



About Transition Falmouth

Transition Falmouth (TF) is part of the U.K. Network of Transition Groups which aims to address climate change by reducing reliance on fossil fuels, conserving Nature (biodiversity) and its resources, and by working toward a low carbon and circular economy.

TF has been in existence since 2006, with a [discussion list](#) of 90 members, and a small volunteer admin group.

We have a well-maintained website <https://www.transitionfalmouth.org.uk>; as well as a presence on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Our website has a low carbon footprint by virtue of using Krystal as our web host <https://krystal.uk/green>

Here is a brief summary of our recent activities:-

Communications: regular dissemination of information on key topics (including climate change and biodiversity) to our members is an important part of our work. We also deal with a wide range of enquiries; signposting, and liaising with other like-minded local community-based groups, and promoting their activities as appropriate (e.g. [Ambos Co-Housing](#) and [Falmouth LETS](#))

Energy: we continue to help facilitate the renewable energy work of the free-standing Fal Energy Partnership (which emerged from the TF Energy Group); by providing secretarial support; promoting the recent survey of priorities (to help plan for the coming year); managing the FEP website <https://www.falenergy.co.uk>; and hosting meetings of Directors/Members. We are currently celebrating the third anniversary of the successful community energy solar project at the Dracaena Centre in Falmouth. FEP welcomes expressions of interest, offers of support, and new members. Visit the FEP website for more details.

Waste Reduction, Reuse and Recycling: is another key area of activity, particularly the promotion of the local circular economy through our "[Too Good to Waste](#)" Guide. See our website (main page). As a member of the Cornish Plastic Pollution Coalition ([CPPC](#)) we campaign on a range of issues, currently on widening the scope of the ban on microplastics, and the urgent need for a Deposit Return System to reduce the harmful impact of littered glass, metal and plastic drinks containers on the marine and wider environment.

Local Food Production: we continue to promote local producers and suppliers by regularly updating our [Local Food and Drink Guide](#). The criteria for entries is that products/produce need to be sourced from within Cornwall and supplied (retail or wholesale) in the Falmouth, Penryn and Truro catchment areas, in order to reduce carbon/food miles, and keep money circulating in the local economy. Suggestions for new entries are always welcome using the contact form provided - click on "Local Food Guide" on our website (main page).

Biodiversity: Nature Recovery initiatives are supported whenever we can, through our website and articles in local parish magazines. We produced a draft [Climate and Biodiversity Action Plan](#) for Falmouth for discussion, the loss of biodiversity being a major factor in driving climate change

Clean Water and Sanitation: we are currently researching and promoting the use of compost toilets and waterless systems for environmental gain. Check out www.sfocused.uk

Transport: we continue to support sustainable transport schemes; most recently promoting the Co-Cars e-bikes survey initiative for Falmouth and Penryn

Consultations and Events: we engaged with the Cornwall Council Climate Emergency DPD consultations, and hope for a positive outcome from the next stage in the process. TF was represented at the successful Green Day event organised by the Town Council and held in the Princess Pavilions in September ([for report see our website](#))

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