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into account changing circumstances affecting the area and any relevant changes in national policy.

- 3.1 The current development plan for Birmingham comprises a number of adopted DPDs prepared by Birmingham City Council as the local planning authority and made (adopted) Neighbourhood Plans prepared by parish/ town councils or established

- 6.7 Work on producing a DPD cannot proceed without corresponding work on the SA. Therefore, each DPD will be accompanied by a supporting SA. Both the DPD and the SA will be made available for consultation at the same time and comments invited. The findings of the SA will inform the DPD and will be a material consideration in determining the soundness of the DPD at examination.
- 6.8 The policies map illustrates the sites allocations and policies and other local and national land use designations on an Ordnance Survey base map. This is in accordance with Regulation 9 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, as amended. The policies map is updated as new DPDs are prepared or revised so as to illustrate the application of policies across the area. A link to the interactive policies map is available at: [Interactive BDP map](#)
- 6.9 The AMR monitors the progress of local plans and assesses the effectiveness of adopted local plan policies. The AMR sets out the list of documents that are included in the LDS, their timetable for preparation, the stage they are currently at, and if they are behind schedule the reasons for this. AMRs are also useful in identifying whether policies are meeting their stated objectives, identifying development trends, patterns of land use and reporting on the implementation of policies. The latest version on the AMR can be found on the Council's website: [Birmingham Local Development Framework](#)
- 6.10 SPDs add detail and guidance to policies contained within DPDs, which they must be consistent with. The production of SPDs follow a statutory process and are subject to public consultation, however there is no public examination and there is no requirement to undertake a Sustainability Appraisal. They do not form part of the statutory development plan; however, they are a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.
- 6.11 The Council also produce a range of other non-statutory documents such as frameworks and masterplans to promote development opportunities. They do not form part of the statutory development plan; however, the public are consulted on them and they are evidence based so can be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.
- 6.12 It is no longer a requirement to detail SPDs and their timetables for preparation within the LDS. A full list of adopted SPDs and other non-statutory documents can be found on the Council's website, as well as those that the Council intends to review or prepare.

6.13 The SPDs and non-statutory frameworks adopted by the City Council can be accessed here: [Planning guidance and strategies | Birmingham City Council](#).

Greater level of public engagement than anticipated	Low	Increased time required to analyse comments. Possible programme slippage	Build in flexibility in programme Monitor progress Draw in additional resources
Staff turnover and difficulties in recruitment	Medium	Reduced capacity will cause programme to slip	Fill vacancies promptly Consider re-deployment to meet key targets Consider recruitment incentives Consider using consultants where specific expertise is required
Pressures on staff time for other work	Low	Staff diverted to other work will cause slippage of programme	Local Plan to be a strategic priority Ringfence policy team to plan production Manage staff tasks and consider re-deployment
Insufficient financial resources	Significant	May result in poor quality evidence base and key milestones not being met	Ensure adequate budget and contingency Closely monitor costs and manage contracts
Governance process	Low	Delay to decisions being made on the plan	Establish a cross party Local Plan Working Group to ensure early understanding, buy-in and transparency

Evidence not prepared on time	Medium	Key milestones will not be met	Closely monitor preparation of evidence studies
IT system issues e.g. consultation platform, land monitoring database, GIS	Low	Delays to consultation	Ensure liaison with IT and GIS Team Procure consultation platform early on and test
LDS programme too ambitious	Medium	Key milestones may not be met	Monitor progress of the LDS through AMR and adjust where necessary

Unforeseen circumstances (e.g. global pandemic)	Low	<p>Potential impact on evidence base development</p> <p>Unable to attend face to face meetings or consultation</p>	<p>Ensure staff coverage and consultant team contingencies are in place</p> <p>Utilise online consultation methods and video conferencing for meetings</p>