

Halewood



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Annual Report 2014-2015



LOCAL COUNCIL
AWARD SCHEME
FOUNDATION



Torrington Drive Community Association

Registered Charity No. 1087418



*'Representing residents
of our local community'*



Torrington Drive Community Association (TDCA) is a volunteer led charity that has been representing local residents for over 30 years. Over this period of time TDCA has become a well-established community resource, providing free activities and events during holiday times, supporting residents to access training towards employment opportunities and more recently the establishment of themed social evenings for adult with disabilities.

COMMUNITY BINGO

Initially began in November 2009 following the request of a number of residents who wished for a place to meet, socialise and have fun. The Community Bingo has now been operating successfully for over 5 years. Why not join us this and every Sunday.

**New Hutte
Neighbourhood Centre
Doors open at 2pm
Bingo starts at 3pm**

SOCIAL EVENINGS

Recognising that there was little opportunity in our community for people with disabilities and their carers to come together socially, we now host themed Social Evenings every 3-4 weeks. The evenings include disco, live entertainment, refreshments and lots of laughter! These evenings are well received by all who come along.

**For details of our next
Social Evening please visit
our website.**

COMMUNITY TRAINING

Supporting our local community to access relevant training and qualifications is a priority. Therefore we work in partnership with a number of providers to offer flexible learning and leisure courses to suit all different interests. Courses recently offered: Mental Health, Maths, English Computers and many more

**If you would like to discuss
future courses please
contact us**



CONTACT US:

New Hutte Neighbourhood Centre
Lichfield Road, Halewood, L26 1TT
Tel: 0151 443 2168
Email: development@tdcaonline.co.uk

KEEP UP TO DATE:

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www.tdcaonline.co.uk

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MAYOR'S FOREWORD

Councillor Terry Powell

Leader of the Town Council Mayor of Halewood

*Cllr Terry Powell with his wife and
Mayoress of Halewood, Cllr Shelley Powell*

This year, it has been an honour and a privilege, to represent the Township of Halewood as its Mayor, alongside my consort and my wife, Councillor Shelley Powell.

I am proud to be part our community and have met many residents throughout the year, who contribute so much and give back to Halewood.

During 2014, the pupils of Halewood Academy, represented the Mayor, for the very first time, as part of the 7th Annual Culturefest, as the Mayors XI Cricket Team. The young people were excellent role models for Halewood, and took part in an exciting cricket match, in a perfect venue, creating a perfect evening of sporting entertainment.

Also, within the week of Culturefest activities, we had the opportunity to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Nicholas' Church, with a wonderful evening at Hollies Hall. At this event, I took the opportunity to thank and say my farewell to the Revd. Alan Jewell who has served the people of Halewood for many years, and I'm sure we all wish him well in his new endeavours.

A highlight of my year, has to be the Christmas Celebrations, supported by Halewood Town Council. It is pleasing to note how many people have commented on how nice our town centre looks at this time

of year, with our own Christmas Illuminations lighting up the township.

The Christmas Concert, at Halewood Academy, brought together a massed choir from all Halewood Primary Schools, Halewood Academy and the Community Choir, who put on a spectacular show which also featured dramatic performances by Merseyside Arts and Theatre Education and Altru Drama. Once again, the Town Council, as a major sponsor, was delighted to welcome members of the world famous Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, to our event.

And to top off the festive season, we attended the best pantomime I have ever been to.... "Peter Pan" starring our own young people from Halewood Academy. So proud to know we have so much talent on offer here.

2014 saw the major much needed refurbishment of Hollies Hall. This venue has been completely redecorated with new toilets fitted. Brand new banqueting tables and chairs now makes Hollies Hall the ideal venue for family celebrations in Halewood.

I would like to take the opportunity to say a big "thank you", to all of my fellow Councillors for their support throughout my term of office, along with the Staff at Halewood Town Council, and in particular, George MacKenzie, our Town Manager, who works tirelessly for our Township.



Annual Meeting

The 2015 Annual Meeting of the Town Council
will take place on

**Thursday 14th May 2015
at 7pm**

in the Arncliffe Sports & Community Centre

To be followed by the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING



ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES 2014-2015

The Town Council has twelve members as shown. Each member (Town Councillor) is elected to represent one of the three wards in the Township and serves for a period of four years. The next Town Council elections are due to be held in May 2015.



Cllr Bob Swann
West Ward
0151 280 8570



Cllr Tommy Fearn
West Ward
0151 443 2063



Cllr Norman Hogg
West Ward
0151 486 2013



Cllr Gary See
West Ward
0796 131 8074





Cllr Ken Dalton
North Ward
0795 794 0313



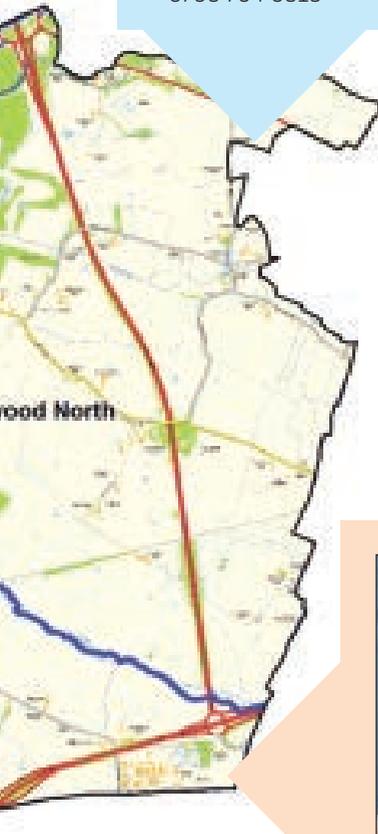
Cllr Edna Finneran
North Ward
0151 475 6890



Cllr Terry Powell
North Ward
0151 487 8635



Cllr Shelley Powell
North Ward
0151 487 8635



**Cllr Alan Flute
(co-opted)**
South Ward
0151 486 1781



Cllr Tina Harris
South Ward
0151 486 6104



Cllr Allan Harvey
South Ward
0759 867 1350



Cllr Marj Grant
South Ward
0151 443 2063

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

George MacKenzie

Town Manager



Where did that year go? It only seems like yesterday that I sat down and wrote a report after my first year as Town Manager. I can honestly say that this, my second year, has been just as busy, maybe even more so, but it has

also been equally eventful and enjoyable whilst at times, being a challenge.

As is mentioned elsewhere in this report, 2014–2015 has been one in which, due to the austerity measures imposed by Central Government, Town Council funding has decreased and like every family in the Township, the Town Council has been forced to ensure that it 'lives with its means.'

Despite this, Town Councillors approved the purchase of new banqueting furniture for the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre and a major refurbishment and refurnishing of Hollies Hall which now boasts to be the 'Premier Function Room' in Halewood.

Town Councillors were also keen to ensure that our staff were suitably rewarded whilst in work and so the Town Council was extremely proud to receive accreditation as a Living Wage Employer. The Living Wage is a robust calculation that reflects the real cost of living, rewarding a hard day's work with a fair day's pay. The Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra

Brass Ensemble Christmas Concert at Halewood Academy was once again, a spectacular start to the Christmas Season, an evening in which, as we have come to expect, our young people who formed the massed choir were a credit to themselves, their families, schools and the whole community.



The massed choir at this years concert

This year also saw the 175th anniversary of St Nicholas' Church and the Town Council were proud to be invited to help the community celebrate this magnificent achievement.



175th Anniversary Dinner – Hollies Hall

The many other highlights in the year included the Halewood Culturefest programme, additional Christmas lights in the Shopping Centre (all entirely funded by the Town Council), our ever popular Gardening Competition (Halewood in Bloom), the recognition of the hard work and fortitude of our young people celebrated at the Pupil Recognition Awards, the Community Achievement Awards, our World War 2 commemoration event 'We will Remember Them'; and the work of our community groups and associations; all have played their unique part in the life of Halewood.



WW2 Commemoration 'We Will Remember Them'

During the year the Town Council has monitored all Planning Applications submitted for development within the Parish and has lobbied very successfully for the refusal of those schemes it considers to be not in the interests of the Halewood community. The Town Council has also given active consideration to an application to the Principal Authority for 'Designated Area Status' which will enable a greater participation in the future development decisions affecting the Parish.

Later this year we plan to launch our new website and to link to it a 'Twitter feed' so we can reach more members of our community and keep them up to date.

May I take this opportunity to say 'thank you' to all the Community Groups and Associations, our Schools and Academy, our OfSTED rated 'Good' Children's Centres and the very many other partners with whom the Town Council has worked in 2014-2015. Your support has been invaluable.

Thank you also to Cllr Terry Powell and his fellow Town Councillors, and all the staff of the Town Council who have helped and supported me during the year.

Our facilities are here for you, come and take a look, try us out!

Although difficult financial times still lie ahead for all Councils, I promise you that I, and the rest of my staff, will work hard to make sure we continue to build on what we have, together, achieved so far for the community of Halewood, and to live up our motto...

Optima Petimus, 'We Seek the Best'

Thank you.

ABOUT HALEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL STRUCTURE

The responsibility of the Town Council is to take policy decisions about how it's services are carried out, what the priorities should be and how the Town Council's resources should be allocated.

Each year, at the Annual Meeting, the Council elects a Chairperson who becomes the Mayor of Halewood for the forthcoming year. For 2014-2015 the Chairperson (Leader) of the Council and Mayor of Halewood, was Cllr Terry Powell who was supported by his wife and Mayoress of Halewood, Cllr Shelley Powell.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO MEETINGS

Members of the public are welcome to attend any meeting of the Town Council, although there are occasions when meetings must go into 'private session' when dealing with matters of a confidential nature. A thirty minute Public Forum is available, preferably by written prior arrangement with the Town Manager, at all Town Council meetings, for items appertaining to the Township.

Meetings normally start at 7 p.m and subject to approval and amendment at the Annual Meeting of the Town Council, the provisional dates for the municipal year 2015-16 are as follows:-

21st May 2015
18th June 2015
16th July 2015
17th September 2015

15th October 2015
19th November 2015
17th December 2015
21st January 2016
18th February 2016
17th March 2016
21st April 2016

Special Meeting of the Town Council:
(to approve any changes in the Standing Orders and/or Financial Regulations of the Town Council):- 21st April 2016 at 6pm

Annual Town Council Meeting:
19th May 2016

Annual Parish Meeting:
19th May 2016

Confirmation of these dates and the locations of the meetings will be available on the Town Council's website www.halewoodtowncouncil.com.

PRINCIPAL COUNCIL

Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council is the Principal Council, and serves the Borough with most local services such as schools, social services, waste collection and roads.

HOW IS THE TOWN COUNCIL FINANCED?

The net cost of the Town Council's activities is financed by levying what is known as a precept, which is added to the Council Tax levy set by Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council.

In 2014-2015 the Town Council raised £278,234 via the precept. In addition, the Town Council received £69,597 in Council Tax Reduction Scheme Grant from Central Government. This was a reduction of 11.2% on the similar grant for the previous year and placed a considerable strain on Town Council budgets.

Each year, the Town Councils' accounts are prepared by the Town Manager and are audited by the appointed Internal and External auditors.

The table below shows the aggregate levels of income and expenditure for 2014-2015 but at this stage, they are estimated out-turn figures and are also subject to final audit. Once audited, details of the accounts are available for any residents' inspection.

EXPENDITURE & INCOME – 2014-2015

	Expenditure	Income	Net Cost
Arncliffe Centre	£142,344	£38,755	£103,589
Hollies Hall	£60,805	£26,665	£34,140
Administration/Environment	£176,066	£485	£175,581
	<hr/> £379,215	<hr/> £65,905	<hr/> £313,310

STAND STILL PRECEPT 2015-2016

For 2015-2016, the Members of the Town Council resolved to set a stand still precept which, due principally to the new houses which have been built in Halewood, will raise £283,876 in precept, a slight increase in the total precept amount received in 2014-2015.

On this basis, it still costs each Halewood Town elector less than 5 pence per day to finance the Town Council.

In addition to the precept, as a result of yet further Government cuts in the Council Tax Reduction Scheme Grant, the Town Council will only receive £58,274 in 2015-2016 a LOSS of over £11,300 compared to 2014-2015.

Naturally, this further loss of income will put increasing pressure on Town Council budgets.

TOWN COUNCIL ACCOMMODATION AND OPEN SPACES

The administration and management of the Town Council is now firmly established at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre which, along with Hollies Hall and the associated sports facilities on the site, are owned and managed by the Town Council.

The Town Council also leases and maintains over 90 acres of open space and woodland

in and around the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre and Hollies Hall plus sites on Wood Road and Abberley Road, plus Doorstep Green (Dista Field) Elwyn Drive and New Hutte Woods.

In addition, the Town Council provides and maintains four playgrounds for our young children and so there are Town Council facilities available for all residents.



WHAT DO WE DO?

Services currently provided by Halewood Town Council

- **The Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre** – The administrative centre of the Town Council, 'The Arncliffe' provides a community sporting facility including a Sports Hall, two synthetic pitches and junior sized football pitches all available for hire.

The Centre has a large function room complete with bar and kitchen facilities, up to date audio visual equipment all of which are available, at competitive rates, for private, or business hire. 'The Arncliffe' is home to many community and special interest groups who use the facilities for meetings and activities.
- **Hollies Hall** – Home of the Halewood Indoor Bowls League, this popular venue, extensively refurbished in September 2014, also has a large function room complete with bar and kitchen facilities, which is available, at competitive rates, for private, or business hire. Hollies Hall too, is home to many community and special interest groups who use the facilities for meetings and activities. Outside, there are two full sized grassed football pitches which are available for hire.
- **Public Open Spaces** – The Town Council manage around 90 acres of public open space. In addition to the open space associated with 'The Arncliffe and Hollies Hall, the Town Council chiefly manages land on Wood Road and Elwyn Drive, as well as Halewood Doorstep Green (Dista Field), Frederick Lunt Playing Field and New Hutte Woods.
- **Playgrounds** – Within our Open Spaces, the Town Council is responsible for the up-keep and maintenance of the current young persons' playgrounds at Hollies Road, Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, and on Wood Road.
- **Street Furniture** – mainly within its own land, although not exclusively, the Town Council owns and maintains some of the benches, seats and notice boards within Halewood.
- **Civic Services** – The Mayor of Halewood is always pleased to support any Halewood-based resident, organisation or group as far as diary commitments allow. If you would like the Mayor to attend any event please contact The Mayor's Office on 0151 443 2063.
- **Halewood Community Grants Fund** – the Town Council maintains a fund, designed to support Halewood-based projects. Preference will be given to those schemes that stimulate new ideas and approaches which benefits the community.
- **Planning Applications** – the Town Council monitors all planning applications applicable to areas within the Township, making representations to the Planning Authorities as necessary.
- **Council Offices and Support Services** – From its base in the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, the Town Council provides the full range of management, financial and administrative services to the Council, the Mayoralty and Civic events.

Other useful contact details

- **Knowsley Housing Trust**
(part of the First Ark Group)
All issues dealing with the former Borough Council housing stock within the Township.
Tel: 0151 290 7355
- **Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council (KMBC)**
Environmental Helpline 0151 443 2400
For assistance with such issues as household waste, grass cutting, road flooding, gully cleaning, highway maintenance, pavement repairs, road repairs and gritting, street cleansing, and street lighting.
Anti Social Behaviour Helpline
to report all incidents of anti-social behaviour
Tel: 0151 443 2000

Assistance on all other matters relating to service provision by the Borough Council.
Tel: 0151 489 6000
- **Halewood One Stop Shop**
Roseheath Drive
Tel: 0151 443 2032
- **Halewood Walk in Centre**
Roseheath Drive
Tel: 0151 244 3532
- **Citizens' Advice Bureaux**
Tel: 0845 122 1300
- **Crimestoppers**
Tel: 0800 555 111
- **Knowsley Hate Incident & Domestic Violence Helpline**
Tel: 0800 953 4433
- **Knowsley Foodbank**
St Mary's Church, Hillingden Avenue,
Saturdays 11.30am - 2.00pm
Tel: 0151 546 0470
Mobile: 07731 789794



OPEN ALL DAY
Monday to Saturday
11.30am straight through until 11.00pm
Sunday
5.00pm 'til 10.00pm
11 Leathers Lane, Halewood
Phone orders: 0151 486 6566

ACHIEVEMENTS 2014–2015

The Town Council continuously strives to improve the lives of the community of Halewood; as our motto says, **'we seek the best'** the best for our community.

Here's just some of our achievements in 2014/15....

- Living Wage Accreditation. Halewood Town Council was proud to become the first (and still the only) Living Wage accredited Council on Merseyside. The Living Wage is an hourly rate set independently and updated annually. It is calculated according to the basic cost of living using the 'Minimum Income Standard' for the UK and is a social consensus about what people need to make ends meet. 
- After further negotiations with the owners of the Shopping Centre, the Town Council paid for more festive lighting to be installed at the shopping centre over Christmas.
- Despite the strain on our finances, Elected Members approved a major refurbishment and refurnishing of Hollies Hall which was undertaken in September 2014 and the purchase of new banqueting furniture for the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre.
- The Town Council continued to monitor the many planning applications submitted to the Planning Authority and whilst accepting the vast majority, successfully objected to applications they considered contrary to planning

policy and not in the interests of the Halewood community.

- As part of the consultation process into Knowsley Council's development of a Local Plan, the Town Council reiterated to the Planning Inspector it's long held view that any major housing development taking place in Halewood should, as a priority, be concentrated on 'brown field sites.'
- In order to influence further the development of Halewood, consideration is being given to an application to the Principal Authority for Designated Area status. This will enable the Town Council to work alongside the community to develop a framework for guiding future development and growth of the township.
- The continuing success of the Town Council's Community Grants Fund which has once again supported local organisations in 2014–2015 by distributing almost £13,000 to worthy causes.



Pupils from Yew Tree School singing at Memory Lane Christmas dinner

- Our children and young people of Halewood are a source of great pride to our community. To recognise their fortitude, courage and determination, a nominee from Halewood Children's Centres, Halewood Academy and each of our Primary schools were the proud recipients of this year's Town Council's Pupil Recognition Awards. These young people received their awards alongside our Community Achievement Awards at a glittering celebration held in Hollies Hall.
- The funding of four seasonal pantomimes at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, Hollies Hall, New Hutte Neighbourhood Centre and Halewood Academy.
- The 2014 Christmas Dinner programme which in addition to our customary dinner for the Senior Citizens in the Township, saw Knowsley Dementia Care - Memory Lane hold their Christmas Dinner at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre.
- The Halewood Town Council Gardening Competition, generating pride in looking after local gardens, sponsored by the Town Council for an eighth successive year.
- Our support to charitable organisations such as Marie Curie Cancer Care and Help for Heroes.
- In addition to funding, the Town Council took a leading role in the planning and organising of the hugely successful Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra Brass Ensemble Concert held at the Halewood Academy in December 2014.



A standing ovation at the RLPO Christmas concert

- The extremely successful Elvis Tribute Night held at Hollies Hall in November 2014, a fund raising event in aid of the Mayor of Halewood's charity.
- New Town Council signage was installed at Hollies Hall and at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, which also saw significant investment in new signage by Barclays Spaces for Sport and the Football Foundation.
- Our continued support to Halewood Junior Football League, Halewood Community Spirit, Halewood Culturefest and others in bringing a variety of sports, culture and just plain fun events to the community of Halewood.

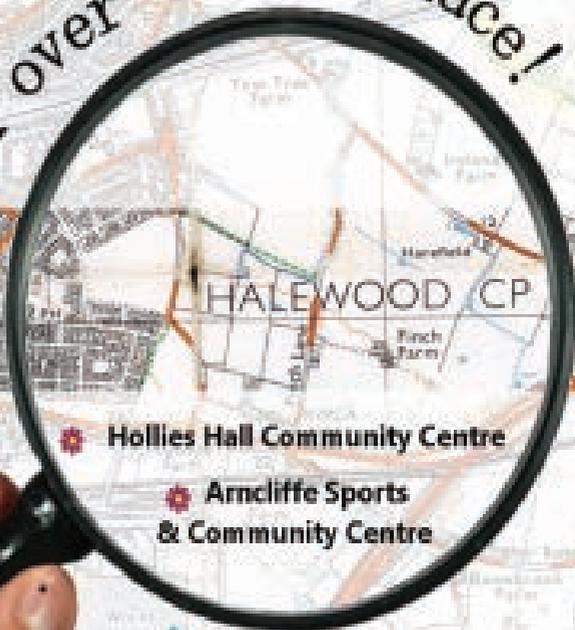


Cllr Terry Powell and his consort Cllr Shelley Powell supporting the Bunting Court Big Lunch – May 2014

Looking for your next
social or community venue?



Come on over to our place!



- Hollies Hall Community Centre
- Amcliffe Sports & Community Centre



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0151 443 2063



COMMUNITY NEWS

There are many Community Groups and Associations in Halewood that provide a wide range of activities and services throughout the Town. All make a positive contribution to the life of Halewood and in most cases the members of these Groups and Associations, give their time on an entirely voluntary and unpaid basis.

The following is just a selection of these groups and organisations....

Halewood University of the Third Age (U3A) – organises social, leisure and educational opportunities and activities for people of 50 years of age and over. The Group Secretary is Bill McNeil who can be contacted on **0151 475 5870**.

Halewood Arts Association – its purpose is to promote the Arts in Halewood and to give a voice to the arts community in the Township. Meetings are held regularly in the Environment Centre, Okell Drive, Halewood. Interested individuals or groups are welcome to join. For further information, contact Dave Ward on **0151 709 3688**.

Knowsley Older People's Fun Olympics – aims to promote and provide an active lifestyle amongst the over 50's. Each year teams from across Knowsley compete for the 'Fun Olympics' and out of the 6 years of competition, the Halewood Team have been champions on 5 occasions. Further details may be obtained from Geoff Lyon on **0151 430 7710**.

Stroke Club – Contact Pauline Dooley on **0151 486 1213**. The Club meets on 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at St Mary's Centre.

Listening Ear – offers a reflective and counselling service for the benefit of the people of Halewood and surrounding area. Contact Debbie during office hours on **0151 448 6648** for further information.

Leathers Lane/Wood Road Community Association – This long standing Association meets on the third Monday of each month, 6.30 p.m. – 7.30 p.m. at the Halewood Centre. Further details please contact Pam Boffey on **0151 486 6766**.

Torrington Drive Community Association TDCA – Working alongside partners, TDCA organise a number of creative community events and activities throughout the year. A major event throughout the year is a themed social for people with disabilities held at New Hutte Neighbourhood Centre on Lichfield Road. In November 2014, the success of these socials was recognised with the Association being runner up at the prestigious Pride of Merseyside Awards.

Recently, in partnership with the Skills Funding Agency and Halewood Children's Centres, the Association developed and delivered a free 15 week Skills to Employment Course providing individuals who are unemployed, lone parents, disabled or those who have a health condition, the chance to gain a recognised qualifications and a greater chance of future employment.

For further information contact Tina Pomfrett (Development Officer) on **0151 443 2168** or by email to development@tdcaonline.co.uk

Knowsley Carers (Halewood) – meet in the St Mary's Day Centre, Hillingden Avenue, Halewood. Please ring Tel **0151 448 9771** for further details.

Halewood Community Spirit

– This group of dedicated volunteers organise community events and celebrations designed to show off all that is best about the 'community spirit' in Halewood. This group's Halloween Spooktacular is a firm favourite with families in the area. The contact for the group is Mike Williams who can be contacted on **0773 176 4111**.



Memory Lane – Knowsley Dementia Care Support – This Halewood-based group provides emotional and practical support to carers, and those cared for who are suffering from dementia. They meet every Wednesday from 10am – 2pm in the Community Centre in Kinloch Close. Further details can be obtained from Pat Mairs on **0785 803 2490**.

Court Farm Woods Association – Following woodland improvement works in Court Farm Woods, this association meets to encourage the use of the woodland and to maintain and improve the facilities. John Woollam 94 Hollies Road, Halewood, is Secretary of the Association.

Halewood Community Credit Union – Based at the Halewood Centre, Roseheath Drive and run entirely by volunteers, the Credit Union provides savings and 'low cost' loans for members of the Halewood community. Further information can be obtained from Sheila Bersin on **0151 443 2084**.

Halewood Town Junior Sports Association

– Formed in 1972, the Association based at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre provides hundreds of young boys and girls with a chance to join a team and play football. Details can be obtained from Joe McGuinness on **0151 486 2640**.

Halewood Youth in Community Centre

– Based in Lichfield Road, 'the Boysie' as it's known, provides out of school clubs, youth schemes, parent & toddler groups, play provision and outreach to local schools. Further information may be obtained from Mark Nelson on **0151 486 2865**.

Enterprise Credit Union – To supplement the work of Halewood Community Credit Union, Enterprise Credit Union are based at the Halewood Centre, Roseheath Drive every Tuesday from 09:30 – 12:30pm. Details of their range of services can be obtained by visiting their website at www.enterprisecreditunion.org.uk or by calling **0151 482 0177**.

Halewood Culturefest – Started in 2008, for 10 days in June, the Culturefest committee arrange for a variety of cultural and fun events to take place throughout Halewood. Whether it's drama, sport, opera and just plain 'fun', there's something for you during the Culturefest. Details of the 2015 Culturefest, which runs from 12th to 21st June, can be obtained from Alison Shacklady at alison1.shacklady@btinternet.com.



Cllr Terry Powell greets the Culturefest Patron Richard McCullough

THE ARNCLIFFE SPORTS AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Situated in Arncliffe Road, the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre is a popular venue for a variety of social and community events. With car parking available, a fully stocked bar and newly decorated function room complete with audio visual equipment, the Centre is an ideal venue which can be hired for an assortment of celebrations, including christenings, 18th and 21st birthday parties and many other birthday celebrations, children's parties, anniversaries and funeral receptions.

As well as being the administrative base for the Town Council, it is also the base from which many groups deliver their activities and is the home of Halewood Town Sports Association and the Halewood Junior Football League.

Sports Facilities at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre

In 2007, a grant of £600,000 from Barclays Bank and the Football Foundation, together with £150,000 each from Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council, and Halewood Town Council, realised the major improvements to the sporting facilities at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre. Thanks to this funding, the Centre now boasts a large Sports Hall, floodlight synthetic surfaces, a multi use games area and changing facilities.

The Town Council are responsible for the running of these upgraded facilities which are available for hire at very competitive rates.



Blooming Great Tea Party in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care – Arncliffe Centre

Activities in the Main Hall and Sports Hall at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre

MONDAY	Children's Art Class Jumping Jacks Step Up Dance Kickboxing Keep Fit Class Drama	9.30 am – 12.30 pm 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm 7.15 pm – 8.15 pm 7.15 pm – 9.30 pm
TUESDAY	Available for Hire	
WEDNESDAY	Tai Chi Group Pilates Kickboxing Slimming World	9.45 am – 11.15 am 12.30 pm – 2.30 pm 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm 5.00 pm – 8.00 pm
THURSDAY	Yoga Luncheon Club Pensioners Bingo Councillors Surgery ** Ju Jitsu Junior Drama Adult Drama	10.00 am – 11.30 am 12.00 noon – 1.30 pm 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm 5.00 pm – 9.30 pm 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm 7.00 pm – 10.00 pm
FRIDAY	Kick Boxing Everton Football Coaching Available for functions	5.00 pm -7.00 pm 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm
SATURDAY	Baby Ballet Step Up Dance Available for functions	9.45 am – 11.30 am 9.45 am – 3.00 pm
SUNDAY	Liverpool Scottish Pipe Band Available for functions	10.00 am – 12.00 noon

In addition, the synthetic pitches are used by Holy Family Primary Catholic Primary School during the week and at evenings are used by outside sports clubs at the following times:

Tuesday	7:00pm – 8:00pm
Wednesday	6:00pm – 8:00pm
Thursday	6:00pm – 7:00pm
Friday	5:00pm – 7:00pm

Activities and events may change. Please contact 0151 443 2063 for the latest details.
**Please check dates of Councillor's Surgeries beforehand by calling the above number.

HOLLIES HALL

Like the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, Hollies Hall is a 'fully accessible' popular venue, complete with car parking, which can be hired for social and community functions. It is also used regularly throughout the week and at weekends by a variety of groups.

Situated on Hollies Road, in the heart of the Village of Halewood, Hollies Hall was extensively refurnished and refurbished in September 2014 and now boasts to be one of the premier function rooms in Halewood. It has a dedicated stage area, with a fully stocked bar and in comfortable surroundings, Hollies Hall is an ideal venue for concerts and shows and regularly hosts events as part of the Halewood Culturefest. It is an ideal venue in which to hold family celebrations of many kinds, including christenings, 18th / 21st and many other birthday celebrations, children's parties, anniversaries and funeral receptions.



Pensioners Christmas Party – Hollies Hall

During the indoor bowls season, Hollies Hall is the home of the Halewood Indoor Bowls League, a long established and successful league, details of which can be obtained from Jim Miney on 0151 487 9779.



Adam Carter aka Elvis

Hollies Hall was the venue for the highly successful Elvis Tribute Night, staged by the Town Council in aid of the Mayor of Halewood's Charity.

FOOTBALL PITCHES AT HOLLIES HALL

Hilton Grace Playing Fields to give it its proper title, is immediately behind Hollies Hall and boasts two full sized grassed football pitches. These pitches are available for hire at competitive rates, which includes use of the indoor changing facilities and showers, by teams playing regular matches or, subject to availability, on an ad hoc basis.

Teams should call **0151 443 2063** for details.

Activities in Hollies Hall

MONDAY	Mother & Toddler Indoor Bowls (Winter only) Weight Watchers	9.30 am – 11.30 am 12.00 noon – 3.30 pm 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm
TUESDAY	Indoor Bowls (Winter only) Musicality Productions Councillors Surgery ** Tuesday Club	12.00 noon – 3.30 pm 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Slimming World Slimming World Councillors Surgery **	8.30 am – 11.30 am 4.30 pm – 9.00 pm 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm
THURSDAY	Boogie Tots Indoor Bowls (Winter only) Step Up Dance	9.15 am – 11.15 am 12.00 noon – 3.30 pm 4.00 pm – 9.00 pm
FRIDAY	Mother & Toddler Indoor Bowls (Winter only) Available for functions	9.30 am – 11.30 am 12.00 noon – 3.30 pm
SATURDAY	Available for functions	
SUNDAY	Available for functions	

Activities and events may change. Please contact 0151 443 2063 for the latest details.

**Please check dates of Councillor's Surgeries beforehand by calling the above number.

WANT TO MAKE A BOOKING?

Whether you would like to book the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre or Hollies Hall, our staff will do their very best to make sure you have an enjoyable time.

We have qualified staff who would be delighted to provide catering for your function or event.

Our room/hall hire and catering charges are set at reasonable rates. Details of these are published on our website www.halewoodtowncouncil.gov.uk or can be obtained by calling 0151 443 2063.

PUPIL RECOGNITION AND COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Halewood's young people are the best in the Borough **FACT!**

Our Pupil Recognition Awards are designed to recognise a pupil from each Primary School, Halewood Academy and the Children's Centre who excel in some way, it could be personal achievement in studies, charitable work or maybe just overcoming a major obstacle in their life during the year or going out of their way to help others.

At a glittering ceremony in Hollies Hall the following were congratulated and officially recognised by the Town Council:

**Willow Price, Oliver Pritchard,
Dylan Manifold, Sandra Mutukwa,
Christopher Farrelly, Matthew Rawlinson,
Owen Nicholas, Olivia Kenny**

Halewood has many 'grown ups' who also 'go out of their way' to help others. **FACT!**

The Town Council's Community Achievement Awards are designed to acknowledge those unsung heroes of our community and at the same ceremony as our young people were honoured, the following also received the Town Council's Community Achievement Award for 2015:

**Flo Owens
Pat Palombella Hart
Tony Kerfoot
Danny Murphy**

Many congratulations!!

HALEWOOD IN BLOOM – 2014 GARDENING COMPETITION

As ever, the standard of entries for the 2014 Gardening Competition was extremely high and the judges had a very difficult decision to decide on the winners.

Having made their choices, the winners were:



Winner in the Best Hanging Basket category –
Mr & Mrs Bramwell from
North End Lane



Winner on the Best Kept Garden category –
Mr & Mrs Booth from
Hever Drive



Winner of Most Colourful Garden –
Mrs Tennant from
Torcross Way

COMMUNITY GRANTS FUND

For over ten years, Halewood Town Council has established a fund to help Halewood based residents and projects which benefit the health and well being of our Town, the promotion/representation of the community of Halewood, the Environment, Community and Business Sector or the Halewood economy.

Applications are welcome from organisations, groups or individuals with a preference given to applicants who can display a good track record of past achievement or to new organisations, groups or individuals who can demonstrate future potential.

During 2014 – 2015 the following were recipients of awards:

- Memory Lane
- Halewood Community Spirit
- The Tuesday Club
- Halewood Park Volunteers
- Rosemont FC
- Halewood Arts Association
- Merseyside Arts Theatre & Education
- St John Vianney SVP
- Happy Feet

The Town Council has also made grants of £1,500 to Halewood Town Sports Association, £3,600 towards the cost of the RLPO Concert at Halewood Academy and paid an aggregate of £2,575 towards the cost of Christmas pantomimes in Halewood.

For further information about the Community Grants Fund or an Application Pack, please contact the Town Council Admin Offices in the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre or telephone 0151-443-2063. Alternatively you may download the information from the Town Council website, www.halewoodtowncouncil.gov.uk

THE MAYOR'S CHARITY

The Mayor of Halewood, Cllr Terry Powell, has also been busy during his year of office raising funds to supplement his Chairman's allowance with these funds being donated to many Halewood based groups and individuals and to fund the Community Achievement and Pupil Recognition Awards.



Rosemont FC's under 5's and 6'S celebrate their Community Grant award

Halewood Children's Centre

THE FIRST STOP FOR YOUR CHILD IN HALEWOOD

Our two children's centres in Halewood exist to support parents, carers and families to give their children the best possible start

Is your Child approaching their 2nd Birthday?
If you think your child could benefit from a **FREE** highquality childcare place.
Contact the Early Years team on 0800 085 2022

Would you like to get involved in Volunteering in your local Children's Centre?
Give us a call to see the opportunities we have on offer?

Parenting Courses are available to you, throughout the year supporting you and your family. For more information call us below.

For all information on our opening times, current sessions and signposting to other useful services see our website:
www.halewoodchildrenscentre.co.uk

Why not stop by and see what's on offer today?



Oak Tree Children's Centre
Lichfield Rd,
Halewood, L26 1TT
Tel: 0151 443 2191

Cherry Tree Children's Centre
(link site) Arncliffe Road,
Halewood, L25 9PB
Tel: 0151 443 2197



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How well are we doing?

1. The Town Council costs each Halewood Elector approx 5p per day. Do you consider this good value for money, and if not, why? YES / NO
If NO why?

2. What activities would you wish to see take place at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre or Hollies Hall? I would like to see..

3. Have you or a member of your family used the facilities at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre or Hollies Hall? YES / NO

4. If the answer to the above question was 'yes' what was your experience?

5. Have you seen the Town Council's bi-monthly Newsletter in the Halewood Focus magazine? YES / NO

PLEASE TURN OVER

CONTACT DETAILS

Name:

Address:

Post code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

How would you like to be kept informed of Town Council activities?

Email Telephone Twitter Facebook Post

Please return to: Halewood Town Council, FREEPOST RTHX-BGXZ-XBUC

The Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre,
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Halewood,
Liverpool,
L25 9PA

Thank you very much

George MacKenzie

Town Manager





Don't forget your dog fouling bags are **FREE** to residents



You can get your **FREE** bags from
the Halewood Town Council, just call **0151 443 2063**.

Please keep Halewood tidy



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