Position Statement on behalf of Ms J Manson, Mr W Knight and Mr G Watson, the landowners of the 'Stedham Sawmill' site

MATTER 5: Employment Land Policies SD35

Are the numerical provisions of Policy SD35 for a total of 10.3 hectares of new employment land adequate and supported by robust evidence?

It is noted that the provision is not deliverable if it is reliant on unsuitable sites such as Stedham Sawmill which are not fit for purpose.

The SDNPA Employment Land Review update, 2017 (Core document library reference TSF30), finds that the site is "*not fit for purpose*", and concludes there is need to "*consider alternative uses*" for Stedham Sawmill "*such as housing*" as it is a "*very poor quality under occupied site*", and yet the emerging plan allocates it for part employment / mixed use.