MHCLG Access grant funding

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Organisation: Torbay Council

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Neighbourhood

Which neighbourhood are you submitting on behalf of?	Blatchcombe and Blagdon

Capacity or early funding activities

Delivered activity details	There are 5 answers Answers for “Delivered activity details”
Do you have any capacity or early funding left to spend?	Yes
Planned activity details	There are 10 answers Answers for “Planned activity details”
Have you delivered any projects using programme delivery funding?	No

Delivered activity details

Grants to voluntary and community organisations for engagment work

What is the name of the activity or group of activities?	Grants to voluntary and community organisations for engagment work
Which category does Grants to voluntary and community organisations for engagment work most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this community outreach activity	Grants were provided to Foxhole Community Association, Great Parks Community Association and Torbay Community Development Trust to support a programme of resident engagement across the Paignton Pride in Place neighbourhood. Activity included community events, local questionnaire collection and direct engagement designed to reach residents who might not participate through the online survey. The work contributed to over 800 responses from eight named locations or events.
How much Pride in Place funding did	£11,811

you spend on Grants to voluntary and community organisations for engagment work?	

Engagement venue hire and refreshments

What is the name of the activity or group of activities?	Engagement venue hire and refreshments
Which category does Engagement venue hire and refreshments most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this community outreach activity	Venue hire and refreshments for local Pride in Place community engagement activity, helping provide accessible, welcoming opportunities for residents to discuss priorities and complete questionnaires.
How much Pride in Place funding did you spend on Engagement venue hire and refreshments?	£172

Smoothie-bike engagement activity

What is the name of the activity or group of activities?	Smoothie-bike engagement activity
Which category does Smoothie-bike engagement activity most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this community outreach activity	A smoothie-bike session was provided as part of community engagement activity on 28 August 2026. The activity helped attract participation and created an informal opportunity for residents and

	families to discuss local priorities and contribute to the engagement process.
How much Pride in Place funding did you spend on Smoothie-bike engagement activity?	£30

Pride in Place Chairs Summit

What is the name of the activity or group of activities?	Pride in Place Chairs Summit
Which category does Pride in Place Chairs Summit most relate to?	Other
Describe this activity	Travel costs to enable Paignton’s Pride in Place Chair to participate in a national Pride in Place Chairs Summit, supporting Chair development, peer learning and understanding of programme expectations.
How much Pride in Place funding did you spend on Pride in Place Chairs Summit?	£201

Great Parks Halloween engagement

What is the name of the activity or group of activities?	Great Parks Halloween engagement
Which category does Great Parks Halloween engagement most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement

Tell us more about this community outreach activity	Contribution towards a community Halloween engagement event at Great Parks Community Centre on 28 October 2026. A range of activities was used to engage local residents in discussion about future neighbourhood investment, with the findings to be presented to the Paignton Place Leadership Board.
How much Pride in Place funding did you spend on Great Parks Halloween engagement?	£250

Planned activity details

Continued community engagement in Collaton St Mary and White Rock

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Continued community engagement in Collaton St Mary and White Rock
Which category does Continued community engagement in Collaton St Mary and White Rock most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this planned community outreach activity	Continued community engagement support through to March 2027, led by Nina Cooper and Sarah Greener, with matched staff time provided by Torbay Communities. The activity will maintain community involvement through the winter, strengthen links between neighbourhoods and undertake further engagement with residents in Collaton St Mary and White Rock. Regular engagement updates will be provided to the Paignton Place Leadership Board.

What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£2,100

Foxhole Christmas engagement event

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Foxhole Christmas engagement event
Which category does Foxhole Christmas engagement event most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this planned community outreach activity	A community Christmas event at Foxhole Community Centre, covering the wider Pride in Place neighbourhood. The event will provide activities for local families, share progress on Pride in Place and gather further feedback on the developing ten-year vision and priorities. The event is planned for 22 November 2026.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£5,000

Collaton St Mary fireworks engagement event

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Collaton St Mary fireworks engagement event
Which category does Collaton St Mary fireworks engagement event most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this planned community outreach activity	A free community fireworks and engagement event at Collaton St Mary Church of England Primary School on 7 November 2026. Funding will support the fireworks display, community activities, publicity

	and refreshments. The event will provide an accessible opportunity to engage residents in an area with fewer established community groups and encourage wider involvement in Pride in Place.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£3,250

Youth engagement and follow-up activity

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Youth engagement and follow-up activity
Which category does Youth engagement and follow-up activity most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this planned community outreach activity	Continued engagement with children and young people through local schools, South Devon College and community activities. This will include follow-up engagement during November 2026, use of the child-friendly survey and work with young people to test and refine the emerging Pride in Place priorities. We currently have 1500 results
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£2,000

Targeted digital engagement and promotion

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Targeted digital engagement and promotion
Which category does Targeted digital engagement and	Community outreach and engagement

promotion most relate to?	
Tell us more about this planned community outreach activity	Targeted social media promotion to reach residents who may not attend community events, promote local engagement opportunities and encourage completion of the Pride in Place survey. Activity will particularly support engagement with schools and residents in Collaton St Mary and other parts of the neighbourhood where response levels need strengthening.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£6,000

Foxhole community booklet update

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Foxhole community booklet update
Which category does Foxhole community booklet update most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement
Tell us more about this planned community outreach activity	A page in the January 2027 Foxhole Community booklet providing residents with an update on Pride in Place, the engagement findings and the next stages of the programme. The activity will help keep residents informed and provide an accessible route to continued involvement.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£100

Programme and administrative support

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Programme and administrative support
Which category does Programme and administrative support most relate to?	Management costs, including board setup
Tell us more about this planned management cost related activity	Business Administration and Programme Support role, for up to two days per week, to support the Paignton Place Leadership Board and the Place Manager. The role will assist with administration, project coordination, partnership working, monitoring, funding opportunities and government reporting as the programme moves from engagement and planning into delivery. The Board's preference is to fill the role through a temporary secondment from Torbay Council.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£25,000

Community noticeboards

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Community noticeboards
Which category does Community noticeboards most relate to?	Community outreach and engagement

Tell us more about this planned community outreach activity	stallation or improvement of community noticeboards at key locations across the Paignton Pride in Place area. Potential locations include Great Parks, Foxhole, Collaton Parish Rooms, St Mary View, Berry Acres and the Lidl area. The noticeboards will provide accessible, local information about Pride in Place, community activities, engagement opportunities and progress on neighbourhood projects. Final locations and costs will be agreed following receipt of estimates from SWISCo.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£12,000

Community-centre quick wins

What is the name of the planned activity or group of activities?	Community-centre quick wins
Which category does Community-centre quick wins most relate to?	Other
Describe this planned activity	Community facility quick-win improvements. Provisional allocation of up to £35,000 to repair Great Parks Community Centre, Foxhole Community Centre and Collaton Parish Rooms. This provides a reasonable initial allowance for minor repairs, replacement equipment and small-scale building improvements while quotations are obtained.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£35,000

Emergency food provision and community engagement support

What is the name of the planned activity	Emergency food provision and community engagement support

or group of activities?	
Which category does Emergency food provision and community engagement support most relate to?	Other
Describe this planned activity	One-off emergency support for community food provision and associated engagement activity. The funding will respond to immediate pressures affecting local residents while helping the community centres maintain contact with families, understand emerging needs and provide opportunities for residents to participate in Pride in Place engagement.
What is the estimated cost of this activity?	£2,000

Projects delivered using programme funding

Have you delivered any projects using programme funding?	No

Projects planned using programme funding

Have you planned any future projects using programme funding?	No

Neighbourhood board details

Have any of your neighbourhood board members left in the last 6 months?	Yes
Have any new members joined your neighbourhood board in the last 6 months?	Yes
Neighbourhood board members who have left	There are 2 answers Answers for “Neighbourhood board members who have left”
Neighbourhood board members who have joined	There are 2 answers Answers for “Neighbourhood board members who have joined”

Neighbourhood board members who have left

Jackie Kelly

Name of the member who has left	Jackie Kelly
Occupation of the member	Resident of Collaton St Mary
Tell us why the member left the board	Jackie Kelly resigned from the Paignton Place Leadership Board for personal reasons. She had joined the Board as a local representative for the Collaton St Mary area. Following her resignation, the Board reviewed how it could maintain strong representation from Collaton St Mary and subsequently appointed a replacement community representative.

Andrew Lavey

Name of the member who has left	Andrew Lavey
Occupation of the member	Collaton St Mary resident
Tell us why the member left the board	Andrew Lavey resigned from the Paignton Place Leadership Board for health reasons. He had joined the Board as a local representative for the Collaton St Mary area. Following his resignation, the Board reviewed how it could maintain strong representation from Collaton St Mary and subsequently appointed a replacement community representative.

Neighbourhood board members who have joined

Helen Drew

Name of the member	Helen Drew
Occupation of the member who's joined	Community representative for Collaton St Mary
Tell us why the member joined the board	Helen Drew was appointed to the Paignton Place Leadership Board on 12 October 2026 as a community representative for the Collaton St Mary area. She was appointed to help fill one of the two vacancies created by the resignation of the previous representatives and to maintain strong local representation from this part of the Pride in Place neighbourhood.

Jacqui Leigh

Name of the member	Jacqui Leigh

Occupation of the member who's joined	Community representative for Collaton St Mary
Tell us why the member joined the board	Jacqui Leigh was appointed to the Paignton Place Leadership Board on 12 October 2026 as a community representative for the Collaton St Mary area. She was appointed to help fill one of the two vacancies created by the resignation of the previous representatives and to maintain strong local representation from this part of the Pride in Place neighbourhood.