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THE BOOK OF LOOE

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TOURISM, TRAWLERS AND TRADE

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The twin towns of East and West Looe sit either side of the river that over the years has been the lifeblood of the community. Fishermen have always used it as a safe harbour; traders have left from it to travel as far as the Americas, and tourists have just been happy to sit beside it and watch the world go by.

Today Looe is a busy little town, especially in the summer when thousands of visitors arrive to enjoy the delights it has to offer. Many of the old families are still in the town and it is their histories and those of others that have helped make this book what it is. What it is not, is the definitive history of the town; in fact we see it more as a scrapbook. The aim is to add to what has been written before, not replicate it, and in doing so give the town a record of life concentrating on the last 150 years.

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