STOCKSBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation & Environment Committee of the Town Council, held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Stocksbridge on Tuesday, 4th July 2023

PRESENT:- Cllr. R Crowther (Chair), Cllrs. M Whittaker, A Law, J Staniforth, J Grocutt, S Abrahams and K Davis

IN ATTENDANCE: T Newman, Steel Valley Project – Item 4

1. Chairman's Remarks and Apologies for Absence

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Keith Davis back to the Town Council as member for the East Ward, Deepcar.

Cllr. K Davis signed and delivered to the Clerk his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

There were no apologies for absence.

2. <u>Exclusion of Press and Public</u>

There were no items for exclusion of press and public.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

4. <u>Steel Valley Project</u>

The Chairman welcomed T Newman, Steel Valley Project to the meeting who had been invited to present a report as part of the Strategic Partnership agreement regarding funding for the financial year 2023/2024. Copies of the SVP Annual Report had been previously circulated to members. TN tabled a report which highlighted the partnerships SVP are involved in and the work being carried out in the area with funding from these partnerships. These included Liberty Steels and work on various pieces of land owned by the Steelworks. Sheffield Lakeland Landscape Partnership and work funded by the SLLP on land around Christ Church also including the restoration of Joesph Hayward's gravestone. SVP had received a large grant from the Environment Agency for flood management works in Newhall and Pothouse woods. TN noted that SVP are planting 7,500 trees, the main site in our area being land around Parsonage Farm, this work would be subject to public consultation. TN also noted works being carried out at schools in the area and work being funded by the Stocksbridge Towns Fund.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

The Chairman thanked TN for his informative presentation.