

## **MINUTES OF FRIENDS OF THE ALDCLIFFE ROAD TRIANGLE. Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016**

**Present:** Dave Brookes, Jane Swan, Mike Swan, Frances Tordoff, Nicola Combe, Jim Combe, Martin Luke, Gillian Allen, Clare Gould

**Apologies:** Sheila Bliss, Duncan Bell, Phil Mitchell, Geoff Easton, Peter Callingham

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Minutes of the meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016 were approved

### **Recent Developments:**

- Wall pointing has been completed and the work paid for.
- Canal & River Trust offered a sale of the land at £75,000. Currently LCC pay £300/month rent and next rent review is imminent. LCC sub let to Friends of Triangle at £1 pa on a secure tenancy.
- Light Up Lancaster very successful and looking to repeat in future years.

### **Bags of Help / Raised Beds:**

To Do:

- Finish arches and small bed (pond)
- Compost Bins, Water Butt, Irrigation system

Planting:

- Clare reviewed original plan and researched RHS for less expensive options. May need deeper soil in beds for trees. Agreed apple and quince trees are best suited.

Boat

- As it can't be a play item, agreed prefer it to be a seat rather than a planter. Review at next volunteer session.

Pergola

- Awning material purchased at £60.

Railings

- Quote for refurbishment of 2 existing and providing 2 additional new - £1489. No funding currently available.

**AOB:**

- First aid training. Matt is already trained. Duncan and Sheila are willing to be trained.
- Proposal for speed bumps on Aldcliffe Road. Not a starter, LCC not willing to add new ones.
- Lanterns from LUL are in the workshop. We should agree how we can use them - one option is for carol singing organised by Tim Evans.

**Next Volunteer session:** Additional session to be held Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November (half day), next session TBC.

**Next meeting:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December - 7.30pm at 61 Regent Street