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**For the attention of: Ms Karen Allott - Clerk to the Council**  
Saddleworth Parish Council

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6<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Ms Allott

**Re: Saddleworth Neighbourhood Plan (Regulation 14)**

Thank you for your notification of the 22nd April 2024 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

Our records indicate that within the Saddleworth Neighbourhood Plan area there are recorded coal mining features present at surface and shallow depth including; mine entries and coal workings. These features may pose a potential risk to surface stability and public safety.

Following a review of the Neighbourhood Plan it is noted that the document does not propose to allocate any new sites for future development. On this basis I can confirm that the Planning team at the Coal Authority have no specific comments to make on the content of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours sincerely

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