

Minutes of Sabden Parish Council Meeting held Thursday 9th January 2025 at 7.15 pm at the Pendle Room, St Nicholas Church, Wesley Street.

Present:	
	Councillor K Buckley Chairman
	Councillor S. Clarke
	Councillor K Fielding
	Councillor C Eaves
	Councillor K Galea
	Councillor I Jackson
	Borough Councillor R Newmark

Also 1 Member of the Public & PCSO Katie Ferguson

1. Apologies for absence:

Councillors C Clapham, M Dawson

2. Declaration of Members Interests – none

3. Minutes of meeting held 5th December 2024.

Resolved -Minutes approved .

4. Public Participation-

None

5. Finance and Accounts-

a) Accounts for payment

Resolved all in favour of approval as per schedule

6. Planning Applications –

None registered

7. Holme Play Area updates

Picnic benches are being made and all agreed the paintwork should be green and wood walnut colour.

Sovereign Play has completed the work on the activity trail.

Memorial Bench- a request has been made by the family of the late Maralyn Duff to place a bench in her memory on the play area.

Councillors agreed to the request and will suggest the bench be placed back to Gardeners row in the vicinity of No32 and should be the same colour as the picnic benches.

8. Consideration was given to contingency plans for emergencies

Following much discussion Councillors felt residents were generally very considerate and looked after each other.

The recent bad weather had highlighted issue at Littlemoor Sheltered Housing. There was little support from Onward Housing who didn't grit over the weekend or out of hours. Sabden residents cleared the snow/gritted and made it safe.

A letter will be sent to onward Housing expressing concerns
It was also noted the grit bins around the village have been empty for some time.

9. **Pruning and Coppicing work on Chestnut Green**

RVBC has contacted the PC. asking if it could contribute towards the costs of pruning and Crowning the overhanging trees on Chestnut green and Coppicing the hedge to the rear of the bus Shelter. Councillors agreed the parish council would be unable to contribute financially as no provisions had been made within the budget. It would however, offer for the Lengthsman to carry out the coppicing work to the rear of the bus shelter.

10. **For Information Only**

Playground report – No update

Parish Lengthsman Update – Drainage works on River walk will start soon.

Thanks were expressed by many for the excellent service provided by the lengthsman in the recent bad weather. Alex had kept paths clear and well gritted

Grass Cutting Tenders-Invitations to tender have been sent out this week .

Borough Councillor Report -Councillor R Newmark reported there will be a Food Waste Recycling survey being circulated by RVBC

RVBC has quite a few large projects in the pipeline – Upgrading the Ribblesdale Pool, works in play areas and parks, Clitheroe Market improvements.

Councillors Items

Clr S Clarke has been asked about the ‘pavement’ outside the White Hart. As this area also forms part of the White Hart frontage LCC is not responsible for it.

Asked if there had been any progress with discussions with the Medical Centre about the state of the road. Clr M Dawson is continuing to pursue.

Reported the RVBC refuse collectors do not replace the recycling bins on the village car park back to their base. Bor Clr R Newmark will speak to the department at RVBC.

Clr I Jackson reported the Dog Bin Lid for the bin off Stubbins Lane is being repaired.

Clr K Galea reported the hatch markings at the bottom of Black Hill frequently have cones around and inquired if the school warning lights on Clitheroe Road are working.

Clr K Fielding reported there are often intruders using the area outside the church gates.

11. **Date & Time of next meeting**

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