk](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk)  
All minutes and documents from meetings will be available for public viewing on this website, and also through our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/torpointneighbourhoodplan](https://www.facebook.com/torpointneighbourhoodplan)

For more information, or to get involved with the project please contact:  
[admin@torpointtowncouncil.org.uk](mailto:admin@torpointtowncouncil.org.uk)

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#### Notes for editors

Torpoint, with a population of almost 8,000 lies at the mouth of the river Tamar, Cornwall, opposite Devonport dockyard and the city of Plymouth. The river is crossed by three chain ferries, which carry cars, buses, trucks and pedestrians across the 500 yard wide tidal estuary. Torpoint is the Gateway of South East Cornwall and the Rame peninsula.

The town was originally developed to provide housing for workers at the dockyard, and naval facilities were also built around the town. At one time the main route from Plymouth to Cornwall was across the ferry, but the opening of the Tamar Bridge north of the town, the decline of employment at the dockyard, and the reduction in Royal Navy facilities has seen the focus of the town shift towards providing local employment, as well as providing housing for workers in Plymouth.

Nearby Antony House (now in the ownership of the National Trust) is the seat of the Carew-Pole family,



whose forebears were responsible for much of the early development of the town in the eighteenth century. The house contains an extensive portrait collection, and the surrounding gardens and park, laid out by Repton offer delightful walks with vistas across the estuary.

A Neighbourhood Plan comprises the use and development of land within an area, in this case Torpoint. The community can contribute their ideas, likes and dislikes in respect of issues that matter to them be they, facilities, housing, land use, environment, heritage, arts and so on. A Neighbourhood Plan, once it has passed through a number of steps, and been scrutinised by Cornwall Council, can then be voted upon by the local people. Once approved and accepted, the Neighbourhood Plan becomes law.

For all press enquiries please contact the Town Clerk on: 01752 814885 or email [admin@torpointtowncouncil.org](mailto:admin@torpointtowncouncil.org)

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Photo caption: Members of the public intently listening to the presentation.



## Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan - Community Engagement

**Your place  
Your plan  
Torpoint**



### **Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan Initial Questionnaire**

April 2015

Dear Resident,

A Steering Group is now in place to lead the formation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Torpoint. The next stage in the process is to identify the issues that affect the daily lives of Torpoint residents and we are seeking your assistance via this questionnaire. We need your views on how you think Torpoint should grow and develop. What would be your vision for the future and what kind of town would you want Torpoint to be?

This questionnaire is being delivered to every residential address in Torpoint. The questionnaire should take no more than ten minutes to complete. Please return your completed questionnaire by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015** and drop it into one of our collection boxes at:

- Council Office, Buller Road
- Costcutter, Trevithick Avenue
- Torpoint Library.

A reply-paid envelope is enclosed for your convenience. You may complete the questionnaire online by following the link at [www.torpointplan.org.uk](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk)

If you need assistance completing this questionnaire, returning it to us, require additional copies or in an alternative format; please contact us, our details are on the last page.

Thank you for your support; your response and comments will help influence the future of Torpoint.

On behalf of,

**Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.**

1. As a starter, we would like you to tell us how **satisfied** or **dissatisfied** you are with the current provision in the town for the following areas. Please use the scale below:

**Scale of 0 - 5**

0 – Don't know/not sure

1 – Very dissatisfied

2 – Fairly dissatisfied

3 – Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

4 – Fairly satisfied

5 – Very satisfied

|  | Scale 0 to 5 |
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| <b>Open Spaces</b> , e.g. Playgrounds, allotments and footpaths.                 |              |
| Comment:   |              |
| <b>Recreation/Leisure Facilities</b> , e.g. Sports facilities, arts and culture. |              |
| Comment:   |              |
| <b>Community Facilities</b> , e.g. Library, health, waste/recycling.             |              |
| Comment:   |              |
| <b>Renewable Energy</b> .  |              |
| Comment:   |              |
| <b>Housing Numbers, Design and Type</b> .  |              |
| Comment:   |              |
| <b>Transport/Traffic</b> , e.g. Ferry, roads, water taxi and buses.              |              |
| Comment:   |              |
| <b>Economy/Jobs</b> , e.g. Fore St, Trevol Business Park, Enterprise Court.      |              |
| Comment:   |              |

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| <b>Education/Skills</b> , e.g. Schools, adult training. |  |
| Comment:  |  |
| <b>Wildlife.</b>  |  |
| Comment:  |  |
| <b>Landscape</b> , e.g. Waterfront.                     |  |
| Comment:  |  |

2. What do you like about Torpoint?

3. What do you dislike about Torpoint?

4. What development(s) would you like to see in Torpoint?

5. What developments(s) would you not like to see in Torpoint?

Through the neighbourhood planning process it is important to demonstrate a wide engagement across the community. To help us do that would you please answer a few questions about yourself:

6. Please indicate the number of persons in your household: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Please provide your postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Please circle your age range:

|         |          |          |          |          |          |          |     |
|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----|
| 7 to 15 | 16 to 20 | 21 to 30 | 31 to 40 | 41 to 50 | 51 to 60 | 61 to 70 | 71+ |
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9. Are you? **Male** ☐ **Female** ☐

10. If you would like to be kept informed of progress and future consultations please provide your email/contact address:

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11. Please state any other topics you feel should be covered:

***Thank you for taking the time to fill in this questionnaire***

The results of this questionnaire will be published along with progress throughout the journey on the website, town notice boards, through press releases and shared on the Facebook page. This questionnaire will be followed up with more detailed community consultations in the coming months. If you wish to volunteer to help, please contact us.

Please complete this questionnaire by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015** and either drop it into one of our collection boxes at the Council Office, Buller Road, Costcutter, Trevithick Avenue or Torpoint Library. Alternatively use the enclosed reply paid envelope.



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## A Vision for Torpoint Consultation Questionnaire

What developments would you like to see in Torpoint?  
(in order of preference)

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What developments would you not like to see in Torpoint?  
(in order of preference)

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2

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Do you do your main grocery shopping in Torpoint or shop online? (please circle)

Yes      No      shop online

If not, where? (location)

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What influences your chosen shopping location?

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Thank you for completing this survey, results will be available on the  
Torpoint Neighbourhood Development plan website  
<http://www.torpointplan.org.uk>, once analysis has been undertaken.

**FEEDBACK – CARNIVAL 2015**

Volunteers:

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Comments:

| COMMENT   | GENDER | AGE |
|---|--------|-----|
| Facilities for public slipway to launch boats into the river similar to Saltash.  | M      | 47  |
| We could do with an Iceland type freezer ship in the High Street, I have to travel to Devonport and am disabled and find it difficult to talk. I do want to support Torpoint shops.   | M      | 52  |
| Clean the drains and cut back hedges and paths on road out of Torpoint.   |        |     |
| Cambridge Field requires signage to warn motorists of it's a children's park as children climb the gates/hedges and jump in the road.   | F      |     |
| Where will the money come from? Is any of this achievable/realistic? Raleigh Dips – huge concerns over child safety due to size of pavements and speeds of motorists and overgrown trees and boundaries.  | M      | 37  |
| Affordable Housing – I live in Plymouth but want to move across to Torpoint. For us as a young family it's affordability. We own our own home in Plymouth but school our children in Torpoint, We want to move but can't afford the house prices as yet – Pam Head – 511399   | F      | 29  |
| I've lived here 40 years would love go see it regenerated and the life put back into Torpoint – as there has been before.   | F      | 61  |
| Welcome to Torpoint (Cornwall) signs, can we put them on the ferry wheel houses?  | F      | 48  |
| Bus Service is terrible, 2 an hour that go on to Cremyll and Liskeard is a joke on the half hourly service. 4 an hour would be good!  | F      | 70  |
| A public boat launching slipway to be able to be used at all tide heights – no necessary to be free to use – nominal fee or annual pass.  | M      | 45  |
| More affordable houses in Torpoint. As I wish to stay in Torpoint we need help to buy scheme in this area so we can get out of the renters trap.  | M      | 26  |
| Just moved to area, family originally from Torpoint. Would love to see some great improvement – especially for family's children.   | F      | 34  |
| Need more seating around parks and tables. This would be good at the river front so families and people can sit and picnic.   | F      | 55  |
| Torpoint is our uniqueness not Plymouth = Cornwall 1 <sup>st</sup> or always a part of Plymouth.  | M      | 41  |
| Recycling Unit would be useful – driving go Saltash is ridiculous. Also Carbeile School used to have an allotment has it now been taken over by the Infants School  |        |     |
| Public Access 'low tide available' slipway for launch of boats.   | M      | 47  |
| Hello Torpoint. How are you? I should say in Torpoint if any other 24hr shop is very good for public. Might be you never no who need anytime. Something more nice and clean. I think we need a free car park, free public toilets. I would like to say in Torpoint no betting shop. You should add more Bank/Building Society.  | M      | 37  |
| Excellent vision and initiative. I believe the essential catalyst for success is the town centre and waterfront improvements. We need to get passers through to stop and visit Torpoint. Also believe it is important to link the Ferry Lane and Back Lane waterfronts in some way. The view from Harvey Street is in dire need of improvement – currently just ugly back view of shops. Good luck. | M      | 53  |

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| We all know what is needed, a supermarket, car park, a pier off Rendell Park but at the end of the day where is the money coming from. Why has thousands of pounds been spent on Consultants to do feasibility studies for so negative results. It all sounds good but who is paying for it all. Why is the old fire station still derelict? And how about a few policemen on the beat occasionally. I've seen all these pipe dreams before so all comes down to cash. | M | 70 |
| Gym, swimming, good park, 3d football pitch, make use of waterfront, kids clubs, Supermarket Aldi.   | M | 30 |
| We would love to have a supermarket that offers more than just Sainsburys and an Iceland would be nice as they don't deliver to Torpoint. I would like to see a swimming pool built for the community and the young children to learn to swim. We need street cleaners especially in Hamaoze Road. And the children need a park for all ages around Torpoint.  | F | 44 |
| Rendal Park needs better fencing at the bottom to dangerous with just railings easy for children to go through and fall into the river. Bins would be good idea for each house hold to stop seagulls and cats ripping the bags.  | F | 28 |
| Indoor play area similar to Jump in Plymouth possibly on the Industrial Estate for all ages. Possibly bowling alley attached with subway or other food outlet. Try to maintain the feeling of being in the country whilst promoting the town.  | F | 51 |
| Why not put the visitor information outlet inside the Library – open the Library every day for access to all. Building a new purpose built visitor information centre will be a waste of money and under used.   | F | 63 |
| An archive or heritage group attracts interest from across the world! Torpoint Archives had 2 visitors from Australia last week. Gt Gradfather is on our WWI memorial and he is buried at Antony. They didn't know.  | F | 76 |
| This town needs a proper war memorial to honour those from WW2 and subsequent battles. It is very poor that all there is is a marble slab perched on the side of the church.   | M | 38 |

#### Your Place, Your Plan

The Torpoint Plan will develop a vision for land use and developments that will, once agreed with residents through a local referendum, become planning policy for the town.

The plan is being developed by residents working with the Town Council. It is important that the plan is owned by the community containing the communities aspiration for the future. To ensure the plan is relevant and takes into full account the views of residents a number of consultation events will take place with feedback and progress published on the plan website.

Please contact us to let us know your views or to understand the process we are following.

#### Future Events...

Consultation roadshow events will take place throughout the rest of the year, look out on our website or Facebook page for further information.

The roadshow will be calling at

- Cornerstone Church,
- Sainsbury's
- Torpoint Library



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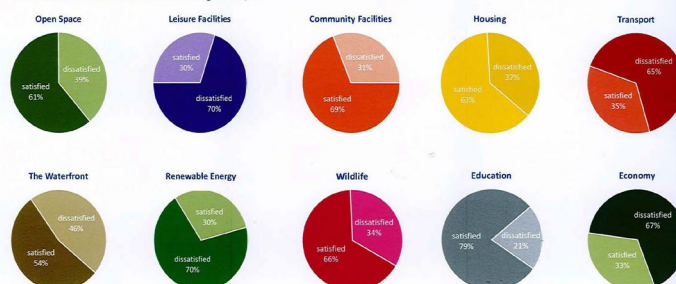


What is your vision for Torpoint?

Summer / Autumn  
Consultations  
2015

#### Analysis of the Initial Questionnaire Responses

During April and May a questionnaire was delivered to every household in Torpoint and published online to understand residents views on the current provision of a number of areas in the Town. There was an excellent response with over 1100 replies, below summarises the satisfaction on the range of topics:



More information about the results of the questionnaire can be found on the website [www.torpointplan.org.uk](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk)



## **Torpoint 2015/16 Diary Dates**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November – Neighbourhood Development Plan Public meeting to give progress on the Vision for Torpoint – Council Chambers – presentations at 10am and 12noon.**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November – A Festival of Xmas Music Concert at the Cornerstone Church 7pm.**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Table Top Sale at the Council Chambers 10am – 1pm.**

**Saturday 28th November - Christmas Lights "Switch On" Fore Street stalls from 4pm "Switch On" at 6pm.**

**Sat 28th Nov - Opening of the Christmas Tree Festival 4pm St James Church.**

**Sat 28th Nov - Dec 11th - Christmas Tree Festival open every day from 3.30 - 6.30 at St James Church.**

**Fri 11th Dec - Best Tree presentation and drawing the Christmas Raffle 6pm at St James Church.**

**Sat 12th Dec - Big Band Concert at St James 7.30pm - Tickets on the door.**

**Sun 13th Dec - The "Big Sing" Community Carol Service at 6pm St James Church.**

**Fri 18th Dec - Joint Choirs Christmas Concert at St James – 7.30pm.**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Comrades Club – Mayor's Charity Christmas Quiz – Teams of 4  
All Welcome - 8pm**

**Sun 20th Dec - Christingle Service at 4pm at St James.**

**Thur 24th Dec - Midnight Mass at 11.30pm at St James.**

## **2016**

**New Years Day - Torpoint & Rame Peninsula Lions - New Years Day dip at Cawsand beach commencing at 12.30pm, individuals, clubs as normal are all welcome, registration and fancy dress judging will be in Kingsand village hall please come along and support your own charity and us, after the judging the dippers**



will parade through the villages to the beach. It is a good opportunity to blow away the cobwebs, there will be stalls various food stalls etc. Contact no. for sponsor forms and times are available from Dave Rosson on 01752 812582.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February - The Torpoint Lady Singers Annual Dessert Event - Council Chambers.

5<sup>th</sup> May – 9<sup>th</sup> May – Benodet Twinners Visit to Torpoint watch this space for events.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May - St Columba and Torpoint RUFC Club Dinner – Council Chambers.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June – The Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration – details to follow.

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June - Torpoint Twinning - A Taste of France Event, Benodet Park, 2pm.

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Maryfield Church Fete.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Andy T Charity Day at St Columba and Torpoint Rugby Club – All day event.

Saturday 16 July - Torpoint & Rame Peninsula Lions Club Fete – Community College Grounds.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August Annual Classic Car Show Mount Edgumbe Park.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2016 Proms on the Peninsula - Mount Edgumbe Park - further details in the New Year.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2016 - Merchant Navy Day.

To add to this list please email: [mike\\_val@btinternet.com](mailto:mike_val@btinternet.com) Updated 12/11/15

## **Torpoint Christmas Lights “Switch On” Programme**

### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

**4pm Opening of Christmas Tree Festival - St James Church**

**4:30pm Christmas Songs & Carols - Cornerstone Church**

**4:40pm Nativity Play - Cornerstone Church**

**4:50pm Harry Kazzam Children’s Entertainer - Sparrow Park**

**5:15pm Coppola School Singers Fore Street**

**5:30pm Torpoint Nursery and Infant School - Sparrow Park**

**5:45pm Christmas Sing Along - Sparrow Park**

**6pm Lights Switch On - Sparrow Park**

**6 :02pm The procession of Father Christmas up Fore Street to Sparrow Park.**

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday, 16 October 2015

### **TORPOINT NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN SURGES FORWARD!**

*Members of the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group are getting ready to reveal how the plan is evolving at a public meeting on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November at the Council Chambers.*

Since the launch of the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan in March, work has been ongoing with members of the community, to identify the types of development people would like, what they wouldn't like, the best locations for new development, and areas of the town to protect and preserve. During September and October, the steering group met with hundreds of members of the public, at roadshow events at Torpoint Carnival, Torpoint Library and at Carbeile Junior School. The opinions and ideas of everyone who has been spoken with have been put into the mix alongside the findings from the survey earlier in the year.

On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November, at Torpoint Council Chambers, the appointed consultants, Clifton Emery, will present the progress of the project thus far. The event will consist of three presentations; at 10.00 am, 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm. Followed by an opportunity to look at the progress so far, meet members of the steering group, and ask questions. There is no need to book, residents are invited to just turn up.

Councillor Mrs Andrea Johnson, Chair of the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan steering group said, "We felt the time was right to begin to share with the public, the progress of the project so far, and for townsfolk to feel that they can have an opinion on the ideas coming forward. We hope this event will be every bit as well-attended as our earlier public meetings, and look forward to seeing as many people as possible." She added, "The Steering Group are very excited to be able to show the progress of seven months of hard work and consultation."

A website for the plan is available at [www.torpointplan.org.uk](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk)

All minutes and documents from meetings are available for public viewing on the website, and also through our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/torpointneighbourhoodplan](https://www.facebook.com/torpointneighbourhoodplan)

For more information, or to get involved with the project please contact:  
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#### **Notes for editors**

Torpoint, with a population of almost 8,000 lies at the mouth of the river Tamar, Cornwall, opposite Devonport dockyard and the city of Plymouth. The river is crossed by three chain ferries, which carry cars, buses, trucks and pedestrians across the 500 yard wide tidal estuary. Torpoint is the Gateway of South East Cornwall and the Rame peninsula.

The town was originally developed to provide housing for workers at the dockyard, and naval facilities were also built around the town. At one time the main route from Plymouth to Cornwall was across the ferry, but the opening of the Tamar Bridge north of the town, the decline of employment at the dockyard, and the reduction in Royal Navy facilities has seen the focus of the town shift towards providing local employment, as well as providing housing for workers in Plymouth.

Nearby Antony House (now in the ownership of the National Trust) is the seat of the Carew-Pole family, whose forebears were responsible for much of the early development of the town in the eighteenth century. The house contains an extensive portrait collection, and the surrounding gardens and park, laid out by Repton offer delightful walks with vistas across the estuary.

A Neighbourhood Plan comprises the use and development of land within an area, in this case Torpoint. The community can contribute their ideas, likes and dislikes in respect of issues that matter to them be they, facilities, housing, land use, environment, heritage, arts and so on. A Neighbourhood Plan, once it has passed through a number of steps, and been scrutinised by Cornwall Council, can then be voted upon by the local people. Once approved and accepted, the Neighbourhood Plan becomes law.

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2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015

Dear Sheryll

### **Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan Public Meeting: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2015**

You are cordially invited to attend a public meeting on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2015 at Torpoint Council Chambers, York Road, Torpoint for a meeting hosted by the steering group of the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan. We plan to host three brief presentations on the progress of the Vision for Torpoint, taking place at 10.00am, 12 noon and 2.00pm. You are welcome to stay for the day should you wish, or alternatively attend one of the presentations to suit your availability. The presentations will be led by Torpoint Town Council's appointed consultant Clifton Emery Design Ltd.

If you could kindly RSVP to the Assistant Town Clerk at the contact details below by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November, this would be very much appreciated. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Andrea Johnson (Mrs)  
Chair of the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan  
In partnership with Torpoint Town Council

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# Welcome

A vision for Torpoint - Connecting a Cornish town with its waterfront and hinterland

Thank you for coming to today's event. Its purpose is to let you know how the Vision for Torpoint is progressing and to find out those aspects you support and those that you are not so keen on.

A team of consultants led by Clifton Emery design (urban designers, town planners, engineers and commercial agents) has been commissioned by Torpoint Town Council to assist them in preparing the Vision for the town. The vision will inform the production of the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan – a legal planning document that will help to guide the type and form of development in the town in the future.

The Vision has been informed by residents of Torpoint. Throughout 2015 people have told the Council about the issues that are important to them.

A series of regeneration ideas have been inspired from these thoughts. These include:

- Ideas for quick wins – projects that are affordable and can be delivered quickly;
- A series of strategic proposals to benefit the wider town and respond to issues such as housing delivery, improvements to parks, sports and leisure, making the most of local employment opportunities and resolving transport issues; and,
- Short, medium and long-term regeneration projects that will help to stimulate an improved town centre.

Torpoint is a great town with a lot going for it. This is reflected in people's replies to consultation. Most people do, however, think that things could be better.

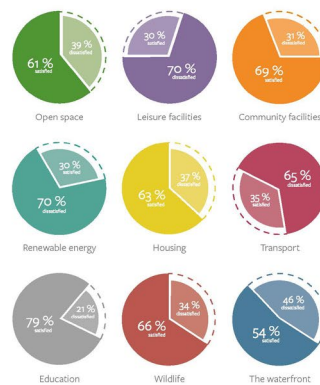
Today's update presents the thinking to date. It is not complete and there will be opportunities that have been missed. Please share your thoughts with us so that we can consider them in the next phase of developing the Vision.



# Understanding the place

A vision for Torpoint - Connecting a Cornish town with its waterfront and hinterland

What Torpoint residents think about the Town.



What people think?

During 2015 the Town Council has asked people how Torpoint could be improved. The response has been overwhelming. Over 1500 replies have come back. People's thoughts have directly inspired the shape and content of the Vision.

Whilst many ideas have come forward, clearly it will not be possible to deliver all suggestions. An important role of the Vision is to distinguish between those things that can be delivered and would be of benefit to Torpoint, and those that are more difficult to achieve. The Vision will identify key projects within an overall strategy. Focus will be on projects that can influence the nature and quality of change and build a new momentum – it won't attempt to identify everything that might happen in the future.

Some of the most common themes that have come through so far in the consultation responses include (in no particular order):

Improving the bottom end of town; making the waterfront better; enhancing the town parks – particularly Thankses Park; building on existing leisure and sports facilities – including a new weather pitch and town swimming pool (a very difficult challenge due to running costs); developing shopping choice; providing more housing to meet the needs of local people; creating employment opportunities; more efficient transport – buses, the ferries, pedestrian and cycle routes and parking; walks around the waterfront and into wider countryside; supporting Fore Street; improving the overall image of the town for residents and visitors.

Consultation to date has included a web-based questionnaire during the early summer, a tent at the summer carnival in September and a series of road show events throughout the town during late Summer into Autumn.



# Understanding the place

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## Strengths and weaknesses

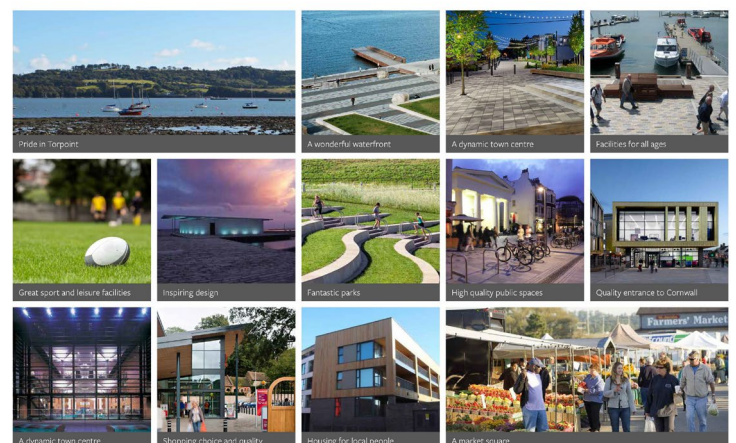
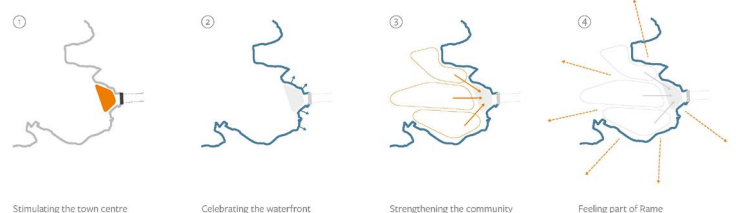
In developing a Vision it is important to keep an eye on the wider picture so that important strategic considerations are not overlooked. As well as ensuring that local people have their say, the Town Council and the consultant team have been talking to other stakeholders including: representatives from different departments of Cornwall Council, landowners, the ferry operators, and the Rame Peninsula Neighbourhood Plan team.

It is important that the Vision and in turn the Neighbourhood Plan are prepared in the context of established planning, transport and regeneration policies and proposals.

This panel identifies some of the strengths and weaknesses that have been borne in mind in preparing the Vision – they are specific to Torpoint and are some of the issues that make the town unique; setting it apart from other places.



## The vision





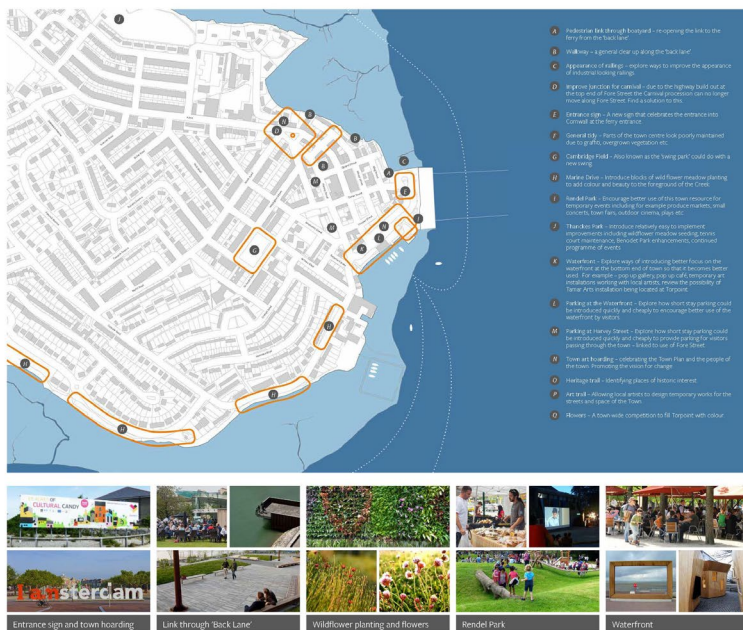
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The wider plan illustrated on this panel shows opportunities for improving the centre of town in the context of the following:

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If you have any ideas about how small projects could help to improve the town please let the team know.



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The grid contains the following images and labels:

- Row 1:**
  - Image 1: A modern building with a large glass facade and a green roof.
  - Image 2: A row of trees in a park-like setting.
  - Image 3: A waterfront view with a bridge and buildings.
  - Image 4: A landing stage for ferries.
- Row 2:**
  - Image 1: A modern building with a large glass facade.
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  - Image 4: A modern building with a large glass facade.
- Row 6:**
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  - Image 2: A modern building with a large glass facade.
  - Image 3: A modern building with a large glass facade.
  - Image 4: A modern building with a large glass facade.

Labels in the grid include:

- Landing stage for ferries
- Bottom end of town
- Harvey Street flats
- Portoboro / marina
- Step connections
- Fore Street entrance
- Back Lane
- Boardwalk
- Open air cinema
- Hidden hut



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Rame, Cornwall's Forgotten Corner, remains mostly unknown to the hordes of tourists who flock to Cornwall every year for their holiday break.

Public Consultation

1st Sep Carnival  
Followed by roadshow  
School / library

Town Centre Review

Town questionnaire

Town visit

Project update

21st Nov  
Consultation

Final draft and possible  
further consultation

Neighbourhood  
Plan Referendum

Date

Jun 2015

Jul 2015

Aug 2015

Sep 2015

Oct 2015

Nov 2015

Dec 2015

Jan 2016

Feb 2016

Mar 2016

Apr 2016

May 2016

1.0 Analysis

2.0 Developing a framework

3.0 Preparing the report

Analysis

Finalise vision

Review feedback

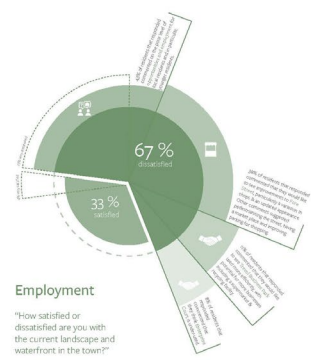
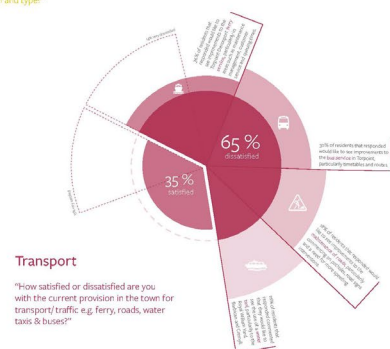
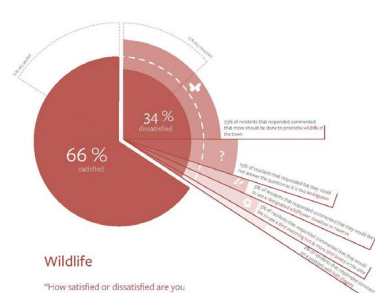
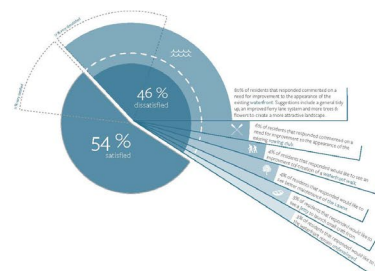
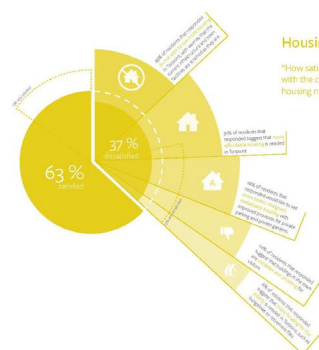
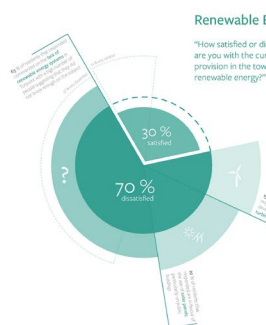
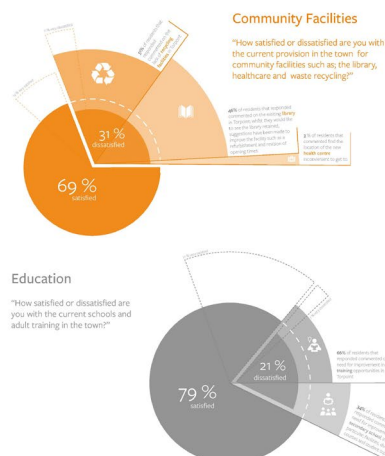
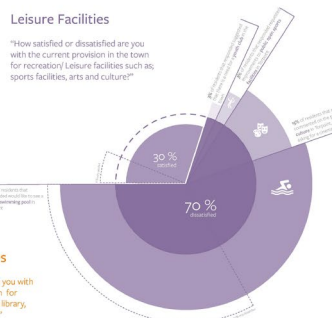
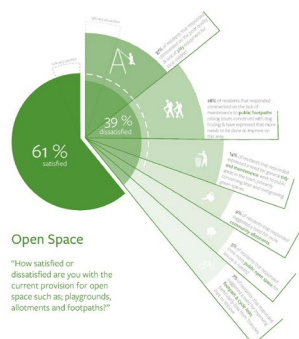
Meetings with Stakeholders

Framework

Neighbourhood Plan

Coastal communities CCF

These panels illustrate what residents of Torpoint think about different issues in the town. The charts break down replies to the web based survey undertaken during the summer.



Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2015

Mayor....

A warm welcome to the Neighbourhood Development plan public consultation.

The purpose of today, is to showcase the work of the Neighbourhood Development Plan steering group, and to give you, the public, the opportunity to look at the work to date. A team of volunteers have been working hard on this project since March, and many of them are here today to answer your questions.

Today, I am pleased to welcome Neil Emery from our partners in this project, Clifton Emery Design. Neil will present to you, the first draft of a Vision for Torpoint. What you will see today, is the result of all your feedback over the past eight months.

It's still early days in the development of our Neighbourhood Plan for Torpoint, but your thoughts on today's proposal will directly shape the plan.

Thank you all for coming today. I now hand over to Neil.




# A vision for Torpoint

Help to shape  
Torpoint of the future.  
Please let us know  
what you think about  
the emerging vision for  
the town.

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## Appendix 10

Businesses invited to attend a consultation event on the Vision for Torpoint project proposals, held at The Jetty (January 2016)

|                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Robs Garden landscapes            | Waterwise                       |
| Greensails                        | Barry Jones                     |
| Tamar Care Services               | Mansbridge and Balment          |
| Kardkadia                         | m open rose                     |
| Elliott & Sons                    | Dashers Pasties                 |
| Peninsula Exterior Cleaning       | Lyn murray                      |
| Kernewek Lets                     | Top Shop Chippy                 |
| Ideal Homes SW                    | Andy Martin Production Services |
| N Pattison                        |                                 |
| Pen Plumbing                      |                                 |
| Aline Coaches                     |                                 |
| Swift Sails                       |                                 |
| Torpoint Yacht Harbour            |                                 |
| Precision Plastering              |                                 |
| Isla Sell Physiotherapy           |                                 |
| Sarah Webber                      |                                 |
| Coppola School of Performing Arts |                                 |
| David Sherfield                   |                                 |
| Torpoint Builders Merchants       |                                 |
| All About Blinds                  |                                 |
| Zoe Marie Vigus                   |                                 |
| Alan Brisley                      |                                 |
| Bert Weedon                       |                                 |
| Tamar Crossings                   |                                 |
| GRR Chandlery                     |                                 |
| Tamar Systems Torpoint            |                                 |
| Joyce Walsh                       |                                 |
| Cambridge House Cornwall          |                                 |
| YMCA Plymouth                     |                                 |
| Beauty Within Torpoint            |                                 |
| Vanity Rooms                      |                                 |
| The Garden Sports                 |                                 |
| Cornish Farm Produce              |                                 |
| Torpoint MOT                      |                                 |
| Robin Clifford                    |                                 |
| Dave Haddon                       |                                 |
| Luxstowe Vet                      |                                 |
| Torpoint Hardware                 |                                 |
| Torpoint Computers                |                                 |
| Torpoint MOT                      |                                 |
| Town Fryer Torpoint               |                                 |
| Studio 2                          |                                 |
| Tamar Couriers                    |                                 |
| Ken Holmes                        |                                 |

## **TORPOINT NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN/VISION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)**

This document has been compiled based on the comments and questions submitted to the Steering Group/Torpoint Town Council via letter, email and online. Personal details such as addresses and names have been removed.

The brochure and all supporting documents can be made available in alternative formats, please contact the Town Council to request an alternative format.

### **HOUSING**

Q1. I'm not happy about the fact there could be houses built behind our house, as we live in Primrose close! To be honest this is the first we've heard about it, will there be a local consultation so we can voice our concerns or is already cut and dried?

I understood that the land behind Primrose was a green belt and couldn't be built on!

**A. Any planning proposal or application will be subject to the usual planning application processes, which include a period of consultation. This process is led and managed by Cornwall Council.**

### **FOOTPATHS**

Q2. One of the draft "quick win" proposals is to open up the gap that runs between the ferry staff car park and the boatyard at the bottom of Quarry street. Currently the public have access to the ferry service on foot by walking along King street that is a direct link from the town and this seems to work fine. The gap that is proposed to be reopened caused problems when it used to be open, with people leaving the town centre and stopping in the boat yard and either urinating or causing a noise disturbance (there will be Police incident reports confirming this).

There has been a marked improvement in antisocial incidents since the gap was closed. My concern regarding this is also relating to potential crime issues with public access through a private car park and a boatyard that has necessitated having a security fence installed to protect privately owned boats.

Have the Police been consulted regarding this draft proposal?

Have the Torpoint Mooring association been consulted?

The security fence that was installed would have been installed to protect the personal property of those that pay rent for the storage of the boats and I understand there is no CCTV or any other crime prevention method in this area. By opening up access through this it would leave the cars and boats vulnerable to theft. Have any of these issues been considered when proposing this quick win? And are there any statistics to indicate that this was a request from the public when surveyed? Can someone confirm if this is a public right of way or not? I couldn't find anything on the land registry.

I understand the need to improve the waterfront and I understand these are only draft proposals but I would like to be reassured if this proposal is to go ahead there are issues in place to address my concerns.

**A. The proposal has been discussed with officers from the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Committee and the Cornwall Councillor. Further discussions will need to take place should this proposal be developed further.**

**The route way is identified as a Public Right of Way.**

## **GREEN SPACE**

Q3. I wondered if anywhere in the Torpoint vicinity, there could be an off lead dog area, I own dogs myself and know other owners who would also love the opportunity to run their dogs off lead. But obviously safely, you could even charge a small fee for the up keep of the facilities.

A. An area has not been identified, this idea has been put forward for consideration.

## **WATERFRONT**

Q4. If the two proposed walk ways ever get built the whole foreshore will become a graveyard for the vast quantities of tidal seaweed to become entrapped along with the flotsam that each and every tide brings with it. From a pure health and safety factor the walkways themselves would overnight become a hazardous platform to walk on from the slippery seaweed that each tide deposits.

A. It is recognised that a number of proposals will be subject to feasibility studies and health and safety checks.

Q5. On the map the Torpoint Mosquito Sailing Club (TMSC) premises are replaced by a new Enterprise Court building (31) and present boat storage areas are apparently absorbed into Enterprise Court. How is the takeover of TMSC to be conducted? There is a new building shown in the car park of the Ballast Pond marina, 28 'Possible Development Boutique hotel opportunity'. Could you confirm that the council has received a development proposal? Where can this proposal be examined?

A. There is no proposal to replace/remove/change the Sailing Club. The suggestion that TMSC is to be absorbed into Enterprise Court was not intentional and we apologise for any misunderstanding/confusion caused.

No development proposal for a hotel or any other accommodation has been submitted.

Q6. I must insist that Torpoint Town Council release an amended version of the plan which clearly shows that TMSC is part of the plan and not an extension of Enterprise park.

A. The sailing club is not an extension of Cornwall Council-owned Enterprise Court, nor is there any intention to subsume its operations into Enterprise Court. The suggestion that TMSC is to be absorbed into Enterprise Court was not intentional and we apologise for any misunderstanding/confusion caused.

Q7. My property overlooks the Ballast Pond. Any such development would block my view and adversely affect my property and its value. If there were any proposal or plan for development I would be able to oppose it and possibly prevent it. The inclusion of this building as a 'possible development opportunity' in the Neighbourhood Plan without any concrete plan or proposal seems to me neither fair nor reasonable, since it will have an adverse effect on neighbouring properties without offering the possibility of legitimately opposing it. I note that this is the only part of the plan that has such an adverse effect on nearby properties.

Accommodation for visitors to Torpoint has been identified as a very real need, and in short supply. The nature and location of any new accommodation has not yet been decided, and no proposals have been submitted.

As per Q1. A proposal for development will follow the standard Cornwall Council planning process which includes a period of public consultation.

## **LOWER FORE STREET**

Q8. What is going to happen to the library as it is not mentioned, and there are plans for a market square in its usual place.

A. The library remains under review with Cornwall Council, and therefore at this stage its future is unknown.

A market square has been voiced as a wish from the members of the public as has the desire to see a Library and One Stop Service maintained.

## **GENERAL**

Q. Will Torpoint ever get a swimming pool?

A. We recognise the strong desire for a swimming pool in the community, and have built this wish into the Vision. As with a number of proposals, a feasibility study and cost analyses would be required, not just for the build, but to ensure the operating costs could be met.

Q9. Why not a picture of Torpoint on leaflet instead of a picture with nothing to do with the vision? Why no allocated car parking, town is full to brim of parked cars with King Street. Macey Street and Quarry Street full of cars parked as drivers have gone on ferry as passengers for the day.

A. In order to keep our costs to a minimum, we did not commission new photography for the production of the brochure.

Parking has been identified within the town, but the Steering Group wish to receive feedback on its adequacy and location, with recommendations and alternate ideas welcomed.

Q10. Said a lot about nothing! No planned dates which surely would be helpful. Lots of possible this that and the other, a hotel with no solution the already problematic parking and enough cafes to feed all the refugees as well as the people of Torpoint.

A. As this document is a high level strategic vision, no planning timelines, or costing have taken place. This will happen following the approval of the final version.

Q11. Just a query concerning Lottery funding for your group, shouldn't it be funded by Cornwall County Council or Torpoint Town Council.

A. Big Lottery Fund has been used to fund the work of a Community Vision for Torpoint. Torpoint Town Council has also allocated a budget for the continuation of this work.

**Updated as at 27/01/16**



## Appendix 12

“A Vision for Torpoint” – Winning Urban Design entry Landscape Institute Awards (November 2016)  
(taken from The Journal of Winners)





## Winner

### Torpoint Vision, Cornwall

The Vision for Torpoint sets out a physical vision for the town, with a strategy and 50 ideas that point to how it could be improved. The vision will now underpin the town neighbourhood plan, providing a physical vision to inform planning policy – giving quality design a high profile in the process of regeneration. The aim is that the new images will help to support a new civic pride in residents.

The landscape team engaged more than 2000 of the 9000

residents in consultation, as well as studying economic indicators and the planning context.

The Vision advocates a flexible approach to regeneration so that the town can respond over time to changing economic circumstances. It puts the environment and sustainable design first and, by generating a positive momentum from the right projects being delivered in the right place at the right time, the impact on the town could be transformational.

The judges said:

*This was a robust and deliverable project clearly supported by a fully costed and realistically phased business plan – a delightful piece of work.*

Landscape practice: Clifton Emery Design  
client: Torpoint Town Council



## **TOUR OF TORPOINT – MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017 – A VISION FOR TORPOINT**

Present:

- David Lowin - Consultant Lowin Associates and RTPi SW Chair 2017
- Phil Bisatt - Senior Planning Policy Officer, Taunton Deane and West Somerset D.C. and RTPi SW Chair 2016
- Marcel Venn – Planning Consultant
- Patrick Power - retired former Planning Director, Castlemore Securities
- Mike Oakley retired former Avon County Planning Officer and RTPi SW Secretary 2017
- Councillor Gary Davis Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group (Chair)
- Mrs Sheena Morton, Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group
- John Osborn Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group
- Neal Jillings - Jillings Heynes Planning Ltd.
- Neil Emery - Clifton Emery Design
- Mrs Milly Southworth – Deputy Town Clerk (Neighbourhood Plan Secretariat)

Route Map (on foot):

1. Meet at the Torpoint Ferry / Rendel park
2. Walk along sea front, passing the Jette, up past the library Police Station / Former Medical Centre / Former Fire Station
3. Across to St. James Church
4. Return to Fore Street/along Macey Street, to rear of Harbour Lights
5. Fore Street / Sparrow Park
6. Up Antony Road, past Sainsbury's – explanation of Gravesend and Torpoint Nursery & Infant School
7. Return to Council Chambers by 1pm.

Meet Minibus at 1pm at the Council Chambers

8. Council Chambers – Trevol Road – Bowling Club, Benodet Park – STOP, walk to see The Lawn, Thanckes Park, Tennis Courts
9. Along A374 past Torpoint & Rame Community Sports Centre, past Torpoint Community College field, past Defiance Field, past Antony House entrance
10. Past New cemetery, along Horson Straits, past Horson cemetery
11. Drive into Trevol Business park – STOP
12. Penntorr Health Centre, HMS Raleigh, Carbeile Junior School, Old bus depot – turn around
13. Back towards Carbeile Inn, down Carbeile Road, right to Chapeldown Road, along the sea front. Point out the Water works, windsurfers.
14. Along Marine Drive, to Torpoint Mosquito Sailing club, Ballast Pond – STOP
15. Along sea front, return to Council Chambers – STOP

Return to Council Chambers for Cornish Cream Team, guests to join are Councillor Mike Pearn MBE, Councillor Mrs Rose Southworth and Councillor John Tivnan.



## Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan

### Torpoint Housing Requirement Questionnaire

To help us gather relevant information regarding the future housing requirements in Torpoint we would be grateful if you would complete the questionnaire below and return it to us before August 15<sup>th</sup>. This information will help us complete the next stage in finalising the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development Plan. All replies will be treated as confidential and remain anonymous.

1. On average what percentage of your clients are looking to buy houses in Torpoint that are:

- a. 4 bed -
- b. 3 bed -
- c. 2 bed -
- d. 1 bed -

2. What kind of new housing would be most popular to homebuyers in Torpoint?

Can you give each category a score out of ten where 10 is very popular

- a. Executive (4/5 bed) \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Family (2/3 bed) \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Bungalow \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Flat \_\_\_\_\_

3. What factors influence prospective homebuyers to purchase a house in Torpoint?

Again can you give each category a score between 0-10 with 10 being very important.

- a. Proximity to bus routes \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Style of house e.g. older closer to town centre \_\_\_\_\_  
or 'newer' on estates built from 1975 onwards \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Performance of local schools \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Sport & leisure facilities available in the town \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Quality and choice of shops in the town \_\_\_\_\_
- f. The location of family members living in the town \_\_\_\_\_

### Now thinking specifically about rental properties

4. What type of rental property is most requested in Torpoint?

- a. **Houses** - % overall \_\_\_\_\_
- b. **Flats** - % overall \_\_\_\_\_
- c. **Bungalows** - % overall \_\_\_\_\_
- d. **Other** e.g. boats caravans etc. % overall \_\_\_\_\_

*The total of the above four answers should add to 100%*

- e. Within the category of **rental houses** can you break this down into bedroom requirements for:
- i. 2 beds \_\_\_\_\_%
  - ii. 3 beds \_\_\_\_\_%
  - iii. 4 beds \_\_\_\_\_%
- f. Within the category of **rental Flats** can you break this down into bedroom requirements for:
- i. 1 bed \_\_\_\_\_%
  - ii. 2 beds \_\_\_\_\_%
  - iii. 3 beds \_\_\_\_\_%
- g. **Bungalows** % overall \_\_\_\_\_% now can you break this down into bedroom requirements for rental bungalows
- i. 2 beds \_\_\_\_\_%
  - ii. 3 beds \_\_\_\_\_%
  - iii. 4 beds \_\_\_\_\_%

Thank you very much for taking part in this survey. If you want any further information on the Torpoint Neighbourhood Development plan please go to

[www.torpointplan.org.uk/](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk/)

## Appendix 15

### Key Land Stakeholders

| Key Land Stakeholders     |
|---------------------------|
| Antony Estate             |
| Cornwall Council          |
| Ministry of Defence       |
| Devon and Cornwall Police |
| Huggins Bros Marine Group |
|                           |

## Appendix 16

Press Release announcing the opportunity to review the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (January 2017)

Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan – for immediate inclusion

### SHAPING DEVELOPMENT IN TORPOINT WITH THE COMMUNITY

In February 2017 the community of Torpoint will have a chance to review the first draft of the Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan. The draft plan will be available for review and comment online at [www.torpointplan.org.uk](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk). There will be a series of events at the Council Chambers in York Road, with printed copies of the plan available for review at the Town Council offices and Town Library.

The Neighbourhood Plan brings together nine months of hard work by Torpoint Town Council and the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group who, since completing and publishing the award winning Vision for Torpoint, have developed further the policies for the plan. The Town Council have engaged planning professional Neal Jillings of Jillings Haynes Planning Ltd to draft the Neighbourhood Plan document.

Chair of the Steering Group Councillor Gary Davis said, "In compiling the plan we have completed many hours of research, including community consultation, to ensure we preserve and protect what the community really love about the town and also to capture those areas that could be improved and rejuvenated.

We identified a high need for additional housing with affordable homes a clear priority; locating suitable sites for potential development has been a challenge whilst wanting to maintain Torpoint's green spaces. We feel our draft plan offers the right balance for growth and conservation to ensure the town will flourish. This consultation will help demonstrate whether or not our plan is ready for submission to Cornwall Council and other relevant authorities for their review and feedback in the spring."

Mayor of Torpoint, Councillor John Crago said "The hard work and dedication of the members of the Town Council's community steering group has been invaluable, I urge residents of the town to review the document and have your say."

Upon completion of the final neighbourhood plan, residents will be given the opportunity through referendum to adopt the plan as planning policy, which will shape town development over the next fifteen years.

Planned drop-in consultation events in the town:

| Date                                       | Location                                       | Time  |
|--|--|---|
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup><br>February 2017  | Committee Room, Council<br>Chambers, York Road | 6.00pm – 9.00pm                                   |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup><br>February 2017  | Committee Room, Council<br>Chambers, York Road | 1.00pm – 4.00pm<br><br>and<br><br>6.00pm – 9.00pm |
| Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup><br>February 2017 | Committee Room, Council<br>Chambers, York Road | 10.00am – 2.00pm                                  |

Further details available on the neighbourhood plan and vision can be found at [www.torpointplan.org.uk](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk). Further details on the Torpoint Town Council or the town can be found at [www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk). All minutes and documents from meetings are available for public viewing on the website, and also through our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/torpointneighbourhoodplan](http://www.facebook.com/torpointneighbourhoodplan). For more information, or to get involved with the project please contact: [admin@torpointtowncouncil.org.uk](mailto:admin@torpointtowncouncil.org.uk)



# NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN CONSULTATIONS



This is YOUR opportunity to influence the  
Torpoint Neighbourhood Development  
Plan

*Your Opinion is Valued*

**Drop - in Consultation Events  
@ THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
COMMITTEE ROOM, YORK ROAD**

*When:*

**Thursday 9 February: 6pm – 9pm**

**Tuesday 14 February: 1pm – 4pm & 6pm – 9pm**

**Saturday 18 February: 10am – 2pm**

**Or go to the website to review and leave comments by 28 February  
<http://www.torpointplan.org.uk>**



[www.torpointplan.org.uk](http://www.torpointplan.org.uk)

[admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:admin@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk)

[/TorpointNeighbourhoodPlan](https://www.facebook.com/TorpointNeighbourhoodPlan)

Torpoint Plan, 1-3 Buller Road, Torpoint, PL11 2LD



## Regulation 14 Consultation



# Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan

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If you have any questions about the consultation or for further information please email [clerk@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@torpointtowncouncil.gov.uk).

**The consultation opens at 12 noon  
on Tuesday 22nd August 2023  
ending at 5.00pm on Tuesday 17th  
October 2023.**

**SCAN ME**



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ending at 5.00pm on Thursday 9th  
November 2023.**

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cornwall/torpoint-ndp](https://app.gocollaborate.co.uk/cornwall/torpoint-ndp)



## Neighbourhood Planning

Cornwall Council Planning Preparing a Neighbourhood Plan

# Regulation 14 Pre-submission Consultation List

| Statutory Consultees                                      | Email  |
|---|--|
| Cornwall Council  | <a href="mailto:neighbourhoodplanning@cornwall.gov.uk">neighbourhoodplanning@cornwall.gov.uk</a>   |
| Adjoining Parish Councils                                 | We offer an <a href="#">interactive mapping service</a> for neighbourhood planning to town and parish councils. Search for your location and for the adjoining parish councils.              |
| The Coal Authority  | <a href="mailto:planningconsultations@coal.gov.uk">planningconsultations@coal.gov.uk</a>   |
| Homes England (originally The Homes and Community Agency) | <a href="mailto:enquiries@homesengland.gov.uk">enquiries@homesengland.gov.uk</a>   |
| Natural England   | <a href="mailto:consultations@naturalengland.org.uk">consultations@naturalengland.org.uk</a>   |
| The Environment Agency                                    | <a href="mailto:SPDC@environment-agency.gov.uk">SPDC@environment-agency.gov.uk</a>   |
| Historic England (originally English Heritage)            | <a href="mailto:e-swest@HistoricEngland.org.uk">e-swest@HistoricEngland.org.uk</a>   |
| Network Rail Infrastructure Limited                       | <a href="mailto:townplanningwestern@networkrail.co.uk">townplanningwestern@networkrail.co.uk</a>   |
| National Highways (originally The Highways Agency)        | <a href="mailto:gaynor.gallacher@highwaysengland.co.uk">gaynor.gallacher@highwaysengland.co.uk</a><br><a href="mailto:planningsw@highwaysengland.co.uk">planningsw@highwaysengland.co.uk</a> |
| The Marine Management Organisation                        | <a href="mailto:marine.consents@marinemanagement.org.uk">marine.consents@marinemanagement.org.uk</a>   |
| Ofcom   | <a href="mailto:spectrum.Licensing@ofcom.org.uk">spectrum.Licensing@ofcom.org.uk</a>   |
| Openreach   | <a href="mailto:nnhc@openreach.co.uk">nnhc@openreach.co.uk</a>   |
| CTIL (on behalf of Vodafone and O2)                       | <a href="mailto:EMF.Enquiries@ctil.co.uk">EMF.Enquiries@ctil.co.uk</a>   |
| EE  | <a href="mailto:public.affairs@ee.co.uk">public.affairs@ee.co.uk</a>   |
| Three   | <a href="mailto:jane.evans@three.co.uk">jane.evans@three.co.uk</a>   |
| Royal Cornwall Hospital Trust                             | <a href="mailto:garth.davies@rhct.cornwall.nhs.uk">garth.davies@rhct.cornwall.nhs.uk</a>   |
| Kernow Clinical Commissioning Group                       | <a href="mailto:primarycare.kernow@nhs.net">primarycare.kernow@nhs.net</a>   |
| Healthwatch Cornwall                                      | <a href="mailto:enquiries@healthwatchcornwall.co.uk">enquiries@healthwatchcornwall.co.uk</a>   |
| National Grid   | <a href="mailto:nationalgrid.uk@avisonyoung.com">nationalgrid.uk@avisonyoung.com</a>   |
| Western Power Distribution                                | <a href="mailto:wpdnewsupplies@westernpower.co.uk">wpdnewsupplies@westernpower.co.uk</a>   |
| EDF Energy  | <a href="mailto:newconnections@edfenergy.com">newconnections@edfenergy.com</a>   |
| Wales and West Utilities                                  | <a href="mailto:enquiries@wwutilities.co.uk">enquiries@wwutilities.co.uk</a>   |
| South West Water  | <a href="mailto:developerservicesplanning@southwestwater.co.uk">developerservicesplanning@southwestwater.co.uk</a>   |

| Statutory Consultees  | Email  |
|---|--|
| Voluntary bodies some or all of whose activities benefit all or any part of the neighbourhood area            | -  |
| Bodies which represent the interests of different racial, ethnic or national groups in the neighbourhood area | -  |
| Bodies which represent the interests of persons carrying on business in the neighbourhood area                | -  |
| Bodies which represent the interests of disabled persons in the neighbourhood area                            | -  |
| Civil Aviation Authority, Director of Airspace Policy   | <a href="mailto:windfarms@caa.co.uk">windfarms@caa.co.uk</a> |
| Landowners of proposed Local Green Spaces in the neighbourhood area   | -  |

| Non-statutory Consultees   | Email  |
|--|--|
| Affordable Housing Team  | <a href="mailto:affordablehousing@cornwall.gov.uk">affordablehousing@cornwall.gov.uk</a>   |
| Cornwall Buildings Preservation Trust  | <a href="mailto:CBPTrust@gmail.com">CBPTrust@gmail.com</a>   |
| Community Energy Plus  | <a href="mailto:enquiries@cep.org.uk">enquiries@cep.org.uk</a>   |
| Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Local Enterprise Partnership  | <a href="mailto:info@cioslep.com">info@cioslep.com</a>   |
| Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty  | <a href="mailto:planning@cornwall-aonb.gov.uk">planning@cornwall-aonb.gov.uk</a>   |
| Cornwall Chamber of Commerce & Industry  | <a href="mailto:hello@cornwallchamber.co.uk">hello@cornwallchamber.co.uk</a>   |
| Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service   | <a href="mailto:fire@cornwall.gov.uk">fire@cornwall.gov.uk</a>   |
| Cornwall Maritime Strategy Group   | <a href="mailto:maritimestrategy@cornwall.gov.uk">maritimestrategy@cornwall.gov.uk</a>   |
| Cornwall Rural Community Charity   | <a href="mailto:admin@cornwallrcc.org.uk">admin@cornwallrcc.org.uk</a>   |
| Cornwall Wildlife Trust  | <a href="mailto:planning@cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk">planning@cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk</a>   |
| Devon and Cornwall Police, Designing out Crime Officer   | <a href="mailto:martin.mumford@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk">martin.mumford@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk</a>   |
| Duchy of Cornwall, Deputy Estate Surveyor  | <a href="mailto:western@duchyofcornwall.org">western@duchyofcornwall.org</a>   |
| Duchy of Cornwall, Land Steward Western District   | <a href="mailto:lhumphries@duchyofcornwall.org">lhumphries@duchyofcornwall.org</a>   |
| First Bus  | <a href="mailto:careers@firstbus.co.uk">careers@firstbus.co.uk</a>   |
| Forestry Commission<br>Peter Devenport (mid and west Cornwall, a line from St Austell to Wadebridge)<br>Nic Baxter (east and north Cornwall) | <a href="mailto:garin.linnington@forestrycommission.gov.uk">garin.linnington@forestrycommission.gov.uk</a><br><a href="mailto:Peter.Devenport@forestrycommission.gov.uk">Peter.Devenport@forestrycommission.gov.uk</a><br><a href="mailto:nicholas.baxter@forestrycommission.gov.uk">nicholas.baxter@forestrycommission.gov.uk</a> |
| Great Western Railway  | <a href="mailto:gwr.feedback@gwr.com">gwr.feedback@gwr.com</a>   |
| Imerys Minerals Ltd  | <a href="mailto:Gary.Staddon@imerys.com">Gary.Staddon@imerys.com</a>   |
| LiveWest   | <a href="mailto:katie.slack@livewest.com">katie.slack@livewest.com</a>   |
| Kaolin and Ball Clay Association (UK)  | <a href="mailto:peter.larwood@imerys.com">peter.larwood@imerys.com</a>   |
| Ministry of Defence  | <a href="mailto:DIO-Safeguarding-statutory@mod.gov.uk">DIO-Safeguarding-statutory@mod.gov.uk</a>   |
| National Farmers Union in the SW   | <a href="mailto:south.west@nfu.org.uk">south.west@nfu.org.uk</a>   |

| Non-statutory Consultees                        | Email  |
|---|--|
| National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups     | <a href="mailto:info@nationalgypsytravellerfederation.org">info@nationalgypsytravellerfederation.org</a> |
| National Trust                                  | <a href="mailto:sw.customerenquiries@nationaltrust.org.uk">sw.customerenquiries@nationaltrust.org.uk</a> |
| Ocean Housing                                   | <a href="mailto:mail@gilbertandgoode.co.uk">mail@gilbertandgoode.co.uk</a>                               |
| RSPB Cornwall                                   | <a href="mailto:rspbcornwallgroup@gmail.com">rspbcornwallgroup@gmail.com</a>                             |
| Sport England                                   | <a href="mailto:planning.south@sportengland.org">planning.south@sportengland.org</a>                     |
| Sustrans Cornwall                               | <a href="mailto:south@sustrans.org.uk">south@sustrans.org.uk</a>   |
| Tamar Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty | <a href="mailto:planning@tamarvalley.org.uk">planning@tamarvalley.org.uk</a>                             |

Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Feedback

| Company / Stakeholder Name  | Comments  | Comments Actioned  |
|---|-----------|--|
| Feder German (NCO)  | see email | Changes incorporated to the plan. 2.4 include in plan? Strongly object to the proposed northern fringe allocation and consider it to fail basic condition 4.   |
| ALL   | see email | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
|   |           | Review completed on behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET) Proposed development sites covered up to date proximity to NGET assets.  |
|   |           | An assessment has been carried out with respect to NGET's assets which include high voltage electricity users and other electricity infrastructure.  |
|   |           | NGET has identified that it has no record of such assets within the Neighbourhood Plan area.   |
|   |           | NGET provides information in relation to its assets at the website below.  |
|   |           | • <a href="http://www2.nationalgrid.com/uk/services/land-and-development/planning-authority/shape-files/">www2.nationalgrid.com/uk/services/land-and-development/planning-authority/shape-files/</a>   |
| Aislinn Young (National Gas)  | see email | The Torpoint Neighbourhood Plan is an excellent document and I look forward to seeing these improvements and has made some good points from consideration.   |
| Miranda Housden (Institute of Civil Engineers, South West Infrastructure Partnership, Secretary of Mayflower Rowing Club) | see email | No comments to make.   |
| Gwynor Salascher (National Highway)   | see email | Changes incorporated to the plan. Highlighted we have provided an exemplary way of providing an evidence base / justification and embedding it in to the policies by directly reforming the studies undertaken.  |
| Alan Thompson (Historic England)  | see email | All development proposals should consider the need to design out crime and disorder to ensure ongoing community safety and cohesion. Not yet added to the plan.  |
| Martin Mumford (Devon & Cornwall Police)  | see email | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
| Matthew Ellis (Defence Infrastructure Organisation)   | see email | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
| Cornwall Council  | see email | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
| Public Open Space Officer   |           | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
| Local Lead Food Authority   |           | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
| Public Transport  |           | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
| Historic Environment  |           | Changes incorporated to the plan.  |
|   |           | Comments are confined only to the affordable housing implications of this NDP and are made without prejudice to any recommendations of the Planning Authority.   |
|   |           | <b>Housing Need Justification</b>  |
|   |           | The Housing needs evidence for the Parish is as follows: (see table)**   |
|   |           | HomeChoice registered local housing need in the Parish of Torpoint is currently 264 households seeking affordable rented accommodation.  |
|   |           | 69 households are aged 55 or over requesting 1,2,3 and 5 bed accommodation (55 households, 9 households, 2 households and 3 households respectively.   |
|   |           | 1 household requires Category 3 Wheelchair Accessible Housing (2 bedroom need)   |
|   |           | Band F applicants on HomeChoice may have lower priority than other bands, despite being in housing need. Yet these households may present potential to access Low Cost Homeownership as a means of addressing their housing needs. Applying Band F applicants in this manner provides a broader understanding of intermediate need, as part of this comprehensive assessment of housing needs in the area as set out. There are currently 140 households in Band F who may be suitable for Low Cost Homeownerships such as Shared Ownership or Discount Market Sale. |
|   |           | <b>Existing Permissions</b>  |
|   |           | There are no existing permissions within Torpoint that are delivering affordable homes.  |
|   |           | <b>Comments</b>  |
|   |           | The neighbourhood plan includes policies relating to housing and including reference to affordable housing. The relevant draft NDP housing policies are listed below:  |
|   |           | • TOR1- Development Boundary and Development Principles  |
|   |           | • SS1- The Northern Fringe   |
|   |           | Policy TOR1 of the NDP refers to the overall housing strategy for the NDP, allocating the Northern Fringe Site and referring to a Development Boundary which sets the policy position for where rural exception sites may be supported. The policy refers to the map on page 10, however this is the NDP area map, rather than a development boundary.   |
|   |           | The map on page 32 does not have the key within easy sight as it shows up on the next page and is therefore confusing. It is unclear whether the areas labelled 3 and 4 are site allocations. They are stated as housing and possible employment/housing, however they are not referred to within Policy TOR1. This should be clarified.   |
|   |           | The NDP correctly states that Torpoint is within Value Zone 4 of the Local Plan and therefore the target Affordable Housing provision on a Policy 6 site is 30%.   |
|   |           | Policy SS1 allocates the site known as the Northern Fringe for mixed development, including approximately 255 homes. If this site is considered under Policy 8 of the CLP, then the provision of 7% affordable homes could be delivered which would be welcomed to contribute towards meeting the town's affordable housing needs. We would recommend that any future planning applications should be based on the latest HomeChoice data to propose an appropriate housing mix that best meets the identified need.   |
|   |           |  |
|   |           | Crustal Change Management area, include information for prospective developers? Move the context plan to the plan itself?  |
|   |           | Changes incorporated to the plan   |
|   |           | Recommended use of a Wildlife map  |
|   |           | Changes incorporated to the plan. <a href="https://www.barnstaple.org.uk/area/planning/">https://www.barnstaple.org.uk/area/planning/</a>  |
|   |           | Really interesting to find out what's planned for Torpoint. Very exciting to see things that have happened and very current. Good times ahead! - A range of feedback including this comment.   |
|   |           | Summary of consultation promotions   |
|   |           | 2 different Facebook post promotions occurred for this consultation:   |
|   |           | 1. Be a part of Torpoint's future  |
|   |           | 23rd August, Reach - 2251, Engagement - 43, Link clicks - 29   |
|   |           | 2. Invitation to Torpoint NDP Public meeting   |
|   |           | 18th September, Reach - 3612, Engagement - 1036, Link clicks - 70  |
|   |           | Summary of the consultation platform   |
|   |           | During the consultation window, the platform was visited and viewed  |
|   |           | 385 times, 26 users registered and contributed to the consultation, leaving a total of 164 contributions. The heat map indicates that majority of these registered users reside inside the Town boundary.  |
| ISO-Collaborative feedback from online consultation   | see pdf   |  |

\*\* Housing Need Justification Table

| Band  | 1 Bed | 2 Bed | 3 Bed | 4 Bed | 5 Bed | TOTAL |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| A     | 15    | 3     |       |       |       | 18    |
| B     | 4     | 5     |       |       |       | 21    |
| C     | 19    | 9     | 15    | 6     |       | 54    |
| D     | 7     | 9     | 6     |       |       | 22    |
| E     | 80    | 50    | 16    | 3     |       | 149   |
| TOTAL | 125   | 79    | 46    | 9     |       | 264   |



