

# MENU

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## Light lunches

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### Soup and a roll 4.00

A selection of varieties available, served with a roll or crusty bread.

### Deli sandwiches 6.00

All available on white or brown bread or as toasted paninis, served with salad garnish and nachos. Made fresh on the premises so just ask for your preferred combo.

- tuna mayo
- egg mayo
- Coronation chicken
- cheese with mayo/pickle/salad
- cheese and ham
- ham salad

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## Cakes and sweet things

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### Cream Tea 6.00

Two scones served with cream and jam with a pot of tea.

### Home made cakes 3.00

Ask for today's varieties.

### Yarde Farm Ice Cream 3.00

Mini-tubs: Strawberries and Clotted Cream, Clotted Cream Vanilla, Salted Caramel, Chunky Chocolate, Honeycomb Delight or Mint Choc Chip.

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## Snackety snacks

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Toasted teacakes	All
Toasted crumpets	3.00
Sausage roll	
Bacon butty	

## Mains

### Chilli bowl 7.00

Home-made chilli served with rice and a salad garnish. Vegetarian option available.

### Lasagne 7.00

Delicious home-made lasagna served with garlic bread and a salad garnish. Vegetarian option available.

### Chicken Curry 7.00

A bowl of home-made chicken curry served with rice and a mini-naan.

### Ploughmans Lunch 7.00

Grilled chicken breast topped with mushrooms, onions and Cheese.

### House Salad 7.00

Lots of leaves and something nice!!!!

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## Drinks.

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A wide selection of drinks can be ordered from the bar: tea, coffee, hot chocolate, cold drinks and a fully licenced bar.



## THE GRAND OLD LADY OF PALACE AVENUE

The Palace Theatre was opened in 1890 as the Paignton Public Hall. The plans show that original intended location was in fact in the middle of Palace Avenue Gardens but the final scheme shows a overlooked by the imposing Public Hall. What had been ecclesiastical land was transformed from cabbage fields to a vision of a grand business and cultural centre for the town.

Once completed the Hall seated 800 people with a mix of canvas and wooden chairs with plush seating in the balcony. On Friday 12th September 1890 opening night guests were entertained by Paignton's newly formed musical society and this is where our 13 decades of history begins.

In February 1891 Gilbert & Sullivan's 'HMS Pinafore' was performed by one of the first fully fledged amateur operatic societies in the country. After the turn of the century the calendar of attractions and activities included burgeoning suffragette meetings.

In 1935, famous local impresario, Jack Baker, was persuaded to produce a pantomime. 'Babes in the Wood' exceeded all expectations and Panto continued until 1943 when call-up meant the cast had dwindled and the Hall was needed for the war effort. During WWII the Hall and Theatre became the focus of community life and a famous highpoint was Glen Miller performing in a house packed with American troops. Just three weeks later his life was lost over the channel.

Like many an old building, the theatre is rich in stories of ghosts, from mysterious footsteps crossing an empty stage to a lady with a heavy winter coat that refuses leave the auditorium, before simply disappearing.

A refurbishment in 2006 created the auditorium we know today. In 2018 the Theatre, threatened with closure, left the control of Torbay Council and the newly formed Jazz Hands CIC took over the management. The theatre was once again thriving at the heart of Paignton's cultural life.