

TRANSITION TOWN WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND

England & Wales · Charity number 1162053

Details

Other names TTWP

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-06-08

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION OF THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND PRUDENT USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND AND THE SURROUNDING AREA BY: 1. ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS OF CLIMATE CHANGE, RESOURCE SCARCITY, PEAK OIL AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCE; 2. PROMOTING INDIVIDUAL, COMMUNITY AND ORGANISATIONAL COMMITMENT TO A REDUCTION IN CO2 EMISSIONS, ENERGY SAVING, REDUCING RELIANCE UPON CARBON EMITTING ENERGY SOURCES, AND INCREASING RESILIENCE TO RESOURCE SCARCITY; AND 3. PROVIDING SERVICES IN PURSUIT OF THESE CHARITABLE PURPOSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ESTABLISHING COMMUNITY GROWING SCHEMES.

Activities: Transition Towns Weymouth and Portland is linked to the broader national Transition Towns network. Our aim is to both instigate and support positive action toward a more sustainable Weymouth and Portland through projects, working groups and community engagement. Growing and learning are key themes and we have held a wide range of events and a very successful Climate Change conference.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Dorset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£12,983	£16,545	-	-
2024-03-31	£12,983	£16,545	-	-
2023-03-31	£14,300	£1,082	-	-
2022-03-31	£1,404	£8,147	-	-
2021-03-31	£9,510	£944	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Graham Lambert BSc,PhD		2020-06-23
Jacki Lambert		2021-08-15
Jenifer Allberry		2020-06-23

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Transition Town Weymouth and Portland Annual Report 2024-25

During the past year Transition Town Weymouth and Portland has continued to support and co-operate with local environmental and community projects, including Tumbledown Farm and has worked closely with the Weymouth Climate Hub to expand an existing project, the Circular Shop.

In addition, several existing projects have been fully integrated into TTWP, including Portland Community Allotments and The Foodbank on Portland (the Fridge). This has been useful to facilitate insurance cover and funding applications through TTWP. A representative from each of these projects has now joined the TTWP Committee.

The Trustees and Committee have attended a number of events in the year including setting up a stall at a Zero Carbon Dorset Conference at Bournemouth University in November 2024 and have regularly attended Weymouth Climate Hub weekly meetings held in the Palm House Café on Tuesday mornings.

A Committee meeting in April included a visit to the Portland Community Allotments and it was decided to hold the 2025 AGM at the Community Allotments in June, including a bring and share plant-based evening meal.

A key new initiative is to investigate opportunities to set up an environment and sustainability resource and drop-in centre in Weymouth, in partnership with the Weymouth Climate Hub (also a registered charity).

Agreement was reached with a small existing project in the economically deprived Park district of Weymouth, the Circular Shop, to develop a pilot sustainability centre, the Circular Shop +. After several months of preparation, the project was launched at an event in early May with a welcome from the mayor of Weymouth Dr. Jon Orrell (who is also a Trustee of TTWP). The Circular Shop + is planned to be open for several hours on 3 days per week and will include community tool hire, low-cost leftover paint (from donations), organic affordable wholefoods and occasional events and workshops. After the early development phase, it was agreed that the Weymouth Climate Hub would lead the project with support from TTWP.

The TTWP Trustees and Committee agreed to seek an affordable larger venue for a sustainability centre if the pilot project is successful.

Pete West

Chair, Transition Town Weymouth and Portland

Transition Town Weymouth and Portland 2024-25 Accounts

Cash Accounts for year 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

	<u>2024 – 2025</u>	<u>2023 – 2024</u>
Income		
Donations	1100.00	1200.00
Grant for Tumbledown		5000.00
Wateraid event		104.20
Portland 4 Planet Donation	Note 1	163.00
Portland 4 Planet Grant	3000.00 Note 1	6216.23
Portland Community Fridge Donati	1200.00 Note 1	300.00
Portland Community Fridge Grant	1000.00 Note 1	
Total Income	6,300.00	12983.43
Expenditure		
Portland 4 Planet purchases	Note 1	1216.23
Insurance	468.15	
Land rentals		132.00
Water Aid Event		100.00
Tumbledown		13652.16
Portland Permaculture Purchases		315.98
Portland Community Fridge	201.00 Note 1	1129.04
Events	97.35	
Portland 4 Planet Grant Payment	8000.00 Note 1	
Total expenditure	8766.50	16545.41
Funds at year start	12369.12	15931.10
Surplus/deficit for year	-2466.50	-3561.98
Total Monies at year end	9902.62	12369.12
Held as:		
Funds in Bank at year end	9883.67	12350.17
Petty Cash in Hand TTWP	18.95	18.95
Total Monies at year end	9902.62 Note 2	12369.12

Note 1 At a meeting of 20th February 2025 it was agreed:

The growing project previously referred to in the TTWP accounts as "Portland 4 th Planet" is renamed "Portland Community Allotment".

The waste food project previously referred to in the TTWP accounts as "Portland Fridge" is renamed "Portland Community Fridge and Growing Area".

Note 2 including monies allocated to specific projects

Tumbledown Project £1042.34

Portland Community Fridge & Growing Area Project £3800.68

Portland Community Allotment Project £163.00

Transition Town W & P general funds £4896.60

Certification by the Treasurer

I certify that these cash accounts are backed by accounting records, that I have found no inconsistency between those records and these accounts, and no expenditure by the Trustees was on activities outside the objectives of the Charity.

THESE FULL YEAR ACCOUNTS SIGNED

G. Lambert

6-Jun-25

Graham Lambert, Treasurer Transition Towns Weymouth & Portland

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Transition Towns Weymouth and Portland - Report for Trustees. (2024)

The year has proved a healthy one for TTWP in terms of membership, up to 76; finances, the organisation remains in credit; and impact, although much of that has been through more indirect channels than when the charity was first formed. For example, although TTWP holds the purse strings for The Foodbank on Portland (the Fridge), Portland for the Planet and aspects of the work at Tumbledown Community Farm- these projects are now, stand alone.

In a similar way, the sub-groups of TTWP such as *Education and Learning*, *Transport*, *Energy and Climate*, and even *Heart and Soul* have either found legs of their own within larger groups or been mainstreamed.

TTWP has continued to hold regular meetings (now bi-monthly), host events, and most importantly, collaborate with others to amplify their impacts and join up our efforts toward a more sustainable borough. The main events following on from the AGM in 2023 include ten significant outward facing actions as noted below:

1. September 2023- collaboration with the Great Big Dorset Hedge Project – mapping the state of the hedgerows at Tumbledown Community Farm
2. October 2023 – An evening sunset and bat survey carried out at Tumbledown Community farm, using the bat detector purchased by TTWP via fundraising, on behalf of the Bat Conservation Trust. **Survey to be repeated annually** but at different venues.
3. October 2023- A TTWP mission flyer printed and widely distributed, updating our purpose as a charity for the public.
4. Nov 18th, 2023 – a concert with Dr Jazz jointly on behalf of Water Aid and Transition Towns. £208.40
5. February 2024- a Christmas meal with folk music at Cove Row Inn
6. March 2024 – TTWP left the Incline on Portland to stand alone, taking equipment to support new and emerging permaculture projects on the island.
7. April 2024 – Seaweed Shenanigans and monitoring at Castle Cove beach in collaboration with Friends of Castle cove Beach Charity (FOCCBC). Results submitted to Marine Conservation Society and **to be repeated annually**.
8. June 8th-16th – Successful collaboration with Great Big Green Week. Events held throughout the week. **To be repeated annually**.
9. Throughout year- collaboration with Weymouth CEC, Climate hub. Regular meetings are held at the Palm House on Thursdays.
10. Renewal of the Newsletter as a conduit for information for our subgroups as well as for important local contributors to our transition to a greener and fairer future- such as Repair CAFÉ Weymouth.

The vision of the group, TTWP has been renewed though our policies including equal opportunities, and is now also under review at the AGM 2024 where we will invite all members and local sustainability actors to come and participate, and help us agree and achieve the goals of TTWP.

MAIRI KERSHAW

TTWP secretary

9th August 2024

Transition Town Weymouth and Portland 2023-24 Accounts

Cash Accounts for year 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

	2023 - 2024	2022 - 2023
Income		
Donations	1200.00	1200.00
Grant for Tumbledown	5000.00	10000
Wateraid event	104.20	
Portland 4 Planet Donation	163.00	
Portland 4 Planet Grant	6216.23	
Portland Community Fridge Donations	300.00	
Portland Community Fridge Grant		3100
Total Income	12983.43	14300.00
Expenditure		
Portland 4 Planet purchases	1216.23	
Insurance		157.00
Land rentals	132.00	150.00
Water Aid Event	100.00	
Tumbledown	13652.16	305.5
Portland Permaculture Purchases	315.98	
Portland Community Fridge	1129.04	469.28
Total expenditure	16545.41	1081.78
Funds at year start	15931.10	2712.88
Surplus/deficit for year	-3561.98	11587.12
Total Monies at year end	12369.12	15931.10
Held as:		
Funds in Bank at year end	12350.17 Note 1	15912.15
Petty Cash in Hand TTWP	18.95	18.95
Total Monies at year end	12369.12	15931.10

Note 1 including monies held on behalf of
 Tumbledown Project £1042.34
 Portland Community Fridge £1801.68
 Portland 4 Planet £5163.00
 Transition Town W & P £4362.10

Certification by the Treasurer

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Signed

G. Lambert

28-Jun-24

Graham Lambert, Treasurer Transition Towns Weymouth & Portland

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Transition Towns Trustees report July 2023

The year got off to a scientific start with the results of our sunset survey of Tumbledown carried out at the AGM in September being shared through national bat week.

The Portland Permaculture group have continued, with the hard work of a small but active community of growers, working the land together, and amalgamating with the Incline Community Garden to make a community space.

During a late Christmas meal at the Cove Inn transition towns generated a list of ways forward including support for Tumbledown Farm; a wide range of local transition events; the Great British Green Week (now being organised by the management committee of the Climate emergency centre or CEC) . We continue our mission as a **'coalition of moderates'** in supporting all local actions moving us toward a more sustainable future.

Tumbledown support included events in January such as the Tumbledown Open Day and the Wassail for the new orchard. On the capital expenditure side Jon has been busy raising funds to replace a barn. Some trustees have jointly worked with other members to develop a plan for our permaculture plot. Should be underway next year.

On the financial side we are holding money for the Portland Community Fridge (food bank), used to cover their on-going costs. This function of the group continues to be useful; we just offer support with banking and when necessary, governance advice. There has been feedback that TTWP engagement with issues of food insecurity and the subsequent work of the 'food group' were instrumental in kickstarting the now highly effective Weymouth foodbank. There are undoubtedly many offshoots stemming from this group.

New projects are still springing up under the Transition Towns banner. We have agreed to support the County Energy and solar groups actions, as well as the other projects co-ordinated by Dorset CAN. Also, before Christmas a member of TTWP ran a free swaps table for Children's things at a tabletop sale. The idea being that with the cost of living increasing some people might be more inclined to make use of pre-loved clothes, books, and toys. On the day lots of lovely items were donated by a couple of individuals and then taken away by some of the visitors. From this a permanent weekly swap tables have been introduced at two playgroups in Weymouth because of this idea. The weekly swaps are working well as people can bring their items at the time when they are no longer needed and many people at the playgroup can make use of them. There has been a lot of feedback about it being a great idea and very useful. Hopefully some people will be more open to using pre-loved as a result and therefore reduce consumption and save precious resources.

Numbers remain consistently at around 50, but through collaboration with others, we seek to extend our message and support positive action throughout Weymouth and Portland well into the future.

MK July 2023

Transition Town Weymouth and Portland 2022-23 Accounts

Cash Accounts for year 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

	<u>2022 - 2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
Income		
Donations/ Raffle	1200.00	1360.00
Donation for Tumbledown	10000.00	
Sale of trees		44.00
Portland Community Fridge Grant	3100.00	
Total Income	14300.00	1404.00
Expenditure		
Portland 4 Planet purchases		3500.00
Insurance	157.00	314.00
Land rentals	150.00	220.00
Great Big Green Week grant		270.00
Tumbledown Purchase	305.50	3688.84
Portland Permaculture Purchases		154.61
Portland Community Fridge	469.28	
Total expenditure	1081.78	8147.45
Funds at year start	2712.88	9456.33
Surplus/deficit for year	11587.12	-6743.45
Total Monies at year end	15931.10	2712.88
Held as:		
Funds in Bank at year end	15912.15 Note 1	2693.93
Petty Cash in Hand TTWP	18.95	18.95
Total Monies at year end	15931.10	2712.88

Note 1 including monies held on behalf of
Tumbledown Project £9694.50
Portland Community Fridge £2630.72

Certification by the Treasurer

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Signed

G. Lambert

30-Jun-23

Graham Lambert, Treasurer Transition Towns Weymouth & Portland

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TREASURER'S REPORT TO TTWP AGM

This year income exceeded expenditure by £11587.12 as a result of monies received on behalf of Tumbledown Project (£10,000) and Portland Community Fridge (£3,100)

The year ends with a healthy balance of £3605.88 in TTWP only funds.

Many thanks are due to our regular donor, without whom TTWP income would be nil.

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TTWP trustee report (2021 – 2022)

The formal AGM in 2021 was followed by an informal summer barbecue leading into a consistent and productive series of events and meetings throughout the rest of the year and on into 2022. In September Transition Towns Weymouth and Portland (TTWP) opened the launch of *'The Great British Green Week'* in Weymouth, with a focus on local, sustainable food for all. The week ended with a showing of the film '2040' at the old town hall, an output from our continued collaboration with the local community network forged during lockdown.

In November the TTWP group took to the streets to demand greater action on climate change in a joyful, peaceful protest aimed at sending a strong message to the world leaders gathered in Glasgow for COP 26. Later we celebrated the continued good work of the Portland Permaculture and Incline groups and the sad loss of one of our valued trustees. The new year saw TTWP participation in the Tumbledown farm open day and a Wassail, to toast the new orchard. These lively events celebrated the work of this thriving community farm which now offers training, weekly volunteer sessions and a wealth of opportunities for local community groups to experience the land.

At the start of 2022, using ideas in 'The Way forward by Rupert Read; TTWP renewed its purpose as a coalition of moderates, driven by a vision that positive local action makes a difference and that together we can reduce and mitigate the effects of climate change. The healthy links between TTWP and the local repair café, Dorset's climate action programme, Weymouth Together and the various active groups in both Portland and Weymouth continue to fulfil that objective.

March 2022 saw the group reconsidering the idea of an Energy Trolley, promoting energy conservation and renewable energy technologies. This will be pursued in tandem with the Weymouth Climate Emergency Centre (CEC). Simultaneous collaborations are underway with education providers such as Weymouth College and Dorset schools, where TTWP and XR have given some joint talks.

Looking forward the TTWP steering group are carrying out a Health Check; a review of our governance devised by the national Transition Network. Results will be shared in 2023 and used to help inform future directions of travel for the network. The group also successfully fundraised to purchase a bat detector for use by any member of TTWP in increasing awareness and engagement, and forging closer links with local wildlife sites, particularly Tumbledown Farm.

Our membership stands at 50, while our finances are in healthy position.

Mairi Kershaw TTWP secretary

25th August 2022

Transition Town Weymouth and Portland 2021-22 Accounts

Cash Accounts for year 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	
Income			
Donations/ Raffle	1360.00	1010.00	
Donation for Tumbledown		5000.00	
Grant for Portland 4 Planet		3500.00	
Sale of Trees	44.00		
Total Income	1404.00	9510.00	
Expenditure			
Portland 4 Planet purchases	3500.00		Note 1
Insurance	314.00		Note 2
Land rentals	220.00		
Great Big Green Week grant	270.00		
Tumbledown Purchase	3688.84	785.58	
Portland Permaculture Purchase	154.61	158.04	
Total expenditure	8147.45	943.62	
Funds at year start	9456.33	889.95	
Surplus/deficit for year	-6743.45	8566.38	
Total Monies at year end	2712.88	9456.33	
Held as:			
Funds in Bank at year end	2693.93	9390.71	
Petty Cash in Hand TTWP	18.95	17.00	
Petty Cash in Hand Permaculture Project		48.62	Note 3
Total Monies at year end	2712.88	9456.33	

NOTE 1 Grant money for Portland4Planet all spent

NOTE 2 Two years payments in 21/22 as a result of Covid.

NOTE 3 Monies previously earmarked for Permaculture Project now in TTWP funds

Certification by the Treasurer

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Signed

G. Lambert

Jun 26, 22

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TTWP Trustees report for year ending 31st March 2021

For 12 years Transition towns Weymouth and Portland this (TTWP) has pursued its main objective of creating a more resilient, locally based lifestyle through starting, supporting, resourcing and bidding for local practical ACTION. **Positive action for people and the planet, at the local level.** This year has been very different as, due to the COVID 19 we have not been able to meet as a steering group, while for most of the year, our work with volunteers, fairs, events and socials has all moved online or been postponed. Regardless, the year has been active and extremely positive; involving a whole range of new actions and connections.

The steering group, including the officers as well as some of the 7 trustees continued to meet monthly then bi-monthly on-line; keeping our core group of 49 members and 11 occasional contacts in touch through newsletters, a face book page, and a website. Positive actions included:

- April 2020 saw us setting out a positive view of lockdown - 5 consequences of our lack of movement which might enhance the transition to a sustainable future while improving our well-being. May 2020 saw the appointment of a project officer, Clive Tusk, at Tumbledown Farm, enabling an increase in local groups able to take part in sowing, growing, reaping and distributing the produce. Then May saw us collaborate with #Weymouth Together specifically over a local food group; looking at ways of bringing healthy, sustainable food to as many local people as possible. September and October saw project funding being realised for Tumbledown Farm, to make the site useable, as well as our contributing to a new safeguarding policy for adults for the Repair Café, Weymouth. Other outward facing projects included contributing to consultations over the Portland Incinerator plans and a joint activity with *Ourganics*, Dorset. Being locked in again for a virtual festive Christmas celebration led on to January's circulation on 'e-learning' and sustainability or transition, trying to maintain our momentum.
- The sub-group model of organisation continues to thrive, with extensive collaboration with #Weymouth Together over a bid for setting up a climate emergency centre (CEC) in the council's unused North Quay buildings. The outcome of the bid from this sub-group is still awaited and while the Lottery bid from Portland to support projects in schools was unsuccessful, Portland for the Planet continues to plant trees and increase biodiversity on the island. The Portland Permaculture project and Incline have carried on engaging with volunteers, managing the land, and improving their plots. Their reports are well received at each steering group meeting. Westfield Technology College persists with their growing project despite the restrictions on schools. And one new sub group to spring up is the Weymouth Permaculture project based at Tumbledown Farm
- **The Tumbledown Farm project deserves a section of its own...**
- Transition Towns works with all parties, and we aim to give a voice to people who, for whatever reason, can't access politics easily and TTWP always followed this ideal by hosting hustings, debates, vision exercise and talks, producing newsletters and bringing political ideas around climate change into our communities. The future collaboration with #Weymouth together promises much in terms of getting news, events and opportunities out to people. We hope that the new website will be on line within a month or so.
- Looking forward we can only hope that when lockdown is lifted at the end of this month, we can start to meet in person again and that TTWP will continue to thrive.

Mairi Kershaw 7th July 2021

Transition Town Weymouth and Portland 2020-21 Accounts

Cash Accounts for year 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021

	<u>2020-2021</u>
Income	
Educational income	
Donations/ Raffle	1010.00
Donation for Tumbledown	5000.00
Grant for Portland 4 Planet	3500.00
Sale of Produce	
Portland Fayre Income	
Climate Change book sales	
Total Income	9510.00
Expenditure	
Printing	
Insurance	Note 1
Portland Fayre expenses	
Purchase of Apple Trees	
Tumbledown Purchase	785.58
Portland Permaculture Purchases	158.04
Incline garden	
Total expenditure	943.62
Funds at year start	889.95
Cash from old "Portland Fund"	
Surplus/deficit for year	8566.38
Total Monies at year end	9456.33
Held as:	
Funds in Bank at year end	9390.71
Petty Cash in Hand TTWP	17.00
Petty Cash in Hand Permaculture Project	48.62
Total Monies at year end	9456.33
NOTE 1 Free due to Covid, due 5/21	
NOTE 2: includes Monies Earmarked for	
TTWP General Funds	1426.29
Portland Permaculture	250
Tumbledown	4214.42
Portland 4 Planet	3500
TOTAL	9390.71

Certification by the Treasurer

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outside the objectives of the Charity.

Signed

G. Lambert

Jun 28, 21

Graham Lambert, Treasurer Transition Towns Weymouth & Portland

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889.95

Note 2

and no inconsistency
as on activities