Minutes of Sabden Parish Council Meeting held Thursday 6th February 2025 at 7.15 pm at the Pendle Room, St Nicholas Church, Wesley Street.

Present:	
	Councillor C Clapham Chairman
	Councillor S. Clarke
	Councillor M Dawson
	Councillor K Galea
	Councillor I Jackson
	Borough Councillor R Newmark

Also 5 Members of the Public

1. Apologies for absence:

Councillors K Buckley, C Eaves, K Fielding

2. Declaration of Members Interests – none

3. Minutes of meeting held 9th January 2025.

Resolved - Minutes approved .

4. Public Participation-

A query about the steel work near Heyhouses. Advised Gas pipe works.

5. Finance and Accounts-

a) Accounts for payment

Resolved all in favour of approval as per schedule

6. Planning Applications -

None registered

7. Environmental Issues

Consideration was given to the Tree Planting programme

Trees/shrubs from the Woodland trust will be delivered between 27th February and 7th March. Clr M Dawson shared a list of species expected along with suggested locations for planting. Mr A Galling was present at the meeting and offered his assistance with planting. He has much experience having worked with the Ribble Rivers Trust.

Councillors considered the locations and agreed M. Gallings advice would be appreciated.

Grass cutting tender

Tenders had been invited for the grass cutting contract for the next 3 years.

RESOLVED Councillors agreed C Walton will undertake Grass cutting for the 3 year period.

8. Update on access road to Medical centre

Clr M. Dawson reported that the Medical Centre had contacted residents whose properties adjoin the access road, seeking their assistance.

There was much discussion about the issue but it was agreed the next step is receiving feed back from the correspondence to residents.

9. Nomination for the Ballot for the Buckingham Palace Garden Party

All were in favour of nominating Clr S Clarke

10. For Information Only

Playground report – The Lengthsmen have done a lot of work on the Play Area in line with the inspection report.

The new picnic benches will be installed very soon

Parish Lengthsman Update – Drainage works on River walk and off pen tops off Pendleside Close.

Borough Councillor Report -Councillor R Newmark reported the Devolution White Paper is anticipated shortly and lots of discussions are already taking place.

Parish Council Liaison committee

Clr M Dawson gave a report of the meeting. Devolution/Local government restructure had prompted a lot of discussion.

Lancashire Volunteer Partnership LCC: gave information about their service and volunteering opportunities.

Looking for people who wish to be involved in volunteering, and community projects.

Partnership Development Team LCC: Discussed LCC's offer of support to Parish and Town Councils.

Addressing the meeting with insight into LCC's partnership team, and discussed with the meeting the support offered to Parish and Town Councils

Councillors Items

CIr S Clarke reported the new information board is complete and in situ. Very Grateful thanks will be extended to D Grimshaw who has coordinated the whole project. The Grant claim will be submitted and articles posted on social media and The Good News for Sabden.

A Community Litter Pick will be arranged for the potential date of 1st March at 10am from the car park on Clitheroe Road.

Cir K Buckley – in her absence – sent a request from a resident - for clearance of the overflow near Jubilee Bridge.

11. Date & Time of next meeting

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