

## **MINUTES OF FRIENDS OF THE TRIANGLE, ALDCLIFFE ROAD**

### **Meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

**Present:** Dave Brookes, Peter Callingham, Mike Swan, Jane Swan, Martin Luke, Jim Combe, Phil Mitchell, Frances Tordoff, Gordon Walker

**Apologies:** Geoff Easton, Gillian Allen, Sheila Bliss, Nicola Combe

**Minutes of previous meeting** held on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 were approved and there were no matters arising other than discussed below.

#### **Recent Developments:**

160 Sleepers were delivered to the site on Tuesday and stored in the workshop. A volunteer day was held on Friday and four raised beds were started. Another volunteer day was held on Sunday and the raised beds were almost completed.

#### **Work still to be undertaken**

Work needed to finish the beds is as follows – 2 arches to be constructed once the missing timber has been delivered.

A small pond is to be fitted in the small square bed.

More broken concrete is to be placed in the bottom of all beds for drainage.

Beds to be filled with soil.

Dave and a couple of other volunteers to consult a local plant expert for advice on suitable plants for the raised beds. Any other plant suggestions to be emailed to Dave.

Compost bins and water butts are waiting to be fitted.

The rest of the wall needs to be pointed.

Paths to be mapped.

The back panel of the noticeboard to be repaired.

The posts on the pergola need to be tested and repaired as necessary – possibly with metal post shoes.

**Boat** – The insurance company will insure the boat if we bring it up to a suitable standard and have regular inspections. The Council have agreed to do the inspections free of charge and also supply advice on the suitability of the boat for conversion to play equipment.

**Railings** – these need to be refurbished and new ones purchased.

**Barbecue** – A suggestion was made that we erect a slab for barbecues.

**Light up Lancaster** – Dave will be attending a planning meeting at Dallas Street School this week.

**A volunteer session** will be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 2 pm to tackle some of the jobs listed above.

Next meeting at 7.30 on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016. Venue to be confirmed.