



Here is your latest Green Info for Torridge.

GENERAL ELECTION: The General Election has been called for Thursday July 4th and “Things Can Only Get Better” is now in the top five of I Tunes downloads. We have an excellent Candidate in Judy Maciejowska (Judy Mac) from Tavistock. The constituency has lost a section south of Tavistock. The Torridge end is unchanged so we are now known as Torridge and Tavistock. We will let you know shortly what campaigning we will be undertaking.

BIDEFORD NORTH BY-ELECTION: Congratulations to Jack Gordon, our new Bideford Town Councillor who won his poll with 478 votes, Lab gained 397 and the Conservative candidate, 313. Sadly John Puddy came second to the Lib Dem candidate, Teresa Tinsley in the poll for the District Council seat but we have high hopes for a win when all three Bideford North seats are up for election in 2027.

NATIONAL REFILL DAY: will be in June. We are compiling a list of places where you can get refills to avoid increasing the level of plastic in the environment. So far, I have the following:

Torrington: The Refill Shop in South Street offers a variety of foods and you take along your own boxes or bags. Home and Hardware will refill your Ecover Washing and Washing Up Liquid bottles. Two Green grocers supply plastic free fruit and veg.

Bideford: Nature’s Nutrition in Mill Street, Bideford supplies household and bathroom goods plus pasta, pulses, teas, herbs, spices and more.
Holsworthy: The pet food shop supplies dog biscuits and treats by the pound weighed into paper bags.
Let us know if you know of any more.

SUPPORT NICK WYKE AND BECKI DRISCOLL: Two Greenies who helped with the Bideford North By-Election have a concert at The Plough on Saturday 1 st June at 8 pm. They are a folk duo on violins. Get along and enjoy their music if you can.

WOOLSERY AND HOLSWORTHY AGRICULTURAL SHOWS: We are planning to be at these shows to listen to farmers and tell them what the Green Party would do for them. They have been hit by Brexit and we want to give them hope. Woolsery Show is on Monday 29 th July and Holsworthy is on Thursday 22 nd August. If you are interested in helping let me know (ruth.funnell@btinternet.com) and we will pay volunteers' admission charge.

BIDEFORD REPAIR CAFE: This is up and running in Bideford Library, next to the Post Office at the end of the Quay. The cafe will repair clothes and small household items and is open every second Saturday in the month from 10 am to 1 p.m.

X LINKS PIPELINE CONSULTATION: The business proposing this pipeline bringing solar generated electricity from Morocco to North Devon has consultations on Friday 31 st May from 1 – 5 p.m. at Pollyfields, Avon Road, East-the-Water and on Saturday 1 st June at Huntshaw Parish Hall from 11 am – 3 pm. Go along or check on line for webinar consults and the chance to submit your comments or objections.

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