

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Tuesday 6th July 2021 at 7 pm at the Pendle Room, St Nicholas Church.

Members Present Councillor M Pilkington in the chair
 Councillor S Clarke
 Councillor C Eaves
 Councillor K Galea
 Councillor A Rickard
 Councillor James Smith
 Councillor Justin Smith
 Councillor R Vickers

Also present 1 member of public,

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence – Councillor I Jackson, Borough Councillor R Newmark

2. Declarations of Members Interest of items on the Agenda - None

3. Minutes of meeting held 1st June 2021

RESOLVED Minutes approved & signed

4. Accounts for payment

RESOLVED the accounts for payment be approved as per schedule

5. Planning Applications – None

5b. Updates on previous Applications – None

6. Highway safety issues –

Clr Justin smith reported he had met with Cty Clr Ged Mirfin and had prepared a petition on Change.org for a pedestrian crossing outside Sabden Primary School. The parish council and community facebook pages will be used to highlight/sign post the petition.

Clr K Galea agreed to join the working group alongside Clr Justin smith, it is hoped to engage with the community and schools and that 1or 2 members of the community will join the group.

Hopefully by publicizing the petition it will be a gateway for change.

7. Placement of CCTV at strategic locations in village

Clr James smith reported he had received a quote for CCTV at 3 locations which would be a minimum of £10,000 + £100 per month for maintenance/backup. A 2nd quotation from another company is awaited.

Clr James Smith reminded councillors of the GDPR responsibilities and suggested the starting point to future discussions should be aims/objectives/pressing needs/justification bearing in mind Section 2.4 of the Home Office Surveillance Camera Code of Practice

Clr K Galea suggested CCTV could be linked to Highway safety issues and that residents had expectations in making Sabden a safer place to live.

It was agreed further discussions will take place at the next meeting, RVBC will be contacted prior to this meeting to enquire about the possibility of funding. The chair asked councillors to prepare by considering aims/objectives/pressing need & justification.

8. Heritage project ‘Calico & Clogs’ update –
 Clr M Pilkington presented sample boards & graphics and a draft of the logo. It is hoped to launch mid September in conjunction with the Pendle Hil Partnership Access for All trail. There is still a lot of work to do on the text.

9. Adoption of BT Phone Box

It was agreed the adoption contract be signed and a post on the website and facebook will inform everyone of progress. The councillors were pleased to see so much interest from the community.

10. Request by Sabden Football Club to hold a Duck Race

Sabden Football Club has requested permission to hold a Duck Race on Sunday 22nd August to raise much needed funds for the club.

RESOLVED all in favour of giving permission, reminding the organisers the cordon off the wildflower garden near Jubilee Bridge and asking for sight of the risk assessment and that H&S requirements are adhered to.

11. Review Boundary Commission proposals

The independent Boundary Commission for England (BCE) are redrawing the map of Parliamentary constituency boundaries, as part of that review, a consultation is now running to get feedback on proposed new boundary lines and constituency names.

The current proposals seek to alter the Ribble Valley constituency with some of our close neighbours i.e Whalley and Painter Wood; East Whalley Read and Simonstone and Langho and Billington moving into an extended Hyndburn Parliamentary Constituency.

Whilst the current proposals will not affect Sabden councillors believe it is important to respond to the consultation to acknowledge that Sabden is well aligned in the Ribble Valley constituency being a rural area in AONB, similar to many parishes in RV, with close ties to Clitheroe – main town- local government offices easily accessible, secondary education is within Ribble Valley and many healthcare appointments are at Clitheroe Hospital.

12. For Information Only

Playground Report- No new issues , area around slide still not grassed over.

Parish Council Liaison Report – Clr R Vickers reported the Chief constable had attended the meeting, there will be a focus on policing in rural communities, there will be an increase in police profile and presence in Clitheroe. Clitheroe has vibrant night time socialising.

The Boundary Commission review was discussed.

There is a lot of Dog theft in the area Chief constable reminded everyone to be vigilant

13. Public Participation- parking on St Nicholas Avenue junction with Padiham Road is still a big problem. Large vehicles frequently park on the corner.

14. Date & Time of next meeting – Tuesday 7th September 2021 at the Pendle Room St Nicholas Church at 7 pm.

Accounts for payment.

Phil Hardman	Materials	£657 & £1306.93
AM Whitwell	Clerks Salary & Expense	£1212
A M Whitwell	Lengthsman Admin	£468
Norton	Anti virus software subs	£64.99
Microsoft Office	Subs	£59.99
RVBC	Bowling Club rent	£348.35
C Walton	Grass cutting	£692.08 & £586.50
R Vickers	Signs	£33