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## WOODHAM STUDENTS OFF TO COACH IN U.S.A. SUMMER CAMP



Seven budding young sports coach students from Woodham Community Technology College are set to pioneer a scheme enabling 16yr olds to coach on an American Summer Camp for a month. The programme, which is believed to be the first of its

kind in the UK (normally you have to be 18 to be eligible for schemes such as this) has been developed in partnership with Woodham and Active Inclusion, a local sports coaching company. The lucky students who were chosen from a large field of applicants from the school were put through a rigorous interview process before being offered a place on the programme.

As part of the programme the students have been given access to an individually tailored coach education plan involving national governing body awards, practical coaching assessments and 'In House' training from Active Inclusion.

The students have also marketed and launched their very own multi skills sports sessions every week in school for younger students.

Jon Tait, Director of Student Support at Woodham and a key partner in the COACH USA programme said "This is a wonderful and truly unique opportunity for our students. The benefit cannot be underestimated, and we have already seen fantastic personal development in every one of them through their mentoring by Darren Anderson of Active Inclusion. The summer will be a great way to utilise their energy and enthusiasm for sport and helping young people".

Their month in America will be spent on Camp Cody (www.cody.org) where they will be coaching American children aged 7-15. It is a traditional log cabin style

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It offers water skiing, wind surfing and kayaking, alongside the traditional sports of baseball, basketball and American Football. Not only will the students have the summer of a lifetime, but they will also develop essential skills needed in leadership which will undoubtedly see them continue to develop into successful, mature and dynamic individuals, ready to realise their dreams and ambitions.

Phil Ross, Executive Director at Camp Cody commented "Cody hosts campers and students from across America and around the world. We are really looking forward to establishing an ongoing close relationship with Woodham Technology College and the greater Durham community by hosting local students in our camp counselor and sports/waterfront teaching programs".

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# LINK INVITE YOU TO HAVE YOUR SAY

Do you have something to say about your local health and social care services? Then get involved with County Durham Local Involvement Network (LINK).

The LINK is an independent network of local people, groups and organisations that has the power to directly influence local health and social care services. It works by gathering the views of its members and feeding them back to those responsible for developing, commissioning and delivering health and social care services so they can learn what works, what doesn't, and how they can improve.

New members are always welcome, and currently we're specifically looking for new – and existing – members to help us look at issues around:

Dementia/Alzheimer Services  
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cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT), psychotherapy and psychoanalysis, and psychiatry

**Alcohol - Prevention/Treatment/Control**

**Domiciliary Care - health care or supportive care that is provided to individuals in their homes by trained health care professionals**

The LINK relies on the input of its network members, so please get involved where you can and help us improve the quality of local health and social care services.

To find out more about how you can become part of the network and be involved, please call the LINK team on 01325 327 431 or go to [www.linkcountydurham.co.uk](http://www.linkcountydurham.co.uk)

*Ed: LINK is based at the Pioneering Care Centre on Burn Lane and therefore very convenient for Newtonians wishing to make their views known.*

# Double 1st for Aycliffe Racing Couple



Amanda Whitaker took a 1st place and 2nd place at Snetterton last weekend in the double header HSCC Historic Formula Ford encounter. She grabbed Pole Position in qualifying by just 5 hundredths of a second from David Wild. In the second race, she once again started from Pole Position, earned from her earlier race win. Amanda was faster in the corners, but couldn't live with the engine power of her rival and finished in 2nd, just one tenth of a second behind him. She still lies tied at the top of the championship .....and it was a winning weekend for the household, as on the continent Amanda's partner Anthony Dunn won his first race in

the SPEED modern sports prototype series at Belgium's famous Spa-Francorchamps circuit. Anthony took the lead of the race from Simon Dolan at the first corner and pulled out a lead of nearly 1 minute after driving a full stint of 1 hour 45 mins of the 3 hour event.

# Vane Road Primary School 50th Birthday

Vane Road Primary School will have been open for 50 years next week. The school are preparing for a special week, including concerts, a disco and a lunch from 50 years ago prepared by Taylor Shaw. This will include Spam Fritters, Chips and Beans and Chocolate Sponge with Pink Custard! All past and present parents and pupils are invited to a coffee morning on Friday 19th June from 9.30a.m. to 11.30 a.m. The children are hoping to enjoy an outdoor picnic with past members of staff and governors, followed by the drawing of a grand raffle and a release of environmentally friendly balloons at 2 p.m. Parents are also invited to join their children for the balloon release.

# SIRENS ARE VITAL

Dear Editor

Re letter in 5/6/09 edition from 'Resident of Burn Lane'. Which planet is this person living on?

Do they go to bed so early as never to watch/hear any news? Hasn't it just recently been in the media about a family sadly losing their daughter, knocked down and killed by a policeman who DIDN'T use his siren whilst travelling at speed?

I'm sure the writer of this letter would be eager to hear that same siren if it meant the emergency services were on the way to help him with no worries that someone 3 or 4 streets away was losing sleep!

No doubt next you'll be asking for silencers on the Police helicopter rotor blades, and a dimmer switch on the spot light!

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(name & address supplied)

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# ONLY 50 TICKETS LEFT FOR BEZ & BALLY NIGHT

Tickets for Newton Aycliffe FC's Celebrity event are flying out as two North-East football legends prepare to visit the town. Aycliffe are proud to present Kevin Ball and John Beresford at the Curry Night next month, to raise much-needed cash for next season's Northern League challenge. The pair, well-known for their

roles on Tyne Tees North-East Football Show Soccernight, will be joined by hilarious comedian Rudi West and will be held in a giant outdoor marquee adjacent to the Sports Club, on Friday July 24th. Beresford, now 42, played 179 games for Newcastle between 1992 and '98 and is famous for recounting memories of his

time during Kevin Keegan's heyday at St James' Park, while Hastings-born Ball, now 44 and currently Academy coach at Sunderland, played 340 games for the club between 1990 and '99.

As expected, tickets for the evening are popular. Organiser Martin Walker said: "We've already sold 150 tickets, with a target of 200, with just seven weeks to go.

"Of course, we still need to sell at least another 50 tickets, but there is scope and the capacity to sell a lot more, and anyone who wants to buy tickets should do so as quickly as possible, to avoid disappointment.

"This really is a high-profile event, the football club's biggest of the year, and will hopefully help us to raise vital funds for next season, so as usual the support of our supporters is hugely appreciated."

Tickets for the Bez&Bally night are priced just £20, which includes a Chicken Curry, and are available from: Steve Cunliffe on 07872 985501, stecunliffe@aol.com; Martin Walker on 07826 525907, martinwalker50@hotmail.com; or Daz Verdon on 07774 011583.

Aycliffe have lined up four home pre-season friendlies against former Wearside League rivals Wolviston on Saturday 18th July, Wigan Robin Park, from the North West Counties League, on Saturday 25th July, an exciting tie against local rivals Spennymoor on Tuesday 28th July and Teesside Athletic, from the Wearside League, on Saturday 1st August.

www.newtonaycliffefc.co.uk

# YOUTHY FOOTBALLER PICKED FOR ENGLAND



Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre AFC are proud to announce Adam Robinson has been chosen to represent England for the association of Boys Clubs. This season Adam had already represented Bishop Auckland District and Durham County School Boys before being chosen by Durham to compete in the annual county championship of boys clubs.

They reached the final played at the home of Notts County winning 3-2 against Northumberland. He was then invited to England trials for games against Sunderland, Newcastle and Darlington academies. He successfully negotiated the trials and will play in a four nations tournament before preparing for a trip to Boston later in the year.

Adam has played for Newton Aycliffe YC at every age group from the age of 8 yrs old and is very proud of what he has achieved with the club. This is the second Youthy player to represent England following in the success of David Swindells 2 seasons ago. As the new season fast approaches it will be down to the next under 16's to keep up our proud record of producing players to the standard needed to represent

England.

If you are looking for a high standard of football and feel you could represent England, the first boys club tournament begins end of August and our under 16 continue to train throughout the close season. If you are going into your final year at school and want to play for our Charter Standard Development Club contact Berni 0793 9045242

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# WATER POLO NEWS

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The Sedgefield squad was Abbey Turnbull, Rhiannon Foulds, Joe Barker, John and James Pratt, Adam Courtley, Frazer Roe, Emily Pilkington, Lauren Teesdale, Michael Cousins, Connor Keeble, Youssef and Ahmed Badr, James Curry, Simran Kang, Melissa Lowe, Jonathon Colledge and Rebecca Naylor.



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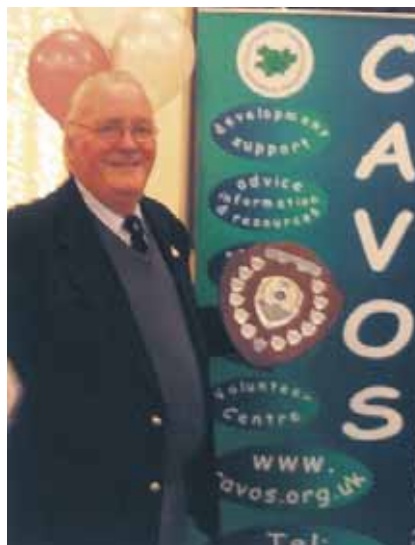
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## TOWN VOLUNTEERS WIN WELL DESERVED AWARDS



Dear Sir,

On Thursday 4th June two well known volunteers from Aycliffe won awards at the CAVOS Presentation Night held at Spennymoor Town Hall. Peter Beatty from the Neville Parade Community Centre won the "Volunteer of the Year" award and Joe Blackett received the "Volunteer Citizen" award for his work with the Football section at the Youth Centre and the Wishing Well Club. Both men deserve the highest praise for their hard work over many years serving our community.  
Maud Gray

## BIG PRIZE FOR 100% SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Young people who have kept a clean sheet for attendance throughout their school career have a final chance to tour a leading sporting venue.

So far 11 County Durham pupils are on course to achieve an outstanding 100 per cent school attendance record over their whole secondary school or primary school career.

Now Durham County Council is putting out a final call to see if there are any more students in their final year of primary or secondary school with a similar record to invite them to a special celebration.

Over the last eight years, the County Council has presented awards to Year 11 students who have not missed even half a day throughout their secondary school career, and for the past few years has included primary pupils in the award.

Award winners will be given a tour of St James' Park, home of Newcastle United Football Club, in September, and a presentation dinner with their families.

The 11 students so far attend Bishop Barrington School, Durham Community Business College, Sedgefield Community College, Teesdale School, Greenfield School Community and Arts College and Seaham School of Technology.

Parents or schools who think young people might qualify should contact Catherine Jones at County Hall, Durham on 0191 383 4551.

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## Live Concert at St. Clare's

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### GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

#### Dates and Times of Statutory Meetings of the Town Council and its Committees

Wednesday 8th July 2009  
Environment Committee - 7.15pm  
followed by the Recreation Committee

#### QUESTION TIME

A period of up to 15 minutes has been set aside for electors to ask questions at the Recreation, Environment and Policy & Resources Committee Meetings. Written questions must be received by the Town Clerk at least 5 clear days prior to the meeting. Oral questions may be asked at the meeting which relate to an agenda item or is a matter for which that committee has responsibility. Agendas/Reports are available on the Council's Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting ([www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk)).

The press and public are cordially invited to attend.

The Public Entrance to the Council Chamber will be open 70 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting.

### GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

#### Customer Panel Meeting

The next meeting of the Customer Panel will be held on:

TUESDAY 16th JUNE 2009  
commencing at 6.00pm

The Panel meet in the Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe.

Further information can be obtained from Christine Walton on 01325 300700  
e-mail: [christine.walton@great-aycliffe.gov.uk](mailto:christine.walton@great-aycliffe.gov.uk)

Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Public Entrance to the Council Chamber will be open thirty minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting.

### GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

#### NOTICES OF MEETINGS

Wednesday 24th June 2009  
Special Policy & Resource Committee  
7.15pm

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#### EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that: An extra-ordinary meeting of the Town Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe on:

Wednesday 24th June 2009  
Immediately following the  
Special Policy & Resource Committee Meeting

The item on the agenda will be to confirm the minutes of the Special Policy & Resource Committee. Agendas/Reports are available on the Council's Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting ([www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk)). The press and public are cordially invited to attend.  
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### CHANGE OF CATEGORY TO FOUNDATION AND ACQUISITION OF TRUST

Notice is given in accordance with section 10(3) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that

The Governing Body of Greenfield School Community and Arts College intends to make a prescribed alteration to Greenfield School Community and Arts College which is a community school located in Greenfield Way, Newton Aycliffe, County Durham, DL5 7LF.

The proposed alteration is to change school category from community to foundation and, jointly with Sennydale Community College for Maths and Computing and Woodham Community Technology College, to acquire a Trust established otherwise under the School Standards Framework Act 1998.

The proposed name of the trust is Aycliffe and Shildon Schools Education Trust and the proposed implementation date is September 1st 2009.

The Aycliffe and Shildon Schools Education Trust members will be:

Durham County Council,  
South West Durham Training Limited,  
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Partners in the Trust have a shared and proven commitment to raising standards and aspirations of young people in the two towns. Through formal collaboration, there will be benefits for students in enhanced vocational and academic 14-19 provision giving greater opportunities for personalized learning and improved progression routes. The impact will be in raising student achievement, motivation and aspirations and increased participation in education and training.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained by contacting the school or can be accessed from the school website [www.greenfieldschool.net](http://www.greenfieldschool.net)

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by writing to the Chair of Governors or by e mail.

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P. Bergg (Chair of Governors)

Publication Date: 8th June 2009



## SELL OUT BOXING TOURNAMENT IN AYCLIFFE



Aycliffe Amateur Boxing Club hosted a boxing tournament at the Big Club on Friday 22nd May. The evening was a great success with 12 well contested bouts with Aycliffe ABC having 10 boxers competing. Five had their first contest without a win, but gained valuable experience.

Aston Fairhurst boxed a much more experienced Joe Mendonca from Sunderland and won a hard fought contest. Mark Dial boxed in his 4th contest and made it 3 out of 4. Marley Abadom threw it all away after leading all the way through his contest when he got 2 points deducted for talking to his very tough opponent from Bridlington.

Joe Tighe had a very hard task against an opponent that had only lost 3 contests from 19 but did himself and the club proud losing on points.

The main event of the evening

was the Heavyweight Belt Championship contest with Sean Denham against Baron Ellsworth. This bout was warming up nicely with the referee spoiling the action. Sean won the belt by disqualification - he was winning by 16 points to 5 when the ref called a halt to the contest. He now goes on to box against London on the 13th June at Newbiggin by the Sea.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all the people that supported us on the night for a sell out Show, and to coaches and helpers who made it so successful. WELL DONE to all the boxers.

**We are looking forward to the next show at the same place. Anyone interested in training, Male or Female from the age of 8 is most welcome on Tuesday & Thursday evenings 6.00 to 7.30pm at the Youth Centre.**

## Inspired by "The Head"

by ELAINE VIZOR

I don't know if it was part of a mid life crisis, the need to revisit my creative side before it is too late or something to help me cope with the sudden loss of my big brother, but taking GCSE photography at Bishop Auckland College from September 08 proved to be an extremely rewarding, therapeutic and enriching experience for me.

For this I have to thank Joseph Hillier, the Artist who created the monumental sculpture, 'In Our Image'; as well as Dave Spensley and Christine Bewley the Directors of Aycliffe Fabrications and the workers there who gave me permission to photograph the progress of the making of the sculpture for my third project. It has been an immense privilege to visit the factory periodically, to meet Joseph and the workers who painstakingly fabricated the huge head using their skills and experience to turn metal and welds into a work of enduring art.

It became much more than a GCSE project, as like so many people involved, it becomes part of you, with a sense of ownership and pride in what has been created. I feel very proud for Joseph Hillier to have realised his vision for creating a sculpture that symbolises the area's industrial heritage, that celebrates the work that goes on here now, as well as heralding the work of the future in Aycliffe.

I am also very proud of all the people at Aycliffe Fabrications who achieved this great monument which stands 16 metres tall - a testament to their great capabilities as an outstanding industry in Aycliffe. What a great achievement for Aycliffe Fabrications, Joseph Hillier, Newton Aycliffe and County Durham.

I have great fondness for Newton Aycliffe where I lived and worked for several years at different times since 1982 at Aycliffe School as a Social Worker. I have worked at the Adult Training Centre as well as having been a Senior Social Worker for several years and now in Young People's Service.

My husband Duncan worked at Greenfield School for twenty four years and I have to thank him for too, as it was his connections with Aycliffe Fabrications that gave me the opening in the first place. I had read, while waiting for friends at the 'Elachi' Indian Restaurant in Aycliffe in October 08, an article in Newton News about a sculpture being made in Aycliffe. I said it would be a brilliant project to photojournal, and it took off from there. I also have a younger brother who is a GP in Aycliffe and my brother Jeff who died last year had been a Policeman in the town, so Aycliffe has featured hugely in my family. I have attempted to capture the story of the 'In Our Image' process from the early stages of the steel frame being welded around the plaster head to it's completion and installation on 2nd June 09.

My photographs are unposed and candid shots of the workers and the work in progress and are a pictorial record of the many changes that have occurred throughout the process, changes and moments that would be lost without photojournalism to capture them. The response to my work has been very pleasing, some of it is displayed in the entrance



to Aycliffe Fabrications and I have been encouraged to exhibit my pictorial story of the fabrication of 'In Our Image' in the Gallery at Greenfield School in July 2010.

This will be an opportunity for me to share with others

the photographs I have been privileged to take. I am a life long learner and would encourage anyone who is thinking of taking up a hobby or training, at any age, to go for it, who knows what enrichment it might yield.

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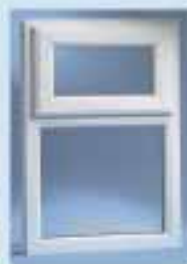
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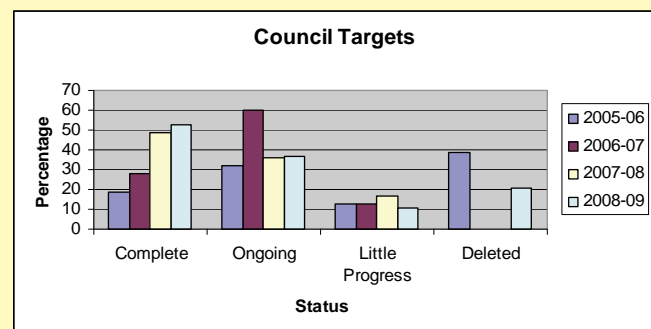
## ANNUAL REPORT 2008/09

### Foreword by the outgoing Mayor, Councillor George Gray

Over the last year the Council and myself have been extremely busy. This has been an unprecedented year with many major projects being undertaken which were made available partly through external LIP funding, match funding from the Town Council and Councillors Neighbourhood Enhancement Programme fund. Some of the Council's main achievements have been set out below.



The nominated charities for my year as Mayor were BLESMA (British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association) and the British Heart Foundation. I would like to thank everyone who helped me raise £8,000 which was split equally between these charities. I am now looking forward to a well earned rest from a hectic schedule. This annual report is intended to provide a brief summary of some key achievements from the past year; an overview of financial information and a snapshot of the year to come.



### SOME OF OUR KEY ACHIEVEMENTS LAST YEAR WERE

- ✓ Council tax precept was kept low at 3% (2.99% actual)
- ✓ £263,969 savings in total were made across all service areas.
- ✓ Over £500,000 additional funding was gained from external sources.
- ✓ Refurbished and improved Simpasture, Horndale, Woodham and St. Oswald's Parks.
- ✓ Appointed an Environment Officer and Town Pride Team.
- ✓ Improved the Moore Lane building to provide an Environmental Centre.
- ✓ At the Oakleaf Sports Complex a bar and function room refurbishment has been complete, DDA access doors and a disabled lift has been installed.
- ✓ Delivered the programme of special events.
- ✓ We retained the 'Quality Parish' status.
- ✓ Achieved an unqualified opinion in the Annual Audit Letter, this is the best possible result available.

### A message from the new Mayor, Councillor Mary Dalton

I am really looking forward to my year as Mayor and representing the Town Council in an official capacity. The charities I have chosen for my year in office are the North East Army Benevolent Fund and local charities.



The Town Council will continue to provide the best service possible for the residents of Great Aycliffe but we will not be able to complete projects on such a scale as last year. Although the current economic climate is difficult for us all the Town Council's finances are in a relatively healthy state which will help us meet the challenges the ongoing recession will bring.

Through our satisfaction surveys; open days; attending community events; the youth council and the customer panel we aim to take into account your views and act upon your priorities in order to improve our services for the people of Great Aycliffe.

### SOME KEY TARGETS FOR THIS YEAR

Following the annual review of the Town Council aims and targets, and including recommendations from the residents of Great Aycliffe, some of our key targets for 2009/2010 are:

- Ensure the Town Clerk and at least 80% of Members are trained in the power of well being.
- Complete the park at St. Oswald's.
- Re-open the toilets at St Oswald's Park
- Complete the best value review of the Oakleaf Sports Complex.
- Deliver 3% efficiency savings.
- Continue to build relationships with Durham County Council.
- Work and encourage schools, community and voluntary groups to work together to improve Great Aycliffe.

### AIMS AND TARGETS 2009/10

#### AIM 1 "TO PROVIDE GOOD QUALITY GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL"

##### TARGETS

- 1) The Town Clerk is trained in the power of well being.
- 2) At least 80% of Members are trained in the power of well being.
- 3) Quarterly performance report to Policy and Resources Committee
- 4) Complete all staff training identified by the Personal Development Review (PDR) process by October 2010.

- 5) Prepare a training list, developed from the PDR process and feed into the budget setting process.
- 6) Prepare a Member and Town Clerk training programme to comply with guidance for Quality Parish Status.
- 7) Complete Member training and review completed post training evaluation forms.
- 8) Undertake a review of all records and filing systems annually to comply with the Freedom of Information Act.
- 9) Improve advertising of council facilities and services.
- 10) Complete the electronic recording of appropriate historical archive documents.

#### AIM 2 "TO MANAGE THE COUNCIL'S FINANCES AND ASSETS IN A RESPONSIBLE MANNER"

##### TARGETS

- 11) Produce an Annual Statement of Accounts by 30th June 2009 without external qualification
- 12) Complete any government returns electronically by the relevant deadline.
- 13) Continue to deliver 3% efficiencies.
- 14) Implement any works highlighted in the Asset Management Plan, prioritised by DDA compliance.
- 15) Undertake a review of all Council risks every March.
- 16) Budgets/precept approved by 31st January 2010.
- 17) Undertake an annual review of the Asset database.
- 18) Undertake an annual review of the schedule of expected life and replacement costs for plant and machinery and build into the capital works programme as necessary.
- 19) Undertake an energy assessment for Great Aycliffe Town Council Offices with a view to this being expanded into all areas in the future.
- 20) Explore drainage options for wet areas at West Cemetery.
- 21) Open the toilets for limited hours at Stephenson Way Cemetery on a weekend for a trial period. (times to be agreed)

#### AIM 3 "TO PROVIDE ACCESSIBLE, AFFORDABLE LEISURE FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES"

##### TARGETS

- 22) Complete the Best Value Review of the Oakleaf Sports Complex.
- 23) Hold an open day at the Oakleaf Sports Complex.
- 24) Complete a programme of day trips for pensioners by July 2009.
- 25) Run the annual Great Aycliffe Show.
- 26) Work with partners to review the provision and operation of environmental areas and green spaces.
- 27) Deliver the Council's programme of special events.
- 28) Review the existing pricing at the Oakleaf Sports Complex and investigate the possibility of a junior reward card or scheme.



#### AIM 4 "TO PROVIDE PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION AS APPROPRIATE IN GREAT AYCLIFFE"

##### TARGETS

- 29) Investigate the need for extended opening hours at the Pre-school settings. If required, extend the opening hours.
- 30) Continue to develop the new Early Years Foundations Stage in all pre-school settings.
- 31) Provide adequate outdoor storage facilities at St. Oswald's and Woodham Burn pre-school settings.
- 32) Achieve 'Good' Ofsted inspection results (If undertaken).

#### AIM 5 "TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT OF AYCLIFFE BY MANAGING AND DEVELOPING PARKS, PLAY AREAS AND GREEN SPACES"

##### TARGETS

- 33) The Environmental Officer to work with local schools and community groups to develop volunteer opportunities.
- 34) Work with the Youth Council, schools, community and voluntary groups to hold a Town Pride Environment Day.
- 35) Publicise environmental/green spaces in the Great Aycliffe area.
- 36) Publicise parks and play areas in Town Council ownership.

- 37) Complete the refurbishment of St. Oswald's Park.
- 38) Re-open the public toilets at St Oswald's Park.
- 39) Investigate options for the provision of a town wide park ranger service.

#### AIM 6 "TO HELP AND ENCOURAGE PARTNERSHIP WORKING TO IMPROVE THE SERVICES AND FACILITIES FOR THE RESIDENTS OF GREAT AYCLIFFE"

##### TARGETS

- 40) Support and encourage Aycliffe Youth Council.
- 41) Work with other groups to develop community activities to encourage pride in Great Aycliffe.
- 42) Hold a litter awareness campaign in partnership with Durham County Council, the Youth Council, schools and any national initiatives.
- 43) Negotiate with Durham County Council to hold a high profile 'dog fouling' campaign in the Great Aycliffe area.

#### AIM 7 "ENCOURAGE THE RESIDENTS OF GREAT AYCLIFFE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN LOCAL DEMOCRACY"

##### TARGETS

- 44) Develop an Aycliffe Citizens Charter. Setting out the responsibilities of the Town Council and the level of service they can expect to receive. Including a list of who provides what and citizen's responsibilities.

- 45) Hold or take part in at least 2 events to inform residents about Town Council services.
- 46) Promote the need to register to vote prior to any elections.

#### AIM 8 "TO RESEARCH INFORMATION AND MAKE THE CASE FOR GREAT AYCLIFFE"

##### TARGETS

- 47) Produce timely responses to all major consultations carried out.
- 48) Undertake benchmarking and research, where appropriate, for new policies and procedures.

#### SUGGESTIONS

If you have any comments on the information contained, or the layout, of the Annual Report would you please contact the Council Offices (01325) 300700 with your suggestions.

#### PARISH PERFORMANCE PLAN 2009/10

The Aims and Targets information contained in the Annual Report are taken from the Council's Parish Performance Plan 2009/10. A full copy of this document is available on the Council's Website. ([www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk))

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MAYOR'S ANNUAL EVENTS

The following Civic Dates have now been finalised for the Mayor’s Year in Office:

**Mayor “At Home”** - Tuesday, 30th June 2009 at the Council Offices - 2p.m.

**Civic Service** - Sunday, 26th July 2009 at St. Clare’s Church - 9.45 a.m.

**Charity Golf Tournament** - Friday, 11th September 2009 - Oakleaf Golf Complex.

**Community Carol Service** - Sunday, 13th December 2009 - Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre - 2.30 p.m.

**Civic Carol Service** - Sunday, 20th December 2009 - St. Clare’s Church - 6 p.m.

**Civic Dinner and Dance** - Friday, 19th February 2010 - The Hall Garth Hotel - 7 p.m.



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- (b) County Durham Association of Local Councils  
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- (e) Woodham Village Community Association  
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- (j) Greenfield Arts Management Group  
 Councillor Mrs. D. Bowman - Councillor V. Crosby - Councillor B. Haigh
- (k) Normandy Veterans’ Association  
 Councillor Mrs. M. Dalton
- (l) Woodham Community Technology College Forum Meeting  
 Councillor Mrs. M. Dalton - Councillor Mrs. V.M. Raw
- (m) Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre  
 Councillor Mrs. E.M. Paylor
- (n) Youth Council  
 Councillor V. Crosby - Councillor A. Warburton - Corporate & Policy Officer

MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

8th July 2009	Environment	7.15 p.m.
8th July 2009	Recreation	* 7.15 p.m.
15th July 2009	Policy & Resources	7.15 p.m.
22nd July 2009	Full Council	7.15 p.m.
9th Sept. 2009	Environment	7.15 p.m.
9th Sept. 2009	Recreation	* 7.15 p.m.
16th Sept. 2009	Policy & Resources	7.15 p.m.
23rd Sept. 2009	Council	7.15 p.m.
21st Oct. 2009	Environment	7.15 p.m.
21st Oct. 2009	Recreation	* 7.15 p.m.
28th Oct. 2009	Policy & Resources	7.15 p.m.
4th Nov. 2009	Council	7.15 p.m.

\* The **Recreation Committee** will commence immediately after the Environment Committee Meeting.

**5th MAY, 2010 - PARISH MEETING - 7.15 p.m. (\*\*)**  
**12th MAY, 2010 - COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING - 7.15 p.m.**  
*(\* \*) (N.B. – this is not a meeting of the Town Council but a meeting of local government electors in the Council’s area. Any queries about the Parish Meeting can be made to the Town Clerk on 01325 300700).*

**QUESTION TIMES:**  
 A period of up to 30 minutes has been set aside for electors of the Parish to ask questions of appropriate members of the Council at its Council Meeting. Questions should relate to the work of the Council or affect the Parish in some way and they should be given in writing to the Town Clerk at least five clear days prior to the date upon which they will be asked.  
 A period of up to 15 minutes has been also set aside for an elector to ask questions at the Recreation, Environment and Policy and Resources Committee meetings. Written questions must be received by the Town Clerk at least 5 clear days prior to the meeting. Oral questions may be asked at the meeting which relate to an agenda item or is a matter for which that committee has responsibility.  
 Agendas / Reports are available on the Council’s Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting. (www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk)  
**THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE ABOVE MEETINGS.**  
 The Entrance to the Council Chamber will be open 30 minutes prior to the commencement time of the meeting.

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# An Overview of the Council's Finances

## The Cost of Running the Council's Services

A summary of the Council's actual expenditure in 2007/2008 and 2008/2009 in running its various services, and how this expenditure was funded is detailed below:-

2007/2008 £	Service Area	2008/2009 £
728,309	Corporate and Democratic Management	719,683
187,640	Pre Schools	190,837
140,891	Special Events	143,854
710,513	Sports Complex	715,864
254,958	Golf Course and Driving Range	254,575
308,379	Parks, Sports Pitches and Play Areas	317,441
85,594	Environment and Open Spaces and Street Equipment	99,286
51,041	Cemeteries	55,127
9,923	Allotments	15,978
2,477,248	<b>Total Cost of Running Council Services</b>	<b>2,512,645</b>
	<b>Less Income</b>	
(15,000)	Best Value Grant	(15,000)
(157,143)	Pre Schools Funding and Fees	(172,527)
(461,612)	Sports Complex Fees and Charges	(435,987)
(234,376)	Golf Course and Driving Range Fees and Charges	(187,314)
(26,199)	Cemeteries Fees	(21,861)
(51,172)	Other Fees and Charges	(42,476)
(37,469)	Investment Income	(32,688)
(982,971)	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>(907,853)</b>
(281,201)	Exclusion of Depreciation Charges	(291,986)
1,213,076	<b>Actual Net Cost of Council Services</b>	<b>1,312,806</b>
293,687	<b>Contribution to Council Balances / Savings</b>	<b>263,969</b>
1,506,763	<b>Council Precept / Council Tax</b>	<b>1,576,775</b>

The net cost of running the Council's many services is met from the Precept.

The Precept is the amount that the Town Council ask Durham County Council, as the Council Tax Billing Authority, to collect for us from the Council taxpayers of Great Aycliffe to fund the estimated net cost of all of the services we provide.

As shown above, the Council's Precept for 2008/2009 was set at £1,576,775, which resulted in a Town Council Tax bill of £200.30 per year at Valuation Band D.

However a significant proportion of properties in the Great Aycliffe area fall within Council Tax Band A, for which the Town Council element of the Council Tax bill was £133.53 a year or £2.57 a week.

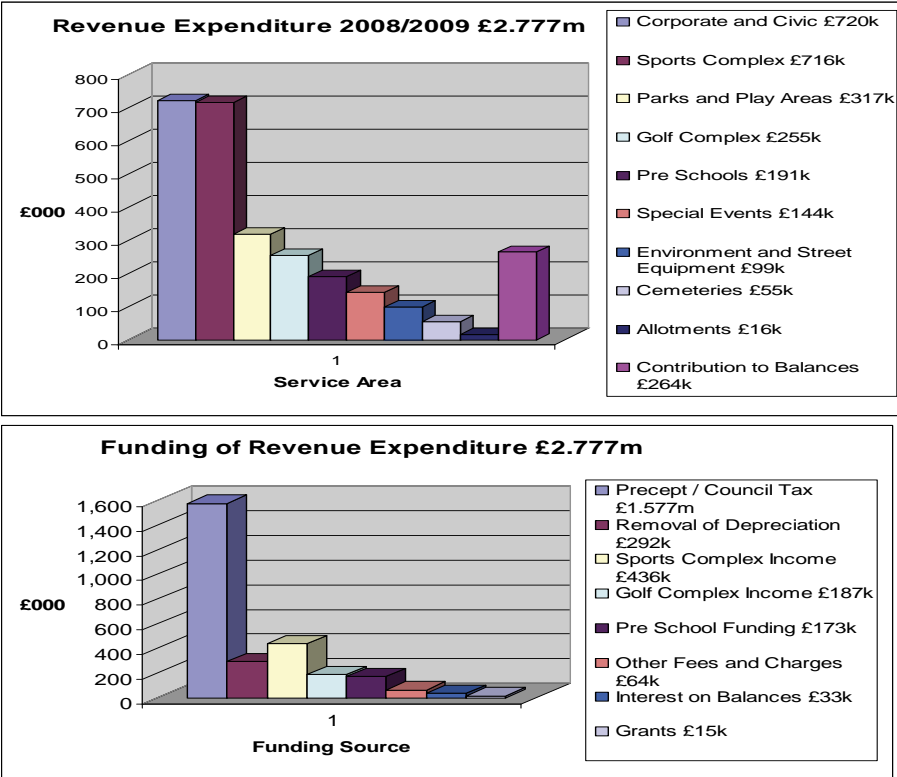
The financial position and spending of the Council is continuously monitored and controlled, to help ensure value for money to the tax payers of Great Aycliffe.

This prudent management of the Council's spending was demonstrated last year, when the Council achieved a saving of £263,969 between the actual net cost of running the Council's Services and the annual Precept, despite the onset of the recession and its impact in increasing costs and reducing income levels.

Savings were achieved mainly on the delayed filling of the new environment posts, higher than expected pre school funding and also on the non use of the contingency sum, although savings were achieved across most of the Council's services.

This money has been set aside in the Council's balances to meet future spending commitments, help keep future council tax increases to a minimum and to allow further capital investment in Council and community assets.

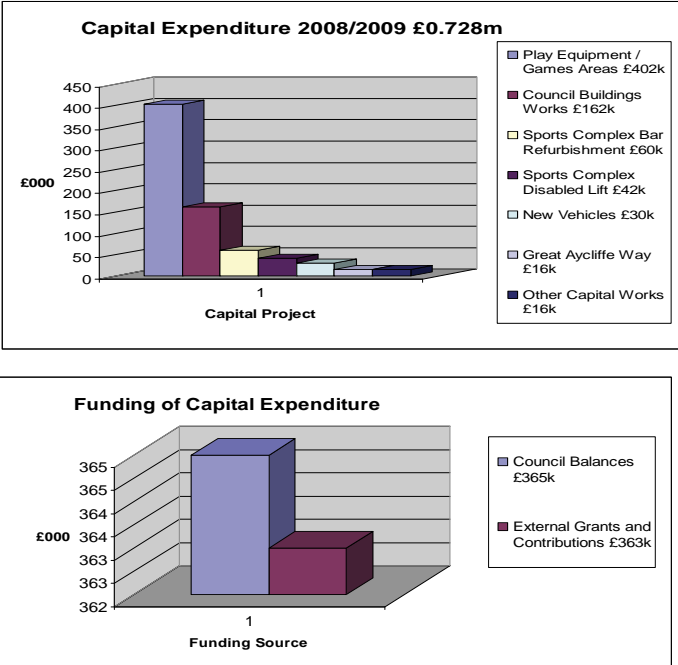
A graphical summary of the Council's spending in 2008/2009 and how it was funded is shown below:-



### Capital Investment

A summary of the Council's capital investment in Council and community assets in 2007/2008 and 2008/2009, and how this expenditure was funded is detailed here:-

2007/2008 £	Investment Area	2008/2009 £
-	Council Buildings Works	161,424
-	Sports Complex Disabled Lift	42,434
-	Sports Complex Bar Refurbishment	60,420
32,410	Replacement Vehicles	30,030
11,478	CCTV Cameras	-
-	Play Equipment and Multi Use Games Areas	400,745
10,191	Other Capital Investment	32,584
54,079	<b>Total Capital Investment</b>	<b>727,637</b>
	<b>Funded by:-</b>	
(5,000)	Capital Contributions	(363,062)
(49,079)	Use of Council Balances	(364,575)
(54,079)	<b>Funding of Capital Investment</b>	<b>(727,637)</b>



### Balance Sheet

A summary of the Council's Balance Sheet for 2007/2008 and 2008/2009 is detailed below and shows the net worth of the Council, in terms of its assets and liabilities:-

2007/2008 £	Category of Asset or Liability	2008/2009 £
	<b>Fixed Assets</b>	
4,882,000	Land and Buildings	4,867,000
797,000	Vehicles, Plant and Machinery	1,186,000
234,000	Community Assets	250,000
	<b>Current Assets</b>	
600,000	Investments	500,000
364,000	Bank and Cash	458,000
89,000	Other Current Assets e.g. Stocks, Debtors etc	153,000
	<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
(247,000)	Creditors, Provisions, Short Term Borrowing etc	(396,000)
(297,000)	<b>Outstanding Borrowing</b>	<b>(273,000)</b>
(254,000)	<b>Capital Contributions used to fund Fixed Assets</b>	<b>(562,000)</b>
6,168,000	<b>Net Worth of Council</b>	<b>6,183,000</b>

The net worth of the Council is presently just over £6 million and this is expected to drop over the next few years as the Council's balances are used to fund capital investment requirements and the Council's fixed assets are subject to depreciation.

### Annual Audit Report

The Council is subject to an annual external inspection by the Audit Commission and the overall opinion on the overall financial standing of the Council is set out in an Annual Audit Letter. The Audit Commission looked at four main areas last year:-

1. Statement of Accounts
2. Parish Performance Plan
3. Annual Governance Statement
4. Use of Resources (also known as the 'Value for Money' assessment)

The Council has received an "unqualified" audit opinion in all of these areas.

What this means in practice is that our Accounts present fairly the financial position of the Council, our Parish Performance Plan is good, our arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of public resources are sound, our finances are in good order and that we provide value for money to the community.


So all in all, it was another good Annual Report with some very good progress made by the Council over the course of the last financial year.

The Audit Commission's Annual Audit Letter for 2007/2008 and the 2007/2008 Statement of Accounts are available to view at the Council Offices or on the website.

The 2008/2009 Statement of Accounts are due to be approved by the Council on 24th June 2009, and must be published by 30th September 2009 after the Audit is completed. The 2008/2009 Audit Letter will then follow at the end of the year.



Situations Vacant



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Principal: Mrs C. Forryth

**Community Officer**  
Term-time only  
Rate: £6.2878 pay award pending  
Hours: 8.75 hours per week

To supervise students at lunchtime, mainly outdoors, in accordance with the instructions of the catering manager and leadership group.




Woodham is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to a disclosure procedure via the National Criminal Records Bureau prior to appointment.


A fully comprehensive training programme will be provided for the successful candidate prior to taking up their duties.

Hours of work:  
11:45am-1:30pm, Monday-Friday (Term-time only)

For further details and an information pack, please contact Lesley Woodward at the school.

Deadline for Applications: Thursday 18th June 2009  
Shortlisting: Friday 19th June 2009  
Interviews: Week commencing 22nd June 2009





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Hours: 32.5 hours per week

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Woodham Community Technology College is looking to employ someone to work as a student supervisor from September 2009 or earlier if possible.

The successful candidate(s) will be well organised and confident with good communication and inter-personal skills.

As valued members of our Student Support team, Student Supervisors will supervise whole classes during the absence of teachers, groups of students who are withdrawn from the timetable and complement the work of Student Support which may also include provision of first aid to staff and students.




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TRY JUDO - THE GENTLE WAY



What is Judo?  
Judo was first officially taught at the Kodokan Judo Institute in Tokyo, Japan in 1882. The father of Judo is Professor Jigoro Kano who studied jujutsu at an early age and founded the Kodokan to teach the art of Judo.

The purpose in learning Judo is to develop character, mind, and body so that one can contribute something of value to the world. Judo is many things to different people. It is a fun sport, an art, a discipline, a recreational or social activity, a fitness programme, a means of self-defence or combat, and a way of life. It is all of these and more.

As in all sports, Judo has a strict set of rules that governs competition and ensures safety. For those who want to test their skills, Judo offers the opportunity for competition at all levels, from club to national tournaments, and the Olympic Games. There are separate weight divisions for men, women, boys and girls.

Judo, translated as the “gentle way”, teaches the principle of flexibility in the application of technique. This is the flexible or efficient use of balance, leverage, and movement in the performance of Judo throws and other skills.

Skill, technique and timing, rather than the use of brute strength, are the essential ingredients for success in Judo. In Judo classes you learn how to give way, rather than use force, to overcome a stronger opponent.

The principles of Judo, such as “Maximum Efficiency” and “Mutual Welfare and Benefit”, can also be used in our dealings with others in life.

The Newton Aycliffe Judo Club was founded in January 2007 by Afshin Shahverdi and Majid Safabakhsh. The inspiration for the club had been a set of Judo classes that Ash and Majid had run for juniors in the school term of that year.

It was clear there was a demand for the class and coaches jumped at the chance to take over judo sessions at the after school club at Greenfield and other primary schools. In the very early days the main club had few members, but just one year later local is making a big difference. The club now has about thirty juniors attending each session. There has been a number of successes at competitions with members regularly taking medals and trophies at various judo events. Majid is heavily involved in schools throughout the area and we are seeing a steady stream of youngsters continuing to find the challenge they are looking for in judo. Newton Aycliffe Judo Club is looking to the future with a sense of pride and optimism.

As a step forward, the next

big move was becoming a member of BJA, thus ensuring that all Judoka attending Newton Aycliffe Judo Club has the maximum support and opportunities within the British

Judo Association. For details of classes at the Leisure Centre contact: majid.safabakhsh@london.com or call in at the Sycamore Suite on Thursdays at 4.30pm.


LABOUR DIDN'T LISTEN OR LEARN

Dear Sir,  
Once again the Trimdon Triangle has lost the plot and will blame everybody but the Party for the abject failure of Labour. They never listen and never learn and put Party before people and this is the real reason Labour Lost so many seats. Our MP has supposed to have come out whiter than white but has he?  
He may well have known what was going on in Parliament so why did he not have the courage and conviction to say something? He is just as guilty by association as all M.P.'s in this exclusive club. He will appear for a talk or photo call with a shining halo above his head then disappear until the next time.  
Mr Darling said he was scared, what a load of tosh! People who get hurt by crime, who are sick, or who lose their jobs and houses are examples of people

being scared. The only thing Mr Darling is frightened of is losing his golden handshake or pension.  
Wake up from the 'Land of Make Belief'. pack up your fiddles in your swag bag and run for miles.  
A. Warburton, Ind Councillor

P.A.C.T. MEETINGS

PC Alan Thompson is holding a PACT (Police and Community Together) Meeting at Simpasture Ward at 6-30pm to 8pm on Monday 15th June 2009 at Simpasture Court Coffee Lounge.  
Aycliffe Village Ward is at 10-00am to 12-00 noon on Saturday 20th June 2009 at the Village Hall.



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**STATUTORY NOTICE**  
WOODHAM COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE

**CHANGE OF CATEGORY TO FOUNDATION AND ACQUISITION OF TRUST**

Notice is given in accordance with section 10(3) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that

The Governing Body of Woodham Community Technology College intends to make a prescribed alteration to Woodham Community Technology College which is a community school located in Washington Crescent, Newton Aycliffe. Co. Durham DL5 4AX.

The proposed alteration is to change school category from community to foundation and, jointly with Greenfield School Community and Arts College and Sunnydale Community College for Maths and Computing, to acquire a Trust established otherwise under the School Standards Framework Act 1998.

The proposed name of the trust is Aycliffe and Shildon Schools Education Trust and the proposed implementation date is September 1st 2009.

The Aycliffe and Shildon Schools Education Trust partners will be:


Durham County Council,  
South West Durham Training Limited,  
Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College, Darlington.

Partners in the Trust have a shared and proven commitment to raising standards and aspirations of young people in the two towns. Through formal collaboration, there will be benefits for students in enhanced vocational and academic 14-19 provision giving greater opportunities for personalized learning and improved progression routes. The impact will be in raising student achievement, motivation and aspirations and increased participation in education and training.




This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained by contacting the school or can be accessed from the school website: [www.woodham.org.uk](http://www.woodham.org.uk)

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by writing to the Chair of Governors or by e mail: [info@woodham.org.uk](mailto:info@woodham.org.uk)

Signed (Chair of Governors)



Publication date: 8th June 2008





## Not as Iconic as the "Angel"

Dear Syd  
Regarding the much publicised 'Head' sculpture. I have passed it several times and my main concern is that if someone isn't aware of it driving past, they could think the figures on it are children climbing (probably will be eventually) and this could cause a serious accident, given that there is a roundabout to negotiate at the same time.

If the Council wanted it to be like the Angel of the North, it should have been sited looking over the motorway. You have to be practically on it before it comes into view. All this said, my opinion is rather that it looks unfinished instead of giving the impression of homage to the 'blood, sweat and tears'. It isn't keeping a 'watchful eye over the town' - the town is behind it! Perhaps a bit more thought should have been put into it. There is no way it will be as iconic as the Angel.

Jill Stevens

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## PACT MEETINGS CAN SOLVE LOCAL PROBLEMS

Dear Sir,

A small number of young people aged 10 to 16yrs are causing problems in the town i.e drinking, shouting destroying play areas, and being abusive when asked to stop this behaviour.

One of the main comments from these young people is "There is nothing to do in Newton Aycliffe". I admit that there is no cinema, bowling alley or skating rink but if 99% of the young people can find activities to fill their spare time making themselves ideal young residents of our town and a credit to their families, why can't the rest?

Most parents take a great interest in their children and take them to activities, or if they are older point them towards these activities, correct them if they do wrong and make sure that they are not causing a nuisance. Arriva and "Investing in Children" provide cheaper Travel to enable youngsters to visit outside of town activities.

The problems that arise are caused by those parents who allow their kids to roam the streets, especially late evening and do not know or care where their children are, as long as they are not annoying them.

## ANOTHER RESHUFFLE?

Dear Sir,

May I suggest our money grabbing politicians are replaced by some local people.

Bob Fleming for Prime Minister as he appears to be very wise, fair and knows his business.

Honest John as Chancellor of the Exchequer who knows how to spend wisely and puts money where it is needed most. He is honest by name and honest by nature.

Enid Paylor could be Justice Minister as she is known for tackling anti-social behaviour, crime and cleaning up estates.

This could be a good start don't you think?

Robert James

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It is about time these parents took responsibility and try to stop this bad behaviour.

Whilst we all blame young people, some grown-ups are often worse and show a bad example by drinking to excess outside, use bad language and toss litter (empty beer cans, cigarette packets etc) on the streets. They allow dogs to foul pavements, school routes and play areas. This then costs ratepayers money to pay Council litter pickers to clean up their mess.

If you have a problem in your area one of the best ways is to use the P.A.C.T meetings being organised by the Neighbourhood Police Teams in your area. You can put forward your complaints on anything that stops you enjoying a normal peaceful life. The problems are promptly taken on board and dealt with as soon as possible with follow up information given where possible. You can speak in confidence after the meeting if you wish.

P.A.C.T. meetings are one of the best ideas for resolving issues where you live. Local County/Town Councillors usually attend these meetings along with the Neighbourhood Wardens. Please look for the dates of your local P.A.C.T. meeting in the local paper and attend. These meetings truly mean "Police and Communities Together".

Please go along, do not just sit at home moaning about local problems. Our P.A.C.T. meetings at the Evangelical Church lounge are very successful and well attended. Many problems have been solved and your P.A.C.T. meeting could become just as successful. County Councillor Dorothy Bowman.

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# P.S.A. FUN DAY AT WOODHAM

On Friday 22nd May Woodham Burn Primary Parent/Staff Association held a non-uniform day with a difference. All the children paid £1 to come to school in non-uniform and

were then entered into a draw to win a brand new Nintendo DSi. The winning ticket was drawn in the regular family assembly and the winner announced

as Zoe Richardson, who was shocked to win such a fantastic prize. The prize was presented by Head Teacher Mrs Rowe and PSA Treasurer Gill Ratcliffe. The PSA is newly formed and already have organised some successful events, raising money for extra activities for the children. Our next event is a Family Fun Day/Car Boot Sale to be held on Saturday 27th June between 10am and 1.30pm. There will be car boot, craft stalls, an inflatable obstacle course, inflatable slide, face painting, Exel youth workers playing games with the children and much more. Anyone interested in coming along please email for further details at woodhamps@hotmail.com.

# "FLASH BANG WALLOP" WEEK AT GREENFIELD

Greenfield Community and Arts College has been a specialist school in Visual and Performing Arts since 1998 and has also been a Creative Partnerships School since 2002. Greenfield is now one of thirty schools in the country to be a "School of Creativity" which is allowing us to build national networks and explore ways in which to embed the lessons we are learning about creativity, teaching and learning. Our partnerships with Primary Schools have always been strong. Many things are planned in partnership with the primary schools in our area and lessons learnt are shared. Included in some of these, are the annual workshops as part of our Open Art exhibition, regular sports and dance festivals, a shared cpd programme, two Advanced Skills teachers developing programmes of work with primary staff and students and very strong transitional programmes particularly for years 5 and 6. Following our successful Big Arts Week last year focused around the circus as a stimulus we have decided to create an even bigger and even better week for SHINE 2009. To celebrate National SHINE week we have organised "Flash Bang Wallop", a week of creative and engaging activities for year 5 students that will focus around a sea side theme. Teaching and non teaching staff

from many different subject areas will be facilitating a workshop. Homeplan, a local DIY store, have kindly donated two tonnes of sand for the event that will be transformed by the young people into giant seahorses and octopus during the week. The young people will be met and greeted by a lifeguard performer that will advise them to "beware of the sharks" and to "have a nice day at the seaside". Staff have designed workshops that will give the young people creative experiences and help to develop their creative skills. These include giant sand sculptures, pavement art, sea creature mobiles, Punch and Judy puppet making, mobile sea creatures, drama workshops, seaside soundscapes, found poetry, frisby and volley ball competitions, pinhole camera making and more! The groups work together with their facilitator during the morning and then join the seaside parade in the afternoon to showcase to each other, friends and family what they have been doing. Young people from different primary schools mix together during each workshop, working in teams, meeting new people and trying something different. Hopefully these activities can help bridge the tricky transition from Primary School up to Secondary School and encourage those creative skills required in all areas.

Dates: Mon 6th July, Wed 8th July, Thurs 9th July, Fri 10th July 2009  
9.30-10 Arrivals, Intro's and dance stimulus in the Main Hall  
10-12 Workshop groups  
12-12.30pm Lunch hall  
12.30-1.15 Workshop group preparation for the showcase  
1.30-2 Showcase event  
*Venue areas to be confirmed*

**Monday**  
Sand sculptures  
Pavement art  
Tram tracks (forces)  
Drama  
Creative IT  
Punch and Judy  
Frisby/volleyballsummersports  
Summer singing

**Wednesday**  
Mobile Sea Creatures  
Sand Sculpture  
Creative Arts  
Pavement art

**Thursday**  
Sand Sculptures  
Improvisation workshop  
Summer sing along  
Summer sports  
Pinhole cameras  
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**Friday**  
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**To be printed weekend 19th June 2009**



More Artwork on Memorial



Peter Furlonger, the artist for the town’s war memorial, is visiting the site to carry out more hand chiselling of the stones. He is one of very few in the country who have the skill and you can see him at work on the lettering commencing Monday 15th June.

FAIRYTALE PARTY FOR YOUR PRINCESS



Fairytale Party was launched in April 2009 by Leanne Clack of Newton Aycliffe and has got off to a great start, partying all around the North East of England, Most children dream of meeting a Princess and at Fairytale Party we can turn that dream into a reality. With a range of Princess Parties available, you can create an unforgettable and magical memory. Your child can choose which Princess or Princesses they’d like to meet, Belle, Cinderella or Sleeping Beauty. Packages include; make-overs, dress-ups, crowning ceremony, princess games, face painting, photo opportunities and more. Why not give your little Princess an extraordinary and memorable birthday? Visit fairytaleparty.co.uk or call 07590 466417 for more information and let us bring the magic to you.

WE NEED YOU AT PUBLIC MEETING

Great Aycliffe Residents Association extend a warm invitation to the general public and leaders of all the town’s organisations to a Public Meeting to discuss the growing problem of vandalism, under-age drinking and anti-social behaviour. The Meeting is to be held at St. Mary’s Church on Thursday 25th June at 7.30p.m. Members of the public will be given the opportunity to express their views and outline the problems they have or are experiencing. A panel of people will be available to comment and answer questions. They include the Police, Council Officers and representatives, SBH, and Youth Leaders. It is appropriate the meeting is called at this time when these problems are causing great concern and even greater expense to the Council Taxpayer. It is also good timing for the forthcoming School Holidays when there is a general increase in this bad behaviour among a minority of our young people. Many are fearful that if these problems are not tackled now they may get out of control. It is hoped the meeting might develop a strategy to show this behaviour will not be tolerated. If you have been affected or feel you might be in the future, it is important you attend this meeting to show your concern, Further details from Secretary of the Great Aycliffe Residents’ Association Alasdair Carter. E-mail: secretary@greatayclifferesidents.org.uk or call the Chairman Syd Howarth on 300212. (daytime).

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FORMER POSTMASTER OPENS NEW SHOP



Steven Holmes, former Postmaster at Neville Parade has started a new Framing and Engraving service from a shop below the town clock. The Holmes family are very well known in the town as founders of Stevens and having the distinction of being the first shop to open in the new town, using the front room of their house in Simpasturegate. Steven was educated at the Avenue School and is married to Glenda and they have a 26 year old son Craig.

Since the Post Office closed at Neville Parade Steven has tried other business ventures, but decided to try his hand at engraving and supply of trophies etc. Steven’s move to framing comes from his hobby as a Photographer.



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In Memoriam

Rita Chape



A wonderful loving Mam and Grandma. It’s been three years since you left us, but wish you could have stayed. You are forever in our hearts and minds and thought of every day. You were such a special person, brave, loving, supportive and always there. We miss you so much. Love you always and forever, Martyn, Nicola and Natalie

**RITA CHAPE** 12-6-06. Treasured memories of a dear Sister-in-Law and Friend. Thinking of you always. Love, Val and Colin

**RITA CHAPE** 12-6-06. Loving memories of a dear Auntie. Love and miss you from Julie-Ann, Lee and Zach **RITA CHAPE** (nee Lawson). Died 12th June 2006. I still love and miss you very much. You painted life with love. Vaughan

**RITA ANN CHAPE** (nee Lawson). Kiss her on this day dear Lord and when you see her smile, tell her we still think of her and miss her all the while. So lovingly remembered. Mam, Family and friends

**FRANK McCAFFERTY** Died 14-6-1999. Although we smile and make no fuss no one misses you more than us. Love, Nancy, Kevin, Frank and Tracy

**JOE FINN** 17th June 2008. Thinking of you always, missing the laughs and good times we shared. Love from Trev, Sue and Abbie

**SARAH TEMPLE** 12th June. Our Princess, facing life without you is so hard, for losing you the way we did was so unfair. A flower may die, the sun may set, but a daughter like you we’ll never forget. Your smile was forever, your hand we cannot touch. You are too precious Sarah to ever forget. Loved always Mam & Dad xx **SARAH TEMPLE** 12th June. Treasured memories of my Sister. In my heart you will always stay. Loved and remembered every day. Love always, Michael x **SARAH TEMPLE** 12th June. Precious memories of a special Granddaughter. I once had something special that money could not buy, a Granddaughter in a million, but I had to say goodbye. Your love was special and so were you. You are always with me in all I do. Love and miss you, Nana x **SARAH TEMPLE** 12th June. As each day dawns and starts anew, as each day ends we think of you. And in between no matter where. In our hearts you are always there. Love forever sweetheart. From Nana and Uncle Barry xx

**SARAH TEMPLE** 12-6-2003. Never a day goes by that I don’t think about you. Loved and missed always, Wendy xx **SYLVIA HUBBARD** 13-6-07. You have been gone an eternity in my life. I miss you so much. But I am trying to do what you said and get on with life each day and see you each morning. Miss you, your loving Husband, Derrick xxx

**SYLVIA HUBBARD** 13-6-07. Mam. It’s been two years but it seems ages, miss you loads. Glynis, Ian and family xx **DENNIS HELOP** Still in our thoughts, loved always, still remembered by his Nephews, Brothers, Sisters, Sister and Brother in Law and his Wife, Eileen and Brother in Law Derek and Linda.

Congratulations

Einar Kjenstad



**Happy 65th Birthday** Have a merry 65th Einar. Loads of love, Jean xx **Happy 65th** Dad. Sorry I can’t be there, but see you soon. Love, Jessica xxx

Claire Hornsby



As promised we are keeping it quiet about your 30th. Happy birthday, love from Mam, Dad & Granma xxx

Claire Hornsby



Have a great birthday. We won’t mention it’s your 30th!! Love, Lee, Leah and Yazmin xxx

Claire Hornsby



To the love of my life, forever young in my eyes. Lots and lots of love, Tony, Callum and Skye xxx

Bailey Luke Blackwell Cutler



**Happy 1st Birthday** 8th June 2009

Happy birthday to our little man, we love you so much. Hope you love your car buddy!! Lots of love, cuddles and “Bailey snogs” from Mammy, Daddy, Madison and Malana xxxx

Katie Louise Davies



**Happy 16th Birthday** Sweetheart

13th June 2009 Love from Mum, Norman, Connie, Si, Nana and Grandad Gregory xxxx

**ARNOLD** Simon and Ruby, wishing you God’s richest blessing on your Confirmation on 15th June. Love from Mam and Dad **LAURA GRAHAM** Happy 18th birthday. Lots of love, Mam and Kev xxx

**SARAH HARDY** and **IAIN TEMPLETON** Congratulations on getting Married. Best wishes for the future. Also happy birthday Sarah and Emily. Love from David. Claire, Jackson and Ellie xxxx

**DEBBIE LIVERMORE** 14-6-09. Happy 40th birthday to a wonderful Wife and Mother. Have a great day. Love, Michael, Curt, Cloe, Mack, Molly, Fin and family xxx

Birthday Remembrance

**KEN INNES** Still missing you so much on what would have been your 73rd birthday, June 13th. Also our fondest memories for Fathers Day, 21st June. All our love, Linda and Rob xxx **KENNETH INNES** Loving memories of a dear Husband who would have been 73 on the 13th June. Also for Fathers Day on 21st June. Your loving Wife, Brenda

Thank You

**DAVID ATKINSON** Saturday 13th June. On our 1st Wedding Anniversary, thank you for the best year of my life and for doing what I say because I’m you’re wife!!! Love you loads, Alison xxx **BRENNAN** Beryl and Ray would like to thank all their family, friends and neighbours for all the lovely presents and cards received on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 6th June.



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## Garden Items & Furniture Theft Increase

Newton Aycliffe Police would like to advise all members of the public that in recent weeks there has been an increase in theft of garden furniture.

At this time we are asking people to be extra vigilant and if possible secure all items. If any persons have any information or queries regarding this matter please contact Newton Aycliffe Neighbourhood Policing Team.

PCSO 7002 Amy HUTCHINSON  
Newton Aycliffe Beat Team  
West Ward

## POSITIVE IMAGE

Dear Sir,  
My first impression on seeing "The Head" was disappointment. I felt it lacked impact and was lost among the trees.

However, I do like it very much, although it is no "Angel", but it will become a strong positive image for Newton Aycliffe. What does concern me is that it may create an "ours is bigger and better" response from other authorities in our region, thus creating some sort of Disneyland theme of the north. In this case I firmly believe "less is more"!  
**Ken Proffitt, The Spinney**

## National Walk to School Week



## WONDERFUL SCULPTURE

Dear Sir,  
Regarding your request for readers' comments on the Head of Aycliffe. I feel it is a wonderful example of a man-made sculpture, however, I am personally dubious regarding its siting. The Head will not be seen by passing motorists on the A1M and at present because of the surrounding foliage, it is difficult to see the image clearly on the sky line.

As the sculpture represents Newton Aycliffe's industrial heritage and the regeneration of the region, might it not have been better placed at the main entrance to the Business Park and not at the foot of Aycliffe Village?

Had it been sited at the opening to the Industrial Estate the sculpture would have been seen in all its splendour with wonderful open skyline all around. I am bemused as to how the final site was chosen!

**Lesley Hislop, Aycliffe Village**

Sam. County Durham's Walk to school mascot made an appearance with the Sugar Hill Primary School Councillors at a special assembly to mark the special week.

Children are being encouraged to walk and cycle to school to make them fitter and healthier and reduce the number of car journeys to and from school to reduce congestion and pollution.

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