**Governance Committee 11th September 2023**

**Agenda Item 10. Neighbourhood Development Plan Update**

1. Working Group (WG) have met 3 times since the new Clerk started and once with our consultant Kirkwell’s present. Work has continued on amending and improving the policy definitions and format of the document.
2. A grant of £6660 plus 2 free consultancies (Housing Site Assessments and Design Codes) has been obtained via Locality from Groundwork Trust (Govt Dept Levelling Up and Communities) and AECOM, to enable us to continue the work with our consultants on developing relevant local policies, designing and implementing the Regulation 14 consultation which takes us to the next stage of the process.
3. Next steps

* Meet with Bradford Council to update them on our progress and ensure we are getting the right support from them.
* Between now and Christmas continue to develop and feed in consultancy advice and WG and other specialist comments.
* Timeframe - aiming for public consultation launch in mid Jan/early Feb if possible. Six weeks duration.
* Public consultation will provide varied means for residents and other stakeholders to get involved and provide input.