

# Unlocking Liskeard - at any time

# Liskeard Unlocked 2020

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To explore Liskeard and its stories at any time why not try:

- **Liskeard Tourist Information Centre** (which welcomes locals too!). With the Museum in Foresters Hall on Pike Street. Lots of free local information including:
  - *Liskeard Heritage Walk leaflet*
  - *Circular walks leaflets*
- **Visit Liskeard website** includes pages on walks in and around Liskeard, mining and heritage and history of Liskeard.
- **Liskeard and District Museum** (entry free) has fun for all the family. It has now reopened its exhibition of the largest collection of toys in Cornwall! When fully reopened you can learn about the history of Liskeard and local people, trades, crafts and the important mining heritage. Family history and local history research by appointment. In the autumn, the Museum will host an online exhibition - *“Take a closer look at macro and micro photography”*
- When it can safely reopen, **Stuart House Arts and Heritage Centre** (entry free) has arts and crafts exhibitions and sales, lectures, music recitals and heritage exhibitions - both permanent and temporary - as well as a café. The garden to the rear of the late medieval House has been laid out as a 17th century Gentleman's Garden. The Liskeard Old Cornwall Society, with its extensive archive of local history, is based in the House and is open 10am to 1pm on Wednesdays when normal opening hours resume.
- **Liskeard Old Cornwall Society** preserves local history and current affairs in their archive in Stuart House. Guest speakers talk on Cornish subjects and traditional Cornish events are kept alive. Follow our Facebook page or email the President at [contactbrian@btinternet.com](mailto:contactbrian@btinternet.com)
- Lots of interesting historical information about Liskeard is posted on social media:
  - [Liskeard Old Pictures and Videos](#)
  - [Liskeard Old Cornwall Society](#)
  - [Liskeard and District Museum](#)
- Liskeard has many **Grade II listed buildings and monuments** - you can find out more about them on the listings page at [www.historicengland.org.uk](http://www.historicengland.org.uk) Many of the entries have been updated during lockdown. Just search for Liskeard or the specific site you are interested in.

Friday 11th to Sunday 13th September



This September LISKEARD UNLOCKED will be mostly outside and online - to safely share the town's stories and look to its future - with walks, talks, exhibitions and the chance to see behind doors which are usually closed. The national theme for Heritage Open Days this year is hidden nature - and many of our events reflect that.



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For more details ask at the **Liskeard Tourist Information Centre** on Pike Street - tel. 01579 349148 or look online at [www.visitliskeard.co.uk](http://www.visitliskeard.co.uk)

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FOR THE EXPLORER IN YOU

## ON-SITE EVENTS & WALKS

To join the Walks, you must book a place with the Tourist Information Centre before noon on 10th September.

Liskeard Tourist Information Centre:  
email [tourism@liskeard.gov.uk](mailto:tourism@liskeard.gov.uk) phone: 01579 349148

## ONLINE EVENTS

To join the online Zoom talks, you must register with the Tourist Information Centre before noon on 10th September.

### Saturday 12th September

**1 Town Centre Open Spaces Walk**  
Meet 9.45am and 1.45pm at Stuart House garden (entrance at the side - between Stuart House and The King Doniert) **A guided walk with Brian Oldham** through a mixture of parks, churchyards and private gardens **Booking essential** (see above)

**2 Castle Park Activities**  
Noon - 4.30pm. **Making Space for Nature project** will be in Castle Park - find out more about wildlife improvements in the Park and have your say. There will be children's activities including a short nature trail; a quiz for families; an organised litter pick; free wildflower seeds to take away, as well as an ice-cream van puppet show. Take your camera and have a go at macro photography with the Museum's volunteers ready for their online exhibition.

**3 St Martin's Church**  
10am - 2pm for church exhibition; any time or day for churchyard visits **Making Space for Nature in an ancient Churchyard** - An indoor exhibition of plans for wilding of the churchyard; access to look around the area, and an exhibition consulting on plans for the project in Castle Park.

**4 Unlocking the Cattle Market - Past & Future** - 10am - 2pm  
For over 100 years this site was a hub of activity for the surrounding farms. Now we are looking at using it in new ways, including markets for local food and new workspaces.  
• Come and see an **open air exhibition** about the history of the Cattle Market, find out the latest news on the proposed workspace, covered market area and the Cattle Market Makers project that resulted from previous consultations & have your say about how the rest of the site develops.  
• All alongside an **outdoor market** where you can shop safely for local food.  
• While you're in town make sure to check out our many independent shops and cafes.







**5 The Public Hall** - 10am - 2pm  
**Socially-distanced Exhibition** using a one-way system  
• 1950s / 1960s Museum exhibition  
• Displays from properties unable to open now  
• Film shows of Looe Valley Line history

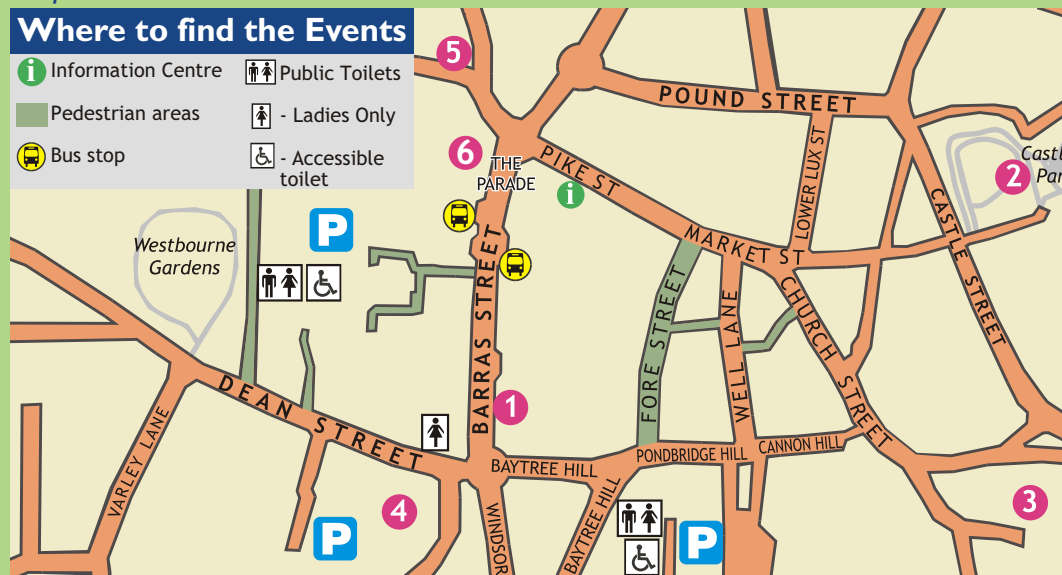
### Sunday 13th September

**6 Grade II Geology Walk**  
Meet 2pm at the Fountain on The Parade. **Join geologist Calum Beeson** for a look at the stones of some of the Grade II listed structures in Liskeard. Learn about the rock types used and where they are likely to have been sourced. Discover what that implies about the cost of the building and see how considerations like price, beauty, practicality and longevity determined which materials were selected. **Booking essential** (see above)

*Please note that when booking for or attending on-site events, your details may be recorded for Track & Trace purposes, following Government guidelines and in compliance with data protection rules.*

### Where to find the Events

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|  Information Centre |  Public Toilets    |
|  Pedestrian areas   |  Ladies Only       |
|  Bus stop           |  Accessible toilet |



**Friday 11th Sept. 7.30pm Old Cornwall Society Online Talk**  
Online Zoom talk by Brian Oldham on Liskeard's Wool Industry and its history. Register via Liskeard Tourist Information Centre.

**Sunday 13th Sept. 5pm Stuart House Online Talk**  
Online illustrated Zoom talk about Stuart House, the oldest house in the town. Find out about the building, grounds and its inhabitants before it became an Arts and Heritage Centre. Register via Liskeard Tourist Information Centre.

### Online Tours and Photo Shows

Available on the [Visit Liskeard](http://VisitLiskeard.com) website from 5pm on Friday 11th September. (No need to register in advance.)

**Pendean** - A photographic tour around this great historic house and garden. Home of two former Liskeard Mayors, with amazing stained glass windows, beautiful carved wood and interesting gardens too.

**Penmilder** - A photographic tour of this beautiful garden throughout the seasons.

**No. 3 Varley Terrace** - photographic tour. Sit back, relax and join us on a guided tour of this house designed by Henry Rice, with its many attractive features and interesting history.

### The Railway -

- virtual tour of Liskeard Station's Signal Box, courtesy of Network Rail
- driver's eye view of the Looe Valley Line, courtesy of GWR

**Re-Starting the Guildhall Clock** - Watch the video of the 152 year old clock in the Guildhall being re-started recently after it was stopped due to the coronavirus and the requirements for safe social distancing. Apart from a period in 1954 when it was removed for refurbishment, this will be only the second time in its 152 year history that this wonderful clock has stopped working.

