

# **BISHOP MONKTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

## **VISION AND OBJECTIVES 2040**

### **OUR VISION STATEMENT**

**By 2040, Bishop Monkton will be a thriving rural parish, welcoming to all residents, old and new, providing for their essential needs and supporting varied livelihoods.**

**At the heart of the parish will be our village. Shaped by its heritage and rooted in its surrounding landscapes, Bishop Monkton will provide essential community facilities, supporting and responding to local needs as befits a village of its size.**

**New housing developments will have grown the village from its current size and form but will be well integrated, provided well designed and low impact homes, informed by the current built form, with a mix of homes in terms of size and tenure, including those which are affordable to residents.**

**New development has brought new life to the parish and has been designed to blend into the village; as well as recognising and investing in critical infrastructure restraints, in particular relating to flooding, sewage, drainage and roads.**

### **OUR OBJECTIVES**

#### **Objective 1: Managing growth**

**To ensure new housing development is at an appropriate scale to the existing village and does not overwhelm the community or its infrastructure and provides for improvements to critical infrastructure.**

#### **Objective 2: Housing mix**

**To support growth that contributes to a balanced and sustainable community by encouraging a mix of homes that meet local needs, including those of young people, families and older residents.**

#### **Objective 3: Rural character**

**To conserve the village's heritage and rural character and respects its setting in the landscape, maintaining clear separation from nearby settlements.**

#### **Objective 4: Design and heritage**

**To ensure new development reflects local distinctiveness and design, including its history and heritage, conserving its heritage assets, whether listed or non-designated.**

#### **Objective 5: Community cohesion**

**To maintain and improve community facilities and opportunities so that our community is cohesive, welcoming to all and providing a strong sense of place, enabling social well-being.**

#### **Objective 6: Ecological responsiveness**

**To ensure growth respects local ecology, enhances biodiversity and mitigates the impacts of climate change.**

#### **Objective 7: Our local economy**

**To support our farming industry and small-scale economic activity, including tourism, that sustains local facilities and contributes to village vitality.**

#### **Objective 8: Access to greenspace**

**To improve the quality of and accessibility to greenspaces and the countryside surrounding the village for well-being purposes.**