

TOW LAW TOWN COUNCILUNAUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR PERIOD 1.4.2006 – 31.3.2007PRESENTED TO THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING – 15th MAY 2007

<u>Income</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>£</u>
Balance at 1.4.2006	14292.43		
Precept	16500.00	Bank Commission	20.00
Community Fund	2597.00	Clerk's Salary	6889.40
Jubilee Coin	9.00	Admin Expenses	58.28
Allotment Rents	354.48	Office Rent	1700.00
Refund of V.A.T.	436.09	Subscriptions	317.42
		Insurance	471.77
		Community Fund	1500.00
		Audit Fees	195.00
		Public Seats	1063.80
		Baths Bus	880.37
		Christmas Trees	817.50
		Water Rates	77.78
		Training Course	27.00
		Floral Displays	1360.00
		Calendar Advert	40.00
		Staff Vacancy Advert	288.00
		Poppy Wreath	18.75
		Legal Fees – Land Purchase	1300.00
		Tattler	391.00
		V.A.T.	264.93
			17681.00
		Balance at 31.03.07	16508.00
	34189.00		34189.00
<u>Reconciliation</u>			
Balance at 1.4.2006	14292.43	Bank Balance at 31 .3.07	17958.00
Precept 2006/7	16500.00	Less Unpresented Cheques	1450.00
Other Income	3396.57		
	34189.00	Amended Balance	16508.00
Expenditure	17681.00		
Balance at 31.3.07	16508.00		

Date of next Town Council Meetings
 Tuesday 16th October 2007
 Tuesday 20th November 2007
 Tuesday 15th January 2007
 All meetings are held in the Community Centre
 commencing at 6:30pm

Garden Competition 2007
 Please note that the garden competition for 2007 was
 cancelled, it is hoped that the competition will be held
 in 2008.

Tow Law Town Council By Election
 October 11th polling stations will be at Baring Court &
 the Community Centre open from 7.00am to 10 pm

the tattler

sept 2007

CATHERINE REED

It is with sadness we report the death at a young age of our former Town Clerk Catherine Reed. Catherine Reed was Town clerk for Tow Law from 1997 to 2003 when she left to join the Area Education Department of Durham County Council

Catherine's time as clerk saw the forming of the Community Partnership and she was the first Partnership worker responsible for the smooth running of the Partnership. She combined this role successfully with her role as Town clerk and the success of the Partnership in its initial years was very much down to her hard work.

She was Town Clerk when the Town Council developed the Beehive Coke Oven site and she worked with Groundwork West Durham on that Project and on the Stone Entrance features on the A68. The project was a pilot project for the Heritage Lottery Local Initiative Fund and it was the First winner of the Northern Echo's Making a Difference Award. She was a founder trustee of the Millennium Green which was opened in 2000 after a successful fundraising campaign.

Jenny Flynn who was Chair of the Town Council during Catherine's time as Town Clerk said "Catherine always gave her all to any job she tackled we really missed her when she left. If asked to do any seemingly impossible task she would always find a way, like finding an open top bus for the Tow Law team to parade through the town after the FA Vase final in 1998" "The thoughts of the Town Council and the Partnership are with her family at this sad time"

FREE National Literacy and Numeracy qualifications are on offer at Tow Law Community Centre!

The National Tests at Level 1 & 2 are nationally recognised qualifications, the Level 2 test being equivalent to a good GCSE grade in Numeracy and Literacy. They are pitched at the same level as a GCSE but are shorter and focus on the skills required for everyday life.

Starting Soon!

PREPARATION FOR THE NATIONAL TESTS

Want to help your child with homework, improve your career prospects or simply brush up on your Maths skills and make your money go further? Get a GCSE-equivalent qualification with this 10 week course.

Venue: Tow Law Community Centre
 Time: Tuesday 12.30-2.30pm
 Start Date: 18th Sept '07

FREE CRECHE!

If interested in this FREE course just turn up on the day or, for more details, ring Focus on Learning on 0191 / 3740507.

Anyone interested can take an assessment to see whether they are 'test ready' or need to do a refresher course. The test itself consists of 40 multiple choice questions worth one mark each – similar to the system used in the Driving Theory Test. It is paper-based but can also be done online for those who prefer it.

If you would like more information on the National Tests, you can ring 0191 /3740507 or come along to the refresher class running at the Tow Law Community Centre on Tuesdays from 12.30 to 2.30pm. Skills for Life tutor, Les Hayward, will be pleased to speak with you.

Note this is that this is in addition to what Alan Anderson is offering during the day as it is both paper-based and it is a class-based course with regular attendance required on a Tuesday afternoon.

LATINTASTIC October 21st 7:30pm

Highlights Rural Touring Scheme continues its autumn season in the **Weardale** area with a visit performance of Latintastic, at the Community Centre Sunday 21st October at 7.30, £4.50 adults and £3.00 concessions (children and OAP's)

'Latintastic' comes from a great visual tradition. A combination of dance, theatre, puppetry and song amazingly performed and full of passion!

The performance is followed by a salsa or merengue taster session and then dancing for everyone to put into practice what they have learnt.

HELP CREATE A BIG STIR

Join the Worlds biggest coffee morning for Macmillan Cancer Support
Tow Law Community Centre Friday 28th September 10-12

A weekly what's on for [Children](#) from 6yrs and [Young People](#)
@ Tow Law Community Centre

Monday's	With who	Times	For
Homework Club Computer Room	Eleanor Plumb & Ashley	4:15 – 6:15pm	Age11 - 18
Boxing Sports Hall	Pete McPartland Lynne & Ashley	6:30 – 8:00pm	Age 11 +
Start up of a Youth led 'Intermediate Club' Computer Room	Jenny & Jason	7:00 – 8:30pm	Age 11 -14
Tuesday's			
Young Person's Health - FREE	Rachel Hodgson & Jenny	4:00 – 5:00pm	Ages 13 -19
Music Learn to play Guitars or Drums Form a Group (Your style) Crèche	Joseph from the Sage Jenny	beginners 6:30 - 7.30pm advanced 7:30 – 8:30pm	Age 11+
Wednesday's			
Rainbows Sports hall		5:00 – 6:00pm	Age 6 - 8
Brownies Sports hall		6:00 – 7:15pm	Age 8 - 11
Art and I.T Computer Room and Crèche	Ashley Kay & Jason Miller	6:00 – 7:30pm	Age 8 - 12
D.J. with, CoMusica Sports Hall	Tom from Sage Lynne & Jenny	8:45p – 9:30pm	Age 13 - 15
Drop in with pool Graffiti Art Sports hall	Ashley		Age 13 - 19
Thursday's			
IT Drop-in Computer Room	Jason Miller	6:30- 8:30pm	Age 12+
Outreach	with Cliff Britton		
Friday'			
Football Sports Hall	Jade Armstrong Jenny	5:00 - 6:00pm	Under 11's
Boxing Sports Hall	Pete McPartland Lynne	6:30 – 7:30pm	Age 11 +
Saturday Morning			
Internet Café Computer Room	Jason Miller	10:00am – 12:00noon	Age 8+

Please note most of the activities are £1 per session, for further details contact the centre on 01388 731444

Learn how to make sugar flowers and cake decorations

Short course in Sugar Craft

Starting soon at Tow Law Community Centre

To book your place contact Diane Pearson on 01388 731444



The Importance of Play

4wk course @ Tow Law Community Centre

Starting soon Creche provided (must book in advance)

Tel; 01388 731444 as on



First Time Online?

Just a reminder that the Drop-In sessions are continuing at the Centre from September 10 th open to any adults interested in learning how to use a computer, developing new skills such as word processing, spreadsheets, presentations, etc or those who wish to learn how to use the Internet e.g. how to e-mail, how to shop on line, etc and it's all for free. The times of sessions are every Monday and Wednesday, 10.00 - 12.00 p.m, and 1.00 – 3.00 p.m; plus Tuesday afternoons (with crèche) 12.30 – 2.30 p.m.

In addition, these sessions are a must for anyone who wishes to access any of the Learn Direct courses and work towards a qualification. This can be done totally online either at home or at the Community Centre. There are courses in Literacy and Numeracy (you can update your qualifications to Level 2 for free!), Computing, Digital Photography, Business and Management. Again, there is no cost for doing any of this!

In addition, those of you who wish to take qualifications in computing, numeracy and literacy, languages or whatever, can now do so entirely at the Community Centre. We will be able to register you with a course or courses from Learn Direct **at the Centre**, you will be able to receive tuition **at the Centre** and you can even take any tests that will give you a qualification **at the Centre**. The training, registration and courses in numeracy and literacy are all free. Some of the courses may carry a small charge but in some cases, there may be financial help available. In addition, once you have taken out a registration, all of your learning can be conducted at the Centre or even at home, particularly if you have broadband access.

If you cannot make these times, then please ring and we can make alternative arrangements, either on a morning or evening. For further details give Alan a call on 01388 731444.

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Are you interested in Gymnastics for under 11's at the Community Centre
Thursdays 4 - 5
If so please give your name to Lynne or Jenny Mountain at the Community Centre

Dance Club (Modern, Old Time and Sequence Dancing) at Tow law Community Centre

The Tow Law Dance Club - **Thursday Evenings starting between 8.00pm and 10.30pm** - is always open to members and is having a bit of a recruitment drive at the moment. The Dance Club would welcome visiting members from another dance club and new members from surrounding areas of Crook Stanley, Willington, Wolsingham and Stanhope, absolutely anywhere really. Anybody who would like to come and dance join in with warm friendly atmosphere would be welcome.

We dance for an hour, have a break and raffle then continue until 10.00pm - 10.30pm. Dig deep in the cupboard and get those dancing shoes out, or if you have never danced before, now is the time to have a go.

HISTORY EXHIBITION

OCTOBER 27 / 28

TOW LAW COMMUNITY CENTRE

Ivan is the Dude

Sunday Morning football team Tow Law Station FC would like to say a big thank you to Ivan Anderson and I.M. Drylining for once again sponsoring them and also supplying the team with training jackets. As well as looking a team on the pitch we also look like one off it thanks to the stylish waterproof jackets, which should come in handy during those cold, wet winter months.

On a further note just a reminder that the Tow Law Station FC play their home games at the recreation pitch at the bottom of the Millennium green. They play on a Sunday morning, 10.30am kick off if anyone would like to come and cheer the lads on. We are currently top of division 2 after playing 5 games and gaining maximum points.

Neil Carpenter, Team Secretary

WATCH OUT FOR THE MEDIA BOX FILM PROJECT COMING SOON!!!

This is a county wide professional film project aged 13 - 17