

# Torrige Green Info Extra! July 28<sup>th</sup> 2023

## North Devon GP Summer Gathering:

North Devon have invited us to attend their Summer Gathering and Fundraiser at Mark and Rosie Haworth-Booth's home on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August from 3 pm until 5.30 pm.

Bring finger foods, non alcoholic drinks provided. The address is Barn Cottage, Middle Hearson, Swimbridge, EX32 0QH. [Full details here](#)

Please email the NDGP Secretary for directions (as Sat Nav takes you to the wrong house).  
[volunteer@northdevon.greenparty.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@northdevon.greenparty.org.uk)

## Sham Fest 23:

Our Green Councillor for Bideford East, Huw Thomas is organising a Beer Festival at Pollyfield in East the Water on Friday and Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

The main focus will be a beer festival, mainly featuring ales from North Devon brewers but with a few other guest ales from the wider region.

This is not a Green Party Event but is being organised by Huw to benefit the ward he represents on Torrige District Council.

Hopefully other attractions will include food vans, live music on Friday and Saturday evenings and community events, including a craft and produce fair outside the main hall. If there is enough support the event will be expanded to include Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Beneficiaries:** The event is primarily to raise funds for East the Water Community Food Pantry which provides food and hygiene essentials to families who are struggling financially. Other beneficiaries will include the Pollyfield Centre, itself a registered charity, plus local football club Shamwicks Rovers and other groups helping the community of Bideford East.

Torrige Green Party have already agreed to fund one barrel of beer for the event which will gain us valuable publicity.



### Huw needs the following help:

1. A volunteer who can draw up an excellent poster to advertise the event.
2. People willing to sponsor a keg for £140 – you will get a very visible acknowledgment in the run up publicity for the event and at the Fest and the sales from the keg will hopefully double the value of your donation.
3. Alternatively Huw can match you with other sponsors if you would prefer to give a smaller amount towards a keg.
4. Or you can donate a prize for the raffle which will be held during the festival.

Contact Huw on [hc.bideford@gmail.com](mailto:hc.bideford@gmail.com) if you can help with any of this and lets help him to make it a successful weekend.

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### Green Party Autumn Conference:

This will be on 6th to 8th October in Brighton. As we near a General Election next year this becomes a significant event and the plans to win at least four seats for the Greens will be a major part of the event. [Details Here](#)



### Torrige Green Party:

Our next meeting is on Saturday 16th September at 2.30 pm at the Pannier Pantry on the corner of Bridgeland Street and the Quay in Bideford (convenient for buses and free parking in the car park next to the new library building). All members and prospective members welcome

– come and see what we are about and here what our four District Councillors are up to.

Ruth Funnell

Secretary