

**SADDLEWORTH**

Parish Council

23rd July 2025

To: All Members of the Saddleworth Parish Council

Dear Sir/Madam

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Ordinary Council Meeting** of the **Parish Council** to be held at the **Satellite Centre, Greenfield,** **OL3 7AL, on** **Monday 28th July 2025 at 7.30pm** for the purpose of conducting the under mentioned business.

Yours faithfully

**K E Allott**

Clerk to the Council

**AGENDA**

**Welcome by the Chair**

1. **To Receive Public Questions**
2. **Chairman’s Urgent Business**
3. **To receive apologies for Absence**
4. **To receive Declarations of Interest**
5. **Correspondence**

Moorgate Crossing

* Response received from Network Rail
* Response from Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill

(Minister of State for Rail)

1. **Presentation by Peter Fletcher, Oldham Energy Futures**
2. **To approve and confirm as a correct record the Draft Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 19 May 2025**
3. **To note the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 6 May 2025**
4. **To note the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 8 May 2025**
5. **To note the minutes of the Assets Management Committee Meeting held on 15 May 2025**
6. **To note the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 3 June 2025**
7. **To note the Minutes of the Staffing Committee Meeting held on 26 June 2025**
8. **To note the Minutes of the Traffic & Environment Committee Meeting held 30 June 2025**
9. **To note the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 7 July 2025**
10. **To note the minutes of the Communications Committee Meeting held on 9 July 2025**
11. **To note the minutes of the Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes held on 10 July 2025**
12. **To note the minutes of the Assets Management Committee Meeting held on 14 July 2025**
13. **To note the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 24 July 2025 (to follow)**
14. **Notice of Motion (Proposed Cllr Sam Al-Hamdani, seconded Cllr Roger Blackmore)**

To request a response to the Government Green Paper on the Future of the Post Office.

This Council notes that the Government’s Green Paper includes questions on providing postal, banking, government and utility bill payment services for those who cannot or will not get them elsewhere (question 1); the Post Office’s role in postal services, cash and banking services, and government services will change over the next 5 to 10 years (question 7); and the branch and geographical access criteria are set, including targeting areas with insufficient service provision (question 9).

This Council resolves to respond to the consultation, drawing upon its previous experiences in trying to get Access to Cash provision, and making sure that the priorities for Post Office provision align with the needs of the community in Saddleworth to get better financial service provision.

The consultation is accessible at <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/green-paper-future-of-post-office/green-paper-future-of-post-office>.

The deadline for the consultation response is October 6

1. **Minutes of the Armed Forces Partnership Meeting, 12 June 2025, for noting**
2. **Local Green Spaces (Report by Cllr Al-Hamdani)**
3. **To receive and note the Annual Internal Audit Report (to follow)**

* **AGAR Section 1, to approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement for 2024-2025**
* **AGAR Section 2 – To consider, approve and sign the Accounting Statements for 2024-2025**

1. **To receive and note the Financial Risk Management Assessment July 2025 (to follow)**
2. **Accounts for Payment May 2025** tobe tabled
3. **Accounts for Payment June 2025** to be tabled

Payments List, see appendix 1

To be tabled

1. **Date of the next meeting** Monday 22nd September 2025 at 19.30hrs at the Civic Hall