

## **Torrige District Parish Council Climate Emergency workshop**

**Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2020, 10.00am – 4.00pm**

**Caddstown Business Support Centre, Bideford**

We are delighted to invite Parish Councils from across Torrige to a one day workshop to support in the preparation of Climate Emergency responses.

The workshop, run by 361 Energy, will be a hands-on day exploring a variety of topics where Parish Councils can have a direct impact. A summary of the topics to be covered include:

- Carbon footprinting and the adaptation journey to Net Zero
- Green Spaces, tree planting and biodiversity
- Building Energy Efficiency
- Renewable Energy
- Neighbourhood Planning
- Transportation

Attendees will spend 45 minutes at each table, working with experts to develop understanding and explore how their Parish Council could take steps to address the issues, building a mini action plan during the course of the day. After the workshop a virtual community will also be created to enable Parish Councils to continue to work together and share learning.

The aim is also to provide practical support to make sure that Parish Councils can role out plans as quickly as possible. As such, the event will also be attended by;

- Rural Community Energy Fund- providing details of the feasibility funding they can provide
  - North Devon AONB team- sharing details of their small grants programme
  - North Devon Biosphere Reserve team- providing information on biodiversity and tree planting opportunities
  - Electric Vehicle infrastructure providers
  - Renewable energy providers who will be able to share details of Community Energy projects, including solar and ground source heat pumps.
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- Refreshments and lunch will be provided and there will be a nominal £10 charge to cover venue, refreshments / lunch and material costs.
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- To book, please visit [www.hereisalink.co.uk](http://www.hereisalink.co.uk)