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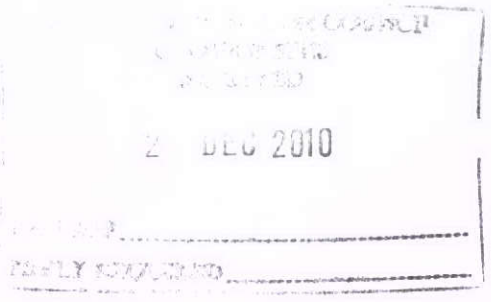
DESIGN and ACCESS STATEMENT
KNOWL TOP BARN, BRIERLEY GREEN
Two Storey Extension consisting of two Principal rooms on the Ground Floor and Two bedrooms and a bathroom on the First Floor



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Character of the Application Buildings : Knowl Top Barn is a traditional stone built High Peak agricultural building which has been sympathetically converted in the past to a dwelling. The external walls are of random stone and the roof is stone slate in the vernacular style. Attached to the Barn is a small lean to building constructed partly of brick and partly of stone with a blue slate roof. Linked to this structure is a large single storey stone built building which is currently used to store an assortment of machinery. This built has a corrugated sheet asbestos roof. It is intended that these two buildings should be removed as part of the proposed development. The land falls rapidly from west to east and this has been used to advantage in the design of the proposed extension. The Proposed Extension will have external walls of random stone and a stone clad roof.

Sustainability : The proposed extension is required for the Applicant's daughter and son in law since it is the only way in which they are likely to acquire permanent accommodation. They wish to remain in the village and send their children to the local school. The village is served by a regular bus service and there is a local shop which more shops and a doctors surgery in the nearby settlement of Chinley. The extension will be constructed of reclaimed materials wherever possible and it will be insulated to the highest standard.

Appearance : As already stated the appearance of the proposed extension will be sympathetic with the existing building both in terms of materials used and style of construction.

Access and Parking Arrangements : The existing access road to Knowl Top Barn will remain the same and it is not anticipated that there will be any increase in vehicular movements to and from the extended property. There is adequate parking existing for all the vehicles which currently frequent the property.