

BATLEY CRICKET, ATHLETIC and FOOTBALL GROUND.

In the year 1905 a plot of land, comprising an area of 11.2 acres, which for many years had been used by the Batley Cricket and Football Clubs, was acquired by public subscription and vested in certain representative Trustees subject to a lease of the ground at a nominal rent, by the Trustees to the Committee of the Batley Cricket Athletic and Football Club. The Owner Trustees are seven in number, namely:—The Mayor of the Borough for the time being, three other persons to be nominated from time to time by the Town Council of the said Borough, two to be nominated by the Batley Cricket, Athletic and Football Club, and one by the Batley Co-operative Society, the last named by preference being the President of the said Society.

On the termination of the lease the land is held in trust ultimately for the Batley Corporation for the purposes of a Public Park, Recreation Ground, Public Walks and Pleasure Grounds, or any one or more of such purposes; but so that in the meantime and until expiration or sooner determination of the lease, the property remains vested in the Owner Trustees subject to the terms of a Trust Deed.

A plot of land adjoining the Cricket and Football Field was conveyed to the Corporation with the intention of the same being ultimately used as a Recreation Ground.