

Alkincoats Park, Colne

In terms of grounds maintenance, it costs us **£78,370.74** to maintain the Park on an annual basis. The contract schedule for the Park is split in to two – one is for Sports facility maintenance and the other is for the general Park maintenance.

Please note - the work schedule is fairly old and as such may not be wholly representative of the maintenance that goes on in the Park at present.

In addition, we have the following R&M revenue budgets for Alkincoats Park (these are the base budgets for 2015/16):

Parks - **£12,310** (includes Grounds and Buildings R&M, Water/Sewerage)

Parks Games - **£7,860** (includes Buildings R&M, Water/Sewerage & Electricity)

Total cost (Grounds Maintenance Contract + Revenue budgets) = **£98,540.74**

There are other implications/issues that Colne Town Council will need to be aware of in terms of managing/maintaining the site if the land is transferred in to their ownership. These are:

- Philip Wright Crown Green Bowling Academy (PWCGBA) – we have an agreement with them regarding the maintenance of the two greens. We have provided them with a mower, a room for storage of the mower, green bins and other associated equipment and a room that is used as their home base. They run weekly Saturday morning sessions (10am – 12pm) between April and October and are on site most days. The green is open to all for FREE at all times (unless there is something organised via the PWCGBA).
- The Pavilion Café – a new occupant will be in operation from early May 2016. They will have use of two rooms within the building. Details to be confirmed although we at least expect the café to be open at weekends and two other days during the working week at the minimum.
- Friends of Alkincoats Park – Ongoing liaison and working with Group on all Park related matters particularly new ones. Attendance at quarterly meetings and AGM.
- Parkrun – the route goes through the Park and Holt House every Saturday morning between 9.00am and 10.00am. This is managed by Pendle parkrun volunteers.
- Right of access for cars from Alkincoats Road entrance to private homes via the Park's main drive.
- Dealing with other organisations that want to use the Park for one off events/activities, e.g. Schools Cross Country, Orienteering, etc.
- Dealing with general issues and complaints relating to the Park, e.g. vandalism, organising contractors to do work, etc.
- Public Space Protection Order's (PSPO's) to uphold – ensuring the Park is used appropriately and in line with the PSPO (which is scheduled to come in to operation by the end of March 2017 and will include most things previously in the Bye-Laws plus dog control, fouling, etc.)
- Utility issues such as meter readings, legionella checks and general health & safety checks of the building. This is done through a combination of Neighbourhood Services staff and Property Services.
- The Park has Green Flag Award accreditation.