

**FRIENDS OF ALKINCOATS PARK  
MEETING**

**4<sup>th</sup> April 2016  
At Colne Town Hall**

**Present:**

John Birchenough (In the Chair)  
Audrey Broughton  
David Clamp  
Pat Clamp  
Cllr David Clegg  
Glenda Clegg  
Julie Hibbert (PBC)  
Brenda Maylor  
Colette McInerney  
Marie Oakley  
Carol Riley  
Daryl Wright

**1. Apologies**

Donald Mitchell, Liz Kayley, Marion Snowden and Janet Myers.

**2. Minutes of Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016**

Approved with amendment to item 5(f):

**Drainage** - Members of the group and bowling academy raised the issue of drainage throughout the park. The recent heavy rainfall had highlighted some issues and the group felt that something needed to be done to prevent future problems. Lee told the group that the Council was aware of the issues and work was ongoing to look at alternatives to draining straight to the mains system. In 2011 some considerable improvement work had already been carried out to the drainage system at the east side of the park.

**3. Matters Arising**

None

**4. Pendle Parks Forum**

At the last Parks Forum meeting it had been agreed that all parks friends group members would be welcome to attend Parks Forum meetings in future. However, only each friends groups elected representative of the forum would be eligible to vote (unless the elected representative was absent, in which case another member could vote). In any case voting was restricted to one vote per friends group.

**5. Mayors Civic Reception (Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2016)**

Everyone was reminded of the date of the reception and asked to advise either Carol Riley or Julie Hibbert before Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April if they wished to attend.

**6. Pavilion Cafe**

There had been a large amount of interest in the Café. Kieron Roberts had met a number of people at the pavilion to show them the café. Options were being considered and it was envisaged that the position would be clearer by the time of the next meeting.

**7. Relocation of Picnic Tables**

It had already been decided at the previous meeting that one table would be sited on the edge of the wildflower meadow and the broken table would be repaired and put back in its original location with the other one at the side of the pavilion.

It was agreed that the fourth table should be put somewhere near the informal 'kickabout' area. Also after consideration, It was thought that a stone slab should not be sited near any of the picnic tables as the group thought this may encourage people to use barbecues in the park.

**8. Any Other Business**

**Anti-social Behaviour**

Questions were asked about the policing of the park. Youths had started gathering around the pavilion and were playing loud music in the evenings until around 10pm. They were also playing on the

bowling greens.

**9. Date and Time of Next Meeting**

18<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 7.00pm (to be confirmed)