

Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee
of Saddleworth Parish Council held at
The Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill on Monday 15th December 2008

There were present Cllr. Mrs. A. McInnes- Chairman
Mr K. Begley – Vice Chairman

Dr. D. Atherton	Mr. D. Heffernan
Mrs. B. Beeley	Mr. A. Hodgkiss
Mr. P. Bagley	Mr. K. Hulme
Mrs M. Bingley	Mr. B. Lord
Mr. R. Birse	Mrs. P. Lord
Mr. M. Buckley	Mrs. A. Parry
Mr. B. Cullen	Mr. P. Renold
Mr. R. Franklin	Mrs. D. Shaw

- 721. Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Mr. P Davenport & Mr. J. Hudson
- 722. Declarations of Interest** – None
- 723. Local Development Framework** – Members considered a letter from Oldham MBC concerning the Local Development Frame. The Clerk will confirm that the Parish Council will receive notification as future documents are made available. The Planning Policy group will meet early in the New Year to respond to the Employment land review and the Landscape character assessment.
- 724. Freedom of Information** – Members were advised that the approval of all existing publication schemes will expire on 31 December. It was agreed that the Council will adopt the new model publication scheme produced by the Information Commissioner’s Office. It was agreed that a charge would only be made if the request required a significant amount of work to be undertaken.
- 725. Completion of Audit of Accounts for 2007 – 2008** – The Clerk submitted a copy of the Annual Return and Statement of Assurance duly certified by the External Auditor along with a copy of their report on issues arising from the Audit. Members agreed to approve and accept the Annual Return and Statement of Assurance.
- 726. Accounts for Payment** - The list of Accounts for Payment was approved by the Committee. The total expenditure being £4,435.24 and income being £7,232.82. There were no payments made in accordance with Section 137 and 139 of the Local Government