

## **Friends of Ball Grove Chairman's Report May 17**

Pendle Council for this financial year were going to make a cut of £5,000 to the upkeep of the park, this has been made good by Trawden Parish Council. TPC may take over the whole budget for next year.

There has now been a small budget allowed for the Nature reserve upkeep by Pendle Council.

The café on the lake is now a polling station when required

The Volunteer Days are still going well with one a month. Some of the days have been shared with Burnley Anglers.

Some of the work carried out:

- 1) Clearing of the path on the south side of the top lake so as you can now walk around the entire lake.
- 2) Bails of hay have been fixed to the side of the lake to collect algae
- 3) Stairs assessing the lake from the top car park have been replaced
- 4) Continuing improvement to the paths in the wood have been carried out together with improvement to the paths due to storm damage

Work has commenced on the Upper Ball Grove Field by Muhammad Bari to turn it into wild flower area together with tree's & shrubs as agreed with Pendle Council.

The lease of the woods at the back of the White House has changed hands & the lease is now owned by Lee Duerden

We currently have 37 people who are the FOBG mailing list

I would finally like to thank all Friends for the work they put in this year especially those associated with the opening & closing of the top car park gates.