

## **FRIENDS OF BALL GROVE**

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**Twentieth Annual General Meeting  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026, at the Cotton Tree Pub**

### **MINUTES**

**Attended: Les Cromey, Martin Ackroyd, Gillian Laycock, Ann Waddington, Andy Frond, Chris Miller (observing only), Ann Holmes(observing only)  
Apologies; Mel Henley**

- 1. Previous Chairman's Introduction,  
Les welcomed everyone to the 20<sup>th</sup> AGM meeting**
- 2.1 Minutes of Last AGM  
Motion: To accept the minutes, Approved Andy Frond, Seconded Martin Ackroyd**
- 2.2 Matters arising None**
- 3. Appointment of Officers**
  - 3.1 Chairman: Nominated Les Cromey  
Proposed Martin Ackroyd, Seconded Andy Frond**
  - 3.2 Vice Chairman; Not appointed**
  - 3.3 Secretary / Minutes: Nominated Gillian Laycock  
Proposed Les Cromey, Seconded Ann Waddington**
  - 3.4 Treasurer: Nominated Martin Ackroyd  
Proposed Andy Frond, Seconded Ann Waddington**
  - 3.5 Members; Nominated Andy Frond, Ann Waddington  
Proposed Les Cromey, Seconded Martin Ackroyd**
- 4. Chairman's Report;  
Would like to thank:  
The volunteers for all their hard work over the past year.  
TPC for their pro-active approach to Park management and their work in partnership with the Friends.  
To Chris and Phil from PBC for attending meetings and organising volunteer events.  
Litter picking in partnership with Trawden in Bloom (national event).  
Planting of bulbs by the Friends.  
Year 8 pupils from Park High School for their work in clearing and opening pathways, removing self-seeded saplings, removing leaves and litter from the car parks.**
- 5. Treasurer's Statement of Account;  
Awaiting an invoice from TPC for our contribution to the wild flower meadow in the Park  
Currently the Friends account stand's at £8,008.79  
Motion: To accept the Report; agreed.**

**6. AOB;**

**Review of email contacts;**

**PLEASE WATCH OUT FOR THE EMAIL RELATED TO THIS MATTER IN THE NEXT FEW WEEK'S**

**If you wish to receive the Friends minutes and related information you must opt in by the stated date.**

**Failure to do so will result in your details being removed from the email list and you will no longer receive minutes etc.**

**Consideration to holding an event to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> year of the Friends Group, much discussion, await further information.**

**Discussions relating to the proposed wind farm. We would urge the Friends to attend the local information event being held at Trawden Community Centre on the 9<sup>th</sup> May 11-3pm**

**7. Next AG Meeting:**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027**

**Time 7.00pm,**

**Place; Cotton Tree Pub**

**General Meetings;**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Monday 12th October 2026**

**Monday 18th January 2027**

**Time 7.00pm,**

**Place Cotton Tree Pub**