

Minutes of Sabden Parish Council Meeting held Thursday 4th January 2024 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 K Galea Councillor I. Jackson Councillor K Fielding Councillor C Clapham

Also 2 Members of the Public

1. Apologies for absence:

Borough Councillor R Newmark

2. Co-option of New Councillors

Kerry Fielding & Claire Clapham were in attendance and duly co-opted as a Councillors.

3. Declaration of Members Interests – none

4. Public Participation : Asked if the vegetation can be cutback from around the Sabden/HGV 7.5T sign on Accrington Road near Springwood.

5. Minutes of meeting held 7th December 2023.-

The Little Green Bus Ltd responded to the query about reserves as follows-

Those funds that are seen on the annual accounts are our reserves which are used for purchases of new minibuses, the funds do not go towards the running of Little Green Bus.

Resolved -Minutes approved

6. Accounts for Payment-

Accounts for payment were reviewed and approved

7. Planning Applications – None

8. Updates on Play Area Improvements.

Awaiting quotes for activity equipment to accompany the grant application. Awaiting quote for repairs to the Cableway. The activity equipment needs cleaning.

9. Re-Wilding Sabden

Councillor M Dawson gave a presentation. Areas need to be identified, permissions sought and to start on a small scale.

10. Discussions took place about ongoing issues with disposal of Dog Waste.

There are problems around Heyhouses where dog walkers are leaving bags on top of the dog

waste bin or on the floor if the bin is full. There have been occasions over the past few weeks when large sacks of dog waste have been left at the base of the bins and some have rolled onto the banking of Sabden brook. Dog Owners will be reminded, via an article on Facebook and the parish council web page, dog waste can be disposed of in general waste bins and in the burgundy household bins. Also everyone will be reminded not to dump bags of waste at the base of bins if they are full.

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 and activity equipment needs cleaning.

Borough Councillor – no report

Chairmans report – nothing to report

12. Date & Time of next meeting

Thursday 1st February 7.15pm Pendle room.