**Minutes from the Strategic Planning Committee, 25 November 2021 held at the Civic Hall, Uppermill.**

**Present: Cllrs:** Beeley (Chair) S. Al-Hamdani

Byrne

From OMBC G. Brownridge

**3295. Apologies for absence**

Cllrs. Dawson and Knotts.

A. Fletcher

3298. Declarations of Interest

None

**3299. Approval of minutes from 28 October 2021**

Agreed as true record and signed by the Chair at the meeting

**3300. Progress on Policies.**

**Countryside and Landscape Character.**

Cllr. Al-Hamdani had spoken with Andrew Fletcher who had previously referred to GM characteristics which can provide more detail specific to Saddleworth. Cllr. Al-Hamdani said that the natural look of Saddleworth needs to be defined then included possibly at Borough level.

The Chair asked if there is a list which details sites of SSI and SBI Land? GB said that the Borough has a list. The chair asked if GB could check if Stone breaks was included as it is heathland. GB to check.

The chair said that she would speak to AF and ask him to speak to GB directly regarding SSI’s and SBI’s.

GB said she would send contacts to the Chair to investigate the listing of the land next to the Uppermill allotments and/or what would be “best fit” for example- a site of biological interest. The Chair will speak to AF regarding reference to PDNP and request that he liaise directly.

**Housing**

Cllr. Al-Hamdani had made insertions into the previous document regarding green space provision and design character and heritage. The list of heritage buildings had been removed and readers are referred to the gov.uk. link.

GB stated that regarding allocation of green space that any bids need to be evidence based.

She asked that the list be sent to her to check.

**Greenbelt and Natural Environment**

Cllr. Beeley to contact G. Willerton.

**Traffic and Transport.**

Cllr. Beeley said that she would review the document using recommendations as examples not policies and wording policies to include word such as supporting or to increase capacity.

**Tourism, Industry and Commerce**

Cllr. Byrne stated that initially had been asked to complete a policy on Industry and now had Commerce and Tourism added

Cllr. Byrne said that she would have a policy ready by 2 December 2021.

**Historic Environment**

Cllr. Beeley asked if there were good examples of housing developments. Cllr. Byrne said that these were included in other NP’S. GB said that mills needed to be referenced as OMBC were near to completing their mill strategy.

**3301. Items for next Agenda**

Next meeting 16 December 2021 09.30 (additional meeting)

27 January 2022 09.30.