

Holt House Playing Fields, Colne

In terms of grounds maintenance, it costs us **£33,731.73** 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 Holt House (these are the base budgets for 2015/16):

Playing Fields - **£17,470** (includes Grounds and Buildings R&M/Vandalism, Gas, Water/Sewerage & Electricity)

Total cost (Grounds Maintenance + Revenue budgets) = **£51,201.73**

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:

- Colne Football Club and Colne & Nelson Rugby Club have long term leases with the Council for pieces of land within the curtilage of Holt House. Colne FC does their own maintenance of the pitch. PBC still maintain the pitches for the Rugby Club.
- Parkrun – the route starts and finishes (and takes in Alkincoats Park too) at Holt House every Saturday morning between 9.00am and 10.00am. This is managed by Pendle parkrun volunteers. They use the Council building as a base for storing equipment and for post run brews (they have access and use of the community room).
- Trawden Athletics Club uses the pavilion as a base for training throughout the year. The informal agreement is for the use of the community room, kitchen and associated store room and public toilets. They pay a small annual fee to the Council for their use.
- Organisation of Sports pitches for weekly Football fixtures – marking, grass cutting, liaising with teams, invoicing, etc.
- Pitch allocations prior to the start of a new season – again liaising with clubs/leagues 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, 9-a-side and 11-a-side pitches/matches at Holt House.
- 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. Colne Gala, Colne FC Football Tournament, Inter-Schools Cross Country, etc.
- 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 including weekly maintenance checks on the new defibrillator. This is done through a combination of Neighbourhood Services staff and Property Services.