Minutes of Sabden Parish Council Meeting held Thursday 7th December at 7.15 pm at the Pendle Room, St Nicholas Church, Wesley Street.

Present:	
	Councillor K Buckley Chairman
	Councillor S. Clarke
	Councillor M Dawson
	Councillor C Eaves
	Councillor I. Jackson

Also 2 Members of the Public

1. Apologies for absence:

Councillor K Galea & Borough Councillor R Newmark

2. Co-option of New Councillor

Mark Dawson was in attendance and was duly co-opted as a Councillor.

3. Declaration of Members Interests – none

4. Public Participation: None

5. Minutes of meeting held 2nd November 2023.-

Resolved -Minutes approved

6. Accounts for Payment-

Accounts for payment were reviewed and approved

Budget 2024/25

After a review of the accounts and consideration of anticipated expenditure for 2024/25 it was **Resolved** The precept for 2024/25 will be raised by 3% to £16846

7. Planning Applications - None

Application for 16 properties to rear of Pendle St East – RV has requested further information from the applicant.

8. Updates on Play Area Improvements

Following the expression of interest application to the Rural England Prosperity Fund for funding to assist with play area improvements we have been invited to submit a full application.

9. Re-Wilding Sabden

Councillor M Dawson is gathering information and will make a presentation at the January meeting.

10. Consideration was given to a request from the Little Green Bus Ltd for funding.

Resolved All in favour of sending a donation of £200

A resident has pointed out the Little Green Bus company is holding balances of £340k -The Little Green Bus Ltd will be contacted asking for an explanation.

11. For Information Only

Playground report – Painting of equipment will be undertaken in the Spring.

The surfacing around the slide will be reviewed in the Spring.

Borough Councillor – Bor clr R Newmark sent a message in his absence . LCC will be doing the anti skid work on both Cattle Grids over Pendle when there are 2 dry days together

Chairmans report -CCTV funding approved, now awaiting RVBC to advise how much for each parish **Smart Village Sabden** – next meeting 14th December all residents invited to attend

12. Date & Time of next meeting

Thursday 4th January 7.15pm Pendle room