

Bullholme Playing Fields, Barrowford

In terms of grounds maintenance, it costs us **£15,657.60** to maintain the playing field on an annual basis.

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

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

Playing Fields - **£25,350** (includes Grounds and Buildings R&M/Vandalism, Gas, Water/Sewerage, Electricity & Business Rates)

Play Facilities - **£2,586 (based on an average of £1,293 per play facility)** (includes R&M/Vandalism, Grounds Maintenance, Litter picking and inspections)

Total cost (Grounds Maintenance + Revenue budgets) = **£43,593.60**

There are other implications/issues that Barrowford Parish 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:

- Management and maintenance of MUGA and Outdoor Gym Equipment.
- Barrowford Celtic – they have a licence agreement for use of the pavilion including club room and access to changing rooms/toilets. They pay an annual fee to the Council in addition to a contribution to utility costs for this privilege. They also have a container next to the pavilion where they store goals/equipment. The floodlights are owned by the club and any usage is paid directly by them (via a sub-meter).
- Barrowford Cricket Club has a long term lease with the Council for a piece of land within the curtilage of Bullholme. The club do all their own maintenance of the pitch although we do on occasion help them out with grass cutting.
- Right of access for cars from Wilton Street entrance to the allotments for allotment holders. The allotments are located between the Cricket Ground and the Park.
- Barrowford Pre-School Nursery – they have a short term lease with the Council for the building and associated fenced off car park. This is for use only by Nursery staff and visitors during the week. Access to the car park is provided at weekends when organised matches are being played.
- Pendle Cycleway runs around the edge of the playing field from the Park towards Swinden Playing Fields (under the M65 motorway bridge).
- Organisation of Sports pitches for weekly Football fixtures – marking, grass cutting, liaising withy teams, invoicing, etc.
- Pitch allocations prior to the start of a new season – again liaising with clubs/leagues (primarily Barrowford Celtic & Pendle Sunday Charity League) to see what pitches they want for the forthcoming season, e.g. for the 2015/16 season we have had 5-a-side, 7-a-side and 11-a-side pitches/matches at Bullholme.
- Organisation of Attendants to cover organised Football games including key distribution.
- Dealing with other organisations that want to use the Recreation Ground for one off events/activities, e.g. Barrowford Celtic Annual 2 day Football Tournament.

- Dealing with general issues and complaints relating to the Recreation Ground, e.g. vandalism, organising contractors to do work, etc.
- Public Space Protection Order's (PSPO's) to uphold – ensuring the Recreation Ground 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.