

Chichester Playing Pitch Strategy



Stage C: KEY FINDINGS AND ISSUES REPORT

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Full set of documents comprise:

- Chichester PPS Stage B Appendix 1E
- Final May 2018 Chichester PPS Stage C Needs Assessment
- Final May 2018 Chichester PPS Stage C Key Findings and Issues Report (this document)

Plus Final Strategy documents:

- Final Strategy Chichester PPS May 2018
- Final Action Plans Section 6 Chichester PPS May 2018

1 CONTEXT

- 1.1 This Playing Pitch Strategy is being prepared as part of the Open Space, Sports Facility and Recreation Strategy commissioned by Chichester District Council to support the Council's current review of its adopted Local Plan.
- 1.2 The previous Playing Pitch Strategy was published in 2004, and covered football, hockey, rugby and cricket. Due to the age of this strategy, and in light of new guidance, a new strategy is being developed in line with the principles identified in Sport England's revised Playing Pitch Strategy Guidance (October 2013) and will:
- provide a baseline for current and future supply and demand assessments, and also set out a vision with a strategic approach to pitch sport provision in the area in the short, medium and long term to 2036.
 - inform where future resources should be focussed. It should help to implement the revised Local Plan and
 - ensure that proposed provision of sports pitch facilities will meet future demand and reflect sustainable development objectives.
- 1.3 The Chichester Local Plan 2014 – 2029 was adopted in July 2014. The Playing Pitch Strategy will look forward until 2036 in line with the Local Plan and the current Review which extends the timeframe to 2036. It does not include that part of the District within the South Downs National Park Authority, who will produce its own local plan.
- 1.4 According to the ONS 2014-based Sub National Population Projections Chichester District's total population was 118,200 in May 2016. The district covers an area of almost 800 km² and is the largest of the seven districts and boroughs within West Sussex. The District stretches from the south coast to the southern border of Surrey and East Hampshire in the north; and from South Hampshire in the west to Arun and Horsham in the east. A large part (544 km²) of the north of the District forms part of the South Downs National Park.
- 1.5 The Strategy covers the same area as the Local Plan - the 'Study area' (covering 34 parishes) and, in line with the Local Plan, uses these sub areas to structure the findings on the supply of pitches:
- The East-West Corridor (Chichester city, east of the city, west of the city)
 - The Manhood Peninsula; and
 - The North of the Plan Area (the north east of the District and Hammer/Camelsdale).
- 1.7 This Key Findings and Issues document summarises the main points to arise from the more detailed Draft Needs Assessment (see accompanying document). It comprises Stage C of the Methodology: 'Assess the supply and information and views' which in turn draws on the supply and demand data collected as part of Stage B of the Playing Pitch methodology (see Stage B: Chichester PPS Appendix 1E).

- 1.8 This document is structured to reflect Sport England’s guidance for reporting on Stage C i.e.
- A What are the main characteristics of the current supply of, and demand for, provision?
 - B Is accessible provision of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?
 - C Is there enough accessible community use provision to meet current demand?
 - D What are the main characteristics of the future demand for and supply of provision?
 - E Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand?
- 1.9 Once Stage C has been completed the process moves in to Stage D: Develop the Strategy and Stage E: Deliver the strategy and keep it robust and up to date. The current timetable is to produce a Final Strategy by the end of March 2018.

Planning Context: Population and Participation

Population growth

- 1.10 From an analysis of ONS population projections for Chichester, the key points are:
- Whilst the overall population of Chichester Study area is expected to increase by 11654 (13.6%) in the next 20 years, the number of people in the overall ‘active participation’ age group (5-69) is also projected to increase, but at a lower rate (ie by 1840 or 2.8%).
 - The age groups within the ‘active participation’ group that are projected to see the greatest increase in numbers in the period to 2036 are the 10-19 years age group (youth/junior pitch sports) and the 20-34 years age group (traditionally the age bands of most adult, pitch sport participants).
 - The age group predicted to see a decline in numbers in the period to 2036 is the 46-54 years age group (adult and vets pitch sports).
- 1.11 The main focus of new development across the Local Plan period and to 2036, is the east-west corridor between Southbourne and Tangmere; especially around Chichester city itself. New sustainable neighbourhoods are already taking shape at Graylingwell Park and Roussillon Park in the city.
- 1.12 There will also be new neighbourhoods to the west of Chichester city and at Shopwyke, and expansion of Tangmere, Westhampnett (including land north east of the city) and Southbourne. More limited new development is proposed for the Manhood Peninsula, at Selsey, East Wittering/Bracklesham and Hunston/North Mundham. East Wittering/Bracklesham, Selsey, Southbourne and Tangmere are designated as settlement hubs, below the premier location of Chichester.

- 1.13 The total potential additional housing land requirement in the Chichester Study area for the period 2016-2036 is for 13,679 houses. (This includes a 5% buffer added to all sources of supply including permissions and completions) Of these 13,679 dwellings, 4,774 have already had their impact addressed through CIL and S106 agreements. The impact from the remaining 8,935 houses (13,679 – 4,744) needs to be taken into account when assessing future demand. At an estimated occupancy rate of 2.13 people per dwelling, the demand will emanate from 19,032 people.

Participation in sport

- 1.14 The Active Lives Survey is Sport England's latest way of measuring sport and activity across England and replaces the Active People Survey. As well as measuring sporting participation, it provides a measure of some of the Key Performance Indicators (KPI) identified in the Government's strategy 'Sporting Future' and is able to give a much more nuanced understanding of behaviour. This indicates that the population of Chichester is slightly more 'active' than the national average.
- 1.15 Active People measured the number of adults taking part in sport across England. The latest findings are for the year to September 2016, published in December 2016. This data found:
- Over the last four years of the Active People Survey, between 2012 and 2016, once a week sports participation in Chichester increased from 35.6% to 38.8%.
 - In the same period, overall participation rates in Chichester were continuing to improve against both county and national figures.
- 1.16 The 2015/16 (APS10) survey shows that adult male sports participation rates (48.4%) in Chichester were much higher than female (32%). The overall downward trend in sports participation rates in Chichester amongst women suggests that there is a need to develop targeted policies and proposals aimed at increasing participation in sport and active recreation in the District.
- 1.17 Sport England also presents analysis of the types of people who take part in sport in any given area, relating to market segmentation groups. The dominant market groups in Chichester are: Philip (Mid-life professional, sporty males with older children); Tim: (Sporty male professionals, settling down with partner); Elaine (Empty Nest Career Ladies); Roger & Joy (Early Retirement Couples); Elsie & Arnold (Retirement Home Singles); and Ralph & Phyllis (Retired couples enjoying active and comfortable life styles). The above 6 segments represent nearly 54% of Chichester's population compared to less than 43% of England's population.

2 KEY FINDINGS AND ISSUES: FOOTBALL

A *What are the main characteristics of the current supply of, and demand for, provision?*

Supply

- In total, 54 marked out football pitches have been recorded in Chichester for the 2017/18 season: 22 adult pitches, 17 junior pitches and 15 mini soccer pitches. All have been recorded as being available for community use apart from the 2 grass pitches at the University (where they are used exclusively by University teams) and the pitch at Thorney Island (which is subject to MOD constraints of use).
- Some sites currently have no pitches marked out and have no recorded use, including: Monks Hill Recreation Ground, Westbourne; Tangmere Recreation Ground; Bracklesham Barn, East Wittering; Oving Diamond Jubilee Park and Birdham Recreation Ground
- Excluding schools, only 2 sites cater for adult and junior and/or mini pitches: Loxwood Sports Association and Sidlesham Recreation Ground. There are also only 2 recorded sites where pitches have been over marked, at The Street Recreation Ground, Boxgrove and Camelside Recreation Ground.
- At higher and further educational establishments and secondary schools in Chichester and primary schools where community use has been recorded, there are 27 pitches in total including 3 artificial cricket strips. 20 of these are football pitches, 4 are rugby and 3, cricket. Education establishments making a significant contribution to community use are Chichester College (where the AGP is the main match pitch of Chichester Hockey Club and also used by many football clubs); Chichester High School (home ground for Chichester City Youth and Chichester Hockey Club), and Kingsham Primary School (home ground for Whyke United junior and mini teams).
- The key points with regard to the quantity and quality of artificial grass pitches used for football training are:
 - There are 4 full size floodlit artificial grass pitches (AGPs) in the Chichester Study area, two of which are sand based (the 'Kingsham pitch' at Chichester High School and the University of Chichester pitch). The AGP at Chichester College is a sand based surface which is an acceptable surface for both football training and 5v5 and hockey matches. These three are all on education sites and have secure community use.
 - The 4th full size floodlit AGP – which has a 3G surface - is at Thorney Barracks, on a restricted MoD site, and does not have secured community use. It is not FA registered.

- There is a full size floodlit 3G AGP (football turf pitch) within Chichester District, but it lies outside the study area, at Midhurst Rother College. This has secure community use. It is not FA registered.
- There are three 3G AGPs within 20 minutes' drivetime of Chichester city: at the Arena Sports Centre and Arun Leisure Centre, both in Bognor Regis, and at Warblington School Havant.

Demand

- The study has recorded 24 Chichester based football clubs, fielding 102 teams: 36 adult (35%); 37 youth (36%) and 29 mini soccer (28%). In each of the sub areas, the numbers of teams are as follows:
 - East West Corridor: 14 clubs fielding 62 teams: 16 adult men's, 5 adult ladies, 27 junior teams and 14 mini teams.
 - Manhood peninsula: 5 clubs fielding 6 adult men's teams, 10 junior teams and 9 mini teams
 - North of Plan area: 3 clubs fielding 2 adult teams, 7 junior teams and 6 mini teams
- An estimated 5,605 Chichester adults currently participate in football, with approximately 1,090 indicating that they would like to play (or play more)
- Based upon club responses, overall membership trends indicate a slight decline with adult teams and an increase in the number of youth and mini teams that Chichester clubs are fielding.
- Adult football has a well-defined hierarchy. The more senior men's clubs play in the Southern Combination League. Chichester City FC and Loxwood FC play in the Premier Division, Selsey FC currently play in Division One and Sidlesham FC and Bosham FC in Division Two. Below this lies the West Sussex League with 8 teams playing in the Study area.
- Sunday adult play has diminished to just 3 teams in the district: AFC Southbourne who play in the Portsmouth Sunday League and LG Utd FC and AFC Chichester who play in the CWSSFL.
- The Arun and Chichester Youth League is the major junior and mini setup in the area and provides the competitive platform for almost all teams in the district (in the north of the district, Loxwood FC junior teams play in the South Surrey Youth League). Youth football is particularly vibrant with many large, established clubs including Loxwood Youth (12 teams), Chichester City Colts FC (11 teams) and Chi City Youth FC (11 teams), Whyke Utd (8 teams) Selsey (7 teams) and Bracklesham Youth (6 teams). Chi City Youth FC plays at Chichester High School; all the other youth football clubs use more than one venue to accommodate their teams.

- From the recorded distances that players travel to their home matches, youth football clubs tend to be more locally based than the adult team. The only 'cross-boundary movement' recorded for matches is 2 junior Barnham Trojans FC teams using Pitts Field, Oving; however, some teams train outside the district on 3G pitches.
- Women's and girls' football in Sussex is thriving and increasing demand is being seen in Chichester. The predominant team is Chichester City Ladies, whose first team play in the Women's Premier League South. Chichester College Ladies run an extensive junior girls' section and their under 16, two under 13 teams and under 11 team play in the Sussex Girls League. Women's football is also well represented at the University, where they play a first and second XI women's team in the midweek BUCS league and which has recently been designated a High Performance Centre for Women's Football. (It is also noted that a number of girl players are integral members of junior teams, especially since the FA raised the age limit at which boys and girls can play football in the same teams from 16 to 18).
- Out of 12 clubs responding when asked whether the number of their teams had increased, decreased or stayed the same over the last 3 years, 6 said increased, 3 said decreased and 3 said they had stayed the same. Increases were noted by adult university teams (men and women) and Chichester City Ladies FC as well as Chichester City Youth FC, Bosham Youth FC and Loxwood Youth FC

B Is accessible provision of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?

- In general, the pitches in Chichester are assessed as being either standard or good. On the Visual Quality Assessment (VQA) out of 45 football pitches assessed: 19 scored 'good' and 25 scored 'standard'. (The only exception was the 9v9 pitch set on the undrained, training area at Loxwood FC, which was considered 'poor')
- On the whole, clubs rated the quality of their pitches slightly lower than the VQA. Most often pitches were rated 'standard' rather than good. This is often found in such studies, as users can experience particular problems that may not be highlighted on the proforma VQA. The quality of the playing surface did not appear to be a particular issue.
- Other than a number of clubs commenting on the lack of available 3G surfaces for training and matchplay, individual comments concerned: not enough affordable and well maintained surfaces, lack of floodlights, pitches where size is not appropriate for age group and lack of perimeter fencing.
- The only incident of waterlogging of football pitches in the District was at Oaklands Park stadia pitch, where Chichester City FC experience considerable problems in wet weather.
- On the VQA assessment for built facilities on site; 5 sites scored 'good'; 10 scored 'standard' and 2 scored 'poor' (Boxgrove Village Hall and Foxfields Playing Fields).

- Similar to pitches, the overall consensus was that the quality of changing facilities were not regarded as a particular problem. Whilst there are individual clubs with issues and aspirations to improve their facilities, it is also worth noting the sites that either do not have changing facilities, or where they are not used by community teams playing there (e.g. New Park Road and Whyke Oval in Chichester and Great Common Kirdford).
- Generally, clubs' rating re: changing facilities reflected the VQA, exceptions being Florence Road (VQA scored as good and a club rated the changing as poor stating that sometimes they are not clean and the showers are cold) and Hunston Recreation Ground (VQA scored as standard, club reckoned to be poor).
- Public open space sites perennially experience dog fouling problems. This was highlighted by clubs using Florence Road and Whyke Oval in Chichester, Wisborough Green Playing Fields and Hunston Recreation Ground.
- There are a few grounds where the quality of either the pitches or ancillary facilities directly affects the ability of the clubs to function and to progress through the league. These include: Bosham Recreation Ground, Chichester FC's ground at Oaklands Park (for Chichester Ladies FC) and Whyke Oval in Chichester).

C Is there enough accessible community use provision to meet current demand?

Grass pitches

- Peak time for men's football is Saturday afternoon when 55% of play takes place (for Ladies it is midweek (60%), with the rest on Sundays). The overwhelming majority of youth and mini football takes place on Sunday morning, with a small amount (10%) of mini football on Saturday mornings.
- Re training: most clubs train on their home grounds during the lighter evenings. During winter around a third use AGP provision either in Chichester or at sites outside; a shortage of facilities for training was highlighted by many clubs.
- The capacity analysis has been undertaken according to the Playing Pitch methodology which uses 'match equivalent' units to measure capacity and use. Please see the full Needs Assessment document for further details. The following tables summarise the situation on a Sub Area basis:

Table 1: Summary of Capacity for football in Chichester by Type of Pitch and Sub Area

Sub Area	Pitch Type	Number	Match Equivalent Sessions			Extent of any spare capacity for community use during the peak period
			Current Carrying Capacity for Community Use	Current Community Use	Difference	
ADULT PITCHES						
EWC	Adult	15	37	30	7	5
MP	Adult	5	11	8.5	2.5	0.5
NPA	Adult	3	7	4	3	0.5
TOTAL	Adult	23	55	42.5	12.5	6.0
JUNIOR PITCHES						
EWC	Junior	11	26	23	3	0.5
MP	Junior	4	8	4	4	1
NPA	Junior	2	3	4	-1	0
TOTAL	Junior	17	37	31	6	1.5
MINI PITCHES						
EWC	Mini	7	28	19	9	6
MP	Mini	4	18	5.5	12.5	5
NPA	Mini	4	16	9	7	4.5
TOTAL	Mini	15	62	33.5	28.5	15.5

- This shows that there is room for a further 12 adult teams, 3 junior teams and significant numbers of mini teams to play on existing marked out pitches at peak times. Please see the Needs Assessment Report for further details.
- The study has recorded 3 junior teams playing on inappropriate sized pitches: Whyke Utd u14s upwards play on senior pitch at Whyke Oval; Bosham Utd u13s play on an adult pitch and Selsey U16s play on senior pitch. Three instances are recorded of junior pitches marked out over other pitches.

Artificial grass pitches

- In summary, there is effectively no spare capacity at any of the three full size floodlit AGPs in Chichester during peak time weekday evenings: there is just 1 hour spare (on a Friday evening at Chichester High School) out of a total of 51 hours)
- There is very little spare capacity on Saturdays, where the Chichester College and Kingsham pitches are used exclusively for hockey and there are only early morning or late afternoon slots available at the University pitch
- There is a little more capacity at weekends on Sundays when there are fewer hockey matches on the Kingsham pitch and Chichester College Pitch. 2 hours of football use are recorded on the University pitch on Sundays with availability at other times.
- At the nearest floodlit 3G AGP with community use (at Midhurst Rother College), there is no spare capacity on weekday evenings but considerable spare capacity at weekends.

Summary

- Two thirds of clubs responding said they were not satisfied with the overall provision of pitches in the Chichester area. The main area of dissatisfaction was around the absolute lack of affordable, accessible football turf pitches and/or floodlit training areas for training throughout the district. Other comments concerned:
 - localised issues with certain grounds which restrict play or the expansion/development of the clubs, due to poor quality pitches and inappropriate ancillary facilities
 - issues with drainage and/or poor quality maintenance at certain grounds
- The conclusion is that there is enough accessible community use provision to meet current demand for matchplay for adults and minis. However, it should be noted that excessive rainfall can lead to pitches being out of action for several weeks, resulting in backlogs which are difficult to accommodate. There is insufficient appropriate provision for football training within Study area.

D *What are the main characteristics of the future demand for and supply of provision?*

- The main characteristics of future demand for football in Chichester are a buoyant youth and minis sector and growing demand for affordable and accessible 3G football turf pitches and/or floodlit training areas. Sunday adult play is in decline, but Saturday play seems relatively stable. Growth in small sided games has not emerged as a particular trend in Chichester in this study, although the Powerplay League at Chichester College is very popular and fills the pitch 4 nights a week and there are no spare slots at any pitch for weekday evening football.

- Demand generated by people moving into new housing in the district, together with changes in participation trends, latent and unmet demand and the aspirations of clubs suggests that an additional 12 male adult , 3 female adult, 12 youth 11v11, 7 youth 9v9 and 12 mini teams will be created by 2036

E Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand to 2036?

Current spare capacity at existing pitches

- The analysis of spare capacity suggested that there are 6 spare Saturday pm slots which could accommodate in theory 12 adult men's football teams (home and away basis) but they are scattered across 7 grounds and would mean fitting in with other well established teams' use. Moreover, some spare slots should be retained, for rest and recovery of pitches, for fixture backlogs and other reasons when other pitches are temporarily out of use (increasingly an issue as wet weather has resulted in a rise in postponements in recent winter seasons)
- Spare capacity for youth teams is much more limited as only spaces for around 3-4 teams on existing pitches across the district as a whole. Given that several matches can be played consecutively on a Sunday morning, the situation is not so acute for mini teams, with significantly more spare capacity (up to 30 teams).
- It seems to be the junior pitches which are increasingly required. Some of the need might be met by utilising 9v9 pitches on school sites – possibly at Bourne Community College and Bishop Luffa School, if subject to secure community use agreements.

Spare capacity at existing grounds i.e. putting in more pitches and reinstating pitches

- There are a number of grounds which have hosted adult pitches in the past but where pitches are no longer marked out. This may be because the pitches were not of good quality in the past and were not used. These include:
 - Monks Hill Recreation Ground, Southbourne (room for 2 adult pitches or equivalent junior)
 - Tangmere Recreation Ground (room for 2 adult pitches or equivalent; hoped that local village adult men's team will reform 2018/19 season)
 - Bracklesham Barn, East Wittering (room for 2 adult pitches or equivalent– to be used by new adult men's team 2018/19)
 - Birdham Recreation Ground (room for 2 adult pitches or equivalent)
 - Whyke Oval, Chichester – provision of changing facilities to enable adult pitch to be used by an adult team
 - Oving Diamond Jubilee Park – this has been planned for mini pitch provision in the past
 - Camelsdale Recreation Ground, Lynchmere – has room for different alignment of junior/mini pitches or even an adult pitch
 - Priory Park, Chichester – has catered for a mini pitch in the past

- Selsey Cricket and Sports Club – room for additional mini pitches on cricket outfield
- Loxwood Sports Association – possibility of playing mini soccer matches on cricket outfield

New sites coming on stream

- There are also proposals for new pitches:
 - Havenstoke Park in the new Roussillon Barracks development in Chichester has been earmarked for 2 adult football pitches. It is understood that discussions are still taking place between Chichester DC and the Chichester Community Development Trust on the ownership and management arrangements via the S106 Agreement, and with local residents on the desired actual pitches (whether football and/or rugby) and pitch configurations.
 - Chichester Free School is currently developing its new site and there may be room for a grass area which might include a junior or mini pitch; however this would need to be subject to a secure community use agreement to be counted in with the totals. The School will still use North Mundham Playing Fields to meet its curriculum needs.
 - New pitches (grass or AGP) which are linked to the West of Chichester Housing proposals.

Summary

- It can be seen that given the various areas of land and possible permutations, it is very difficult to put a figure on the needs for new provision. As a conservative estimate, in addition to existing stock this would suggest the need for a minimum number of additional pitches to 2036 as follows (some of which could be accommodated at existing playing fields as listed above if in the right location):
 - 4 - 5 x adult pitches (Saturday/Sunday split)
 - 4 x junior 11v11 pitches (see below)
 - 3 x 9v9 pitches
 - 4 x mini pitches (7x7 and 5v5)
- As set out above, the need for pitch space does not just have to be met through new provision and there are various other ways of providing increased capacity. It is suggested that the demand from the increase in teams could largely be met through making better use of existing provision (whether by installing new pitches on existing sites, upgrading existing pitches or enhancing ancillary provision). However, there are a number of caveats to this:

- pitches need to be in the right locations and this can be further refined once housing allocation figures are agreed and a more detailed sub area analysis undertaken if required.
- An important need to meet is that for junior football clubs to be based at one site; ideally incorporating land for a range of mini and junior pitch sizes and appropriate changing facilities. Such a site does not currently exist within the main Chichester City area.
- There is only one pitch able to meet requirements for higher level league play – the stadium pitch at Oaklands Park (home to Chichester City FC). If the pitch is out of action due to weather/drainage issues, there is no alternative pitch for the teams, including Chichester Ladies FC to use. This shortfall could be met through the provision of a 3G AGP surface
- The study has not identified any pitches which may be 'lost' in the near future. However, the Chichester High School site is part of the designated 'Southern Gateway' area within the Chichester Local Plan and may be redesigned as part of its redevelopment.

Artificial grass pitches

- As far as 3Gs are concerned, the analysis suggests that, realistically and including existing smaller size provision, a minimum of at least two 3G AGPs are required in the Chichester Study area to meet requirements for training. If the FA target of 50% of all youth and mini games to be played on 3G AGPs by 2020 is to be met, the equivalent of 2.5 3G AGPs will be required (i.e. an extra 0.5 3G AGP or equivalent).

3 KEY FINDINGS AND ISSUES: CRICKET

A What are the main characteristics of the current supply of, and demand for, provision?

Supply

- Out of the 19 sites recorded: 10 are either Local Authority or Parish Council owned and managed; 5 are club or privately owned and managed; 3 artificial wickets (AW) are on school sites and there is an artificial strip at Thorney Barracks (MOD).
- Of the 15 non education/MoD sites, 9 have grass wickets only, 5 have grass wickets and an artificial strip and 1 (Oaklands Park in Chichester) has no pitch marked at present.
- The Local Authority grass pitch at Oaklands Park is located between 2 rugby pitches and no recorded cricket was played here in 2017.
- 8 sites (excluding school pitches) are shared with either rugby or football, with implications for the joint management of grounds and potentially restricted seasons for one, or all, sports involved.
- None of the 3 school sites have any current community use of their cricket facilities; the artificial wicket at Thorney Barracks also has no community use.

Demand

- Cricket in Chichester is mainly club based with all the youth teams playing as part of well-established clubs (namely Chichester Priory Park CC, Stirlands CC, West Wittering CC and Wisborough Green CC). Loxwood CC fields 1 junior side.
- No clubs were recorded fielding any womens' teams although girls feature in the mixed junior section of all clubs running youth teams.
- Clubs that only field adult teams (Bosham, Kirdford, Salthill Selsey and Westbourne) are located in the smaller towns and villages with reduced catchment areas. Selsey is an exception; the club have previously run a junior section and hope to again in the future.
- Increased membership over the past 3 years has only been reported within junior sections of clubs. Adult membership has remained steady at best.

- The Sussex Premier League is the county league for senior teams in the district (Chichester Priory Park CC and Stirlands CC). 5 clubs in the study area field teams in the West Sussex Invitation Cricket League, which plays on Saturdays.
- Nearly half of all adult men's teams (15/33) play solely in friendly fixtures. These matches are in no way less formal or competitive – they just do not have a league structure.
- The West Sussex Area Junior Cricket League caters for all competitive junior play in the district other than the youth teams of Wisborough Green CC which play in the Identilam Colts Cricket League covering the north of Sussex .

B *Is accessible provision of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?*

- The number of available pitches was not mentioned as an issue; however, several clubs say that there are not enough good quality pitches.
- All grounds scored highly, and out of 15 grounds assessed, 7 were rated good and 5 as standard but this is often due to the peculiarities of the scoring system which means that it is better not to have artificial surfaces. More notice should be afforded to the comments.
- As would be expected, the standard of cricket pitches is commensurate with the standard of play and of particular note were the excellent pitches at Stirlands CC and Goodwood House (SDNP). Of those pitches assessed as poor (Plaistow, Oaklands Park and Boxgrove), none has evidence of being a club base sustaining regular play.
- Changing facilities are not rated separately in the cricket VQA. Clubs rated changing as good or standard other than facilities at Wisborough Green and Fishbourne Recreation Ground where the clubs considered them poor. Wisborough CC note there are plans pending permission to replace the current pavilion although no active fund raising has started, and Fishbourne (Salthill CC) say that the modernization of their facilities – to include showers – is planned.
- Coincidentally, both Wisborough Green and Salthill CCs were the two clubs that mentioned dog fouling to be a particular issue at their home grounds.
- Cricket clubs were asked whether they are satisfied with the overall provision of cricket pitches in the Chichester district. 6 out of 8 clubs responding replied in the negative. The main source of concern was the poor quality of the wickets at Oaklands Park, mentioned by 5 clubs, with comments ranging from the fact that a game for u13s should not have taken place as the pitch was not safe, to the pitch being poor and dangerous with the wickets a 'disgrace'. One club said that 'Local clubs are missing an opportunity

to play more cricket at this facility'. The only other comments related to the need for updating and extending the changing and catering facilities in Priory Park Chichster and the fact that the outfield there is poorly maintained.

C Is there enough accessible community use provision to meet current demand?

- Saturday is the most popular day for adult cricket with 45% taking place. 33% of play takes place on Sundays and 21% midweek. For juniors, all play is midweek. Some teams do not always play their home matches on the same day of the week i.e. friendly sides can play Sunday or midweek, and some junior teams play occasional weekend games as well as midweek. Senior league matches take place on Saturdays.
- Capacity analysis shows:
 - In the East West Corridor, there are 7 grounds, two of which are rated poor with no play (Oaklands Park, Chichester and Boxgrove Village Hall), The remaining 3 standard rated grounds (Delling Close, Bosham, Fishbourne Recreation Ground and Westbourne Cricket Ground) and the two 'good' rated grounds at Priory Park Chichester and Tangmere Village Recreation Ground have a match equivalent capacity (with their grass wickets) of around 170 matches. 123 matches are currently taking place. Most of these grounds have some potential for additional play, particularly Tangmere and Westbourne. However there is very little spare capacity in Chichester itself; Priory Park in Chichester has no spare capacity on grass although the presence of the AW assists..
 - In the Manhood Peninsula there are 3 grounds – Selsey is rated standard, and Stirlands and West Wittering are both rated good. There are 29 grass wickets with a theoretical capacity of 145 matches; 146 are recorded. This is because of the presence of an artificial wicket at West Wittering increases the capacity of the ground. (There are also 2 AWs at Selsey). Stirlands and West Wittering cricket grounds are operating at a sustainable level; Selsey cricket ground has some spare capacity.
 - In the North of Plan Area, Plaistow cricket ground is very poor with no recorded use. Kirdford's pitch is rated standard and Loxwood Sports Assn and Wisborough Green Cricket Grounds are rated good. Of the 22 grass wickets, 105 matches could be played; 76 are recorded. Wisborough Green is at capacity; Kirdford and Loxwood could accommodate additional play.
- The majority of clubs do train – in summer on their home ground (although not all clubs have nets). It can be difficult to find grounds particular for junior training and there can be congestion issues if there are other activities taking place (notable at Wisborough Green). In winter, a few clubs train in various school sports halls (including in the district Chichester College, Chichester Indoor Sports Hall and Selsey Academy). However, the cost of indoor venues in the winter are perceived to be expensive.

D What are the main characteristics of the future demand for and supply of provision?

- Demand for cricket in Chichester is steady with growth noted in junior play. It is possible that the further development of T20 cricket may lead to an increase in mid week play.
- Demand generated by people moving into new housing in the district, together with changes in participation trends, latent and unmet demand and the aspirations of clubs suggests that an additional 9 men's teams, 3 ladies' teams and 11 youth teams will be created by 2036.

E Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand to 2036

- Match equivalent sessions for cricket will depend on the type of team and whether they play on Saturdays, Sundays and/or midweek and recognizing that adult and junior cricket is played on the same pitch.
- On a study area wide basis, there is spare capacity at existing grounds to accommodate this adult growth particularly on Sundays and midweek. However, it depends where this demand emanates; some of the main clubs could only accommodate slight increases in growth, notably Stirlands CC, West Wittering CC and Wisborough Green CC. If the bigger clubs start to run more than 4 adult sides they will require access to other high quality grounds (e.g. as Chichester Priory Park is now using Tangmere Recreation Ground as well as Goodwood).
- Moreover, there is only limited spare capacity (on Sundays) for cricket at Priory Park, Chichester, the only cricket facility within the city. The senior team (Chichester Priory Park CC) has already moved its 1st and 2nd XI to Goodwood Park, due to the inappropriate ancillary facilities at Priority Park, but it is suggested that it might struggle now to accommodate these teams if they were to move back. There is a shortfall in provision within the city.
- It appears that there will be growth in juniors which is likely to emanate from existing clubs with junior teams – these are the clubs which are approaching or at capacity as mentioned above, plus Chichester Priory Park CC.
- It is expected that non turf pitch facilities will increasingly play a key role in delivering casual and informal formats of the game as they require minimal preparation and maintenance, thus helping to keep the activity affordable.

Summary

- The key issues for cricket facilities are therefore:
 - Growth in junior teams which cannot be accommodated at existing grounds
 - Shortfall in cricket facilities within Chichester

- Lack of capacity in Manhood Peninsula and North of Plan Area to accommodate additional matches at principal clubs
- As identified, there are three grounds where there is the potential to improve poor pitches or reinstate pitches:
 - Boxgrove Village Hall
 - Plaistow Cricket Pitch
 - And Oaklands Park, Chichester where there has been a cricket pitch in the past.
- There is: A requirement for additional cricket facilities within Chichester. There would appear to be two options:
 - Reinstatement of cricket at Oaklands Park. The previous grass table received considerable criticism from clubs mentioning that the poor quality was a potential danger to players. The maintenance of a grass pitch, to an acceptable club standard, when it is hemmed in between two rugby pitches, patently has not been a success. An option would be to realign the cricket pitch (NE/SW) to give more space between the rugby pitches, and install an artificial grass wicket. An artificial wicket in good condition is an acceptable surface for junior and casual play and could shift some of the demand away from Priory Park. Oaklands Park is a pleasant, central cricket location.
 - There is also a proposal for a cricket pitch and a new pavilion on a (fairly restricted) site within the Lower Graylingwell Masterplan development (old hospital site within Chichester). Ownership and management of this site is understood to be being passed to the Chichester Community Development Trust through the existing S106 agreement.
- A requirement for additional provision in the North of Plan Area (to support expansion/development of Wisborough Green CC)
- A requirement for additional provision in the Manhood Peninsula (Stirlands cricket ground and West Wittering cricket ground are both approaching capacity with further growth in juniors expected).

4 KEY FINDINGS AND ISSUES – RUGBY

A + B What are the main characteristics of the current supply of, and demand for, provision? and Is the provision that is accessible of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?

- The principal site for rugby in Chichester is the local authority playing fields at Oaklands Park where there are 4 rugby pitches, hired on an annual basis by Chichester RFC. They scored poorly on the VQA assessment template (MO/D1), but players generally rate them as standard to good and say that the drainage is good. The pitches are all on a natural slope and although they drain freely, if the rainfall is particularly heavy as has been the case in recent winters, waterlogging (and subsequent postponements) can occur. The club stated that the main pitch is subject to excessive weed coverage and the 2nd pitch is partially bare and lacks grass.
- Bishop Luffa School's rugby pitch is sometimes used to meet need for junior play on Sunday mornings and there are single rugby pitches at Chichester College and the University of Chichester which are also occasionally used as overflow facilities as well as meeting the needs of students. These pitches are rated as standard.
- The clubhouse at Oaklands Park is leased and maintained by Chichester RFC, with the overall quality rated as acceptable, although security of the changing rooms during matches and their capacity to cater for men and women separately could be improved. If additional changing facilities are required, there is an occasional necessity to hire the cricket pitch pavilion adjacent to the 3rd team pitch to accommodate 4 teams playing at home. The fact that the pitches are hired but the changing rooms are leased by the rugby club is an anomaly in terms of security of tenure.
- Chichester RFC fields 4 adult teams, a Vets team, a Colts and the full range of minis/midis from u7s to u16s. The University of Chichester fields rugby teams which play on Wednesday afternoons (BUCS).

C Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet current demand?

- Senior rugby is played on Saturday afternoons, with minis and midis/Colts on Sunday mornings. Rugby union has a strong culture of training on floodlit natural grass pitches on weekday evenings, and calculations according to the Sport England/RFU methodology, shows that the four Oaklands Park pitches sustain the equivalent of 20 matches in training sessions per week, in addition to the matches played (an average of 6.5 matches across all formats of the game) per week. This includes use by the University of Wednesday afternoons.
- The theoretical capacity of the 4 pitches is 1.5 matches each per week (6 matches in total). There is thus, theoretically, a very large shortfall in terms of the pitches meeting demand, although the site does function.

Matches

- Chichester RFC has 11 mini and junior teams and there is congestion for pitch use at the times stated by the governing body or when matches must kick off and therefore it is necessary at times to use other pitches to comply (University of Chichester pitch occasionally for adult teams). Club use is at the Council's discretion especially when it comes to inclement weather. The rugby pitch at Bishop Luffa School is sometimes used for juniors when the pitches at Oaklands Park are waterlogged. Pitches are able to be rented by others (e.g. the University) and therefore subject to overuse during the week which impacts on home matches at weekends.

Training

- Chichester RFC say that they do experience difficulties in obtaining facilities for training. Their ability to train more than 3 nights per week is limited due to planning conditions regarding floodlighting, which results in pitch congestion between the 9 teams training. With only one pitch with floodlights (Pitch 2) and with inclement weather, training was cancelled on approximately 12 weeks during the 2016/17 season. There are also times when the Council have withdraw the facility due to the condition of the pitches.
- Chichester RFC also trains its u16/u15 weekly on the grass pitch at University of Chichester and its u13/u16s on the AGP at Thorney Barracks (MoD) weekly during the winter (10 miles from the rugby club). However, use of the latter is not secured and it is not suitable for contact rugby and is therefore discounted as a training facility within the assessment.
- The overall conclusion is that there are currently sufficient pitches to accommodate match requirements, but not training requirements in addition, and that use of the pitches for training impacts hugely on their ability to sustain play.

D *What are the main characteristics of the future demand for and supply of provision?*

- The main characteristics for rugby in Chichester is a steady demand, with Chichester RFC looking to maintain their adult sides, and introduce more women's and girls' teams. The RFU is actively promoting its variants of the game for younger players – touch and tag rugby and '7s' and also looking to develop more recreational and social rugby during the summer.
- Demand generated by people moving into new housing in the district, together with changes in participation trends, latent and unmet demand and the aspirations of the club and education establishments suggests that an additional 3 men's teams, 1 women's teams, 3 youth teams and 3 mini teams will be created by 2036.

E Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand to 2036?

- As the Team Generation Rate for rugby is so high, it is very difficult to project an increase in the number of teams through new housing/population growth. The growth will come through the existing rugby club, or the formation of a new club with its own facilities.
- The analysis has demonstrated that existing pitches cannot – theoretically - meet the current need for matches and training for Chichester RFC; overflow facilities are often required on Sunday mornings especially when the Oaklands site is waterlogged. Any increase in teams will need to be matched with access to additional new provision, and given the existing shortfall it is conservatively estimated that an additional 2-3 grass rugby pitches (or equivalent) are required in the city to meet the current needs of the rugby club and future growth.
- This would mean the provision of a new site for rugby in the Chichester area, as well as priority improvements to maintenance and/or drainage to pitches in Oaklands Park; however the latter would not increase the capacity of these pitches to the extent required.
- AGPs are becoming recognised surfaces for both matchplay and training for rugby. They need to be World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant and, although the dimensions are slightly bigger than a football compliant 3G AGP, they also be used by football for matchplay and training and for training in American football.
- Any club's aspirations to create an AGP to reduce the impact on the grass pitches for training would ensure that the capacity of grass pitches to accommodate other match play and training would be increased.
- There is no World Rugby/RFU Regulation 22 compliant AGP in the district or within an acceptable travelling distance. The pitch at Thorney Island MoD, although new, is not accredited and should not be used for contact training or matches; neither does it have secured community use. The provision of an appropriate AGP, able to accommodate contact training and matches, would improve the offer for rugby in the area.

5 KEY FINDINGS AND ISSUES – HOCKEY

A+B What are the main characteristics of the current supply of, and demand for, provision? and Is the provision that is accessible of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?

- There are three full size floodlit hockey compliant artificial grass pitches (AGPs) within the Chichester Study area with secure community use: Chichester High School (Kingsham pitch); Chichester College and the University of Chichester.
- There is a facility at a private school (Westbourne House) which is not floodlit and which does not have community use. Outside the study area with the South Downs National Park there is a pitch at an independent school (Seaford College) (not listed in above table) which is full size and floodlit but does not have community use.
- The nearest floodlit full size sand based AGP with community use to the North of Plan Area is the two sand based pitches at The Edge Leisure Centre, Haslemere (outside of Chichester District Council).
- There are no clubhouse facilities at the Kingsham pitch or the University pitch; Chichester Hockey Club's clubhouse is at Chichester College. Changing facilities are available through an agreement at the Kingsham pitch.
- The AGP at Chichester College and Kingsham pitches were both rated as good; the University pitch as standard. The University wishes to replace/upgrade this pitch although no timetable has been set. The floodlights at the Kingsham pitch have recently been upgraded.
- Chichester Hockey Club currently have negotiated long-term lease arrangements with the Academy Trust at the Kingsham pitch and with Chichester College for ongoing, regular use of these two pitches. The club part funded the pavilion at Chichester College which is used as its clubhouse.
- Chichester Hockey Club is one of the leading sporting clubs within the District Council area, running 15 adult, mixed and junior sides on a Saturday with an extensive training programme. Its 1st XI men's team plays in the National League. It has a further 6 men's teams (200 male members); 4 ladies' teams (100 lady members); 2 boys' teams (50 junior boys) and 2 girls' teams (50 junior girls). The club also has many u8s and a large Vets section still actively playing.

- In addition Chichester Centurions Hockey Club (women's hockey) plays at the University. Lavant Hockey Club, which occasionally plays at the University, is also noted; however, no information has been forthcoming from either of these clubs.

C *Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet current demand ?*

- Chichester Hockey Club have been able to obtain appropriate times for matchplay and training through negotiated lease agreements with Chichester College and the Academy Trust running the Kingsham pitch, and their hiring of facilities at the University.
- There is no spare capacity for midweek training in hockey at any of the three sand based AGPs. The Study area is unusual in that there are no 3G AGPs to accommodate demand from football; therefore the three sand based facilities have to accommodate the needs for football training and 5v5 during the week.
- There is hardly any spare capacity at appropriate times for hockey matchplay on Saturdays. There appears to be some availability on Sundays, although this does not align with the fixtures schedule.
- In the summer months the hockey training is reduced and therefore there is some more capacity, although there are various summer hockey leagues and social games that take place so the AGPs are still used. There is a small reduction in the football usage too in the summer, although social football bookings playing small games tend to continue.

D *What are the main characteristics of the future demand for and supply of provision?*

- England Hockey has recently seen an 80% increase in members at club level bolstered by recent successes at the London and Rio Olympics. Since 2012, there has been an 65% increase of u16 players taking up the sport within the club environment. Chichester Hockey club state that the number of teams for men, women and juniors have all increased in the past 3 years and note a general growth in popularity in hockey in the area recent years. The club wishes to continue to grow across all teams and age groups, subject to sufficient volunteers, and manageable costs in terms of hiring and using facilities.
- Demand generated by people moving into new housing in the district, together with changes in participation trends, latent and unmet demand and the aspirations of clubs suggests that an additional 3 men's, 2 ladies and 4 youth teams will be created by 2036.

E *Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand ?*

- The above suggests that there will be demand from a further 5-6 adult and 3-4 junior teams to 2036 within Chichester. However, using team generation rates to predict future hockey participation does not take into account the rapidly growing informal offer for hockey or the numbers of players who train regularly but may not play in regular teams.

- Growth is most likely to be centred on Chichester Hockey Club. At present, demand for matchplay and training by the club can be met but only by using all three suitable pitches. However over the next few years, as the club continues its expected growth pressure will begin to build for access to additional AGP provision.
- Moreover, the three existing sand based AGPs are all on education sites and as these establishments grow or change, they may have increasing demands for pitch space and time which will restrict their ability to accommodate external hockey club use.
- A major disadvantage within Chichester is that the hockey club has to play across three sites in order to accommodate all its training and matchplay requirements and there is very little spare capacity for further matchplay.
- Consideration will also need to be given to the continuing viability and sustainability of the sand based pitches if 3G AGPs are installed in Chichester. This is likely to result in the transference of football teams away from the sand based pitches (although the bulk of football training takes place on the sand based pitch at Chichester College which is well suited to football).
- The Kingsham pitch (Chichester High School) lies within the proposed 'Southern Gateway' area of the Chichester Local Plan and there may be a relocation of this pitch as part of the area's redevelopment.
- England Hockey supports the development of dual pitch sites which form an excellent basis for the development of a hub site where junior and senior players can train and play alongside each other.

6 GENERAL THEMES

- This is a strategy to ensure that the right pitches are provided in the right places. The context for planning for the pitch sports has changed markedly in recent years, both nationally and in the Chichester Study Area. The key issues to arise will be explored in more detail at the forthcoming Stage C Steering Group Meeting and focus on:

The Provision of 3G Artificial Grass Pitches

- The study has identified the demand for between two and three 3G AGPs within the Chichester Study area of the East West Corridor and Manhood Peninsula; various options can be discussed at the Steering Group meeting. Various proposals are in the offing: Bourne Community College, Bishop Luffa School, Bosham FC Chichester City FC, University of Chichester, Loxwood FC and Chichester RFCI have all expressed a desire to be involved in the provision of such facilities.

Closer co-ordination between the education sector within Chichester

- The movement towards academies within the education sector, where schools now have autonomy over their pitches (both grass and artificial) and may not wish to embrace community access. The usage of pitches – both grass and artificial – at education sites are all intertwined and the area would benefit from a forum where these could be openly discussed.

Improving opportunities for women and girls

- In the Chichester Study area out of 176 football, cricket and rugby teams, just 12 (6.8%) are made up of girls or women. In hockey, out of 15 teams, 7 are female (47%). Football teams up to age 18 can be mixed teams and so it will be difficult in the future to measure any growth specifically in girls' participation. Nevertheless, there is still considerable scope to attract more women and girls into the pitch sports, notably by improving ancillary changing facilities.

Accommodating youth football

- Youth football clubs are invariably split between different sites. There are currently no secured sites which have enough space to cater for flexibility and range of different pitch sizes plus appropriate, attractive changing to meet needs of girls, boys and referees.

Improvements at specific sites

- Section 7 below sets out the key issues in respect of each site, which will form the basis for the Strategy Action Guide. This refers to ground improvements and enhancements of changing facilities required and planned to enhance the pitch sport offer.

Sustainability and viability of pitch sport sites

- We are in an era of declining public funding for sports facilities, despite a growing appreciation of the problems of obesity and 'poor' health allied to a lack of exercise. Considerable investment is now being made into health which may be a way forward in securing funding for pitch improvements.

- The study has highlighted sites which are underused. Maintaining the sustainability and viability of rural pitch sites in particular is vital, to protect local opportunities for sports participation.
- There is a rapidly developing softball club, based at Oaklands Park in Chichester, which is hoping to set up a local league this year. This, and other sports such as stoolball, have an important role to play in widening the appeal of playing fields as a valuable resource for sports participation all year round.
- Managing public open space as pitch sport sites: issues around overuse, litter and fouling by dogs

Increases in demand arising from new housing

- The growth in population from new housing, focused on certain areas, will increase pressure on existing facilities and will be explored in more detail as we consider various options as part of Stage D.

7 SITE SCHEDULE: KEY ISSUES AND FINDINGS FROM INDIVIDUAL SITE SUMMARIES

*NPM = no pitches marked out

Site Ref	Site Name	Site - Single sport or shared	Key Issues and Findings
EAST WEST CORRIDOR			
CEWC.01	Bishop Luffa CE School, Chichester	Shared site	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Rugby pitch on Oliver Whitby playing field plus adult and 2 x 9v9 on playing fields. 2 Available for community use; rugby pitch sometimes used for overflow 3 Site will be reconfigured through West of Chichester Housing Proposals. School is keen to enhance and develop sports facilities with community use. Aspiration for 3G AGP on site 4 Artificial cricket in poor condition; no recorded use
CEWC.02	Bosham Recreation Ground, Walton Lane	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Site not suitable for upgrade of facilities required if club is to progress (enhanced stand, floodlights etc) Project team looking for another site – would be amenable to groundshare with another club. Considering AGP plus another grass pitch. 2. Move to another site supported by PC. Need for FC to have own land which does not restrict the number of games or teams, allows for training and enhanced facilities such as lights, gates and stand to allow promotion. 3. Ground also restricts number of youth sites to 2.
CEWC.03	Bourne Community College, Soutbourne	Shared site: F, C, R	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standard pitches. Not generally used by the community. 2. Artificial wicket in poor condition. 3. Aspirations for AGP on site
CEWC.04	Chichester College Sports Centre	Shared site: F, R, H	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One rugby, one 9v9 and sand based floodlit AGP. 2. Community use of grass pitches. 3. Sand based AGP and clubhouse used for matches by Chichester Hockey Club who have stake in facilities 4. College keen to have 3G 9v9 pitch.
CEWC.05	Chichester FC, Oaklands Park	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stadium pitch for Chichester FC; enclosed. Floodlit. Pitch rated as good with VQA 2. Pitch becomes very waterlogged quickly and cannot accommodate required number of matches. Anecdotal – more matches postponed here than any other pitch according to club 3. Aspirations for 3G AGP from club
CEWC.06	Chichester Free School (new site)	Shared site: NMP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Currently school is using North Mundham Playing Field and will continue to do so. 2 New site is understood to be accommodating a small AGP and possibly a grass area.
CEWC.07	Chichester High School	Shared site: F, R, H	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Large flat well drained site gives flexibility to number and size of pitches.

Site Ref	Site Name	Site - Single sport or shared	Key Issues and Findings
			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Home to Chichester City Youth and Chelsea Football Academy sessions Club want line marking improved; lack of maintenance depresses rating (standard; club rated as good) Artificial cricket wicket in poor condition Sand based floodlit AGP subject to 3 way agreement between West Sussex CC, Academy Trust and Chichester Hockey Club. All training by hockey club takes place here; no spare capacity during week. Also used at weekends for matches with limited spare capacity on Saturdays; more on Sundays
CEWC.08	Delling Close, Bosham	Single sport: C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Tidy ground in corner of field. New wooden pavilion; no water? Fairy rings on square. Covers. 2 lane artificial nets in good condition
CEWC.09	Fishbourne Playing Field	Shared site: F, C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> No pitch markings but regular used by Fishbourne Romans – junior/mini non-competitive on Saturday mornings using cones & portable goals. Salthill CC say that improvements are being planned to their changing facilities (wooden hut). Say that external bookings interfere with use for cricket at start of season Understood that S106 monies being used by FC to improve changing facilities Potential to accommodate more football. Grass wicket, rated as standard) does not appear to have had too much use. Also artificial wicket
CEWC.10	Florence Park Recreation Ground, Chichester	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> One adult pitch; standard quality. Problem with dog fouling identified Some issues identified by club with regard to cleanliness of changing Would fencing to road improve facility for football? Potential for additional play at peak times (Saturday) (University teams play Wed pms & one team on Sundays)
CEWC.11	Graylingwell Sports & Social Club, Chichester	Single sport: NMP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Site currently allocated in Masterplan for cricket pitch and pavilion; fairly restricted site. Site to be managed by Chichester Community Development Trust
CEWC.12	Havenstoke Park, Roussillon Development, Chichester	Single sport: NMP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Land set aside for pitches. Ownership/management of land through S106 still to be agreed, as is use of pitches for winter pitch sports. Temporary changing not yet in place. Parking potentially an issue.
CEWC.13	Kingsham Primary School, Chichester	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Junior and 2 mini pitches in good condition; used by Whyke Utd juniors
CEWC.14	Monks Hill Recreation Ground, Westbourne	Single sport: NMP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> No pitches marked out. No pitches. Large recreation ground, parking. No changing. Good grass; could be redeveloped as pitches (room for 2 adult). Underused ground

Site Ref	Site Name	Site - Single sport or shared	Key Issues and Findings
CEWC.15	New Park Road, Chichester	Single Sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Junior and 2 mini pitches and American tag football pitch 2. Busy site hosting youth football (Chi City Colts – one of several sites) 3. No on site facilities and restricted parking 4. Lack of toilets; various proposals but sticking points over management/maintenance
CEWC.16	Oaklands Park	Shared site: F, C, R	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Multi pitch sport site – rugby, softball, cricket and football 2. Football : Not adequate/appropriate size (according to Chichester FC). Should be marked out as young adult size but club say only suitable (smallest size) for U15s, so play U15s – U18s at Sherborne. 3. Club rate pitch as poor but if could be enlarged and was not waterlogged, could be good. Slight sideways slope 4. Capacity for Saturday football teams? 5. 4 rugby pitches including one floodlit training pitch. Pitches considerably overused when training taken into account. Rugby changing owned by club; pitches hired. 6. Cricket table is just apparent and does not appear to have been used very much or at all this season. Highlighted by many clubs and Cricket Development Officer as being of poor quality and potentially dangerous. 7. Important central venue for cricket in the district. Install artificial wicket? Or enhance table to good quality 8. Home to burgeoning softball club which runs two teams and is hoping to run a league this year. 9. Chichester RFC has aspirations for access to AGP.
CEWC.17	Oving Diamond Jubilee Ground	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Currently trying to get money to restore pavilion. 2. PC say village needs a hub for its sports teams which will encourage other sports to come and play (stoolball e,g,) 3. No pitches, 2 rusty mini/junior goalposts. No evidence of use but would not take much to reinstate.
CEWC.18	Pitts Field, Oving	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On industrial site; one junior 11v11 pitch, rated as standard. No changing 2. Used by 2 teams from Barnham Trojans (outside area)
CEWC.19	Priory Park, Chichester	Shared site: F, C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unprotected pitch set in attractive, historical park. Cricket pitch with artificial wicket, rated good. Public park which sustains high usage for a range of activities. 2. Issues concerning poor changing and kitchen facilities; deterioration of outfield over last 2 years 3. Casual teams use grass wickets rather than AW. Restricts use for matches by main club. 4. Chichester CC now play 1st and 2nd XI at Goodwood Park. 3rd and 4ths play here. Club state

Site Ref	Site Name	Site - Single sport or shared	Key Issues and Findings
			<p>that lack of car parking and outdated clubhouse and facilities were factors in prompting the move.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Mini 7v7 pitch used in past but not this season Public park has mitigated against development for cricket. Pavilion currently used for storage and bowls club facilities used by cricket team
CEWC.20	Sherborne Road Playing Field, Chichester	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Single adult pitch in residential area. Good secure changing but not separate for referees Problem with dog fouling Would fencing to road improve site for football? Potential for additional Saturday play
CEWC.21	Southbourne Park Recreation Ground	Single sport: F	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Single adult pitch, some surface damage and weeds. Standard rated. Pavilion heavily vandal proof PC considering improvements to pavilion and football pitch for an expanding and successful football team. Potential for additional play including peak time
CEWC.22	Tangmere Village Recreation Ground	Shared site: C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> No pitches marked out. Large site capable of accommodating more than one football pitch, plus cricket pitch. Floodlit muga, changing facilities and ample car parking. Tangmere FC not fielding a team this season although hope to next. Underused ground. Cricket pitch; rated good; nice permanent nets 2016 season was used for c10 matches by Middleton Middleton CC and occasionally Chichester Priority Park. Spare capacity
CEWC.23	The Prebendal School	Shared site: C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Private site in central location; 2 cricket pitches. Not considered in study.
CEWC.24	The Street Recreation Ground, Boxgrove:	Shared site: F, C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Adult pitch overmarked in blue with 9v9 pitch. Rated as standard. Changing facilities rated as poor. Potential for additional play at peak time. Grass cricket wicket; poor condition; no evidence of recent use.
CEWC.25	Thorney Island (Baker Barracks)	Shared site: F, C, R	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3G AGP, adult football, rugby and cricket No secure community use. Chichester RFC train midis once a week on AGP in winter, but private arrangement and not suitable for contact rugby. Not FA registered.
CEWC.26	University of Chichester	Shared site: F, R	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2 adult football pitches – well maintained on slight slope used solely by University teams. 1 rugby pitch Sand based AGP requires upgrading; desired by University but no timetable. AGP fully used by students and for occasional hockey overflow match from Chichester Hockey

Site Ref	Site Name	Site - Single sport or shared	Key Issues and Findings
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club and other hockey club at weekends 4. University teams have to go offsite for rugby and football occasionally at Oaklands Park pitches to meet BUCS fixtures on Wednesdays. 5. UoC FC would like more small sided pitches/training area on site
CEWC.27	Westbourne Cricket Ground	Single sport: C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Long established cricket venue with old corrugated pavilion, 2. Does not appear to have been used much this season; Westbourne CC run one team. Spare capacity
CEWC.28	Whyke Oval	Single sport: F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Single adult pitch site in residential area, rated good. Club rated as standard. 2. No changing which is a problem for Whyke Utd which now plays at Sherborne Park . 3. Club would like to work with CDC to get changing facilities on site. 4. Would fencing to road improve facility for football? 5. Underused ground for adult football
MANHOOD PENINSULA			
CMP.01	Birdham Recreation Ground	Single sport: NMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No pitches marked out. Previously hosted adult football; good level site with village hall and adequate parking. 2. Underused facility
CMP.02	Bracklesham Barn, East Wittering	Single sport: NMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Underused facility as no pitches marked out at present 2. Understood adult team expected to play 2018/19
CMP.03	Downview Recreation Ground, East Wittering	Single sport: F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Home of Bracklesham Youth FC. Large site; currently only marked with one 9v9 pitch. Youth Centre being built on site. 2. Football club have separate changing/storage premises and appear to mark site out with cones. 3. No issues identified
CMP.04	High Street Ground, Selsey	Single sport: F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Well maintained floodlit pitch in built up area. 2. Good ancillary facility 3. 'Selsey Sports Dream' for cricket & football clubs to jointly improve cricket pavilion 4. FC currently use 4 neighbouring sites: High Street, Cricket ground outfield, the grass pitch at Selsey Academy and Paddock Lane. Not identified as particular problem
CMP.05	Hunston Recreation Ground	Single sport: F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standard rated adult pitch lies across a busy road from changing rooms. 2. Club would like improved changing facilities on site. 3. Club would like to enhance small training area in poor condition, adjacent to pitch 4. Potential for additional play
CMP.06	North Mundham Playing Field	Single sport: NMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No pitches marked out at present (room for 2 adult) Has hosted Chi City youth FC in past. 2. Currently used 5 days a week by Chichester Free school (currently located at Vinnetrow

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			Business Park – new site under construction). Used for football and rugby with cones, so grass left a little longer. 3. Occasional use by other teams/football activity at weekends, but no spare capacity because of intensive use in week. 4. Even if (limited) new grass facilities at new school site, school will still use this playing field.
CMP.07	Paddock Lane, Selsey	Single sport: F	1. Standalone pitch with no changing but club using (Selsey FC) use changing facilities at High Street Ground 2. No issues identified.
CMP.08	Rockwood Playing Fields, West Wittering	Single sport: F	1. Site now contains smart, new tennis courts and faint markings for 9v9 pitch 2. Used by Sussex Soccer Academy (6-14 years) for skills training. Training lights. (Wittering United adult team folded)
CMP.09	Selsey Cricket & Social Club, Paddock Lane	Shared site: F, C	1. 2 mini pitches on cricket outfield. Faint markings. Good grass. (Part of Selsey FC facilities) 2. Grass cricket pitch with two artificial wickets at either end of grass square. (Fair had just left so marked down to standard) 3. Selsey CC do not run junior teams although hope to in future. Some spare capacity at ground. 4. Proposals for new changing with football club – Selsey Sports Dream.
CMP.10	Sidlesham Recreation Ground	Single sport: F	1. Football site with main floodlit pitch with dug outs, small grandstand and perimeter fence. 2. Adjacent are 9v9 and 5v5 grass pitches. Changing appears adequate if dated. 3. Club working with Parish Council on scheme to include refurbishing/rebuilding existing football clubhouse as multi sport hub with recreation hall for village activities.
CMP.11	Stirlands Cricket Club	Single sport: C	1. An exceptional ground and wicket. Very well maintained site. Currently rated 2 nd best ground in Sussex. 2. Playing to level site can sustain.
CMP.12	The Academy, Selsey	Shared site: F	1. Usually one adult and 9v9 grass pitches. Think still in occasional use although much of site used for temporary portacabins
CMP	West Wittering Cricket Club	Single sport: C	1. Grass and artificial wicket. Well used ground, rated as good 2. Officials' changing room facilities would benefit from showers. 3. Site approaching capacity, although artificial wicket allows for more play
NORTH OF PLAN AREA			
CNPA.01	Camelsdale Recreation Ground, Linchmere	Single sport: F	1. Used by Haslemere Youth teams. Large site with one mini pitch currently marked out (and overmarked (5v5 on a 7v7 pitch)). Pitch is at top of site, furthest from changing and appears

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			well drained. 2. Capacity for additional pitches if required; site could accommodate 2 pitches (adult)
CNPA.02	Foxfields Playing Fields, Plaistow	Single sport: F	1. Standalone pitch with restricted parking. Poor changing 2. No response from club. 3. Potential to accommodate additional play
CNPA.03	Great Common, Plaistow Road, Kirdford	Single sport: F	1. Junior 9v9 and mini 7v7 pitch in clearing in trees, some tufted grass but generally standard quality. 2. Used by Loxwood Jnrs who also use Kirdford Recreation Ground & Loxwood Sports Assn ground 3. Fairly rural pitches... Old corrugated shed for storage. Club say vulnerable to animal damage especially rabbit holes but no other comments. .
CNPA.04	Kirdford Recreation Ground	Shared site: F, C	1. 2 mini pitches marked and pitches also coned out. 2. Grass wicket rated as standard; one team playing; spare capacity. 3. Cricket changing pavilion here but not used by minis 4. Parking identified as a problem by football club
CNPA.05	Loxwood Sports Association	Shared site (changing): F, C	1. Very nice set up with main, enclosed adult pitch. 2. 9v9 pitch marked on adjacent, undrained training area, rated as poor. This pitch is overused. Drainage requires improvement 3. Loxwood FC would like perimeter fencing at ground to enable progression through league. 4. Good quality grass cricket pitch separate from football with new artificial strip. Some spare capacity 5. Pitch does not appear to have sustained much use this season. Cut grass on outfield. 6. Aspirations for 3G training area by club
CNPA.06	The Green, Wisborough Green	Shared site: F, C	1. Busy village green catering for many sports and activities, including stoolball. Ground constrained by housing & main road. 2. 1 adult football pitch; changing shared with cricket. Football Club say: Drainage poor and dog fouling is a problem. 3. Grass wicket only, rated as good. Ground is overused despite lots of maintenance after football season. 4. Outfield is not good; southern end of green has deteriorated and not safe to use; no monies to improve. 5. Cricket juniors have played on nearby farmer's field in past. 6. Parish Council have plans to rebuild sports pavilion on village green,

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CNPA.07	Plaistow Cricket Pitch	Shared site: C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Domed cricket pitch with faint marking for one cut strip, rated poor 2. Small Lottery funded changing hut, no water. 3. Club has been inactive for past 5 years. Underused ground
OTHER			
SDNP	Goodwood House Cricket Pitch		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Historic ground in attractive setting, rated good and continuing to improve 2. Well maintained square and slightly sloping outfield. Worn out artificial net. 3. Home ground now to Chichester Priory Park CC 1st and 2nd XI, as well as various Goodwood teams. 4. Improvements in place to enhance changing facilities.