

Havant Borough Council

Playing Pitch Strategy

Appendix A Review 2023 Assessment Report

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1. Assessment Report

Introduction

- 1.1 This is the Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) Review 2023 for Havant Borough Council and its partners. It has been developed in accordance with Sport England guidance and under the direction of a steering group led by the Council and including NGBs.
- 1.2 This PPS Review updates the 2017 PPS with current and future supply and demand assessments for each of the sports being considered and updates the 2017 action plan and sets out recommendations for a strategic approach to playing pitch provision in the Borough in the short, medium, and long term.
- 1.3 The PPS Review 2023 provides an up-to-date evidence base for use in planning, investment, and sports development decisions.
- 1.4 The review establishes the principles to help inform where future resources should be focussed, and evidence need for funding bids to increase and improve playing pitch provision.
- 1.5 The Assessment Review Appendix A identifies the quantity and quality of the supply and the demand for each sport and provides an assessment of capacity for each site and playing pitch. The Assessment Review provides a summary of key issues and recommendations.
- 1.6 The PPS provides a framework and action plan for future provision and management of sports pitches to serve existing and new communities across Havant.
- 1.7 The PPS covers the following playing pitches and outdoor pitch sports:
 - Football pitches.
 - Rugby Union pitches,
 - Cricket pitches.
 - 3G Artificial Grass Pitches; used by Football, World Rugby 22 Compliant 3G AGPs and Rugby League Approved.
 - Hockey artificial grass pitches.
 - Athletics.
 - Bowls Outdoors.
 - Golf.
 - Skate Parks.
 - Tennis.
- 1.8 The objectives of the Playing Pitch Strategy are:
 - 1. Identify changes in how the sports are played and levels of affiliated and unaffiliated participation.
 - 2. Gather evidence to help protect and enhance existing provision.
 - **3.** To inform the development and implementation of planning policy.
 - **4.** To inform the assessment of planning applications.
 - 5. To understand the supply of provision due to capital programmes e.g., for educational sites.
 - **6.** Establish the need to develop a priority list of deliverable projects which will help to meet any current deficiencies, provide for future demands and feed into wider infrastructure planning work.
 - 7. Prioritisation of internal capital and revenue investment; and
 - 8. The need to provide evidence to help secure internal and external funding.

1.9 There is a need to build key partnerships between Havant Borough Council, NGBs, Sport England, schools, further education providers, community clubs and private landowners to maintain and improve playing pitch provision. In the latter instances, the potential for the Council to take a strategic lead is more limited. This document will provide clarity about the way forward and allow key organisations to focus on the key issues that they can directly influence and achieve.

Football Supply and Demand

- 2.1. This section details the current picture of facility supply and demand for the playing pitch sport of **football** at playing field sites in the borough.
- 2.2. The likely future picture of provision is assessed based on potential changes in supply (both committed and planned projects within the borough and its travel catchment), forecast changes in the resident population informed by the targets for new housing in the Borough Council's proposed new local plan, national trends in participation and the development aspirations of the clubs based in the borough.
- 2.3. The policies, development programmes and investment priorities of the national governing body for the sport will also influence the future picture of facility supply and demand for the sport in Havant.
- 2.4. At Stage A it was agreed to divide Havant into five sub areas, Emsworth, Leigh Park, Havant and Bedhampton, Waterlooville and Hayling Island.

Pitch Supply (Step 2)

2.5. For all the playing pitch sports included in the scope of the PPS for Havant, the supply information illustrated in the diagram below has been gathered, as far as possible, by a combination of data collection and review, surveys, and consultations:

Sources of information – The sources of information used to establish current pitch supply were:

- Sport England Active Places Power audit for playing pitches.
- Hampshire County FA team affiliation data for Havant.
- Online survey returns from football clubs.
- Meeting with football club and league representatives
- Information provided by schools and colleges, including visits to most secondary schools and primary schools.
- Site visits and inspections Visits to all the football pitches in Havant and visual, nontechnical inspection.
- 2.6. Findings relating to football pitch supply in Havant are summarised in the paragraphs below and in the table that follows.

Grass Pitches

2.7. In the 2022/23 season, including schools, 21 playing fields were used for secured and unsecured community use in the borough providing a total of 62 marked grass football pitches of which 24 are full size (adult 11v11), 7 sized for youth football (youth 11v11), 12 junior football (junior 9v9) and 19 for mini soccer (7v7, 5v5). The above is shown in Table 1 below. 10 sites providing 31 (48%) marked natural grass pitches provide secured community use and 11 sites providing 32 (52%) natural grass pitches provide unsecured community use. Clubs and leagues have stated that there are insufficient youth pitches and that the adult game has declined in recent years, whilst the junior and mini soccer game is growing.

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Table 1: Number of sites in Havant Borough 2022/23 Season with marked natural Grass pitches for community use (Secured and Unsecured)

Туре	No. of Sites	No. m					
		Full size Adult	Youth 11 v 11	Junior 9 v 9	Mini 7 v 7	Mini 5 v 5	Total (%)
Havant Borough							
Secured Community Use	10 Sites	11	2	8	8	1	30 (48%)
Unsecured Community Use	11 Sites	13	5	4	6	4	32 (52%)
Total	21 Sites	24	7	12	14	5	62 (100%)

2.8. The following tables show the five-sub area breakdown of secured and unsecured grass pitches used by football clubs in the 22/23 season.

Table 2: Number of sites in Waterlooville Sub Area 2022/23 Season with marked natural Grass pitches for community use (Secured and Unsecured)

	No. of Sites	No. m					
Туре		Full size Adult	Youth 11 v 11	Junior 9 v 9	Mini 7 v 7	Mini 5 v 5	Total (%)
Waterlooville Sub Area							
Secured Community Use	2 Sites	3	0	1	1	0	5 (30%)
Unsecured Community Use	5 Sites	5	0	2	3	2	12 (70%)
Total	7 Sites	8	0	3	4	2	17 (100%)

2.9. Waterlooville sub area provides 7 playing field sites for football.2 sites are secured use and 5 sites unsecured use, 30% of football pitches provide secured community use and 70% of football pitches are unsecured use.

Table 3: Number of sites in Emsworth Sub Area 2022/23 Season with marked natural Grass pitches for community use (Secured and Unsecured)

		N					
Туре	No. of Sites	Full size Adult	Youth 11 v 11	Junior 9 v 9	Mini 7 v 7	Mini 5 v 5	Total (%)
Emsworth Sub Area							
Secured Community Use	2 sites	2	0	1	1	0	4(57%)
Unsecured Community Use	1 Site	0	0	0	2	1	3(43%)
Total	3 Sites	2	0	1	3	1	7 (100%)

2.10. Emsworth sub area provides 3 playing field sites for football. 2 sites are secured use and 1 site is unsecured use, 57% of football pitches provide secured community use and 43% of football pitches provide unsecured use.

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Table 4: Number of sites in Leigh Park Sub Area 2022/23 Season with marked natural Grass pitches for community use (Secured and Unsecured).

		No. ma					
Туре	No. of Sites	Full size Adult	Youth 11 v 11	Junior 9 v 9	Mini 7 v 7	Mini 5 v 5	Total (%)
Leigh Park Sub Area							
Secured Community Use	2 sites	4	0	3	2	0	9 (56%)
Un\\secured Community Use	2 Sites	5	0	2	0	0	7 (44%)
Total	4 Sites	9	0	5	2	0	16 (100%)

2.11. Leigh Park sub area provides 4 playing field sites for football. 2 sites are secured use, and 2 sites are unsecured use, 56% of football pitches provide secured community use and 44% of football pitches provide unsecured use.

Table 5: Number of sites in Havant and Bedhampton Sub Area 2022/23 Season with marked natural Grass pitches for community use (Secured and Unsecured).

		No. ma										
Туре	No. of Sites	Full size Adult	Youth 11 v 11	Junior 9 v 9	Mini 7 v 7	Mini 5 v 5	Total (%)					
Havant and Bedworth	Havant and Bedworth Sub Area											
Secured Community Use	2 sites	2	0	1	3	0	6 (50%)					
Unsecured Community Use	2 Sites	2	3	0	0	1	6 (50%)					
Total	4 Sites	4	3	1	3	1	12 (100%)					

2.12. Havant and Bedhampton sub area provides 4 playing field sites for football. 2 sites are secured use, and 2 sites are unsecured use, 50% of football pitches provide secured community use and 50% of football pitches provide unsecured use.

Table 6: Number of sites in Hayling Island Sub Area 2022/23 Season with marked natural Grass pitches for community use (Secured and Unsecured).

Туре	No. of	No. mar									
	Sites	Full size Adult	Youth 11 v 11	Junior 9 v 9	Mini 7 v 7	Mini 5 v 5	Total (%)				
Hayling Island Sub Are	Hayling Island Sub Area										
Secured Community Use	2 sites	0	2	2	1	1	6 (55%)				
Unsecured Community Use	1 Site	1	2	0	1	1	5 (45%)				
Total	3 Sites	1	4	2	2	2	11 (100%)				

2.13. Hayling Island sub area provides 3 playing field sites for football. 2 sites are secured use and 1 site is unsecured use, 55% of football pitches provide secured community use and 45% of football pitches provide unsecured use.

Secured Community use pitches.

2.14. 49% of the playing field sites Borough wide provide secured access to community clubs (i.e., owned or leased by local authorities or clubs/associations).

Pitches on Education sites Unsecured Use

2.15. 22% of the playing fields and 52% of the total supply of football pitches are at education sites where there is no secured community use agreement in place.

Table 7: Sites providing secured and unsecured natural grass pitches by typology across Havant Borough 2022/23 season.

Site Name	Community	Security of	Sub Area	Owners	Adult	You Footh		Mini Soccer		3G AGP
Oite Haine	use on site	use	Oub Area	Owners	11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	
Cowplain School	Available	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	1	0	1	1	1	1
Cowplain Recreation Ground	Available	Secured	Waterlooville	Havant BC	1	0	1	1	0	
Crookhorn College	Available	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	1	0	0	1	1	
Purbrook Park School	Available	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	3	0	0	0	0	
Berewood Primary School	Available	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	0	0	1	1	0	
Havant and South Downs College	Available	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	0	0	0	0	0	1
Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Available	Secured	Waterlooville	Havant BC	2	0	0	0	0	
Total Sub Area – 7 Sites		5 sites unsecured 2 sites secured	Waterloovill e	2 sites Havant BC 5 sites Education	8	0	3	4	2	
Hayling College (Adult pitch floodlit mid- week games start at 7.30pm due to restrictions)	Available	Unsecured	Hayling Island	Education	1	2	0	1	1	
Hayling Park	Available	Secured	Hayling Island	Havant BC	0	2	2	0	0	
Mengham Park	Available	Secured	Hayling Island	Havant BC	0	0	0	1	1	
Totals Sub Area – 3 Sites		1 site unsecured 2 sites secured	Hayling Island	2 sites Havant BC 1 Site Education	1	4	2	2	2	0
Emsworth Recreation Ground	Available	Secured	Emsworth	Havant BC	1	0	0	1	0	
Hollybank Recreation Ground	Available	Secured	Emsworth	Havant BC	1	0	1	0	0	
Emsworth Primary School	Available	Unsecured	Emsworth	Education	0	0	0	2	1	
Totals Sub Area – 3 Sites		1 Site Unsecured 2 Sites Secured	Emsworth	2 sites Havant BC 1 Site Education	2	0	1	3	1	0

Site Name	Community	Security of	Sub Area	Owners	Adult	You Footl		Mini S	Soccer	3G AGP
Oite Haine	use on site	use	oub Aicu	Owners	11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	
Bartons Green	Available	Secured	Leigh Park	Club – clubhouse Havant BC – pitches	3	0	2	2	0	
Havant Academy	Available	Unsecured	Leigh Park	Education	4	0	1	0	0	
Front Lawn	Available	Secured	Leigh Park	Havant BC Hampshire FA operate 3G pitch and changing rooms on behalf of Havant BC	1	0	1	0	0	1
Park community School	Available	Unsecured	Leigh Park	Education	1	0	1	0	0	2 small sided
Totals Sub Area – 4 Sites		2 sites Secured 2 sites unsecured	Leigh Park	2 sites Education 2 sites Club/ Havant BC	9	0	5	2	0	3 Secured
Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus)	Available	Unsecured	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	0	2	0	0	0	
Bidbury Mead	Available	Secured	Havant and Bedhampton	Havant BC	2	0	1	1	0	
Bidbury Junior School	Available	Secured	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	0	0	0	2	0	
Warblington School	Available	Unsecured	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	2	1	0	0	1	1
Totals Sub Area – 4 sites		2 sites secured 2 sites unsecured	Havant and Bedhampton	3 sites Education 1 site Havant BC	4	3	1	3	1	1
Totals Havant	t - 21 Sites				23	9	12	15	5	5

- 2.16. In addition to the sites and pitches in table 7 Purbrook Heath has provided 2 youth 11v11 pitches in the past. There is a serious issue with drainage at the site and these pitches have not been playable for the past seasons. The pitches are on the outfield of the cricket square on site.
- 2.17. Table 8 below identifies 13 sites all Education where football pitches are unavailable for community use. These sites have 1 youth 11v11, 9 mini soccer 7v7 and 7 mini soccer 5v5 grass pitches and 1 small 3G AGP with no floodlights.

Table 8: Identified sites that are unavailable for use.

Site Name Community use on site	Community	Security	Sub Area	Owners	Adult Youth Football		Mini Soccer			
	of use	Cubrucu		11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5		
Mill Hill Primary School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	0	0	0	2	1	
Queens Inclosure Primary School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	0	0	0	1	0	

Site Name	Community	Security	Sub Area	Owners	Adult	Youth Footbal	l	Mini Socce	er	
Oite Haine	use on site	of use	Oub Alea	Owners	11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	
Springwood Junior School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	0	1	0	0	0	
Moorlands Primary School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Education	0	0	0	1	1	
Glenwood School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Emsworth	Education	0	0	0	0	0	Small 3G AGP no floodlights
Westbourne Primary School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Emsworth	Education	0	0	0	0	1	
Prospect Park School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Leisgh Park	Education	0	0	0	1	0	
Riders Federation Junior and Infant Schools	Unavailable	Unsecured	Leigh Park	Education	0	0	0	0	2	
Sharps Close Primary School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Leisgh Park	Education	0	0	0	0	2	
Warren Park Primary School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Leisgh Park	Education	0	0	0	1	0	
Bosmere Junior School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	0	0	0	1	0	
Trosnant Junior School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	0	0	0	1	0	
Mengham Park Junior School	Unavailable	Unsecured	Hayling Island	Education	0	0	0	1	0	
Totals					0	1	(9	7	1 small 3G AGP no floodlights

Other grass pitch supply used for informal play and training/coaching.

2.18. In addition to playing fields with marked pitches and goalposts for formal games, there are areas of maintained grass in parks, recreation grounds and other public open spaces throughout the borough that are available and free to access for informal, kick about games. Several football clubs use these spaces for team training at weekends and during light evenings in early and late season as a free alternative to paying for training slots on artificial pitches.

Quality of Grass Pitches

- 2.19. Quality of pitches in Havant borough has been measured through a variety of `means, specifically:
 - Site assessments using the non-technical data sheet provided by the Football Association.
 - Consultation with pitch users.
- 2.20. Improving the quality of selected standard pitches to good or poor pitches to standard would provide additional playing capacity in the peak weekend periods and provide capacity for training. The quality of the grass football pitches in the borough's supply is mixed. Clubs and leagues have stated that the pitches maintained by the Local authority are of poor quality.
- 2.21. Good quality pitches were found at Emsworth Primary School. This is down to Emsworth Youth FC investing in maintenance of the schools' pitches.

2.13 Table 9 below identifies the quality of pitches at sites following a visual inspection:

Table 9: Quality of Grass Pitches

Cita Nam -	Cub Area	Owners	Adult	You Footl			ini cer	Pitch Quality
Site Name	Sub Area	Owners	11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Good, Standard, Poor
Cowplain School	Waterlooville	Education	1	0	1	1	1	Poor – all pitches drainage is an issue.
Cowplain Recreation Ground	Waterlooville	Havant BC	1	0	1	1	0	Poor – all pitches maintenance slightly poorer than previous seasons.
Crookhorn College	Waterlooville	Education	0	0	1	1	1	Poor – all pitches
Purbrook Park School	Waterlooville	Education	3	0	0	0	0	Poor – all pitches
Berewood Primary School	Waterlooville	Education	0	0	1	1	0	Poor – all pitches
Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Waterlooville	Havant BC	2	0	0	0	0	Poor – all pitches maintenance slightly poorer than previous seasons.
Hayling College	Hayling Island	Education	1	2	0	1	1	Adult and youth pitches 'standard' mini soccer pitches 'poor'
Hayling Park	Hayling Island	Havant BC	0	2	2	0	0	'Poor' – all pitches, maintenance poorer' than last year.
Mengham Park	Hayling Island	Havant BC	0	0	0	1	1	'Poor' all pitches
Emsworth Recreation Ground	Emsworth	Havant BC	1	0	0	1	0	Standard – all pitches
Hollybank Recreation Ground	Emsworth	Havant BC	1	0	1	0	0	Poor – all pitches
Emsworth Primary School	Emsworth	Education	0	0	0	2	1	Good – all pitches, club has invested in grounds maintenance at the school
Bartons Green	Leigh Park	Club – clubhouse Havant BC – pitches	3	0	2	2	0	Standard – all pitches
Havant Academy	Leigh Park	Education	4	0	1	0	0	Standard – All pitches length of grass long
Front Lawn	Leigh Park	Hampshire County FA & Havant and Waterlooville Youth FC	1	0	1	0	0	Standard – all pitches
Park Community School	Leigh Park	Education	1	0	1	0	0	Poor – all pitches
Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus)	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	0	2	0	0	0	Poor – all pitches
Bidbury Mead	Havant and Bedhampton	Havant BC	2	0	1	1	0	Standard – all pitches, clubs stated that maintenance was not good.

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Site Name	Sub Area	Owners	Adult		Youth Football		ini ccer	Pitch Quality	
Site Name			11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Good, Standard, Poor	
Cowplain School	Waterlooville	Education	1	0	1	1	1	Poor – all pitches drainage is an issue.	
Bidbury Junior School	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	0	0	0	2	0	Poor – all pitches	
Warblington School	Havant and Bedhampton	Education	2	1	0	0	1	Standard – all pitches	

- 2.22. The following sites have poor quality pitches:
 - Bidbury Junior School
 - Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus)
 - Purbrook Park School have had grounds work carried out on the pitches in the past but are very worn and appear to be overused.
 - Hollybank Recreation Ground
 - Mengham Park
 - Hayling Park
 - Hayling College Mini soccer pitches only
 - Waterlooville Recreation Ground
 - Cowplain School
 - Cowplain Recreation Ground
 - Berewood Junior School
- 2.23. Most Local authority sites have poor quality rated pitches. Clubs have stated that the local authority sites ground maintenance has been worse in the last season compared to the previous season. In some cases, grass has not been cut and nets not put up. Secondary schools commented that drainage of their facilities is poor.

Quality of Ancillary Facilities

- 2.24. The quality of the ancillary facilities (i.e., changing, social and parking) at sites with playing pitches is also mixed.
- 2.25. Good quality changing rooms have been identified at the following sites:
 - Front Lawn
 - Hayling Park
- 2.26. Seven sites have been identified with poor changing provision.

2.27. The quality for ancillary facilities can be found in table 10 below.

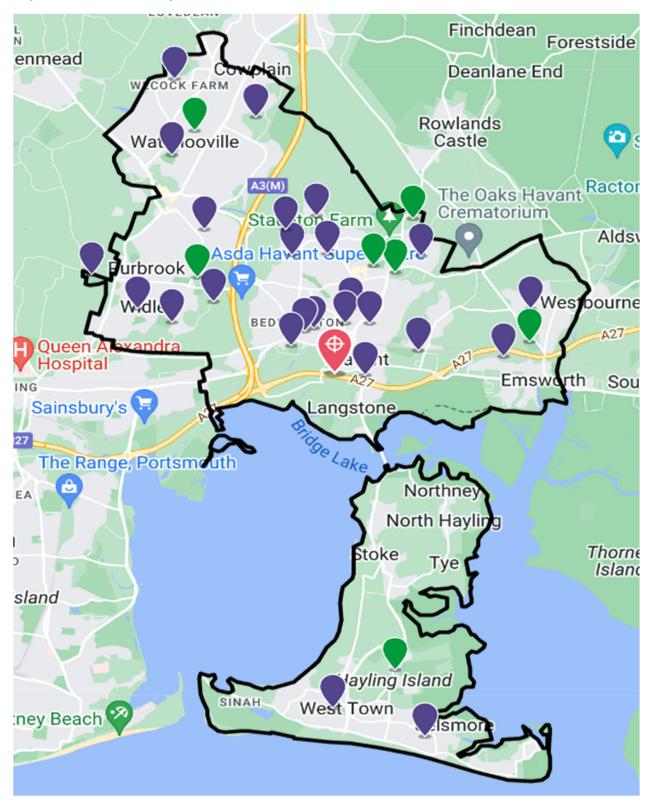
Table 10: Quality of Grass pitches and ancillary facilities by site and sub area

O'' N	Security of		Quality of Ancillary Facilities
Site Name	use	Sub Area	Good, Standard or Poor
Cowplain School	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Standard
Cowplain Recreation Ground	Secured	Waterlooville	Poor – changing and toilets no shower provision. Facility needs extending to be fit for purpose.
Crookhorn College	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Standard
Purbrook Park School	Unsecured	Waterlooville	Standard
Berewood Primary School	Unsecured	Waterlooville	None
Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Secured	Waterlooville	Poor – changing is upstairs with no lift. Mainly cricket use and teams are segregated by folding walls.
Hayling College	Unsecured	Hayling Island	Standard – need internal refurbishment.
Hayling Park	Secured	Hayling Island	Good
Mengham Park	Secured	Hayling Island	Poor – requires toilet refurbishment as a minimum
Emsworth Recreation Ground	Secured	Emsworth	Poor – Council has plans and planning permission to refurbish.
Hollybank Recreation Ground	Secured	Emsworth	Poor – needs to be knocked down and rebuilt
Emsworth Primary School	Unsecured	Emsworth	None
Bartons Green	Secured	Leigh Park	Good – Club received Football Foundation Funding.
Havant Academy	Unsecured	Leigh Park	Standard
Front Lawn	Secured	Leigh Park	Good
Park Community School	Unsecured	Leigh Park	Standard
Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus)	Unsecured	Havant and Bedhampton	Poor – Needs to be knocked down and rebuilt
Bidbury Mead	Secured	Havant and Bedhampton	Standard
Bidbury Junior School	Secured	Havant and Bedhampton	Standard
Warblington School	Unsecured	Havant and Bedhampton	Standard

Distribution of Pitches

2.28. The map below shows that grass football pitches are generally quite evenly distributed throughout the borough aside from in the most northern parts and rural areas.

Map 1: Location of football pitches - Havant 1



¹ Source: Football Foundation Pitch Finder – January 2023

Proposed Supply Changes

2.29. There are several planning applications that have been agreed with Section 106 funding attached and several planning applications awaiting a decision.

Table 11: Proposed Supply Changes

Planning Reference	Site & Sub Area	Comment
APP/22/00837 and APP/22/0083	Cowplain School	Loss of playing field – Mitigation is to improve quality of remaining adult 11v11 and 9v9 junior pitch.
APP/23/00004	Temporary use of land to carry out ground investigation works comprising the drilling of 2 no. boreholes and the installation of headworks and equipment to monitor ground conditions for a period of 18 months including mobilisation, decommissioning and full restoration periods. Pavilion, Bidbury Lane, Havant	Possible loss of football pitches on site and cricket field whilst bore holes are constructed and monitored.
APP/22/00427	Redevelopment of existing sports pavilion to create two changing rooms, changing facilities for match officials, plus clubhouse room, kitchen, and WC facilities, including new extension to the entrances of the changing rooms and new windows and doors with integrated security shutters. Also extending podium deck area to the south	Planning Approval Given
	elevation with ramped access. The Pavilion and Recreation Ground, Horndean Road, Emsworth	
	King George V Playing Fields Northern Road Portsmouth PO6 3AA.	Cosham Football Hub (1 supersize 3G and 1 full size 3G, plus grass pitches), Proximity to Havant and Portsmouth Council borders

Football Supply Aspirations

- 2.30. Consultation has been undertaken with clubs. Of the 143 team's, clubs representing 108 teams have replied to the consultation. This is a response rate of 75.5%.
- 2.31. Clubs have identified the following:
 - Horndean United has ambitions to increase its number of teams with its own home ground and changing facilities.
 - Widbrook Youth has suffered during the pandemic and has a lack of volunteer coaches to work
 with the youth on its waiting list. The club has received Football foundation funding to refurbish
 and redesign its pavilion at Barton's Field. The club has proposals to increase the number of
 teams.
 - AFC Bedhampton Village aspires for a new clubhouse.
 - Emsworth Youth, Berewood Panthers, Cowplain Youth, Hayling St Andrews and Hayling United have stated they have issues accessing a 3G pitch for training. This is particularly so for the two Hayling Island clubs who must send teams off the island to use a 3G pitch facility – hence training on grass pitches.

- Havant and Waterlooville FC have started a junior section Hawks Community Youth Football Club

 the youth section will be running teams 12 teams from U8 U18 in the next season. U8, U9,
 U10, U11 x 3, U12, U13, U14, U15b U16b U18. The youth section plays at Southwick in Fareham
 but use the 3G pitch at Havant and Waterlooville FC (Westleigh Park) in the winter for training.
- Havant and Waterlooville Youth FC Front Lawn plan to increase by 1 youth 11v11 team in the 23/24 season. The club has issues with storage. They have a container which is out of planning permission and once it is decided to remove the container then the club will have a problem. The club has stated that the roll-on goals are expensive and are stored by being chained to the 3G facility if there was a secure area for these it would be much better. The club gets requests for players to come along to training who have specific needs and they are not able to offer this so it would be good if there were alternatives we could suggest.
- Cowplain Youth FC would like to increase teams 1 women's team and 1 7v7 team.
- Purbrook Heath 2 youth 11v11 pitches have not been used for the past seasons due to drainage issues.
- Emsworth FC and Emsworth Town Youth FC have been chasing Havant Borough Council about a 2nd football pitch being drawn up on Emsworth Recreation Ground. But haven't had much luck with a response! Historically there's always been 2 football pitches drawn up on the rec and it is registered as a 2-football pitch green. For the number of teams that are playing in the town now, compared to the amount of 11 a side pitches available in the town (1) does not weigh up at all.
- Emsworth Youth FC have said they would like to work with a local school/college in West Sussex just across the Havant border to provide a 3G pitch for Emsworth Teams. The Football club has spent money on improving the pitches at Emsworth Primary School but needs access to youth 11v11 pitches to meet the clubs' future needs. The club currently use Emsworth Recreation Ground and Hollybank as well as the primary school. There are issues with sharing with the cricket club pavilion at Emsworth Recreation Ground. Emsworth Youth FC and Emsworth Residents association have suggested that the following is considered:
 - Reconsider the way that the Hollybank site is used, for example giving Youth Football precedence on the site, and renewing the existing building.
 - Developing outdoor changing and toilet facilities at Emsworth Primary School.
 - > Explore the use of the outdoor space at Glenswood School 3G AGP and grass area.
 - > Develop sports facilities as part of the Redlands Grange development.
 - Expand the Recreation Ground to the west, north of the new development.

Pitch Demand (Step 3)

2.32. For all four major playing pitch sports included in the PPS scope, the following pitch demand information, has been gathered, as available, by a combination of data collection and review, surveys, and consultations:

Sources of information – The sources of information used to establish current football pitch demand were:

- Online survey returns and meetings with clubs.
- Hampshire County FA affiliated club/team datasheets for Havant borough plus club and league websites.

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Football Demand

2.33. Findings relating to football pitch demand in Havant are summarised below.

Clubs and Teams

- 2.34. In the 2022/23 season, the Hampshire County FA had 33 affiliated football clubs listed as based in Havant Borough. Between them, these clubs had a total of 143 registered teams in the 2022/23 season. The number of clubs and their teams by age group and sub areas are shown in appendix A1.
- 2.35. Demand from the 33 clubs for league football in the borough is characterised by:
 - 30 adult men's teams
 - 7 women's adult teams
 - 32 boy's youth 11v11 teams
 - 2 female youth 11v11 teams
 - 31 junior boy's 9v9 teams
 - 1 junior girl's 9v9 teams
 - 21 mixed mini soccer 7v7 teams
 - 19 mixed mini soccer 5v5 teams
- 2.36. 'Step' clubs with their origins in Havant borough that compete in the National League System.
 - Havant and Waterlooville participate in the National League South
 - Clanfield FC have been promoted from the Hampshire Premier League to the Wessex League Division 1 23/24 season – Step 6
 - AFC Bedhampton Village Ladies First Team and Reserves Hampshire County Women's League
 - Widbrook Ladies Hampshire County Women's League

Youth Football Clubs

2.37. The table below identifies the youth football clubs with 4 or more junior teams registered with Hampshire County FA play their home fixtures on grass or 3G football turf pitches in Havant borough.

Table 12: Youth Football clubs and team numbers

Club									
Bedhampton Youth FC 8 teams	Berewood Panther Youth FC 9 teams	Emsworth Town youth FC 15 teams							
Havant and Waterlooville Youth PL FC 27 teams	Hayling St Andrews Youth FC 11 teams	Hayling united Youth C 6 teams							
Hurdwood Rangers Youth FC 5 teams	Purbrook Youth FC 11 teams	Widbrook United Youth FC 9 teams							
RTB Youth FC 4 teams									

Women and Girls

- 2.38. Demand growth for football is greatest in women and girls' football as more of the youth football clubs start to establish girls' teams or expand the number of girls' teams as more girls move up the age groups from mixed mini soccer.
- 2.39. Exit routes within the borough from girls to women's football are also beginning to become better established.

- 2.40. The following women's and girls' league teams played in the borough in the 2022/23 season:
 - AFC Bedhampton Village Ladies Reserves
 - AFC Bedhampton Village First Ladies
 - Bedhampton Youth U15 Vipers Girls
 - Emsworth Town Youth U10 Pearls Girls
 - Emsworth Town Youth U11 Pearls Girls
 - Havant & Waterlooville FC Women
 - Portsmouth Football Club Women Firsts
 - Portsmouth Football Club Women Development
 - Widbrook United First Women
 - Widbrook United Res Women
 - Widbrook United Girls Youth U13

Disability Teams

2.41. Berewood Panthers provide a pan disability team – This takes place at Portsmouth Mountbatten Centre in a safe environment.

Displaced Demand

2.42. Waterlooville Wanderers, Purbrook United and Padnall Rovers FC play at Farlington Park Portsmouth

Unmet demand

- 2.43. Several of the larger, more successful community football clubs playing in the borough have indicated they have identified unmet demand for growth and plan to establish additional teams over the next three seasons.
 - Berewood Panthers 1 adult men's, 1 youth boys 11v11, 1 Youth boys (9v9) teams 1 Youth boys (7v7) teams 3 Mini soccer (5v5) teams
 - Hayling St Andrew Youth FC 1 Youth boys (11v11) teams 1 Youth boys (7v7) teams 2 Mini soccer (5v5) teams
 - Cowplain Youth FC 1 adult women's team and 2 mini 7v7 team
 - Horndean Adult Men's teams 3 Adult Women's teams 1 Youth boys (11v11) teams 1 Youth boys (9v9) teams 1 Youth boys (7v7) teams 1 Youth girls (11v11) teams 1 Youth girls (9v9) teams 1 Youth girls (7v7) teams 1 Mini soccer (5v5) teams 1
 - Widbrook United Adult Men's teams 1 Adult Women's teams 1 Youth boys (11v11) teams 5+ Youth boys (9v9) teams 3 Youth boys (7v7) teams 3 Youth girls (11v11) teams 3 Youth girls (9v9) teams 3 Youth girls (7v7) teams 3 Mini soccer (5v5) teams 3
 - Emsworth Youth 1 boy's youth 11v11 1 7v7 and 1 5v5.

Latent demand

- 2.44. Further expansion of recent initiatives such as veterans' leagues (encouraging over 35s to continue to play or to return to the game), 'Just Play' organised kickabouts, walking football are opportunities to use football as a tool to address this need.
- 2.45. The low current base of expressed demand for girls and women's football (i.e., in terms of the number of girls and women's teams in comparison to boys and men teams) is clear evidence of high levels of latent demand for more female participation in the game. Realising much more of this latent demand among women and girls is a key target of the FA Strategy. Wildcats is designed to inspire girls aged 5-11 to be involved in the sport.

- 2.46. SSE Wildcats Girls' Football Clubs will provide girls with regular opportunities to play football and take part in organised sessions in a fun and engaging environment created exclusively for girls.
- 2.47. The football clubs in Havant have stated that the demand for girl's football is clearly growing and the need for improved changing provision and appropriate pitches need to be provided to meet this demand. This will lead to an increase in women's football as more teams are likely to be created as current junior girls are retained and adult teams and competition structures are developed (both formal and informal).

Number of Clubs and teams by age Groups and sub areas

2.48. Appendix A1 Provides the number of clubs and teams in each club by age group and sub area.

Future Playing Pitch (Football) Demand – Population Growth

- 2.49. As well as growth through latent demand, there will be growth through population demand.
- 2.50. Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool should be used to identify team generation rates and need for playing pitches as and when planning applications are agreed.
- 2.51. The increase in population of 22,555 people between 2023 and 2042 with the existing football team numbers and the future estimated teams from latent demand will be input into Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool and the outputs from the Calculator for future match equivalent sessions to 2042 will be identified.

Demand Data 2022/23 Season

- 2.52. Appendix A2 provides the pitch capacity by site and match typology.
- 2.53. The summary of Appendix A2 is provided below.
- 2.54. The following tables identify the secured community use, unsecured community use and the total demand against secured pitches only by pitch typology.

Table 13: Summary of Adult 11v11 Capacity and Pitch Demand

Adult 11v11 Pitch Provision – Site and Peak Period Havant Borough	Number of Pitches	Pitch Capacity	Demand (Match Equivalent Sessions weekly)	Difference Between Capacity & Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Weekly	Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Peak Period and youth teams Sunday AM	Match Equivalent Sessions Actual Spare Capacity in The Peak Period
Total	24	39	25.5	13.5	15	9
Secured Community Use	11	15	9.5	5.5	6.5	4.5
Unsecured Community Use	13	24	16	8	8.5	4.5
Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	11	15	25.5	10.5	15	4

2.55. Total secured and unsecured use provides spare capacity of 13.5 adult 11v11 match equivalent sessions at peak time of play. However, when unsecured community use is removed total demand against total secured community use identifies a current deficit of 4 match equivalent sessions.

Table 14: Summary of Youth 11v11 Capacity and Pitch Demand

Youth 11v11 Pitch Provision – Site and Peak Period Havant Borough	Number of Pitches	Pitch Capacity	Demand (Match Equivalent Sessions weekly)	Difference Between Capacity & Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Weekly	Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Peak Period	Match Equivalent Sessions Actual Spare Capacity in The Peak Period
Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	10	14	9.5	4.5	5.5	4.5
Secured Community Use	4	4	0	4	0	4
Unsecured Community Use	6	10	9.5	0.5	5.5	0.5
Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	4	4	7	3	5.5	1.5

2.56. Total secured and unsecured use provides spare capacity of 4.5 youth 11v11 match equivalent sessions at peak time of play. However, when unsecured community use is removed total demand against total secured community use identifies a current deficit of 1.5 match equivalent session.

Table 15: Summary of Junior 9v9 Capacity and Pitch Demand

Junior 9v9 Pitch Provision – Site and Peak Period Havant Borough	Number of Pitches	Pitch Capacity	Demand (Match Equivalent Sessions weekly)	Difference Between Capacity & Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Weekly	Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Peak Period	Match Equivalent Sessions Actual Spare Capacity in The Peak Period
Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	13	18	17.5	0.5	12	1
Total Secured Community Use	8	12	12	0	8.5	-0.5
Total Unsecured Community Use	5	6	5.5	0.5	3.5	1.5
Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	8	12	15.5	3.5	12	4

2.57. Total secured and unsecured use provides spare capacity of 1 junior 9v9 match equivalent session at peak time of play. However, when unsecured community use is removed total demand against total secured community use identifies a current deficit of 4 match equivalent sessions.

Table 16: Summary of Mini Soccer 7v7 Capacity and Pitch Demand

Mini Soccer 7v7 Pitch Provision – Site and Peak Period Havant Borough	Number of Pitches	Pitch Capacity	Demand (Match Equivalent Sessions weekly)	Difference Between Capacity & Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Weekly	Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Peak Period	Match Equivalent Sessions Actual Spare Capacity in The Peak Period
Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	14	44	12.5	31.5	8	6
Secured Community Use	6	20	3	17	2.5	3.5
Unsecured Community Use	8	24	9.5	14.5	5.5	2.5
Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	6	18	12.5	5.5	8	2

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2.58. Total secured and unsecured use provides spare capacity of 6 mini soccer 7v7 match equivalent sessions at peak time of play. However, when unsecured community use is removed total demand against total secured community use identifies a current deficit of 2 match equivalent sessions.

Table 17: Summary of Mini soccer 5v5 Capacity and Pitch Demand

Mini Soccer 5v5 Pitch Provision – Site and Peak Period Havant Borough	Number of Pitches	Pitch Capacity	Demand (Match Equivalent Sessions weekly)	Difference Between Capacity & Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Weekly	Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Peak Period	Match Equivalent Sessions Actual Spare Capacity in The Peak Period
Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	6	18	9	9	5.5	0.5
Secured Community Use	1	2	1.5	0.5	1	0
Unsecured Community Use	5	16	7.5	8.5	4.5	0.5
Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	1	1	9	-8	5.5	-4.5

2.59. Total secured and unsecured use provides spare capacity of 0.5 mini soccer 5v5 match equivalent sessions at peak time of play. However, when unsecured community use is removed total demand against total secured community use identifies a current deficit of 5 (4.5 rounded up) match equivalent sessions.

Football Summary Key Issues and Recommendations Comparison between Havant Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 and the Playing Pitch Strategy Review 2023.

- 2.60. This section of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) Review 2023 compares its findings with the findings of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 for football.
- 2.60 Table 18 includes the response to 5 key questions, which are asked in the PPS 2017 to provide a standardised illustration of supply and demand for sports provision. It shows the Analysis from the 2017 PPS and the data and analysis from the 2023. The 2023 review analysis is taken from the Supply and Demand report for football PPS Review 2023.

Table 18: Key PPS findings for Football in Havant Borough

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023
What are the main characteristics of the current supply and demand for provision?	There are 55 football pitches in Havant Borough majority of sites (82%) in Havant are owned by HBC – four of which are also managed by HBC. The highest proportion of management type is educational establishments – 59% of all football sites.	21 playing fields were used for secured and unsecured community use in the borough providing a total of 67 marked grass football pitches of which 24 are full size (adult 11v11), 10 sized for youth football (youth 11v11), 13 junior football (junior 9v9) and 20 for mini soccer (7v7, 5v5). The increase in total football pitches between 2017 and 2023 is 12.
	The level of demand is relatively consistent across all sub areas, with 11v11 Boys teams being most prominent, and demand highest in the Leigh Park sub area; just under half of all formal teams in the borough are based here. Demand in 2017 was highest in the Leigh Park sub area (60 teams) followed by Waterlooville (18 teams), Havant and Bedhampton (18 teams) and Emsworth sub areas (1 team) and Hayling Island 16 Teams.	11 sites providing 55% of the total supply of football pitches are at education sites where there is no secured community use agreement in place. The level of demand is relatively consistent across the sub areas demand is highest in the Leigh Park sub area (54 teams a decrease of 6 teams compared to 2017) followed by Waterlooville (41 teams an increase of 23 teams compared to 2017), Havant and Bedhampton (15 teams a decrease of 3 teams since 2017) and
	This totals 112 teams.	Emsworth sub areas (15 teams an increase in 14 teams since 2017) and Hayling Island (17 Teams an increase of 1 team since 2017). This totals 127 teams compared to 112 teams in 2017 an increase of 15 teams.

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet current demand	The supply and demand analysis for secured and community-accessible pitch provision shows there is currently spare capacity across the study area on all pitch types except Youth 11v11 – sites are operating slightly overcapacity. Peak time analysis shows there is spare capacity for all pitch types except Mini Soccer 5v5 pitches.	The difference in 2023 to 2017 is that in 2023 the main education sites that are used by community football clubs are identified as unsecured community use. So, this places pressure on capacity at peak time of play. In 2017 72.4% of pitches were identified as being secured use. This reduces to 45% in 2023. When considering secured and unsecured community use there is underplay of all typologies at peak time of play: Adult 11v11 underplay 9 MES. Youth 11v11 underplay 4.5 MES. Junior 9v9 underplay 1 MES. Mini soccer 7v7 underplay 6 MES. Mini soccer 5v5 underplay 0.5 MES, Spare capacity may also not be located where the demand is. The demand may be in a different sub area. However, when unsecured community use sites are excluded e.g. Total demand against secured pitches only the underplay becomes overplay. Adult 11v11 overplay 5 MES. Youth 11v11 overplay 1.5 MES. Junior 9v9 overplay 4 MES. Mini soccer 7v7 overplay 2 MES. Mini soccer 5v5 overplay 4.5 MES.
Is the provision that is accessible of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?	Most pitches (72%) are rated as standard quality and receive adequate maintenance to retain pitch quality. Only one pitch in the borough is rated good quality – Westleigh Park (Home Ground of Havant and Waterlooville FC). However, there are fourteen pitches in the study area that are rated as poor quality – most of these pitches are located at primary schools and are not currently being used by local football clubs. There are five sites operating. Over-capacity and improvement to the quality and maintenance of these pitches is required.	The quality of football pitches has decreased since 2017. 57% (38) of pitches are poor quality, 39% (26) Standard quality and 4% (3) good quality. Consultation with clubs has identified that the quality of maintenance has reduced since 2017 across all sports not just football particularly at Local Authority Sites with a reduction in maintenance provided by the Local authority maintenance contractor. Westleigh Park (Home ground of Havant and Waterlooville FC) has been reconfigured as a 3G stadia pitch. There are nine sites compared to five in 2017 operating over capacity with weekly play and improvement to the quality and maintenance of the following pitches is required: Bidbury Meads – 2 Adult pitches Emsworth Recreation Ground – 1 Adult pitch Hayling College – 1 Adult floodlit pitch Cowplain Community College- 1 junior 9v9 Cowplain Recreation Ground – 1 junior 9v9 Hayling Park- 2 junior 9v9 Hollybank junior – 1 junior 9v9 Crookhorn Technology College – 1 Mini soccer 7v7, 1 mini soccer 5v5 The above are all poor-quality pitches. apart from Front Lawn that is standard quality. Improvement to good quality from standard quality for Front Lawn would reduce weekly overplay from 2 MES to 1 MES. Improvement to good quality from poor quality at the following sites would improve weekly capacity:

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023
		Bidbury Meads – 2 Adult pitches increasing to good quality reduces weekly overplay from 0.5 MES to underplay of 3.5 MES.
		Emsworth Recreation Ground – 1 Adult pitch increasing to good quality from poor reduces weekly overplay of 1 MES to underplay of 1 MES.
		Hayling College – 1 Adult floodlit pitch increasing to good quality from poor reduces weekly overplay of 1.5 MES to underplay of 0.5 MES.
		Cowplain Community College- 1 junior 9v9, improving to good quality from poor reduces overplay from 2 MES to balanced play.
		Cowplain Recreation Ground – 1 junior 9v9, improving to good quality from poor reduces overplay from 0.5 MES to underplay of 1.5 MES.
		Hayling Park- 2 junior 9v9 improving quality to good from poor quality reduces overplay from 1 MES to underplay 3 MES.
		Hollybank junior – 1 junior 9v9 improving quality to good from poor reduces overplay from 1 MES to underplay of 1 MES.
		Crookhorn Technology College – 1 Mini soccer 7v7 improving quality to good from poor reduces overplay from 0.5 MES to underplay of 3.5 MES. Improving quality from poor too good for the mini soccer 5v5 reduces overplay 1.5 MES to underplay 2.5 MES.
		Clubs have reported that the maintenance of pitches has deteriorated particularly on sites maintained by the council's grounds maintenance contractor.
		2 x youth 11v11 pitches could be brought back into use at Purbook Heath if drainage issues can be resolved.
		There is a need to carry out a Pitch Power Assessment with the County FA on all Havant Council pitches as a minimum to understand what maintenance is required to improve these pitches.
		The overplay of pitches at weekends for matches can be overcome by consideration of reconfiguring pitches at Emsworth Recreation Ground and Hollybank in consultation with Emsworth Youth FC to meet the clubs current and future needs should be considered. Additional youth pitch at Emsworth Recreation Ground would provide additional capacity to meet current overplay on the existing adult pitch.
		The overplay of the youth 11v11 pitch at peak time at Hayling college could be overcome by provision of a 3G AGP or moving peak time play to Hayling Park where there is peak time underplay of 2 MES.
		Peak time overplay of 9v9 pitches at Cowplain Community School and Cowplain Recreation Ground can be met by moving MES to Crookhorn Technology College and Berewood Primary School there will be a need for a formal community use agreement at these two sites. All sites are in the Waterlooville sub area.
		The overplay at Front Lawn at peak time of play on the 9v9 grass pitch will require an additional pitch. Moving play to Havant Academy 9v9 and reconfiguration of an 11v11 pitch at Havant Academy would meet the existing overplay at Front Lawn. This will require a community use agreement to be in place at Havant Academy. All sites are in Leigh Park sub area.

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023
		The nature of the play on 7v7 and 5v5 pitches means that the overplay of 7v7 and 5v5 mini pitches can be accommodated by improving weekly play. The pitches do not see as much wear and tear due to the age group of players.
		In 2017 women and girls football team demand was: - 2 women's adult teams
		3 female youth 11v11 teams1 junior girl's 9v9 teamsTotal 6 teams
		In 2023 the demand is for:
		- 7 women's adult teams
		- 2 female youth 11v11 teams
		- 1 junior girl's 9v9 teams Total 10 teams an increase of 4 teams since 2017
		The football clubs in Havant have stated that the demand for women and girl's football is clearly growing and the need for improved changing provision and appropriate pitches need to be provided to meet this demand.
		The football clubs in Havant have stated that the demand for girl's football is clearly growing and the need for improved changing provision and appropriate pitches need to be provided to meet this demand. This will lead to an increase in women's football as more teams are likely to be created as current junior girls are retained and adult teams and competition structures are developed (both formal and informal).
		There are several poor-quality changing rooms:
		Cowplain Recreation Ground – Poor – changing and toilets no shower provision. Facility needs extending to be fit for purpose.
		Waterlooville Recreation Ground – Poor – changing is upstairs with no lift. Mainly cricket use and teams are segregated by folding walls.
		Mengham Park - Poor – requires toilet refurbishment as a minimum.
		Emsworth Recreation Ground - Poor – Council has plans and planning permission to refurbish.
		Hollybank Recreation Ground - Poor - needs to be knocked down and rebuilt.
		Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus) - Poor – Needs to be knocked down and rebuilt.
		There are two education sites with no changing provision – Emsworth Primary School and Berewood Primary School.
Nd What are the main characteristics of the future supply and demand for provision	There is expected to be demand for an additional 17 teams generated by an increase in Havant's population. The largest growth is projected in Youth Boy's 11v11 (U12 to U15s) – nine teams are expected by 2036. football, with 9 sides needing to be created. When including only sites that have secure community use, there is 39.25 match	Clubs expect to increase by 48 teams as they recover from the pandemic over the next several seasons. The club aspirational increases are as follows. 3 x adult men's teams. 3 x adult women's teams. 5 x youth 11v11 boy's teams 4 x youth 1v11 girls' team
	equivalents of spare capacity across all pitch types. By 2036, this spare capacity lessens to 26 match equivalents.	 4 x youth 1771 girls teams 7 x junior 9v9 boy's teams 4 x junior 9v9 girl's teams 12 x 7v7 mini soccer teams and

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Hava	ant BC PPS Review An	•
		•	10 x 5x5 mini soccer to	eams.
			re population team proj ring Pitch Calculator equa	jections identified from the ate to 26.14 teams.
		Ту	pology	Number of New Teams 2042
		Me	en 11v11 (16-45yrs)	5.48
			omen 11v11 (16- 5yrs)	1.28
			bys 11v11 (12-15yrs)	5.85
		Gi	rls 11v11 (12-15yrs)	0.37
		Во	oys 9v9 (10-11yrs)	5.67
		Gir	rls 9v9 (10-11yrs)	0.18
		Mi	ixed 7v7 (8-9yrs)	3.84
		Mi	ixed 5v5 (6-7yrs)	3.47
		То	otals	26.14
		use Adul All o Yout Junion Mini Mini Utilis AGF Have som train (Mon train Acce mid- Pant FC, Bere in th throo use Watt impo	in the future to 2042 ther It 11v11 underplay 2 MEs of the typologies are over the 11v11 – 5 MES or 9v9 – 7 MES. soccer 7v7 – 3 MES. soccer 5v5 – 7 MES. sing the FA guideline of 3 P. There are theoretical ant borough. However the football clubs in Having space, and the mon/Fri) isn't suitable for hing due to weekend fixtures issues of 3G AGPs Inweek training by Emsworthers FC, Cowplain Your and Hayling United FC., sewood Panthers and Cowhe Waterlooville Sub Alugh a Section 106 Agreguaranteed at the Coverboville. Berewood Parted teams from Portsi	S. Salayed: 38 teams to 1 full size 3G ly sufficient 3G AGPs in r., consultation suggests want need additional 3G hain availability currently most affiliated football ires. have been highlighted for orth Youth FC, Berewood th FC, Hayling St Andrew
		cons facili Oncoper be re club Your an a Disc	struction and will provide ity will be a 10-minute drive the Cosham Football ned, the Cowplain Scholeviewed to identify if access such as Berewood th. If not, consideration sadditional 3G AGP in the cussions should also be	tsmouth is currently under 2 full size 3G AGPs. This ive from Cowplain School. Hub site (Portsmouth) is 01 3G AGP usage should ess has improved for local Panthers and Cowplain should be given to provide a Waterlooville Sub Area. It is held with the RFU to MES on grass pitches at

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023
		Havant Rugby Club could be accommodate on any new future 3G in the Waterlooville sub area.
		Emsworth Youth FC aspire to provide a 3G AGP and have suggested they could partner with a local School/College just across the Havant Council border in West Sussex.
		There are no 3G AGPs on Hayling Island that creates Hayling St Andrew FC and Hayling Island United FC must travel off the Island to access a 3G AGP. Consideration should be given to providing a 3G AGP at Hayling Island College.
		All education sites with 3G AGPs have FA Registration currently. This should continue and formal community use agreements should be put in place to secure community use for the foreseeable future.
		With 5 x 3G AGPs in secured community use (Excluding Westleigh Park Leigh Park Sub Area) the existing 3G AGPs can provide for existing 9v9, 7v7 and 5v5 match play except for Hayling Island and Emsworth sub areas. Consideration of 3G pitches should be considered as a minimum in the Hayling Island sub area,
		There may well be opportunities at Hayling Island College for provision of 3G AGPs in the future.
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future	mmunity use secured and accessible pitch provision shows	The future supply is showing overplay and a deficit of pitches.
demand?		The projected overplay to 2042. Total demand against secured pitches only to 2042 (Rounded Up) equates to:
		Adult 11v11 overplay 12 MES. Youth 11v11 overplay 9 MES. Junior 9v9 /overplay 12 MES. Mini soccer 7v7 deficit/overplay 11 MES. Mini soccer 5v5 deficit/overplay 12 MES.
		There is a need to consider additional pitches to meet future demand across all typologies. 3G pitches could be used more at peak time of play for match play.
		Developer contributions should be used to provide pitches to meet future population demands. 1 MES is equivalent to 1 pitch at peak time of play. A standard quality pitch can provide 2 MES weekly, and a good quality pitch can provide 3 MES weekly. The pitch needs from future population projections to 2042 identified from Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator:
		Adult 11v11 x 4 pitches (4 rounded up). Youth 11v11 x 3 pitches (3 rounded up). Junior 9v9 x 3 pitches (3 rounded up). Mini soccer 7v7 x 2 pitches (2 rounded up). Mini Soccer 5v5 x 2 pitches (2 rounded up).

2023 - Key Issues for Football

2.61 The 2023 key Issues for football are:

1. There is a need to ensure that community use of education pitches is secured through formal community use agreements that provide security of tenure for community clubs. Community football clubs are very parochial and do stay mainly on one site. If the education use was to cease there is potential for more pressure to be placed on overplayed council pitches in the future.

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- 2. The quality of pitches has decreased since 2017 and this needs to be addressed. As a minimum Pitch Power assessments are required for all council pitches. This is to understand the requirements for improving the quality of pitches and how this increased capacity can be achieved through improved quality. The review has identified the need to improve quality at the following sites:
 - Bidbury Meads Adult pitches
 - Emsworth Recreation Ground Adult pitches
 - Hayling College Adult floodlit pitch
 - Cowplain Community College junior 9v9, Mini soccer 7v7
 - Cowplain Recreation Ground junior 9v9, mini soccer 7v7
 - Front Lawn junior 9v9
 - Hayling Park junior 9v9
 - Hollybank junior 9v9
 - Crookhorn Technology College Mini soccer 7v7, mini soccer 5v5
 - Bidbury Junior School mini soccer 5v5
 - Mengham Park mini soccer 5v5
- **3.** 2 x youth 11v11 pitches could be brought back into use at Purbook Heath if drainage issues can be resolved.
- **4.** There is a need to improve poor quality pavilions and changing facilities with specific point of providing for both male and female use in the future. The review has identified the following sites for pavilion and changing room improvements:
 - Cowplain Recreation Ground Poor changing and toilets no shower provision. Facility needs extending to be fit for purpose.
 - Waterlooville Recreation Ground Poor changing is upstairs with no lift. Mainly cricket use and teams are segregated by folding walls.
 - Mengham Park Poor requires toilet refurbishment as a minimum.
 - Emsworth Recreation Ground Poor Council has plans and planning permission to refurbish.
 - Hollybank Recreation Ground Poor needs to be knocked down and rebuilt.
 - Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus) Poor Needs to be knocked down and rebuilt.
- **5.** Consider re configuration of pitches in the Emsworth Sub Area following consultation with Emsworth Youth FC.
- 6. Consider 3G AGP in the Hayling Island Sub Area (Hayling College).
- **7.** The sport England Playing Pitch Calculator for projected future population identifies a need to seek developer contributions to provide pitches and pavilions for future population growth to 2042:
 - Adult 11v11 x 4 pitches (3.18 rounded up).
 - Youth 11v11 x 3 pitches (2.92 rounded up).
 - Junior 9v9 x 3 pitches (2.75 rounded up).
 - Mini soccer 7v7 x 2 pitches (1.80 rounded up).
 - Mini Soccer 5v5 x 2 pitches (1.63 rounded up).

2023 PPS Football Scenario - Improving Pitch Quality - Weekly Overplay.

2.62 In 2023 The quality of football pitches has decreased since 2017 - 57% (38) of pitches are rated poor quality, 39% (26) Standard quality and 4% (3) good quality. There are eleven sites compared to five in 2017 operating over capacity with weekly play and improvement to the quality and maintenance of these pitches will improve capacity for weekly demand. The sites and pitches that are overplayed weekly are identified in Table 19 below.

Table 19: Poor and Standard quality pitches on secure sites, currently over played on a weekly basis and the impact on capacity by raising the quality of these pitches to Good.

	Security of Site	Quality Pitches - Poor	Pitch Type	Pitch Nos	Current Weekly Capacity Demand	Improve Quality to Good - Increases Weekly Capacity	Additional capacity Created
Havant and Bedhampton Sub Area							
Bidbury Meads	Secured	Poor	Adult	2	0.5	3.5	4
Totals				2	0.5	3.5	4
Emsworth Sub Area							
Emsworth Recreation Ground	Secured	Poor	Adult	1	1.5	1	2.5
Hollybank	Secured	Poor	Junior 9v9	1	1	2	3
Totals	Totals		2	2.5	3	5.5	
Hayling Island Sub area							
Hayling College (Floodlit Pitch)	Unsecured	Poor	Adult	1	1.5	0.5	2
Hayling Park	Secured	Poor	Junior 9v9	2	1	5	6
Mengham Park	Secured	Poor	Mini 5v5	1	0.5	4.5	5
Totals				4	3	10	13
Waterlooville Sub Area							
Cowplain Community College	Unsecured	Poor	Junior 9v9	1	2	1	3
Cowplain Recreation Ground	Secured	Poor	Junior 9v9	1	0.5	2	2.5
Crookhorn Technology College	Unsecured	Poor	Mini 7v7	1	1.5	3.5	5
Crookhorn Technology College	Unsecured	Poor	Mini 5v5	1	2	2.5	5
Totals				4	6	9	15.5
Leigh Park Sub Area							
Front Lawn	Secured	Standard	Junior 9v9	1	2	1	1
Totals				1	2	1	1

- 2.63 Raising the quality of weekly overplayed pitches in Table 19 from poor or standard quality to good eliminates current weekly overplay on all pitches except for Front Lawn 9v9 and creates additional weekly capacity.
- 2.64 Cowplain Community College is improving the quality of its existing pitches via a Section 106 agreement and will have a formal community use agreement in place as part of a planning condition. There is an opportunity with those unsecured sites that have weekly overplay to work in partnership with Havant Borough council and Hampshire FA to improve the quality of pitches and as part of a funding agreement provide a formal community use agreement.

2.65 There is no overall improvement on peak time use with this scenario except for mini soccer 7v7 and 5v5 which are not as intensely played as other pitch typologies. it only improves weekly capacity.

2023 Football Scenario - Improving Peak Time Overplay.

- 2.66 Emsworth Sub Area the only adult pitch that is overplayed at peak time is Emsworth Recreation Ground 1 MES. Hollybank Recreation Ground in the sub area is underplayed by 1 MES. These two sites counter each other to reduce peak time overplay.
- 2.67 Hayling Island Sub Area the only youth 11v11 pitch in Havant Borough that is overplayed at peak time is at Hayling College 1 MES. Hayling Park in the sub area has youth 11v11 pitches underplayed currently. These two sites counter each other to reduce peak time overplay.
- 2.68 Waterlooville Sub Area there is overplay of junior 9v9 pitches (1 MES) at Cowplain Community College this play could be transferred to the 3G AGP on site. There is also overplay of junior 9v9 (0.5 MES) pitches at Cowplain Recreation Ground. This could be accommodated by reconfiguring adult pitches at Waterlooville Recreation Ground.
- 2.69 Leigh Park Sub Area there is overplay of 9v9 (1.5 MES) at Front Lawn. This will require an alternative pitch off site to accommodate this over play. Havant Academy has spare capacity with adult pitches and a junior 9v9 to meet this overplay.
- 2.70 All mini soccer 7v7 and 5v5 overplay at peak time could be met from quality pitch improvements to improve weekly play at Cowplain School, Cowplain Recreation Ground and Crookhorn Technology College.

2023 Football Scenario – Loss of Access to School Sites & Providing Security of Tenure

- 2.71 In 2023 the main education sites that are used by community football clubs are identified as unsecured community use (the education facility can decide to stop community use at any time). So, this places pressure on capacity at peak time of play.
- 2.72 Line 1 in Table 20 below for all typologies identifies the total match equivalent sessions (MES) that provide secured and unsecured community use in the peak period currently and MES for latent demand and future population to 2042 added.
- 2.73 Line 2 in table 20 for each typology identifies total demand against total secured pitches only and shows the impact of the loss of access to school sites. Green boxes show under play and red boxes show overplay at peak time and a need for additional pitches at peak time. The loss of access to school sites identifies current adult 11v11 overplay of 4 MES rising to 11.18 MES in 2042, Youth 11v11 current overplay of 1 MES rising to 8.92 in 2042, junior 9v9 overplay of 3 MES rising to 11.25 MES in 2042, mini soccer 7v7 current overplay of 2 MES rising to 10.3 MES in 2042 and mini soccer 5v5 current overplay of 4.5 MES rising to 11.13 MES in 2042.
- 2.73 This identifies a need to ensure that all education sites have a formal community use agreement in place to ensure community use of pitches is safe guarded. An example of this is the formal community use agreement being put in place with Cowplain School currently as part of a planning condition.
- 2.74 Where there is external playing pitch investment on school sites, there are opportunities to secure community use as part of the funding, approval agreement or planning conditions. For such agreements, it is important to ensure that provision is both accessible at peak time and affordable.

Table 20: Impact on Capacity of MES at Peak time of Play 2023 and 2042 if Loss of Access to School Sites was to Occur.

Adult 11v11 Current and Future Overplay and Underplay	Match Equivalent Sessions (MES) Actual Overplay /Underplay in The Peak Period 2023	Match Equivalents Sessions (MES) Latent Demand Peak Period	Future Population Match Equivalent Sessions (MES) 2042 Peak Period	Total Overplay Underplay Match Equivalent Sessions (MES) 2042 Peak Period	
Line 1: Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	9	4	3.18	1.82	
Secured Community Use	4.5				
Unsecured Community Use	4.5				
Line 2: Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	4	4	3.18	11.18	
Youth 11v11 Current and Future Over	play and Underplay				
Line 1: Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	5	5	2.92	2.92	
Secured Community Use	4				
Unsecured Community Use	1				
Line 2: Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	1	5	2.92	8.92	
Junior 9v9 Current and Future Overpl	ay and Underplay				
Line 1: Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	2	5.5	2.75	6.25	
Secured Community Use	0.5				
Unsecured Community Use	2.5				
Line 2: Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	3	5.5	2.75	11.25	
Mini Soccer 7v7 Current and Future O	verplay and Underplay	1			
Line 1: Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	6	6.5	1.80	2.30	
Secured Community Use	3.5				
Unsecured Community Use	2.5				
Line 2: Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	2	6.5	1.80	10.3	
Mini Soccer 5v5 Current and Future Overplay and Underplay					
Line 1: Totals Secured and Unsecured Community Use	0.5	5	1.63	6.13	
Secured Community Use	0				
Unsecured Community Use	0.5				
Line 2: Total Demand Against Total Secured Pitches	4.5	5	1.63	11.13	

PPS 2023 Football Recommendations

- 1. Protect existing quantity of pitches unless replacement provision can meet Sport England Playing Fields Policy and suitable mitigation, or replacement provision is agreed and delivered.
- 2. Where pitches are overplayed and/or assessed as 'Poor' or 'Standard' quality, prioritise investment and review delivery model of maintenance and ensure maintenance is of an appropriate standard to sustain use and improve quality to a 'good' standard. Sites to be targeted are: Bidbury Meads, Emsworth Recreation Ground. Front Lawn, Hayling College, Hollybank, Hayling Park, Purbrook Heath and Cowplain School
- 3. Encourage use of PitchPower to assess pitch quality across all providers, especially local authority-maintained provision to maintain a current technical understanding of pitch quality and to evidence need for increased investment at priority sites.
- **4.** Support clubs and other eligible organisations to access funding through the likes of Football Foundation to improve quality of grass pitches and to sustain good quality once improved.
- 5. Consider the potential and feasibility for asset transfer or long-term leasehold to clubs which express interest and are considered realistically able to sustain and maintain sporting provision as required, allowing for greater opportunities to access external funding streams for facility development.
- **6.** Work to accommodate future demand as well as unmet and latent demand at sites which are not operating at capacity.
- 7. Provide security of tenure for clubs using remaining unsecured sites through community use agreements or through conditions of external investment, particularly at key education sites used by community clubs and teams.
- **8.** Ensure all teams are playing on the pitches of the correct size and, where possible, explore reconfiguration of adult pitches to accommodate youth 11v11 teams.
- 9. Improve ancillary facilities where there is a demand to do so and where it can benefit the wider footballing offer. Ensure any works provide suitability for female and disability access to facilitate increased football formats. Prioritise multi pitch sites and key sites for female participation and development, seek to provide access to toilet facilities as a minimum requirement at all sites.
- 10. Where a residential development is of a size to justify on-site football provision, (2 pitches or more) focus on the creation of multi-pitch sites that meet the new demand created by the development and existing shortfalls where possible, with accompanying clubhouse, access and car parking provision included given that single pitch sites without appropriate ancillary facilities can be unsustainable.
- 11. Where a development is not of a size to justify on-site football provision, secure contributions to improve existing sites within the locality, guided by the priorities identified within the PPS Action Plan and Havant Borough Local Football Facility Plan
- **12.** Update the Havant Borough Local Football Facility Plan based on the key findings of the PPS to focus plans for investment into Football Foundation investment into the improvement of facilities with partners.

3. Third Generation Turf (3G) and Artificial Grass Pitches (AGPS)

3.1. This section provides an analysis of the third-generation turf (3G) and artificial grass pitches. There are several surface types that fall into the category of artificial grass pitch (AGP). The three main groups are rubber crumb (also known as third generation turf or 3G), sand based (filled or dressed) and water based.

Surface	Category	Comments
Rubber crumb	Long Pile 3G (60mm with shock pad)	Rugby surface – must comply with World Rugby Regulation 22 and/or RFL Community Standard, requires a minimum of 60mm pile.
Rubber crumb	Medium Pile 3G (55-60mm)	Preferred football surface. Suitable for noncontact rugby union/league practice or play.
Rubber crumb	Short Pile 3G (40mm)	Acceptable surface for some competitive football.
Sand	Sand Filled	Competitive hockey and football training.
Sand	Sand Dressed	Preferred hockey surface and suitable for football training.
Water	Water based	Preferred hockey surface and suitable for football training if irrigated.

- 3.2. England Hockey's Artificial Grass Playing Surface Policy (June 2016) advises that 3G pitches should not be used for hockey matches or training and that they can only be used for lower-level hockey (introductory level) when no sand-based or water-based AGPs are available.
- 3.3. Competitive football can take place on 3G surfaces that have been FA or FIFA certified and a growing number of 3G pitches are now used for competitive match play when passed an approved test and registered on the FAs 3G pitch register at mini soccer and youth level. The recommended dimensions for a full size 3G artificial grass pitch for football are 100 x 64 metres. This extends to an area of 106 x 70 metres with the recommended minimum three metre run off area included. These dimensions allow for all age group match play to take place including adults, youth under 17/18 and younger age groups via overmarked pitches, e.g. the marking out of two 9v9 pitches for under 11/12s.
- 3.4. If a new pitch is proposed to measure below the recommended dimensions, then justification must be provided for this in relation to the identified needs it will provide for and/or site constraints. In doing so, the impacts of a reduced pitch size in meeting current and future needs must be considered, e.g. a pitch not providing the recommended dimensions for adult match play and/or only being able to accommodate one rather than two overmarked 9v9 pitches. This justification needs to be included in the planning application details submitted to the relevant Local Planning Authority for the new pitch.
- 3.5. Unless otherwise stated and justified for an individual pitch, proposals in this PPS for any new 3G artificial grass pitches are based on providing them to the recommended dimensions.
- 3.6. World Rugby (WR) produced the 'Performance Specification for Artificial Grass Pitches for Rugby', more commonly known as 'Regulation 22' that provides the necessary technical detail to produce pitch systems that are appropriate for rugby. The artificial surface standards identified in Regulation 22 allows matches to be played on surfaces that meet the standard. Full contact activity, including tackling, rucking, mauling, and lineouts can take place.

- 3.7. All full-size World Rugby compliant 3G pitches feature on the RFU register, including expiry dates of certification. Upon registration, World Rugby compliancy is valid for two years before renewal and retesting is required.
- 3.8. Competitive rugby league plays and contact practice is permitted to take place on 3G pitches which are deemed by the RFL to meet its Performance Standard for Synthetic Turf Pitches. Pitches fall under two categories; community club pitches which require retesting every two years and elite stadia pitches which require an annual retest.
- 3.9. Much of the criteria within the RFL performance standard test also forms part of the World Rugby test, consequently World Rugby certified 3G pitches are considered by the RFL to be able to meet rugby league requirements and are deemed suitable for rugby league use subject to passing an additional exclusive RFL performance standard test.

Current Provision

3G Football Turf Artificial Grass Pitches (FTPs)

3.10. Table 22 shows the existing full size 3G AGPs in Havant:

Table 22: Existing 3G AGPs, World Rugby Regulation 22 AGP and Hockey AGP - Havant

Site	Sub Area	Community Accessible	Year Built / Refurbished	Size	Floodlit	FA/RFU Registered	Availability Peak time Usage Monday to Friday 5.00pm – 10.00pm and Weekends
Warblington School	Havant and Bedhampton	Yes	2016	3G AGP Full size	Yes	Yes FA, Expires 2025	Available 18.00 - 21.00 Monday - Friday, Saturday 09.00 - 16.00, Sunday 09.00 - 14.00 Occupancy: Available half AGP Monday 18.00 to 21.00. Available half AGP Tuesday 18.00 - 19.00, fully booked 19.00 - 21.00. Wednesday, Thursday & Friday Fully Booked 18.00 - 21.00 Saturday Fully booked 09.00 - 11.00 and 13.30 - 15.30. Sunday Fully booked 10.00 - 11.30 and 12.30 - 14.00.

Site	Sub Area	Community Accessible	Year Built / Refurbished	Size	Floodlit	FA/RFU Registered	Availability Peak time Usage Monday to Friday 5.00pm – 10.00pm and Weekends
Havant and Waterlooville FC Westleigh Park	Leigh Park	Yes	2020	Full size	Yes	Yes FA, expires May 23	Whilst available to book it should be noted that the 3G is restricted in use due to the level of play by Havant and Waterlooville FC and midweek matches Occupancy availability 900pm — 10.00pm Monday and Friday evenings. Horndean United train on the pitch 2 hours per week. Hawks Walking Football Monday AM, Weds PM, and Friday AM Match Play Clanfield, Havant and Waterlooville Men's and Women, Bedhampton Youth U17,
Cowplain Community School	Waterlooville	Yes – Secured through a community Use Agreement	Built 2007 refurbished 2019.	3G AGP Full size	Yes	Yes FA, Expires 2024	Available for hire Monday – Friday 5.30pm - 9.30pm Saturday and Sunday 10.00am – 5.30pm Occupancy Peak time only available 8.00pm – 10.00pm Monday and Friday. Cowplain Youth FC and Adults have 5 hours use a week.

Site	Sub Area	Community Accessible	Year Built / Refurbished	Size	Floodlit	FA/RFU Registered	Availability Peak time Usage Monday to Friday 5.00pm – 10.00pm and Weekends
Front Lawn Recreation Ground	Leigh Park	Yes – Secured through a	Yes Built 2016	3G AGP Full	Yes	Yes FA, Expires 2024	Available every day 8.30 am – 10.00 pm.
		community Use agreement. Hampshire FA operate the 3G AGP and changing rooms on behalf of Havant Council.		Size			Occupancy Evening training slots currently available: Monday – 8pm -9pm half pitch Monday – 9pm – 10pm full pitch Tuesday – 9pm – 10pm half pitch Friday 4pm – 5pm Full pitch Friday 5pm – 6pm Half pitch Friday 9pm – 10pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 10pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 5pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 5pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 10pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 10pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 10pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 20pm Full pitch Friday 9pm – 10pm
Havant RFC	Havant and Bedhampton	Yes	Yes Built 2016	RFU World Rugby Regula tion 22	Yes	Yes FA & RFU, FA Expires 2026, RFU Expires 2024	week. Available Mon – Fri 09.00 am – 10.00pm Sat and Sun – 09.00am – 5.00pm

Site	Sub Area	Community Accessible	Year Built / Refurbished	Size	Floodlit	FA/RFU Registered	Availability Peak time Usage Monday to Friday 5.00pm – 10.00pm and Weekends
				Full Size			Occupancy: RFU state availability Monday and Friday evenings only. Used by Havant RFU Club 12 hours per week, local schools other RFU clubs and Hampshire RFU coaching courses etc.
Havant and South Downs College (South Downs)	Waterlooville	Yes	Built 2013	3G AGP Full Size	Yes	Yes, Expires 2025	Available 5.00pm – 9.30pm Monday – Friday and Saturday 9.00am – 1.00pm Occupancy available to hire 8.00pm - 10.00pm Monday and Friday. Bedhampton Village Ladies train 2 hours per week. Purbrook youth tU7 – U10 train Fridays 5.30pm – 6.30pm and U11 – U16
Park Community School	Leigh Park	Yes	Built 2013	3G AGP Full Size	Yes	Yes, Expires May 2023	Fridays 6.30pm - 8.00pm Available Monday - Friday 5.00pm - 10.00pm Saturday and Sunday 9.00am - 5.00pm. Occupancy: Peak time availability Monday 8.00pm - 10.00pm and Friday 7.00pm - 10.00pm Used by Widbrook youth 8 hrs per week.

Site	Sub Area	Community Accessible	Year Built / Refurbished	Size	Floodlit	FA/RFU Registered	Availability Peak time Usage Monday to Friday 5.00pm – 10.00pm and Weekends
Purbrook Park School	Waterlooville	Yes	No	3G AGP Small 15m x 34m	Yes	No	Available dawn to Dusk Occupancy: Peak time available Monday 9.00pm – 10.00pm Tuesday 8.00pm 10.00pm Friday 8.00pm – 10.00pm
Purbrook Park School	Waterlooville	Yes	No	3G AGP Small 20m x 17m	Yes	No	Available dawn to Dusk Occupancy: Peak time available Monday 9.00pm – 10.00pm Tuesday 9.00pm 10.00pm Friday 7.00pm – 10.00pm
Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) PO9 1QL	Havant & Bedhampton	Education – Unsecured 1 year rolling agreement	2003 Maximum 2 years life left in the water based AGP. Water system – 3 of the six cannons no longer work it is an aged system. Sports Lighting requires replacing but would be very expensive and probably not the right time whilst seeking new AGP facilities. Changing rooms are. inadequate to host community sport and need replacing. 'Poor' quality rating	Water Based Full Size AGP 97 x 61	Yes	No	Monday – Friday 18.00 – 22.00 Sat & Sun 09.00 - 18.00 Some Men's 1st team games start at 6.30pm.

- 3.11. There is 1 x water based AGP that is suitable for hockey. This is at Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) used by Havant Hockey Club. The water based AGP requires replacing and there is a need for 2 hockey AGPs in Havant. Havant Hockey Club are negotiating with the school to either lease or purchase land at Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus) and provide 2 x AGPs and a clubhouse.
- 3.12. There is a World Rugby Regulation 22 AGP at Havant Rugby Club (Havant and Bedhampton) that is RFU and FA registered. There is a need to consider additional use by Havant Rugby Club on top of the clubs secured 12 MES per week.
- 3.13. There are 2 x small 3G AGPs at Purbrook Park School in Waterlooville that provide community use.
- 3.14. In total there are 6 other 3G AGPs, all full size. All are FA 3G Pitch registered and have floodlights. These are:
 - Warblington School Havant and Bedhampton
 - Park Community School Leigh Park
 - Havant and Waterlooville FC Westleigh Park Leigh Park
 - Front Lawn Leigh Park
 - Cowplain Community School Waterlooville
 - Havant and South Downs College (South downs) Waterlooville
- 3.15. There is spare capacity of 3G AGPs on Mondays and Friday evenings. This is the time football clubs do not wish to use these facilities and there is also spare capacity at weekends.
- 3.16. In the Emsworth Sub Area, Emsworth Youth (15 teams) has stated it aspires to provide a 3G AGP in the Emsworth sub area or nearby in West Sussex.
- 3.17. In the Waterlooville Sub Area, Berewood Panthers (9 teams), Cowplain Youth (6 teams), have both stated they have issues accessing the 3G AGP at Cowplain School for training mid-week.
- 3.18. Hayling Island Sub Area has no 3G AGP provision and this causes access issues for Hayling St Andrews (11 teams) and Hayling United (6 teams). Both clubs have stated they have issues accessing a 3G pitch for training mid-week as they must send teams off the island to use a 3G pitch facility hence they currently train on grass pitches.
- 3.19. The way 3G AGPs are used is rapidly changing; current line-marking systems allow for match play across all formats of football (5 v 5, 7 v 7, 9 v 9 and 11 v 11). This enables significant levels of matchplay to be transferred from grass to 3G.

Future Provision 3G AGPs

3.20. The Havant Local Football Facilities Plan (LFPP) 2020 states:

"The geographic spread of existing facilities is even; with the mainland well served, however, there is no provision on Hayling Island, and it is recommended that this is addressed. Local club consultation supports this, with both Hayling United and Hayling St Andrew both having to travel north to access 3G provision. Clubs also highlighted the high level of demand from clubs in Portsmouth looking to access facilities in Havant. Their use of venues reduces availability for local clubs. This is, in part, a consequence of the significant shortfall of 3G provision in Portsmouth, which the City's LFFP will. address."

3.21. Local club consultation undertaken for the PPS review still supports the need for 3G AGP on Hayling Island.

- 3.22. A new 3G facility is being constructed at Cosham Football Hub on the Portsmouth City Council and Havant Council borders. This hopefully will provide for Portsmouth City football clubs who currently may train on Havant 3G pitches and release capacity that can be used by local teams such as Berewood Panthers and Cowplain Youth in the Waterlooville Sub Area.
- 3.23. Emsworth Youth FC at this time aspires for a 3G pitch to be provided in the sub area r nearby at a college site across the border in West Sussex. Emsworth Youth have 15 teams. The club may wish to explore a partnership arrangement in seeking funding for a 3G AGP with clubs in West Sussex to pursue its aspiration for a 3G AGP.

Supply and Demand Analysis 3G AGPs.

FA Training Model

- 3.24. The FA considers high quality third generation artificial grass pitches as an essential tool in promoting coach and player development. AGPs can support intensive use and as such are great assets for both playing and training. Primarily such facilities have been installed for community use and training, however, are increasingly used for competition which The FA wholly supports.
- 3.25. The FA's long-term ambition is to provide every affiliated team in England the opportunity to train once per week on floodlit 3G surface, together with priority access for every Charter Standard Community Club through a partnership agreement. The FA standard estimates that a full size AGP can service 38 teams.
- 3.26. Theoretically If every football team in Havant was to remain training within the analysis area, there would be a requirement for 4 3G AGPs (3.72 rounded up). See Table 24; below.
- 3.27. The theoretical model assumes 38 football teams per full size 3G AGP. The number of teams in each sub area includes walking and disability football teams. The Leigh Park current number of 3G AGPs has been reduced from 3 to 2.5 to take into consideration the restrictions of use on the Westleigh Park 3G AGP particularly for mid-week use for training.
- 3.28. Two teams from the Waterlooville sub area have complained about access issues with regards to midweek training use of 3G AGPs. These are, Cowplain Youth who have 6 teams and with the adult Cowplain football team have 5 hours use at Cowplain 3G AGP. The second team is Berewood Panthers who have 9 teams and complain they cannot access 3G AGPs for mid-week training. Assuming that Cowplain Youth and adults can be accommodated within the current 5 hours of use. This leaves Berewood Panthers 9 teams with access issues. The 9 teams have been added to the future needs of the Waterlooville sub area in Table 24 below.
- 3.29. The use of the Cowplain 3G AGP should be revisited once the provision of the new 3G facility being constructed at Cosham Football Hub on the Portsmouth City Council and Havant Council borders is open. This hopefully will provide for Portsmouth City football clubs who currently may train on Havant 3G pitches such as Cowplain 3G AGP and free up use for local teams such as Berewood Panthers and additional use if required by Cowplain Youth.
- 3.30. The provision of 3G AGPs in Emsworth and Hayling Island Sub areas currently considers the existing team numbers and future team numbers.
- 3.31. Havant Borough Council is undertaking a local plan review, The 'Building a Better Future Plan' will be the Local Plan for Havant Borough. Local plans are at the heart of the planning system and every local authority in England is required by Government to prepare one. The local plan addresses the needs and opportunities for development in an area setting out how much, what type and where development will take place over at least a 15-year period.

- 3.32. It also sets out how development should take place, what infrastructure is required to support development and how harm is avoided. The new Local Plan will run until 2042.
- 3.33. New housing needs for Havant are currently estimated at 516 per year. Between 2023 and 2042 (19 years) there will be a need for 9,804 new houses.
- 3.34. Based upon the same methodology as the previous 2017 Havant Playing Pitch Strategy, the 9,804 -proposed allocation of new homes is multiplied by the average persons per dwelling (2.27 persons)², giving a projected population increase of 22,255 residents by 2042. For this strategy, the increase of 22,255 residents has been used in future provision calculations and the Playing Pitch Calculator Tool. New populations will provide opportunities for new teams.
- 3.35. Havant Football Clubs have stated they have an aspiration over the next couple of seasons to increase the number of teams by:
 - 3 x adult men's teams.
 - 3 x adult women's teams.
 - 5 x youth 11v11 boy's teams
 - 4 x youth 1v11 girls' team
 - 7 x junior 9v9 boy's teams
 - 4 x junior 9v9 girl's teams
 - 12 x 7v7 mini soccer teams and
 - 10 x 5x5 mini soccer teams.
- 3.36. Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool should be used to identify team generation rates and need for playing pitches as and when planning applications are agreed.
- 3.37. The increase in population of 22,255 people between 2023 and 2042 with the existing football team numbers by typology has been input into Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool and the outputs from the Calculator for future match equivalent sessions to 2042 have been identified.
- 3.38. The output of teams from population increases and the Playing Pitch Calculator is shown in the table below:

Table 23: Team numbers Required from Future Population – Playing Pitch Calculator Tool

Typology	Number of New Teams 2042	New Match Equivalent Sessions 2042
Men 11v11 (16-45yrs)	5.48	2.74
Women 11v11 (16-45yrs)	1.28	0.64
Boys 11v11 (12-15yrs)	5.85	2.93
Girls 11v11 (12-15yrs)	0.37	0.18
Boys 9v9 (10-11yrs)	5.67	2.83
Girls 9v9 (10-11yrs)	0.18	0.09
Mixed 7v7 (8-9yrs)	3.84	1.92
Mixed 5v5 (6-7yrs)	3.47	1.74
Totals	26.14	13.07

² Department for Communities and Local Government 2014-based Household Projections: England, 2014-2039 – Household average size projected 2029 of 2.27 persons per household

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- 3.39. The increase in future team numbers using the team numbers for population growth from the table above by 2042 is 22 (21.14 rounded up) plus the unmet demand for 52 teams that football clubs believe they will create over the next two seasons. This totals 74 teams in the future.
- 3.40. The unmet demand has been distributed to the sub areas where the football clubs with unmet demand play. The Playing Pitch Calculator identified population increase of 22 teams have been distributed across the sub areas.
- 3.41. When applying the above methodology on a Havant Council basis there is a current need for 4 (3.72 rounded up) full size 3G pitches, rising to 6 (5.57 rounded up) to cater for future demand in 2042. There are 6 full size 3G AGPs which currently service Havant. In addition, there is an RFU World Regulation 22 AGP that is also FA registered.

Analysis Sub Area	Current No. of Teams	Current Requirement	Current No. of Full size 3G	Current Shortfall	Future Number of Teams 2042	Future Requirement 2042	Future Shortfall 2042
Hayling Island	17	0.45	0	0.45	23	0.60	0.60
Emsworth	15	0.39	0	0.39	19	0.50	0.50
Havant and Bedhampton	15	0.39	1	0.61	17	0.44	0.56
Leigh Park	54	1.42	2.5	1.08	95	2.50	0
Waterlooville	41	1.07	2	0.93	58 + 9 = 67	1.53 or 1.76	0.50 or 0.27
Havant Total	142	3 72	5.5	1 78	212 + 9	5.57or	0.07 Or

Table 24: Current demand for 3G pitches in Havant for Affiliated Football Team Training (38 teams per pitch)

- 3.42. In conclusion, there is a sufficient supply of full size 3G pitches to meet current training demand across the Borough. The issue is that there are 2 sub areas where there are no 3G AGPs. These are Hayling Island and Emsworth and there are current access issues in the Waterlooville Sub Area at Cowplain School.
- 3.43. The Havant and Waterlooville FC 3G AGP in the Leigh Park sub area has less community use due to match play mid-week by the home team in national league competition. The community use level is capped to ensure FIFA pitch standards are maintained as required by the league. The Leigh Park sub area current level of 3G AGP provision has been reduced from 3 to 2.5 to provide for the reduction in community use at Westleigh Park.
- 3.44. The Waterlooville sub area 3G AGP future provision has included the number of Berewood Youth Teams of 9 in the future projections. The club has stated that it has issues accessing a 3G AGP in the sub area for training needs. However as previously stated this should be revisited following the opening of the Cosham Football Hub 3G AGPs in Portsmouth on the border with Havant. Cosham Football Hub in mild local traffic is only 13 minutes from Cowplain Community Schools 3G AGP.
- 3.45. There is some capacity for football use at the Havant Rugby Club World Regulation 22 AGP, this capacity is a Monday and Friday evening which are not suitable times for football training.
- 3.46. When using the theoretical FA model of 38 teams to 1 3G AGP, the projected future need to 2042 shows that when considering the reduced community usage of Westleigh Park and Berewood Panthers access issues there is a small deficit of 3G AGPs in the future across the Borough.

- 3.47. 0.07 deficit growing to 0.30 deficit when considering Berewood Panthers access issues, A review of Cowplain School 3G AGP when Cosham Football Hub (Portsmouth) is up and running will confirm the level of need required in the future.
- 3.48. Smaller 9v9 3G AGPs may be suitable for training purposes at Hayling Island and Front Lawn in the future.
- 3.49. To ensure that current and any future supply are maintained to a good enough standard to accommodate demand, providers are encouraged to put sinking funds in place to ensure long-term sustainability. Annual budgets must include a sink fund to provide funds for replacing the surface every 7 -10 years depending on use and future maintenance regimes. This will allow for re-surfacing to take place when required and will ensure that FA certification remains in place.
- 3.50. Any new 3G pitches should comply with FA certification once installed and be placed on the FA 3G Pitch Register to allow for match play as well as training.
- 3.51. Looking at a scenario of moving all current matches for 5v5, 7v7 and 9v9 match play to 3G AGPs, would require 2.5 x full size 3G AGPs for 9v9, 1.32 x full size 3G AGPs for 7v7 and 0.6 x full size 3G AGPs for 5v5. A total requirement of 4.42 or 5 full size 3G AGPs rounded up.
- 3.52. There are currently sufficient 3G AGPs (5) across HBC to meet the current match play requirements for 5v5, 7v7 and 9v9 weekend match play. However, Hayling United and Hayling St Andrew teams would have to travel north leaving Hayling Island to access 3G provision if match play for 9v9,7v7 and 5v5 was only played on 3G AGPs. Emsworth Youth would have less distance to travel to use either Havant and Bedhampton or Leigh Park sub area AGPs.
- 3.53. The 5 available 3G AGPs in this scenario exclude the Havant and Waterlooville FC 3G AGP at Westleigh Park.
- 3.54. If the use of 3G AGPs for match play was required in the future. The sub areas would require the following 3G AGPs to meet the match play current need for 9v9, 7v7 and 5v5:
 - Waterlooville 2 x 3G AGPs there are currently 2 x 3G AGPs in the sub area.
 - Havant and Bedhampton 0.21 x 3G AGPs There is currently 1 x 3G AGP in the sub area.
 - Leigh Park 1.125 x 3G AGPs there are currently 2 x 3G AGPs in the sub area. Excluding Westleigh Park.
 - Emsworth 0.65 x 3G AGPs there are currently 0 x 3G AGPs in the sub area.
 - Hayling Island 0.46 x 3G AGPs there are currently 0 x 3G AGPs in the sub area.

Third Generation Turf (3G), Artificial Grass Pitches and World rugby Regulation 22 AGPs Summary Review PPS 2017 – 2023 and Key Issues

Third Generation (3G) Key Issues

The current supply of 3G AGPs across HBC is sufficient to meet training needs of HBC teams when applying the theoretical FA model 38 teams to 1 full size 3G AGP. However, access issues of 3G AGPs have been highlighted for mid-week training by Emsworth Youth FC, Berewood Panthers FC, Cowplain Youth FC, Hayling St Andrew FC, and Hayling United FC.,

Once the Cosham Football Hub site (Portsmouth) is opened, the Cowplain School 3G AGP usage should be reviewed to identify if access has improved for local clubs such as Berewood Panthers and Cowplain Youth at the Cowplain School 3G AGP.

If access is still an issue consideration of an additional 3G AGP in the Waterlooville Sub Area should be considered alongside Rugby Union AGP needs to meet current training overcapacity at Hook Lane by Havant Rugby Club.

All education sites with 3G AGPs have FA Registration currently. This should continue and formal community use agreements should be put in place to secure community use for the foreseeable future.

With 5 x 3G AGPs in secured community use (excluding Westleigh Park) the existing 3G AGPs can provide for existing 9v9, 7v7 and 5v5 match play use except for Hayling Island and Emsworth sub areas.

A 3G AGP should be considered if the opportunity arises at Hayling Island College to meet the training needs of the Hayling Island football clubs. An additional 9v9 3G AGP at Front Lawn would reduce overplay of the natural grass pitches at the site.

Emsworth Youth FC should consider partnership arrangements with local clubs and the College in West Sussex. Emsworth youth has suggested as part of the consultation they would like to explore the provision of a 3G AGP at this site.

AGP – Hockey Use Key Issues

The water based AGP at Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) requires replacing and there is a need for 2 hockey AGPs in Havant (1 replacement for existing and 1 additional AGP). Havant Hockey Club are negotiating with the school to either lease or purchase land at Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus) and provide 2 x AGPs and a clubhouse. There are 2 youth 11v11 football pitches used by the school and not by the local community. However, the school will need to identify how it will play football if the playing field is to be leased or purchased by Havant Hockey Club. There is a scarcity of land for such provision in Havant. If it is not possible to provide the facilities at Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) then consideration should be given to partnerships with nearby hockey clubs in Portsmouth to identify if there is additional land in Portsmouth that could provide such a facility.

World Rugby Regulation 22 – Key Issues

There is a World Rugby Regulation 22 AGP at Havant Rugby Club (Havant and Bedhampton) that is RFU and FA registered. There is a need to consider the possibility of an additional World rugby 22 AGP at Havant Rugby Club if current and future capacity cannot be met by improving pitch quality and floodlights. As an alternative work with the FA if additional provision of an AGP is being considered in Havant borough.

3G Artificial Grass Pitch and Artificial Grass Pitch Recommendations 2023

- 1. Ensure that any new 3G pitches are constructed to meet NGB compliant dimensions that are appropriate for that sport, format of play and the appropriate quality performance standards that meet the performance testing criteria.
- Protect the existing stock of 3G pitches.
- 3. Retain all certified 3G pitches on the respective sporting registers and ensure certification of each is renewed through performance standard testing.
- **4.** Maximise use of capacity where available at weekends to accommodate match play, to reduce grass pitch shortfalls.
- **5.** Ensure that any new 3G pitches have community use agreements in place. Where current sites have 3G pitch provision ensure formal community use agreements are in place.
- 6. Ensure all 3G pitch providers put in place a sinking fund to meet the cost of carpet and sports lighting replacement/refurbishment to ensure long-term pitch sustainability.
- 7. Encourage increased match play on 3G AGPs for football by providing multi line-marking solutions to allow for match-play across all formats of football (5v5, 7v7, 9v9 and 11v11). This will enable significant levels of match-play to be transferred from grass to 3G, particularly mini soccer and junior 9v9, this will help to alleviate over play of existing grass pitches and allow for the grass pitches where transfer of play occurs to be reconfigured for alternative football play if necessary and ensure that 3G pitches remain suitable to accommodate such demand through appropriate 3G AGP Registration. Provision of a 9v9 3G AGP at Front Lawn would reduce overplay of the natural grass pitches on site.
- **8.** Partners should explore demand for 3G pitches in the Hayling Island Sub Area. There may well be opportunities at Hayling Island College for provision of a 3G AGP in the future.
- 9. Emsworth Youth may wish to seek a partnership with a West Sussex football club to further explore the clubs' aspirations for a 3G AGP close to the Emsworth sub area.
- 10. Once the Cosham football Hub site is operational a review should be undertaken of usage at Cowplain School 3G AGP. This is to ascertain if access for midweek training has been improved for local clubs in the Waterlooville Sub Area such as Cowplain Youth and Berewood Panthers. If access is still an issue consideration should be given to provision of an additional 3G AGP in the sub area and consultation with the RFU should be undertaken to identify if a new facility could accommodate rugby as well as football.

4. Rugby Union

4.1. This section to the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy Review 2023 Assessment Report details the current picture of facility supply and demand for the playing pitch sport of **rugby union** - at playing field sites in the borough.

Pitch Supply (Step 2)

- 4.2. For all the playing pitch sports included in the scope of the PPS for Havant Borough, the supply information has been gathered, as far as possible, by a combination of data collection and review, and face to face consultations with all clubs.
- 4.3. Sources of information The sources of information used to establish current pitch supply were latest Sport England Active Places Power audit for playing pitches; relevant NGB, county board and club websites; NGB insight data (where available); face to face consultation with Havant Rugby Club based in Havant Borough and information provided by school's surveys.
- 4.4. Site visits and inspections Visits to the rugby pitches in Havant Borough and visual, non-technical inspection.

Rugby Supply

4.5. Findings relating to rugby pitch supply in Havant Borough is summarised below.

Number and sizes of pitches.

4.6. In the 2022/23 season, there were 7 sites providing 10 senior natural grass rugby pitches across Havant Borough and 1 World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP.

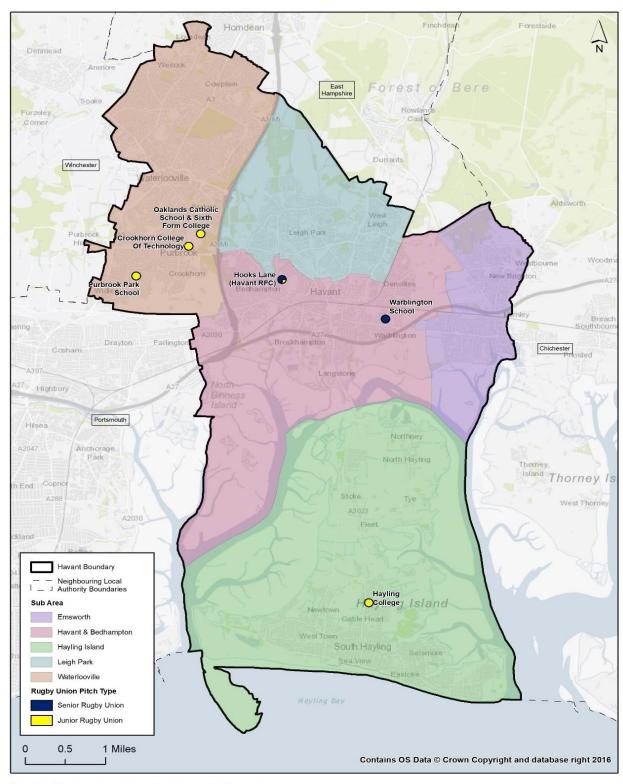
Table 25: Havant Rugby Union Pitches by sub-Area

Sub Area	Site	Number of Senior Pitches	Secured Community use
	The Cowplain school	1	No
	Crookhorn College	1	No
Waterlooville	Oakland's Catholic School	2	No
	Purbrook Park School	1	No
Hayling Island	The Hayling College	1	No
Havant and Bedhampton	Havant Rugby Club PO9 3EG	3 Grass (1 floodlit planning application in that meets RFU match play standards 100 Lux) +1 World Rugby Regulation 22 Compliant 3G AGP (RFU and FA Registered)	Yes
	Warblington School	1	No

Secured Community Use Pitches

4.7. Map location of rugby pitches across Havant

Map 2: Location of rugby pitches across Havant.



Rugby Union sites by pitch type in Havant



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Secured Community Use Pitches

- 4.8. There is 1 secured community use club site in Havant Borough, and this is in the Havant and Bedhampton sub area:
 - Havant and Bedhampton Sub Area Havant Rugby Club Hooks Lane
- 4.9. Havant Rugby Club have a World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP in front of the clubhouse. This is a new pitch since the 2017 Havant PPS. There are 3 additional grass pitches. Pitch 2 is adjacent to the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP and is floodlit (planning application submitted to renew floodlights which will meet RFU match play requirements 100 Lux), Pitch 3 is adjacent to Pitch 2 and Pitch 4 runs along the end of Pitch 2 and 3 with a drainage ditch along one side. The club has an area of grass which has 1 rugby goal post. The grass area is used for training.
- 4.10. Havant Rugby Football Club hold a Head Lease for the World Rugby Regulation 22 AGP and the clubhouse from Havant Borough Council. The AGP is managed by the RFU who have sub leased the AGP from Havant Rugby Football Club. The RFU manage and administer all bookings and it can be booked through the RFUs web site. The World Rugby Regulation 22 AGP has secured community use. The natural grass rugby pitches on site are rented to the club on a use-by-use basis and are secured as sports pitches but not necessarily as rugby pitches. The public always have access to the pitches except for the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant pitch.
- 4.11. The remaining 6 senior rugby pitch sites provide 7 senior pitches that are unsecured community use on education sites in education ownership.

Pitch Quality Community Use Rugby Union Sites.

- 4.12. All sites have been visited and non-technical site assessments have been undertaken to provide an overall quality score that is in line with the RFU guidance provided below. Face to face consultation has taken place with Havant Rugby Club.
- 4.13. The maintenance and drainage scores determine the capacity of a pitch in match equivalents. The drainage scores are based upon a pipe drained system at 5m centers that has been installed in the last eight years; and a slit drained system at 1m centers. If systems are beyond this, then they are natural drainage adequate or inadequate depends on pitch condition.

Table 26: RFU pitch assessment guidance

Droinago	Maintenance					
Drainage	Poor (M0)	Standard (M1)	Good (M2)			
Natural Inadequate (D0)	0.5	1.5	2			
Natural Adequate (D1)	1.5	2	3			
Pipe Drained (D2)	1.75	2.5	3.25			
Pipe and Slit Drained (D3)	2	3	3.5			

4.14. The table below shows the pitch scores following a non-technical quality assessment of the pitches that are used by the community for rugby in Havant Borough and discussions with the Havant Rugby Club.

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Table 27: Community sites and individual pitch capacity

Site Name	Type of pitch	Drainage Score	Pitch maintenance score	Pitch Capacity	Overall capacity of site
		2023	2023	2023	2023
Havant RUFC	Pitch 1 3G AGP (Main pitch outside clubhouse) club has secured use of 12 hours a week. 12 hours divided by 1.5 hours (1 MES) gives the club a secured 8 MES on the AGP each week			8	
Havant RUFC	Pitch 2 (Floodlit)	D0	M1	1.5	12.5
Havant RUFC	Pitch 3	D0	M1	1.5	
Havant RUFC	Pitch 4	D0	M1	1.5	

- 4.15. The club has a Ground Management Association (GMA) review each year and the report has said that the pitches are improving. There is a gap in what maintenance that Havant Borough Council can afford and what is recommended by the GMA to improve the capacity of the pitches. The club states that the whole site is on a slope. The World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant pitch has good levels, but the rest of the site needs to be regraded. None of the grass pitches have drainage on a very heavy clay soil. In the past two years Havant Rugby Club has paid for and implemented winter maintenance regimes to improve pitch capacity as recommended by the GMA.
- 4.16. Pitch 2 is used as the training pitch with floodlights. The existing floodlights need renewing and changing to LEDs. The Club have received planning permission (July 2023) to renew and upgrade the floodlights on pitch 2. The upgrade work has taken place and is completed. The planning application requested an extension to the operating hours of the new floodlights to fit with what has been happening over the past few years, trying to formalise the current situation of floodlight use.
- 4.17. The funding for the floodlights has been raised by debentures and the new floodlights meet RFU floodlighting guidance for match and training requirements for 100 Lux. The condition of planning permission includes the following:
 - "The lights hereby approved shall not be switched on before 08:00 and shall be switched off by 21:15 Monday to Friday and shall not be switched on Saturday, Sundays and any recognised public holiday unless otherwise agreed by the Local Planning Authority."
- 4.18. Pitch 2, 3 and 4 become waterlogged in the winter months and then freeze. Pitch 4 particularly due to the close location to a drainage ditch along one side. The grass pitches have undergone an infiltration test to measure the infiltration rates and drainage capacity of the soil.
- 4.19. The grounds of the club are open for public access and there have been incidents with young people on motorbikes riding round the pitches in broad day light with young rugby players on site. The World Rugby Regulation 22 complaint pitch has been set on fire in the past and the club manage the situation by encouraging and working with the youth.

Clubhouse and Carpark

4.20. The clubhouse received a £200,000 refurbishment in 2019, Havant Rugby Club has a brand-new clubroom, expanded kitchen and creche facility downstairs. The club made the decision to provide a club house that pays a return through events and hospitality lettings to provide income to provide sustainability for the club. The club has stated there is a need to upgrade the kitchen to support the successful event and hospitality trade being catered for.

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- 4.21. In 2022 with money raised from an auction the club leased an old maintenance hut (The Galley) from the local authority and created a fitness gym, physio room and 4 changing rooms. The club at most see this as a 5-year project.
- 4.22. The aim for the club is to provide a second pavilion adjacent to the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP that will become the players pavilion with changing rooms that meet RFU regulations and guidance for female and male use and the existing club house is the business income generator providing for hospitality, conferences, and events.
- 4.23. The club are currently investigating how to reduce its energy costs. They have been in a contract that has not yet impacted on energy costs. This comes to an end in 2024 and the club are considering an investment into reducing electricity costs with solar panels on the clubhouse.
- 4.24. There are issues with car parking. HRFC have agreements with local schools for additional parking and will provide Parking Marshalls on Match days and Sundays. The car park is shared with other users of the Site. An old multi use games area on site is currently (June 2023) being converted to a carpark, increasing carparking space from 49 to 102.

Pitch Demand (Step 3)

- 4.25. For all four sports of the main playing pitch sports, the following pitch demand information, has been gathered, as available, by a combination of data collection and review, surveys, and face to face club consultations:
- 4.26. The sources of information used to establish current rugby pitch demand were:
 - Face to face consultations with Havant Rugby Club.
 - Sport England tools i.e., Active Places Power and Sports Market Segmentation (SMS) trends and latent demand.
 - Club and league websites.

Rugby Demand

4.27. Findings relating to rugby pitch demand in Havant Borough for the 2022/23 season are summarised below.

Clubs and Teams

4.28. Havant Rugby club had the following teams 2022/23:

Men's

- 1ST XV Train Tuesdays (0.50 MES) and Thursdays (0.50 MES) floodlit pitches play Saturday pm (0.50 MES).
- Dolphins Train Tuesdays (0.50 MES) and Thursday (0.50 MES) floodlit pitches play Saturday pm (0.50 MES).
- A XV Train Tuesdays (0.50 MES) and Thursday (0.50 MES) floodlit pitches play Saturday pm (0.50 MES).
- Mighty Mariners over 35s winners of Hants Vets Cup train with Dolphins and A XV Tuesdays (0.50 MES) and Thursdays (0.50 MES) floodlit pitches.
- Academy Under 18 1st Train Tuesdays (0.50 MES) and Thursdays (0.5 MES) floodlit pitches play Sundays pm (0.5 MES).
- Academy Under 18s 2nd Train Tuesdays (0.50 MES) and Thursdays (0.50 MES) floodlit pitches play Sundays pm (0.5 MES).

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Boy's Juniors

- Boy's Under 16's. Train midweek (0.50 MES) play or Train Sunday AM (0.5 MES)
- Boy's Under 15's Train midweek (0.50 MES) play or Train Sunday AM (0.50 MES).
- Boy's U14's Train midweek (0.50 MES) play or Train Sunday AM (0.50 MES).
- Boy's U13's Train midweek (0.50 MES) play or Train Sunday AM (0.50 MES).

Women's

- Ladies Southeast League Rugby Train Wednesdays 3G pitch (0.50 MES) play matches or train Sunday PM (0.50 MES).
- Sirens Train Wednesdays 3G pitch (0.50 MES) play or train Sunday PM (0.5 MES).
- Girls Academy Train Tuesday evenings (0.50 MES) play or train Sunday PM (0.50 MES).

Junior Girls

- Girl's U16's Train Wednesdays (0.50 MES) play or train Sunday PM (0.50 MES).
- Girl's U15s Train Wednesdays (0.50 MES) and play or train Sunday PM (0.50 MES).
- Girl's U14's Train Wednesdays (0.50 MES) and play or train Sunday pm (0.50 MES).
- Girls U13's Train Wednesdays (0.50 MES) and play or train Sunday PM (0.50 MES).

Minis

- U12 Sunday AM (0.25 MES)
- U11 Sunday AM (0.25 MES)
- U10 Sunday AM (0.25 MES)
- U9 Sunday AM (0.25 MES)
- U8 Sunday AM (0.25 MES)
- U7 Sunday AM (0.25 MES)
- U6 Little Dolphins Sunday AM (0.25 MES)
- 4.29. The club has stated that in total there are about 200 playing members of the senior club, another 450 Mini & Junior players and approximately 1000 Club members overall. It is the most successful rugby club in Hampshire. Currently the club is closed to new mini members, this is due to space constraints.

Training and Match Demand

- 4.30. In addition to the above usage of Havant Rugby Club, Havant RFC is a rugby 365 AGP site and a key strategic asset for the RFU. The site although primarily used by the club itself and the club has one of the highest memberships in the locality, but is also a hub site for representative rugby, regional competition, and coach education. Other users include local schools, colleges, and University of Portsmouth as well as other local clubs during periods of inclement weather. The site has also hosted Portsmouth Dreadnoughts American Football Team and Havant football teams.
- 4.31. The capacity for pitches to regularly accommodate competitive play, training and other activity over a season is determined by quality. As a minimum, the quality, and therefore the capacity, of a pitch affect the playing experience and people's enjoyment of playing rugby. In extreme circumstances it can result in the inability of the pitch to cater for all or certain types of play during peak and off-peak times.
- 4.32. To enable an accurate supply and demand assessment of rugby pitches, the following assumptions are applied:
 - All sites that are used for competitive rugby matches are included on the supply side.
 - As a winter sport most mid-week training will take place under floodlights
 - All competitive play is on senior sized pitches (except for where mini or junior pitches are provided).
 - From U14 upwards, teams play 15 v 15 on a full-size pitch.
 - Mini teams (U7-12) play on half of a senior pitch i.e., two teams per senior pitch.

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- For senior and youth teams the current level of play per week is set at 0.5 for each match played based on all teams operating on a traditional home and away basis (assumes half of matches will be played away).
- For mini teams, play per week is set at 0.25 for each match played based on all teams operating on a traditional home and away basis and playing across half of one adult team pitch or mini pitch.
- Most male adult club rugby match play takes place on a Saturday afternoon.
- Colts Rugby U18 match play takes place on Sundays,
- All U13-U16 rugby takes place both midweek for training and weekends on a Sunday morning for match play.
- Women's rugby union takes place traditionally on Sunday's pm unless it is University Rugby, which takes place Wednesday afternoons.
- Training that takes place on club pitches is reflected by the addition of team equivalents. 2 teams training on one pitch in one evening = one match equivalent session.
- Quality of pitches determines the capacity or number of times a pitch can be played. The RFU has
 set guidance standards for the number of matches and match equivalent sessions that each grass
 pitch type should be able to accommodate without adversely affecting its current quality (pitch
 capacity).

Havant RFC Match Play and Weekend Training and Weekday Training Match Equivalent Sessions Weekly 2022 – 2023 Season.

- 4.33. Paragraph 4.29 and the bullet points below identify the number of Havant Rugby Club teams and when they train and play. Table 28 below shows the number of weekly training floodlit MES and weekend training and match play MES used by the club.
- 4.34. Weekend training and match play equates to 12.75 MES per week and floodlit midweek training equates to 17.5 MES. A total of 30.25 MES per week for the 2022/23 season.

Table 28: Havant Rugby Club MES per Week - Midweek Floodlit Training and Weekend Match Play and Training

	Total Midweek Floodlit MES Used per week	Total MES Match/Weekend Training MES Used per week	Total MES Per Week
Senior Men's	12	5.5	17.5
Boy's Juniors	2	2	4
Senior Women's	1.5	1.5	3
Girls Juniors	2	2	4
Minis	0	1.75	1.75
Total	17.5	12.75	30.25

Summary of Current Demand, Supply and Capacity for Weekly Training and Match Play

- 4.35. As identified in Table 28 the demand for match equivalent sessions mid-week with floodlights per week is 17.50 and weekend match and training demand equates to 12.75 MES. These total 30.25 match and training equivalent sessions per week.
- 4.36. Table 27 identifies a current capacity of 8 MES per week available for Havant rugby club use on the 3G AGP and capacity for 4.50 MES per week on the natural grass pitches. In total there is capacity for 12.50 match and training equivalent sessions per week. This does not meet the clubs demand of 30.25 match and training equivalent sessions per week.

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4.37. Much of this overplay can be attributed to the demand for midweek floodlit training 17.50 MES there is currently one floodlit training pitch with capacity for 1.5 MES and the 3G AGP with 8 available MES per week. A total current capacity of 9.5 MES. This leaves a shortfall of 8 MES per week for mid-week floodlit training.

Table 29: Havant Rugby Club - Summary of Demand, Supply and Capacity for Current Weekly Floodlit and Weekend Training and Match Play Equivalent Sessions Per Week.

Cub	Demand Match Equivalent Sessions Training Midweek per Week	Demand Match and Training Equivalent Sessions Weekends Per Week	Total Demand Match Equivalent Sessions per Week	Supply Match & Training Equivalent Sessions per Week	Overplay Match and Training Equivalent Sessions per Week
Havant Rugby Club	17.50	12.75	30.25	12.50	17.75
Totals	17.50	12.75	30.25	12.50	17.75

4.38. Current match play on Saturdays and Sundays and training on Sundays demands 12.75 MES and there is capacity for 3 MES on the two natural grass pitches without floodlights. There is a shortfall of 9.75 MES.

Unmet Demand

- 4.39. The club have identified unmet demand and aspire to a further growth of members and informal participation although consider that they are operating at capacity on the playing areas they currently have available.
- 4.40. Havant RFC aspire to increase youth boys and girl's teams 2 youth boys and 2 youth girls. This would equate to a further 2 MES midweek floodlit training and 2 MES match play per week. A total of an additional 4 MES per Week.

Latent Demand

4.41. By providing and promoting more opportunities for social play (e.g., vets sides) and less physically demanding forms of the game (e.g., Adult Touch and TAG) it is clear there is good potential to grow the game further in Havant.

Displaced Demand

4.42. There is no imported demand for rugby in Havant. In other words, no clubs and teams based in other local authority areas play or train on rugby pitches in Havant as their home ground. However, it should be noted that one of the principles behind the RFU 365 AGP is to provide a reliable venue for the Local rugby Partnership during periods of inclement weather. On this basis the AGP is booked ad hoc by other clubs outside of the borough from time to time to avoid a fixture backlog. Havant Rugby Club is such a successful rugby club, players are drawn to the club from cross Hampshire.

Future Population Demand 2042

- 4.43. By 2042 Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator expects 1 adult team, 2 junior teams and 1 mini rugby team through population changes.
- 4.44. This is equivalent to:
 - 1 adult MES training equivalent and 0.5 match play MES.
 - 1 junior MES training equivalent and 1 match play MES

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- 0.25 mini soccer training and match play MES.
- 4.45. This totals an additional 2 training MES midweek and 1.75 Match play MES at weekends. This will require developer contributions to improve the quality of the grass pitches to meet the increased training and match play from the new population.
- 4.46. Table 30 below identifies the demand and capacity for matches and training equivalent sessions until 2042 across Havant Borough and considers the increased population up to 2042 from new housing developments.

Table 30: Current and Future Demand to 2042 For Havant Rugby Club (Weekly Training Floodlit Pitch only and weekly match and training all pitches.

	(A) Current Demand Match Equivalent Sessions (2022/23)	(B) Current Capacity Weekly Training and Match Equivalents (2022/23)	(C) Current Shortfall Match Equivalent Sessions (2022/23) = (B - A)	(D) Participation Increase Aspirations	(E) Projected Population Increase (2022 – 2042)	Future deficit match and Training Equivalent Sessions (2042)
Weekly Midweek Training MES floodlit pitch and 3G AGP only.	17.50	9.50	8	2	2	14
Weekly Match and Training MES pitches including Midweek and Weekends floodlit pitch and 3G AGP.	30.25	12.50	17.75	4	3.75	25.50

- 4.47. There is a current shortfall of 8 MES (2022/23) of capacity on training pitches with sports lighting to accommodate the current mid-week demand of 17.50 MES (2022/23). When including weekend competitive play and training demand 12.75 MES there is a shortfall currently of 17.75 MES.
- 4.48. Given the above-mentioned shortfalls, priority should be placed first and foremost on alleviating overplay. There is a need for additional floodlighting, pitch quality improvements and or increased access to World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant 3G pitches. Scenarios exploring this will be evidenced in the Rugby Union Summary Key Issues section below.
- 4.49. With increases from club participation aspirations and projected population growth the shortfall of training match equivalent sessions grows in 2042 to 14 MES and training and weekly match play grows to 25.50 MES.

Rugby Union Summary Key Issues Comparison between Havant Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 and the Playing Pitch Strategy Review 2023.

4.50. This section of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) Review 2023 compares its findings with the findings of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 for rugby union.

4.51. Table 31 includes the response to 5 key questions, which are asked in the PPS 2017 to provide a standardised illustration of supply and demand for sports provision. It shows the Analysis from the 2017 PPS and the data and analysis from the 2023. The 2023 review analysis is taken from the Supply and Demand report for PPS rugby union review 2023.

Table 31: Key PPS findings for Rugby Union in Havant Borough

	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023
What are the main characteristics of the current supply and demand for provision?	The key rugby site in the Borough is at Hooks Lane, which is owned and maintained by the Local Authority but leased to HRFC. Havant RFC is the only rugby in the Borough, which has a total of 19 teams, including Men's, Ladies and Juniors.	Hooks Lane remains the key rugby site within the Borough, which is owned and maintained by the Local Authority. Havant RFC is the only rugby club in the Borough and since the 2017 PPS review a World rugby Regulation 22 AGP has been constructed on site. In the 2022/23 season the club had a total of 24 teams an increase of 5 teams since the 2017 PPS.
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet current demand	Havant RFC has secured community use of the pitches at Hooks Lane, as it has a licence for one Senior rugby pitch and rent the remaining three pitches at the site. Update as earlier in the document. The pitches are operating at -6.5 match equivalents a week over-capacity.	Havant RFC has unsecured use of the grass rugby pitches at the site. Havant Rugby Club have a World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP in front of the clubhouse this is a new pitch since the 2017 Havant PPS. There are 3 additional grass pitches.
	The remaining five sites with rugby pitches in the borough have unsecured community use. These are all school and college sites and used extensively by school pupils for training and matches. Update once CU is known?	Pitch 2 is adjacent to the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP and is floodlit (planning permission granted July 2023 to renew floodlights which will meet RFU match play requirements 100 Lux), Pitch 3 is adjacent to Pitch 2 and Pitch 4 runs along the end of Pitch 2 and 3 with a drainage ditch along one side.
		The club has an area of grass which has 1 rugby goal post. The grass area is used for training.
		Havant Rugby Football Club hold a Head Lease for the World Rugby Regulation 22 AGP and the clubhouse from Havant Borough Council. The AGP is managed by the RFU who have sub leased the AGP from Havant Rugby Football Club. The RFU manage and administer all bookings and can be booked through the RFUs web site.
		The World Rugby Regulation 22 AGP has secured community use. The natural grass rugby pitches on site are rented to the club on a use-by-use basis and are ther3efor classified as unsecured pitches. The public always have access to the pitches except for the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant pitch.
		Overall capacity of the site is 12.5 MES this includes Havant RFU guaranteed use of the World Rugby Union Regulation 22 AGP (8 MES).
		Match play on Saturdays and Sundays and training on Sundays demands 12.75 MES and there is capacity for 3 MES as the training pitch capacity and 3G AGP capacity has been used mid-week. There is a shortfall of 9.75 MES.
		Training demand midweek requiring floodlights equates to 17.5 MES per week. There is 1 x floodlit grass pitch that is used for training that has capacity for 1.5 MES per week. The 3G AGP agreement between the RFU and the Club allows for 8 MES of use per week.
		Current available secured MES for midweek training equates to 9.5 MES per week. There is a shortfall of 8 MES per week for midweek floodlit training. a
		The overall weekly MES shortfall per week equates to 17.75 MES.

	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023
		The club hires the 3G AGP for an additional 4 MES per week currently, but this is unsecured use.
Is the provision that is accessible of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?	Hooks Lane is a publicly accessible playing field. Havant RFC's pitches are all Pipe Drained but poorly maintained, which is resulting in the cancellation of matches due to waterlogging. There is	The pipe drainage of the pitches is not functioning. So, for the review the pitches have been assessed as natural drainage inadequate and suffer from severe water logging.
	also a floodlit training area that is over- used and in a very poor condition.	The club has a Ground Management Association (GMA) review each year and the report has said that the pitches are improving. There is a gap in what maintenance that Havant Borough Council can afford and what is recommended by the GMA to improve the capacity of the pitches. The club states that the whole site is on a slope.
		The World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant pitch has good levels, but the rest of the site needs to be regraded. None of the grass pitches have drainage on a very heavy clay soil.
		In the past two years Havant Rugby Club has paid for and implemented winter maintenance regimes to improve pitch capacity as recommended by the GMA.
		Pitch 2 is used as the training pitch with floodlights. The existing floodlights need renewing and changing to LEDs. The Club have planning permission (July 2023) to renew and upgrade the floodlights on pitch 2. The planning permission has the following condition:
		"The lights hereby approved shall not be switched on before 08:00 and shall be switched off by 21:15 Monday to Friday and shall not be switched on Saturday, Sundays and any recognised public holiday unless otherwise agreed by the Local Planning Authority."
		The funding for the floodlights is being raised by debentures and the new floodlights will meet RFU floodlighting guidance for match and training requirements for 100 Lux. The upgrade to the floodlights was completed in October 2023.
		Pitch 2, 3 and 4 become waterlogged in the winter months and then freeze. Pitch 4 particularly due to the close location to a drainage ditch along one side. The grass pitches have undergone a water test where you dig a hole and fill it with water. The water did not drain away in a day.
		The grounds of the club are open for public access and there have been incidents with young people on motorbikes riding round the pitches in broad day light with young rugby players on site. The World Rugby Regulation 22 complaint pitch has been set on fire in the past and the club manage the situation by encouraging and working with the youth.
		The clubhouse received a £200,000 refurbishment in 2019, Havant Rugby Club has a brand-new clubroom, expanded kitchen and creche facility downstairs. The club made the decision to provide a club house that pays a return through events and hospitality lettings to provide income to provide sustainability for the club. The club has stated there is a need to upgrade the kitchen to support the successful event and hospitality trade being catered for.
		In 2022 with money raised from an auction the club leased an old maintenance hut (The Galley) from the local authority and created a fitness gym, physio room and 4 changing rooms. The club at most see this as a 5-year project.

	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023			
		The aim for the club is to provide a second pavilion adjacent to the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP that will become the players pavilion with changing rooms that meet RFU regulations and guidance for female and male use and the existing club house is the business income generator providing for hospitality, conferences, and events.			
		There is an issue with car parking. HRFC have agreements with local schools for additional parking and will provide Parking Marshalls on Match days and Sundays. The car park is shared with other users of the Site. An old multi use games area on site has (June 2023) been converted to a carpark, increasing carparking space from 49 to 102.			
What are the main characteristics of the future supply and demand for provision	An increase for junior rugby by one team is expected through population change in Havant between 2017 and 2036. Havant RFC has been selected by the RFU as a priority site for investment as part of the RFU 365 Programme.	The predicted increase in 2017 was only 1 additional team between 2017-2036, whereas the actual increase has been 5 additional teams between 2017-2023. While supply has increased with the addition of the AGP, demand has also increased by far more than predicted which is exacerbating this capacity issues on the natural turf pitches.			
		By 2042 the Playing Pitch Calculator expects 1 add team, 2 junior teams and 1 mini soccer team through population changes.			
		This is equivalent to:			
		1 adult MES training equivalent and 0.5 match play MES. 1 junior MES training equivalent and 1 match play MES. 0.25 mini soccer training and match play MES.			
		An additional 2 training MES midweek and 1.75 match play and training MES at weekends.			
		This will require developer contributions to improve the quality of the grass pitches to meet the increased training and match play from the new population.			
		Unmet demand equates to an additional 2 MES per week for training and 2 MES for match play.			
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand?	A full-sized 3G pitch with floodlights will meet potential future demand and reduce the amount of usage on the grass pitches	There is insufficient MES capacity to meet future demand.			
to meet uture uemanu:	at Hooks Lane – alleviating the currently over-played pitches and lessening the risk of match cancellations, however still	The weekly shortfall of MES to meet midweek floodlit training demand increases to 14 MES.			
	leaving Havant Borough with a deficit of 0.5 match equivalents,	The overall shortfall for weekly mid-week training and weekend use increases to 25.50 MES.			
		There is a need to consider increasing secured use MES on the 3G AGP for the club and or,			
		Improve the capacity of MES on the grass rugby pitches with piped drainage, sand banding and maintaining and managing the pitches properly.			
		Consider provision of an additional World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant pitch or a second site providing additional rugby pitches.			

2023— Key Issues for Rugby Union

- 4.52. The 2023 key issues for rugby union are:
 - 1. Havant Rugby Club pitches are currently overplayed by 17.75 match equivalent sessions per week, and this rises to 25.50 MES per week in 2042. To assist in meeting the current and future MES demand there is a need to improve the capacity of MES on grass rugby pitches with piped drainage, sand banding and maintaining and managing the pitches properly.
 - 2. There is a gap in what maintenance that Havant Borough Council can afford and what is recommended by the GMA to improve the capacity of the pitches.
 - 3. At Hooks Lane The club states that the whole site is on a slope. The World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant pitch has good levels, but the rest of the site needs to be regraded. None of the grass pitches have drainage on a very heavy clay soil. In the past two years Havant Rugby Club has paid for and implemented winter maintenance regimes to improve pitch capacity as recommended by the GMA.
 - 4. Havant Rugby Club aspire to provide a second pavilion adjacent to the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP that will become the players pavilion with changing rooms that meet RFU regulations and guidance for female and male use and the existing club house is the business income generator providing for hospitality, conferences, and events.
 - 5. Priority should be placed first and foremost on alleviating overplay. Given that the majority of overplay is a result of training demand on grass pitches, it is considered that there is a potential need for additional sports lighting, however this will not address issues with overplay of pitches alone and there is a need for pitch quality improvements and/or additional access to World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP.
 - **6.** pitch quality improvements and/or additional access to World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP and or additional rugby pitches on a second site.
 - 7. There is a need to consider if Havant Rugby Club would consider a leasing arrangement that may provide additional access to fund maintenance and pitch improvement requirements.

2023 Rugby Union Scenario - Improving Pitch Quality

4.53. The following scenarios consider improving existing pitch quality, additional floodlighting and a second World Rugby Regulation compliant 3G AGP.

Table 32: Scenario Improving Pitch Quality to Pitch 2 and providing floodlights and pitch quality improvements to Pitch 3

Havant Rugby Club Pitches	Current Midweek Training Demand (MES)	Current Midweek Training Capacity Weekly (MES)	Current Overplayed MES Weekly	Improve Quality of Maintenance/ Drainage	Overplay/Spare Capacity after improving quality/drainage Weekly
Training Pitch (Sports Lighting) and 3G AGP	17.50	1.5 MES + 8 MES 3G AGP = 9.5 MES	8 MES	Improve Maintenance to good (M2) and provide pipe and slit drainage (D3). This provides an additional 2 training MES per week. Maintain quality of 3G AGP.	6 MES

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Havant Rugby Club Pitches	Current Midweek Training Demand (MES)	Current Midweek Training Capacity Weekly (MES)	Current Overplayed MES Weekly	Improve Quality of Maintenance/ Drainage	Overplay/Spare Capacity after improving quality/drainage Weekly
Pitch No 2 – Proposed improvements to create a second training pitch				Provide Sports Lighting for pitch and improve maintenance to good (M2) provide pipe and slit drainage (D3). This provides an additional 2 MES per week.	3.5 MES
Pitch No 3 – Proposed improvements to create a third training pitch				Provide Sports Lighting for pitch and improve maintenance to good (M2) provide pipe and slit drainage (D3). This provides an additional 2 MES per week.	3.5 MES
Spare Capacity Midweek (MES) Weekly					1

- 4.54. The table above shows that by improving Pitch 2 maintenance to good (M2) and drainage (D3) and providing Pitch 3 with floodlights and improving the maintenance to good (M2) and drainage (D3), creates additional midweek capacity and provides spare capacity of 1 MES. There may be planning challenges of providing additional floodlighting to existing grass pitches and Installation of full pitch floodlighting. However, in conjunction with improvements to maintenance and drainage the installation of a further 2 pitches with floodlights would provide a solution to midweek floodlit training demand.
- 4.55. An alternative would be for a second World Rugby Regulation compliant 3G AGP to be provided.
- 4.56. The scenario above with additional floodlighting and pitch quality improvements provides 1 MES spare capacity. This 1 MES spare capacity could be used towards meeting the weekend match and training demand.

Table 33: Scenario Improving Pitch Quality to Pitch 4 to provide improved capacity towards weekend match and training demand.

Havant Rugby Club Pitches	Weekend Match & Training Capacity (MES)	Weekend Match & Training Demand (MES)	Current Overplayed Weekend Match and Training MES	Improve Quality of Maintenance/ Drainage	Overplay/Spare Capacity after improving quality/drainage Weekly
Pitch No 4 – Proposed improvements. Spare Capacity Scenario Table 32.	1.5	12.75	10.25	Improve maintenance to good (M2) provide pipe and slit drainage (D3). This provides an additional 2 MES per week.	8.25 MES
Overplay					8.25 MES

4.57. The current weekend match play and training demand is 12.75 MES. By improving the quality of pitch 4 and utilising the 1 MES spare capacity from the scenario in table 32 there is a shortfall of 8.25 MES at weekends.

4.58. To meet the shortfall of 8.25 MES would require 3 additional grass pitches of good quality M2 and good drainage D3 that would provide 10.5 MES. This would and provide spare capacity for growth.

Scenario if Grass Pitches were no longer available at Hooks Lane

4.59. Table 34 below identifies the demand for MES if the natural grass pitches were not available at Hooks Lane for Havant Rugby Club use. There would be a need to provide (2023) 3 additional grass pitches midweek with floodlights of good quality M2 and good drainage D3 at an alternative site. These three pitches would provide 10.5 MES and provide the necessary capacity to meet the current demand for 9.50 MES for midweek training. In addition, a further 4 pitches of good quality M2 and good drainage D3 will be required to meet the match play and training demand at weekends. The 4 good quality pitches would provide 14 MES and provide spare capacity of 1.25 for growth.

Table 34: Additional Demand Required at an alternative site If Grass Pitches were not available for Havant Rugby Club use at Hooks Lane

Havant Rugby Club Pitches	Current Midweek Training Demand (MES)	Current Midweek Training Capacity Weekly (MES)	Current Overplayed MES Weekly	Improve Quality of Maintenance/ Drainage	Overplay/Spare Capacity after improving quality/drainage Weekly
3G AGP available	17.50	8 MES	9.5 MES	Maintain quality of 3G AGP.	9.5 MES
Additional Mid-Week Demand					9.5 MES
Havant Rugby Club Pitches	Weekend Match & Training Capacity (MES)	Weekend Match & Training Demand (MES)	Current Overplayed Weekend Match and Training MES	Improve Quality of Maintenance/ Drainage	Overplay/Spare Capacity after improving quality/drainage Weekly
No access to Grass Pitches 3G AGP secured access used for Weekday Training.	0	12.75	0	No pitches to improve	12.75 MES
Additional Week	kend Match and	Training De	mand		12.75 MES

Rugby Union - Recommendations

- 1. Work with Havant Rugby Club to review quality, drainage, and maintenance issues, reduce overplay and provide increased capacity for midweek training and match and training at weekends. RFU and Club to consider renegotiating additional secure use of the 3G AGP to increase the clubs secured weekly use.
- 2. Work with Havant Rugby Club to provide a second pavilion adjacent to the World Rugby Regulation 22 compliant AGP that will become the players pavilion with changing rooms that meet RFU regulations and guidance for female and male use and the existing club house is the business income generator providing for hospitality, conferences, and events.
- 3. Havant Borough Council, RFU and Havant Rugby Club to discuss if it would be beneficial to the club if it were able to lease the grounds from the Local Authority, which in turn may provide access to additional funding for maintenance etc.

Cricket

Cricket Club Demand and Number of Teams

5.1 This section provides an overview of the clubs and teams that play in the Havant Borough area. Table 35 provides a breakdown of clubs and the number of team's adult men's, adult women, and junior teams. The clubs and teams are divided into the five sub areas agreed at Stage A - Waterlooville, Leigh Park, Havant and Bedhampton, Emsworth and Hayling Island.

Table 35: Havant Cricket Clubs and Team Numbers

Cricket Clubs and Team Numbers	Sub Area	Male Adult	Female Adult	Male Junior	Female Junior	Total
Waterlooville Cricket Club	Waterlooville	3	0	4	0	7
Purbrook Cricket Club	Waterlooville	4	0	5 (Inc 1 x U17)	0	9
Emsworth Cricket Club	Emsworth	5	0	2	0	7
Raymarine Cricket Club	Emsworth	1	0	0	0	1
Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club	Havant and Bedhampton	4	0	0	0	4
Havant Cricket Club	Havant and Bedhampton	3	1	6	2	12
Hayling Island Cricket Club	Hayling Island	3	0	2	0	5
Kerala Cricket Club	Waterlooville and Hayling Island	2 (3rd and 4th X1)	0	0	0	2
Totals		25	1	19	2	47

5.2 There are 8 community cricket clubs-based in Havant. Between them, the 8 clubs currently support 25 adult male open age teams either playing on a Saturday, Sunday, or midweek and 1 women's team playing on a Sunday There are 21 junior teams of which 2 are girl's teams. The peak time of play is a Saturday for adults and mid-week for juniors.

All Stars Cricket (5-8-year-olds) and Dynamos Cricket (8 – 11-year-olds)

- 5.3 All Stars Cricket is a nationwide programme developed by the ECB and the Elite Coach Development team that aims to inspire 5- to 8-year-olds to take up cricket and to acquire the skills to play the game and connect them to the stars of English cricket.
- 5.4 Dynamos Cricket Provides the next step for those graduating from All Stars Cricket and is an introduction for all 8 11-year-olds new to the sport. Complementing junior cricket, Dynamos provides children with a social offer focussed on developing fundamental movement skills and applying them in an exciting game of countdown cricket.
- 5.5 In Havant there are 5 identified clubs that have undertaken All Stars and Dynamos coaching. These are:
 - Havant Cricket Club
 - Hayling Island Cricket Club
 - Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club
 - Emsworth Cricket Club
 - Purbrook Cricket Club

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Women's and Girls Softball and Hardball

5.6 Havant Cricket Club has a women's soft ball team and 2 girl's teams. Women and girl's cricket is an area that Hampshire Cricket and the ECB will wish to increase participation in the future.

Unmet demand

5.7 None of the community clubs has identified unmet demand (for example waiting lists for junior sections).

Latent and Future demand

- 5.8 More accessible facilities and shorter, less formal game formats are being developed and promoted by the ECB in response to national research into the state of the game and to encourage more participation within these groups. Non-traditional community cricket i.e., single teams, predominantly comprising players of South Asian or Black Caribbean heritage playing short format cricket in community or commercial leagues is not currently taking place in Havant. Neither is informal Street 'Tapeball' Cricket taking place on an identifiable scale in any locations in the borough.
- 5.9 Currently no clubs in the borough have disability cricket sections.
- 5.10 Some clubs have identified that the adult men's game is finding it hard to maintain teams and member numbers have decreased in the past few years. However, junior team members have increased.
- 5.11 Some clubs that have identified that they wish to provide additional teams over the next 2 seasons. The MES required to meet the new team's requirements is 90 MES. The clubs expecting to increase the number of teams are:
 - Emsworth Cricket Club 2 junior teams
 - Havant Cricket Club 1 man's, 1 woman's and 1 junior team.
 - Hayling Island Cricket Club 1 man's and 1 junior team
 - Bedhampton Mariners Cricket club 1 man's, 1 woman's and 1 junior team

Displaced demand

- 5.12 Kerala Cricket Club (Portsmouth) 3rd XI play at Cowplain Recreation Ground on Saturdays and the 4th XI play at Hayling Island Park on Saturdays.
- 5.13 Purbrook Cricket Club Saturdays 3rd XI have been playing at HMS Dryad Southwick Park outside of Havant for several seasons. This has now ended, and the club are currently playing at Penns Place (an East Hampshire District Council owned and maintained site used as an overflow site by Petersfield CC's junior section) for the 2024 season. The club are on the waiting list for the cricket facility and pavilion being built at Berewood housing development West of Waterlooville as part of the new Town Park.
- 5.14 Some club's teams in Havant must use alternative cricket club facilities as there are insufficient cricket squares at their home grounds. These teams are:
 - Emsworth 3rd XI play at Hollybank
 - Havant 3rd XI play at Hollybank
 - Waterlooville 3rd XI play at Cowplain Recreation Ground.

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Future Playing Pitch (Cricket) Demand – Population Growth

- 5.15 As well as growth through latent demand, there will be growth through population demand.
- 5.16 Havant Borough Council is undertaking a local plan review, The 'Building a Better Future Plan' will be the Local Plan for Havant Borough. Local plans are at the heart of the planning system and every local authority in England is required by Government to prepare one. The local plan addresses the needs and opportunities for development in an area setting out how much, what type and where development will take place over at least a 19-year period. It also sets out how development should take place, what infrastructure is required to support development and how harm is avoided. The new Local Plan will run until 2042.
- 5.17 New housing needs for Havant are currently estimated at 516 per year. Between 2023 and 2042 (19 years) there will be a need for 9,804 new houses.
- 5.18 Based upon the same methodology as the previous 2017 Havant Playing Pitch Strategy 2017, the 9,804 proposed allocation of new homes is multiplied by the average persons per dwelling (2.27 persons)3, giving a projected population increase of 22,255 residents by 2042. For this strategy, the increase of 22,555 residents will be used in future provision calculations and Playing Pitch Calculator Tool.
- 5.19 Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool should be used to identify team generation rates and need for playing pitches as and when planning applications are agreed.
- 5.20 The increase in population of 22,555 people between 2023 and 2042 with the existing cricket team numbers and the future estimated teams from latent demand has been input into Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool and the outputs from the Calculator for future match equivalent sessions to meet additional population demand in 2042 equates to 74 MES.

Pitch Supply

- 5.21 In the 2022 season, there were 9 maintained fine turf cricket squares providing 81 pitches across Havant Borough, across 8 sites used by community cricket clubs.
- 5.22 All the main club grounds, except for Hayling Island Park (Hayling Island CC) have a non turf pitch. The non turf pitches are provided at Emsworth Recreation Ground (Emsworth CC), Bidbury Mead (Bedhampton Mariners CC), Havant Park (Havant CC), Jubilee Park (Waterlooville CC) and Purbrook Heath (Purbrook CC).
- 5.23 Non turf pitches are at the following schools Purbrook Park School, Oaklands Catholic School Sixth Form College and Warblington School. Clubs do not usually access the schools natural grass cricket pitch facilities or the non turf facilities and no Havant cricket club has been identified as using school facilities.

Local Authority Parks Pitches

5.24 Havant Borough Council lease or rent all the cricket facilities to the local community clubs and most are provided in Local Parks.

Secured and Unsecured Community Use Pitches

5.25 All club sites are secured for community use. However. Lease arrangements do need to be revisited and extended.

³ Department for Communities and Local Government 2014-based Household Projections: England, 2014-2039 – Household average size projected 2029 of 2.27 persons per household

- 5.26 There are some sites that are required to renew their lease/license. There are no sites that are classed as unsecure although some sites need to secure longer leases/licenses, for example, Havant cricket club, Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club, Emsworth Cricket Club, Purbrook Cricket Club and Waterlooville Cricket Club.
- 5.27 The following table 36 provides a full overview of supply for all cricket pitches in the area.

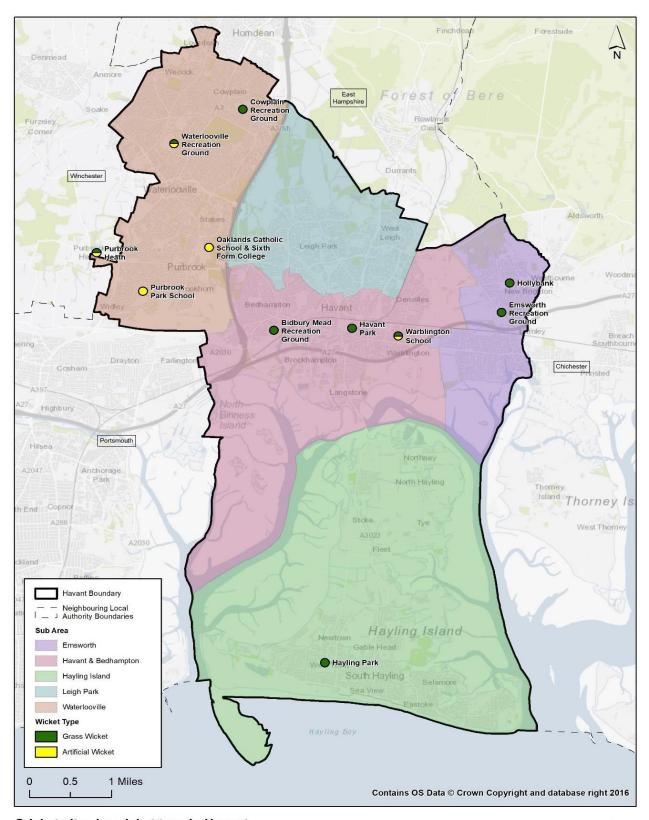
Table 36: Havant Cricket site breakdown

Site No.	Playing Pitch Sites – currently providing community use for cricket	Cricket Club	Post Code	Ownership	Secured/Unsecured/Unavaila ble Community Use	Squares	Pitches Senior (Grass)	Pitches (non turf)	Quality Grass Pitches	Quality of Pavilion	Sub Area
1	Emsworth Recreation Ground	Emsworth Cricket Club	PO10 7PT	Local authority licensed to club - License 5 years — square managed by club Council Contractor maintains outfield.	Yes	1	11	1	Good	Poor	Emsworth
2	Hollybank Recreation Ground	Emsworth Cricket Club Havant Cricket Club Raymarine Cricket Club	PO10 7TX	Local Authority	Yes	1	8	0	Poor	Poor	Emsworth
3	Havant Park	Havant Cricket Club	PO9 1HH	Local Authority leased to club. Lease 1 year left- club maintain pitch and share pavilion currently with Havant Hockey Club	Yes	1	10	1	Good	Poor	Havant and Bedhampton
4	Purbrook Heath	Purbrook Cricket Club	PO7 5RU	Local Authority - Bar and Square maintenance leased to Club 1 year left. Council Contractor maintains outfield.	Yes	1	12	1	Standard	Standard	Waterlooville
5	Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Waterlooville Cricket Club	PO7 7HU	Local Authority - Bar in pavilion leased to club. Less than 1 year left. Council contractor maintains square and outfield with club support.	Yes	1	10	1	Good	Poor	Waterlooville

Site No.	Playing Pitch Sites – currently providing community use for cricket	Cricket Club	Post Code	Ownership	Secured/Unsecured/Unavaila ble Community Use	Squares	Pitches Senior (Grass)	Pitches (non turf)	Quality Grass Pitches	Quality of Pavilion	Sub Area
6	Cowplain Recreation Ground	Waterlooville Cricket Club Kerala Cricket Club	PO8 8EH	Local authority	Yes	1	10	0	Poor	Poor	Waterlooville
7	Hayling Park	Hayling Cricket Club Kerala Cricket Club	PO11 0HB	Local Authority	Yes	2	22	0	Poor	Good	Hayling Island
8	Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground	Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club	PO9 3JG	Local authority wooden structure clubroom facility leased to Club.	Yes	1	8	1	Standard	Poor	Havant and Bedhampton

5.28 Map location of cricket facilities across Havant.

Map 3: Location of Cricket facilities across Havant.



Cricket sites by wicket type in Havant



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5.29 School sites with cricket facilities are shown in Table 37 below. They are not used by clubs but would-be unsecured usage if they were available for use. The exception being Oaklands School where the boundary is barely big enough for the maximum under 9 junior boundary size. It is a secondary and 6th form college but would not be suitable for this level or senior open age community use.

Table 37: Havant Borough School Cricket Facilities

Site	Post Code	Management	Unavailable	Squares	Pitches	Non-Turf Pitch
Purbrook Park School – Waterlooville	PO7 5DS	Education	Unavailable	0	0	1
Oaklands Catholic School and sixth Form – Waterlooville	PO7 7BW	Education	Unavailable	0	0	1
Warblington School – Havant and Bedhampton	PO9 2RR	Education	Unavailable	0	0	1

Quality, Capacity Supply and Demand Assessment

- 5.30 Each site (and pitch) has been provided with a quality rating. The capacity rating per pitch has been agreed with the ECB and a poor pitch rating is zero, standard pitch rating four and a good pitch rating five.
- 5.31 The total capacity for grass cricket pitches across Havant Borough is shown in table 38 below. There are 235 available match equivalents per season. The demand in 2023 is for 301 match equivalent sessions per season, with a theoretical overplay of sixty-six match equivalent sessions per season across the whole of Havant Borough.
- 5.32 The theoretical overplay needs to be added to by Purbrook 3rd X1 who currently play seven match equivalent sessions per season out of Borough. The total theoretical overplay is seventy-one match equivalent sessions per season.
- 5.33 Overplay occurs at 3 sites across Hollybank, Havant Park, Cowplain Recreation Ground and Hayling Island Park. The remainder of the sites across Havant each have a theoretical underplay.

Table 38: Pitch Quality Ratings and Supply and Demand capacity

Site No.	Playing Pitch Sites – currently providing community use for cricket	Playing Pitch Sites – currently providing community use for cricket (A)	Squares (B)	Wickets Senior (grass) (C)	Quality Grass Pitches (D)	Capacity per pitch Senior (E)	Senior Cricket Capacity Grass pitch per season (F)	Demand per season (H)	Capacity Demand Balance (I) = (F) – (H)	Sub Area
1	Emsworth Recreation Ground	Emsworth Cricket Club	1	11	Good	5	55	36	19	Emsworth
2	Hollybank Recreation Ground	Emsworth Cricket Club Havant Cricket Club Raymarine Cricket Club	1	8	Poor	0	0	33	33	Emsworth
3	Havant Park	Havant Cricket Club	1	10	Good	5	50	59 Club states U11 & U13 use non turf pitch	9	Havant and Bedhampton
4	Purbrook Heath	Purbrook Cricket Club	1	12	Standard	4	48	47	1	Waterlooville

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Site No.	Playing Pitch Sites – currently providing community use for cricket	Playing Pitch Sites – currently providing community use for cricket (A)	Squares (B)	Wickets Senior (grass) (C)	Quality Grass Pitches (D)	Capacity per pitch Senior (E)	Senior Cricket Capacity Grass pitch per season (F)	Demand per season (H)	Capacity Demand Balance (I) = (F) – (H)	Sub Area
5	Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Waterlooville Cricket Club	1	10	Good	5	50	38	12	Waterlooville
6	Cowplain Recreation Ground	Waterlooville Cricket Club Kerala Cricket Club	1	10	Poor	0	0	17	17	Waterlooville
7	Hayling Park	Hayling Island Cricket Club Kerala Cricket Club	2	22	Poor	0	0	49	49	Hayling Island
8	Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground	Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club	1	8	Standard	4	32	22	10	Havant and Bedhampton
	Total			81			235	301	66	

- 5.34 Peak demand across all cricket facilities in Havant is a Saturday afternoon.
- 5.35 The table below identifies capacity at peak time of play: The orange squares identify that there is balanced play and that no more matches can be accommodated. Green means that the square can accommodate an additional match. Red identifies sites where the square is already over played during the week. Saturday, Sunday, and midweek play.

Table 39: Peak Time Demand and availability of additional play

Site No.	Playing Pitch Sites – currently providing community use for cricket	Sub Area	Peak Time Availability Saturday	Peak time Availability Sunday	Peak time Availability Midweek
	·		Saturday	Sunday	Midweek
1	Emsworth Recreation Ground				
2	Hollybank Recreation Ground				
3	Havant Park				
4	Purbrook Heath				
5	Waterlooville Recreation Ground				
6	Cowplain Recreation Ground				
7	Hayling Park				
8	Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground				

5.36 With only one team using a square at any one time, there is no available spare capacity on a Saturday, there is capacity on four sites on a Sunday and four sites mid-week have spare capacity. Havant Park has balanced play on a Saturday and over play Sundays and Midweek. The quality at Havant Park is good so improving quality is not possible to decrease overplay. The quality of the wickets is Poor at Hollybank Recreation Ground, Cowplain Recreation Ground and Hayling Island Park meaning that these grounds are all overplayed. Improving quality will increase seasonal capacity.

Site issues from consultation

5.37 The table below identifies cricket club's comments and other identified issues:

Table 40: Cricket Club comments and other identified issues

Ground	Comments
Emsworth Recreation Ground	The major concern for Emsworth Cricket Club is the outfield. Over the years, no renovation work has been completed on the outfield. Grass cutting have consistently been left lying on the surface is great clumps meaning that players have had to manually remove cuttings using rakes, and latterly a lawn tractor, to have a tidy field to enjoy. Other cuttings have been left to rot down into the surface making it extremely spongy. So much so, that, in previous years, matches have been called off when the pitch is fit to play but the outfield is waterlogged. The county pitch advisor has made a report about the state of the outfield, but this has yet to be acted upon.
Hollybank Recreation Ground	The clubs using the ground complained about the poor maintenance of the pitches and the outfield and stated that the pavilion was not acceptable.
Havant Park	Currently renewing lease for the pavilion with Havant Hockey Club and Havant BC. If Havant hockey Club obtain a new facility, they would leave the pavilion to use their own pavilion. The pavilion is in poor condition. The club has stated they urgently need permanent or semi-permanent cricket nets.
Cowplain Recreation Ground	The clubs using the facility complained about the ground's maintenance.
Hayling Island Park	Clubs using the facility state the grounds maintenance is poor and that the outfield grass is much too long.
Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground	Bedhampton Mariners CC have stated the following Full time allocated groundsmen retired, and maintenance has got worse Currently, the length of grass on the 'square' is way too long, to the point that shots have difficulty even getting of the square! The outfield suffers on the West side from winter football use, the grass covering is patchy, and the levels are bumpy, with some areas required filling in with soil/turf. Showers in the 'home' dressing room run cold (visitors, at least, enjoy hot showers).
	As an ambitious cricket club, yet with a 150-year history, we look for success on the pitch and promotions in the Hampshire Leagues, twinned with Youth Development.
	To help that happen, we need our facilities at Bidbury Mead to be improved year-on year, including:
	 improved 'square' and wickets. improved 'square' security (roping off) to prevent local youths riding across on bikes. Improved outfield (needs levelling, not easy of course) Improved changing and shower facilities.
	 Disabled access to the Pavilion (owned by Council) and our own Clubhouse. Investment in Defibrillator equipment Long term lease of the ground and facilities New decking area in front of clubhouse, to view cricket.
Purbrook Heath Recreation Ground	$3^{\rm rd}$ XI can no longer use HMS Dryad Southwick Park Southwick and require a new ground for 2024. The club would like to use the new Berewood Ground or Denmead or Cowplain in the future.
	The club has issues with an uneven outfield and vandalism has occurred in the past 12 months - Damage to nets framing & netting, small bonfire on the non turf pitch, damage to rope around the cricket square, rubbish left around on the outfield, cycle tracks across the cricket square, playing football on the square, BBQs on the outfield.
	Youth football pitches, not used over the last few years due to waterlogged ground from early winter.
	The club has stated that there is a keep fit group licensed to use the field, Boot Camp Waterlooville 52 weeks of the year. This group which meets twice a week on the outfield have damaged the grass on the outfield, grass wearing sections on the outfield.
Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Waterlooville Cricket Club have stated they would like to take over the ground's maintenance from 2024 season.

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Proposed Supply Changes the developments and several active planning applications.

5.38 There are several planning applications that have been agreed with Section 106 funding attached and several planning applications awaiting a decision.

Table 41: Proposed Supply Changes

Planning Reference	Site & Sub Area	Comment
APP/23/00004	Temporary use of land to carry out ground investigation works comprising the drilling of 2 no. boreholes and the installation of headworks and equipment to monitor ground conditions for a period of 18 months including mobilisation, decommissioning, and full restoration periods. Pavilion, Bidbury Lane, Havant.	Temporary Planning Approval Given
APP/22/00427	Redevelopment of existing sports pavilion to create two changing rooms, changing facilities for match officials, plus clubhouse room, kitchen, and WC facilities, including new extension to the entrances of the changing rooms and new windows and doors with integrated security shutters. Also extending podium deck area to the south elevation with ramped access. The Pavilion and Recreation Ground, Horndean Road, Emsworth	Planning Approval Given
	New Town Park West of Waterlooville – Section 106 agreement to provide a cricket field, pavilion, multi-use games area and tennis courts.	Planning approval given – Pavilion expected 2026.
	3 rd XI can no longer use HMS Dryad Southwick Park Southwick and require a new ground for 2024. The club would like to use the new Berewood Ground or Denmead or Cowplain in the future.	

Cricket Issues Comparison between Havant Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 and the Playing Pitch Strategy Review 2023.

- 5.39 This section of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) Review 2023 compares its findings with the findings of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 for cricket.
- 5.40 Table 42 includes the response to 5 key questions, which are asked in the PPS 2017 to provide a standardised illustration of supply and demand for sports provision. It shows the Analysis from the 2017 PPS and the data and analysis from the 2023. The 2023 review analysis is taken from the Supply and Demand report for cricket PPS Review 2023.

Table 42: Key PPS findings for Cricket in Havant Borough

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017 Response	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023 Response
What are the main characteristics of the current supply and demand for provision?	There are 12 cricket sites in Havant Borough - 10 sites owned by the Local Authority and have secured community use. Most sites are also managed by the Local Authority (seven sites) and Educational Establishments (four sites). There are eight pitches are of good quality, and no cricket pitches in the Leigh Park sub area.	There are 11 cricket sites in Havant Borough. 8 sites in Local authority ownership and 3 in school ownership. The 8 local authority sites provide 9 maintained fine turf cricket squares providing 81 pitches across Havant Borough, across 8 sites used by community cricket clubs.
	The two pitches at Hayling Park and one pitch at Havant Park scored the highest quality rating. The remaining four pitches are of standard quality (all located in the Waterlooville sub area) and no cricket pitches in Havant are of poor quality. The clubs with the largest number of cricket teams in Havant are Emsworth CC (11 teams),	The 3 school sites provide non turf pitches with outfields. The school non turf pitches are not used by the community cricket clubs. Oaklands School would not be suitable for senior open age cricket as the boundary is barely big enough for the maximum under 9 junior boundary size. It is a secondary and 6 th form college but would not be suitable for even this level of use.

Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017 Response	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023 Response
	Havant CC (10 teams) and Purbrook CC (8 teams). There is a total of 46 teams and eight clubs identified as playing in Havant.	All the main club grounds, except for Hayling Island Park (Hayling Island CC) have a non turf pitch. The non turf pitches are provided at Emsworth Recreation Ground (Emsworth CC), Bidbury Meads (Bedhampton Mariners CC), Havant Park (Havant CC), Jubilee Park (Waterlooville CC) and Purbrook Heath (Purbrook CC)
		Pitch quality has deteriorated since the PPS 2017. Good quality natural turf pitches remain at Emsworth Recreation Ground (Emsworth Sub-Area), Havant Park (Havant & Bedhampton Sub Area) and Waterlooville Recreation Ground (Waterlooville Sub Area).
		Standard squares are at Bidbury Mead (Havant & Bedhampton Sub Area), Purbrook Heath (Waterlooville Sub Area) and poor-quality squares at Cowplain Recreation Ground (Waterlooville Sub Area), Hayling Park (Hayling Island Sub Area) and Hollybank Recreation Ground (Emsworth Sub Area).
		There are no pitches in the Leigh Park Sub Area.
		The 2022 cricket season found 8 clubs with 47 teams playing in Havant an increase of 1 team since 2017.
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet current demand	Purbrook Park School and Oaklands Catholic School & Sixth Form College are the only sites with unsecured community use. However, the latter is unused by the community due to a lack of demand as the pitch size is insufficient for club cricket.	Havant Cricket club has the highest number of teams 12 followed by Purbrook Cricket Club 9 teams. Emsworth and Waterlooville have 7 teams each. The school sites are not used by the community cricket clubs and are not considered suitable. Peak time for cricket is Saturday PM for adults and midweek mostly for juniors with women and girls on a Sunday. Non turf pitches are only used by under 13 junior teams for match play.
	There is sufficient, accessible, and secured, community use of existing provision to meet current and future demand within Havant.	The quality of the cricket pitches has deteriorated since 2017. This means that the current supply is deemed lower due to quality. There is a current overplay of 64 MES per Season. The theoretical overplay needs to be added to by Purbrook 3 rd X1 who currently play out of Borough 7 match equivalent sessions per season. The total theoretical overplay is seventy-one match equivalent sessions per season. This means there is insufficient existing provision to meet current demand.
		Overplay occurs at 4 sites across Havant - Hollybank, Havant Park, Cowplain Recreation Ground and Hayling Island Park. The remainder of the sites across Havant each have a theoretical underplay.
		With only 1 team using a square at any one time, there is no available spare capacity on a Saturday, there is capacity on 7 sites on a Sunday and 7 sites mid-week.
		There are some sites that are required to renew their lease/license. There are no sites that are classed as unsecure although some sites need to secure longer leases/licenses, for example, Havant cricket club, Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club, Emsworth Cricket Club, Purbrook Cricket Club and Waterlooville Cricket Club.
Is the provision that is accessible of sufficient? quality and appropriately maintained.	There are no poor-quality pitches in Havant Borough, which suggests an adequate level of maintenance is being provided; to sustain a quality rating of standard or good. Maintenance of the pitch outfields are largely undertaken by	There are poor sites in 2023 which suggests an inadequate level of maintenance is being provided. The increase in maintenance to provide good quality across all sites would provide an increase in current
	an external contractor employed by HBC, and therefore a formal agreement will ensure a	capacity of 171 MES. This would meet the current overplay of 71 MES with 100 MES underplay.

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Key Question	Havant BC PPS Analysis 2017 Response	Havant BC PPS Review Analysis 2023 Response
	certain level of maintenance is achieved. The maintenance of squares is generally undertaken by clubs, which contributes to the good quality of pitches. However, there are drainage issues at sites in Purbrook Heath and Waterlooville Recreation Ground, as well as issues of quality with the pavilion at Waterlooville Recreation Ground.	The individual site improvements in capacity are shown below: Hollybank - Improve Poor - Good increase by 40 MES. Purbrook Heath - Improve Standard - Good increase by 12 MES. Cowplain Recreation Ground - Improve Poor - Good increase by 50 MES. Hayling Park - Improve Poor - Good - increase by 61 MES. Bidbury Mead - Improve Standard - Good - increase by 8 MES. There are issues with the quality of pavilion provision. 6 sites are deemed to be poor and need to be either refurbished or rebuilt. The 6 sites are Hollybank Recreation Ground, Havant Park, Waterlooville Recreation Ground, Cowplain Recreation Ground, Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground. Emsworth Recreation Ground Pavilion has received planning permission for improvements.
What are the main characteristics of the future supply and demand for provision	There is expected to be demand for three Youth Boy's teams and two adult teams by 2036 – based upon TGRs – and therefore the population increase will have little impact on current provision within Havant. The future supply of community-accessible cricket facilities is relatively secure, due to the large proportion of Local Authority owned sites. There are also several sites that are currently operating under-capacity, which could accommodate future demand.	Cricket clubs have planned growth of 90 MES in the next few seasons. This can be met from existing fine turf cricket pitches and non turf pitches if quality is improved. The issue is 3 clubs wish to provide 3 additional men's teams that would play on Saturdays. There is no peak time availability currently. A new Square is being constructed and due to be in use in 2026 in Waterlooville. This will accommodate 2 teams on a Saturday every other week. So, a capacity issue of 4 teams requiring Saturday match play in the future with Purbrook Heath 3 rd X1 wishing to use the new facility. This will leave a deficit of 1 square on a Saturday. The Playing Pitch Calculator Tool indicates population growth by 2042 will require an additional 74 MES per season, this is equivalent to 2 x 8 pitch good quality cricket squares (1.7 rounded up).
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand	The future supply and demand analysis indicates that there will be a sufficient supply of grass pitch provision to cater for future demand. This is complemented by the utilisation of artificial wickets for mid-week and junior matches	There is a new cricket facility being constructed in Waterlooville currently. There will be a need for developer contributions to provide 2 x 8 pitch good quality cricket squares in the future. There is a need to improve the maintenance of existing cricket facilities and improve the pavilions on the poor-quality sites mentioned above. The theoretical demand will still leave 2 teams seeking alternative use on a Saturday outside of the Borough.

2023 - Key Issues for Cricket

5.41 The 2023 key issues for cricket are:

- 1. There is a need to Improve the existing quality of maintenance on poor and standard quality cricket sites too good to increase existing capacity of play. With only 1 team using a square at any one time, there is no available spare capacity on a Saturday. There is spare capacity on 4 sites on a Sunday and 4 sites mid-week.
- 2. There is a need to ensure that existing latent demand and current exported demand can be met.

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- **3.** Sport England Playing Pitch Calculator projects a requirement from developer contributions to provide a minimum of 2 x 8 wicket squares with pavilion provision to meet 74 MES per season by 2042.
- **4.** There is a need to secure long-term leases/licenses for clubs where they can apply for funding to improve facilities and provide security of tenure and if agreeable take on the maintenance of the squares, outfields, and pavilions. The clubs requiring new leases are:
 - Havant Cricket Club
 - Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club
 - Emsworth Cricket Club
 - Purbrook Cricket Club and
 - Waterlooville Cricket Club.
- **5.** There is a need to improve poor quality pavilions at the following sites:
 - Hollybank Recreation Ground
 - Havant Park
 - Waterlooville Recreation Ground
 - Cowplain Recreation Ground
 - Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground
 - Emsworth Recreation Ground Pavilion has received planning permission for improvements.

2023 PPS Cricket Scenario - Improving Pitch Quality

- 5.42 Havant Park has balanced play on a Saturday and over play Sundays and Midweek. The quality at Havant Park is good so improving quality is not possible to decrease overplay. There is a seasonal overplay of 9 MES that needs to be located to alternative cricket sites.
- 5.43 The quality of the wickets is Poor at Hollybank Recreation Ground, Cowplain Recreation Ground and Hayling Island Park this means that these grounds are all overplayed. Improving quality will increase seasonal capacity and provide balanced play at peak time on a Saturday.
- 5.44 The overplay of 66 MES in 2023 can be eradicated by improving pitch quality. The sites where improvements to pitch quality are necessary are:
 - Hollybank Recreation Ground Increase of 40 MES
 - Purbrook Heath 12 MES
 - Cowplain Recreation Ground 50 MES
 - Hayling Park (Hayling Island) 61 MES
 - Bidbury Mead- 12 MES

2023 PPS Cricket Scenario – Meeting Latent demand and Current Exported Demand

5.45 Emsworth Cricket Club – latent demand 2 junior teams can be met by the current weekly underplay at Emsworth Recreation Ground; Havant Cricket Club latent demand could be met by the new ground at Berewood. Havant Cricket Club latent demand – 1 man's (Saturday), 1 woman's (Sunday) and 1 junior team (Mid-Week). Hayling Island Cricket Club latent demand 1 men's team (Saturday) and 1 junior team (midweek) would be met by quality improvements to the wickets and outfield at Hayling Park. Bedhampton Mariners Cricket Club would require an alternative facility to Bidbury Mead to provide for an additional men's and women's team. An additional junior team can be accommodated on site.

5.46 The exported MES demand can be met by the new Berewood Cricket Ground being provided from developer contributions and expected to be ready in 2026. This site will also provide for a second team at peak time of play on a Saturday.

Cricket Recommendations

- 1. Protect existing quantity of cricket squares, including protection from development that may prejudice the use of a cricket square such as residential development near a cricket outfield (ball strike issues).
- 2. Through the Hampshire Cricket Board, ECB, Performance Quality Assessments and Ground Maintenance Association support can be given to clubs around supporting grounds staff to review quality issues on squares to ensure appropriate quality is achieved at sites assessed as standard and poor, and sustained at sites assessed as good.
- 3. Explore options of alleviating overplay at sites identified with overplay.
- **4.** Seek new or refurbishment of training facilities at clubs where required. Discussions between ECB, Hampshire Cricket Board and Havant Borough Council should be undertaken at Stage E to identify future sites for provision of non turf pitches.
- **5.** Explore options of refurbishment of ancillary facilities where provision is assessed as poor quality.
- 6. Where a development is of a size to justify on-site cricket provision, ensure that any proposals for new squares will attract adequate demand. An eight-pitch square of 'good 'quality will provide 40 match equivalent sessions per season. A home club will be required and promotion of the new ground to new residents will be required. Justification of on-site cricket should be tested through use of Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator that can identify the need for cricket facilities for each new housing development.
- 7. Where a development is not of a size to justify on-site cricket provision, or if sufficient demand cannot be attracted, consider using developer contributions to improve existing sites within the locality.
- **8.** Ensure the site actions for cricket are included in the Hampshire Cricket Boards Facility Strategy.

6. Hockey

Introduction

6.1. This appendix to the Havant Borough Playing Pitch Strategy 2023 details the current picture of facility supply and demand for the playing pitch **hockey** - at playing field sites in the Havant Borough Council area.

Pitch Supply (Step 2)

- 6.2. For all the playing pitch sports included in the scope of the PPS for Havant Borough, the supply information has been gathered, by a combination of data collection and review, and consultations with Havant Hockey Club.
- 6.3. Sources of information The sources of information used to establish current pitch supply were latest Sport England Active Places Power audit for playing pitches; NGB club and team data, club consultation and club websites; and information provided by schools.
- 6.4. Site visits and inspections Visits to the sand based artificial grass pitches in Havant Borough suitable for hockey and visual, non-technical inspection.

Hockey Supply

Number and sizes of pitches.

6.5. The audit of AGP's in Havant Borough is shown in Table 43 below and identifies community and non-community use pitches.

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Table 43: Current Community and Non-Community Use AGPs that can be used for Hockey – Havant Borough Council area.

Playing Pitch Sites – Currently Providing Community Use for Hockey	Ownership and Use	No of AGPS	Sub Area	Sand Filled /Sand Dressed/ Water Based	Floodlit	Built and Last Refurbished	Condition – Quality Rating	Community hours Availability
Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) PO9 1QL	Education – Unsecured 1 year rolling agreement	1 x AGP 97 x 61	Havant & Bedhampton	Water Based	Yes	2003	Maximum 2 years life left in the water based AGP. Water system – 3 of the six cannons no longer work - it is an aged system. Sports Lighting requires replacing but would be very expensive and probably not the right time whilst seeking new AGP facilities. Changing rooms are. inadequate to host community sport and need replacing. 'Poor' quality rating	Monday – Friday 18.00 – 22.00 Sat & Sun 09.00 - 18.00 Some Men's 1 st team games start at 6.30pm.

6.6. The AGPs used by Havant Hockey Club are:

- Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus). The facility is currently rented by Havant Hockey Club. The College has not billed the club for any rent in the past two years. Annual agreement,
- Havant Hockey Club exports some match play to HMS Temerarire, Burnaby Road, Portsmouth (13 matches 2022/23) and Langstone, Portsmouth (1 match 2022/23).

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Unsecured / Secured Community Use pitches.

6.7. The Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) AGP is rented on an annual basis by the club, and this is unsecured community use.

Pitch Quality

6.8. The Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) AGP is rated as 'Poor'. It is considered that the water-based carpet has a 2-year life expectancy. The water cannons are aged and only 3 of the six are working. The sports lighting requires replacing and upgrading to LED.

Ancillary Facilities

- 6.9. The changing rooms on site at Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus) need knocking down and rebuilding. Legionella has been found in the showers and the club has spent £12k replacing the boiler from club funds.
- 6.10. The club do use the College Sports Hall changing rooms, but this is not working well and there are issues managing the logistics with adults and children on site.
- 6.11. Havant Hockey Clubs clubhouse is not on site at Havant and South Down College, the club has use of the pavilion with Havant Cricket Club at Havant Park. The Hockey Club has brokered an agreement that if finds a home ground with a clubhouse it can leave the existing pavilion in the hands of the cricket club. Havant Hockey Club has currently negotiated an agreement with the local retail park for 20 parking permits to allow its members and visitors to park for 2 hours and use the clubhouse at Havant Park for refreshments after matches.

Proposed Hockey Supply Changes

- 6.12. Havant Hockey Club is currently in negotiation with Havant and South Down College with regards to use of land to provide 2 new full-size hockey AGPs and a clubhouse on the site of the Havant and South Down College (Havant Campus) playing fields. The site being discussed is the North East part of the playing fields providing 2 AGPs, car parking and clubhouse with a separate entrance of Petersfield Road. Discussions between Havant Hockey Club and the College are ongoing with regards to the length of the lease, the hockey club would like a 99-year lease to recover the estimated cost of £2.5m.
- 6.13. Portsmouth University, Portsmouth Langstone AGP. The University aspires to recarpet as a 3G AGP. Havant Hockey club has reduced its reliance on this pitch over the years and only used it for 1 match in the 2022/23 season. The hockey club has negotiated use of Portsmouth Grammar School AGP if required for the 2023/24. The club will continue to use HMS Temeraire, Portsmouth, However, this is an MoD site and is not ideal as matches /bookings can be cancelled at a moment's notice. The facilities are 'Good' quality.

Pitch Demand (Step 3)

- 6.14. For all four of the main playing pitch sports, the following pitch demand information, has been gathered, by a combination of data collection and review, and consultation:
 - Sources of information The sources of information used to establish current hockey pitch demand were:
 - Consultation meeting with Havant Hockey Club.
 - England Hockey
 - Club and league websites.

Hockey Demand

6.15. Findings relating to hockey pitch demand in Havant Borough are summarised below.

Clubs and Teams

Havant Hockey Club

- 6.16. Number of teams 2022/23 season:
 - 8 men's teams (includes 2 veteran's teams
 - 5 women's teams
 - 1 mixed team
 - Under 18 Girl's
 - Under 16 Girl's
 - Unser 14 Girl's x 2 teams
 - Under 12 Girl's x 2 teams
 - Minis Under 10
 - Minis Unser 8
 - Under 18's Boy's
 - Under 16 Boy's
 - Under 14's Boy's
 - Under 12 Boy's x 2 teams
- 6.17. The men's and women's teams play matches on Saturdays. The Men's 1st Team played in the Men's National Conference West in the 2022/23 season, and their matches started at either 6.30pm on a Saturday or 2.00pm on a Sunday. The men's first team has been promoted to the England Hockey League Men's Division 1 South for the 2023/24 season The club has a large junior section and training groups for mixed under 8, and under 10.
- 6.18. Havant HC has been awarded an England Hockey Talent Academy license and will commence delivery from September 2023. Havant HC will deliver the South Coast Talent Academy replacing the current England Hockey South Coast Talent Academy.
- 6.19. Talent Academies are one route to progress to England Age Group Programmes and in alignment with the RARE (Right Athlete Right Environment) principles there are multiple ways to progress, and players do not need to be in a Talent Academy to be selected for an England U16 or U18 squad.

Training times

Table 44: Adults Training

Team/Session	Day	Time	Hours
Senior Women's	Monday Women's 1 st & 2nd XI	19.30 – 21.30	2
Senior Men's	Tuesday Men's 3 rd & 4 th XI	19.30-20.30	1
Senior Men's	Tuesday Men's 1 st & 2 nd X1	20.00 – 22.00	2
Senior Women's	Wednesday Women's 3 rd , 4 th & 5 th XI	18.30 – 20.00	1.5
Senior Women's	Wednesday Women's 1st & 2nd XI	20.00 – 22.00	2
Senior Men's	Thursday Men's 5 th & 6 th XI & Back2Hockey	18.30 – 20.00	1.5

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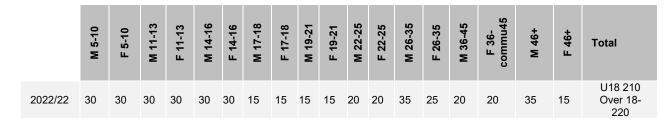
Team/Session	Day	Time	Hours
Senior Men's	Thursday Men's 1st & 2nd XI	20.00 – 22.00	2
Club Goal keepers	Friday	19:30 - 21:00	1.5
Total			13.5

Table 45: Junior Training

Team/Session	Day	Time	Hours
Junior girls U16/U18	Monday	18.00-19.30	1.5
Junior boy's U16/U18	Tuesday	18.00–19.30	1.5
Junior Girl's U14	Wednesday	18.00–19.30	1.5
Junior Boy's U14	Thursday	18.00–19.30	1.5
Junior Boy's and Girl's U12	Friday	18.00–19.30	1.5
Minis	Sunday	09.30 – 11.00	1.5
Totals			9

- 6.20. Adults train for 13.5 hours per week and juniors 9 hours per week a total of 22.5 hours per week. Consultation with the club identified the Club provides a schools community programme and summer camps for juniors. The club has also stated that it no longer hires the AGP to other sports such as football, as players did not respect the footwear rules and were damaging the AGP.
- 6.21. Havant Hockey Clubs membership by age group provided by England Hockey is provided in Table 46.

Table 46: Membership Havant Hockey Club 2022/23 Season - Category 1 Players – junior or adult club members who play in regular league hockey or tournaments.



Displaced demand

- 6.22. There are no imported hockey clubs from other local authorities using Havant AGPs.
- 6.23. From a sub area perspective only the Havant and Bedhampton sub area has AGP provision (1 AGP) and 1 hockey club Havant Hockey Club.
- 6.24. Havant Hockey Club do use AGP facilities in Portsmouth to meet some of its match play commitments. University Portsmouth Langstone AGP, HMS Temaraire. Table 47 shows the distance from Havant & South Down college (Havant Campus) to HMS Temaraire and University of Langstone AGP is approximately 20 minutes but can easily be 30 minutes on a Saturday morning. This impacts on the club's secondary spend at the club house, as not all team players will visit the club house after games as some will go straight home.

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Table 47: Distance to Portsmouth AGPs from Havant College

Site	Distance from Havant & South Down College (Havant Campus)	Time Taken (AA Route Planner)
HMS Temaraire	9.1 miles	19 minutes but can take up to 30 minutes on a Saturday.
University Portsmouth Langstone AGP	8.7 miles	20 minutes but can take up to 30 minutes on a Saturday.
Admiral Lord Nelson	5.3 miles	11 minutes

Future Demand

- 6.25. Havant Borough Council is undertaking a local plan review, The 'Building a Better Future Plan' will be the Local Plan for Havant Borough. Local plans are at the heart of the planning system and every local authority in England is required by Government to prepare one. The local plan addresses the needs and opportunities for development in an area setting out how much, what type and where development will take place over at least a 15-year period. It also sets out how development should take place, what infrastructure is required to support development and how harm is avoided. The new Local Plan will run until 2042.
- 6.26. New housing needs for Havant are currently estimated at 516 per year. Between 2023 and 2042 (19 years) there will be a need for 9,804 new houses.
- 6.27. Based upon the same methodology as the previous 2017 Havant Playing Pitch Strategy 2017, the 9,804 proposed allocation of new homes is multiplied by the average persons per dwelling (2.27 persons)4, giving a projected population increase of 22,255 residents by 2042. For this strategy, the increase of 22,555 residents will be used in future provision calculations and Playing Pitch Calculator Tool.
- 6.28. Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool should be used to identify team generation rates and need for playing pitches as and when planning applications are agreed.
- 6.29. Havant Hockey Club has stated that they will increase adult teams by 5 in the near future. This will require additional training and match play slots.
- 6.30. The increase in population of 22,555 residents between 2023 and 2042 with the existing hockey team numbers and junior membership numbers by typology and the 5 future estimated teams will be input into Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator Tool and the outputs from the Calculator for future match equivalent sessions to 2042 will be identified.

Match Capacity

Table 48: Match Slots Required Each Week

Havant Hockey Clubs	Adult Teams						Match Slot 1.5 hours	Match Slot 1.5 hours
	Senior Men	Senior Women	Mixed	Veterans	Juniors	s Totals	(Adult) Requirements	(Junior)
Havant Hockey Club	6	5	1	2	13	27	7	6.50
Total Teams Playing on a Saturday	6	5	1	2	0	14	7	0

⁴ Department for Communities and Local Government 2014-based Household Projections: England, 2014-2039 – Household average size projected 2029 of 2.27 persons per household

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Havant Hockey Clubs	Adult Teams						Match Slot 1.5 hours	Match Slot 1.5 hours
	Senior Men	Senior Women	Mixed	Veterans	Juniors	Totals	(Adult) Requirements	(Junior)
Total Teams Playing on a Sunday	0	0	0	0	13	13	0	6.50
Total Teams Playing Mid-Week	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

6.31. Havant Hockey Club AGP provides hockey matches from 10.00am on a Saturday and Sunday and can cater for 4 match slots per day. Although the Men's 1st team plays at 6.30pm on a Saturday or 2.00pm on a Sunday. There are insufficient match slots to meet the clubs match play demand of 7 per Saturday and 6.5 per Sunday. There is a need for two AGPs to meet current demand.

Training Capacity

- 6.32. The Havant and South Down College AGP is available from 18.00 22.00 Monday Friday. The supply is 20 hours per week for training. Havant Hockey Clubs teams except for the minis train weekday evenings. The demand is for 21 hours. Consultation has identified that the Women's teams do not wish to train on a Monday evening as it is too close to the previous match play on a Saturday and would prefer a mid-week training slot.
- 6.33. Table 49 shows that there is insufficient training supply on one AGP at Havant and South Down College. The shortfall of 1 hour is further exacerbated if the Women's team wish to train at an alternative evening other than a Monday. The level the club plays at dictates that junior training takes place mid-week. The lack of AGP time mid-week hinders the club providing informal programmes such as Back to Hockey etc. In addition, as there are no other sand based AGPs in Havant this hinders the club with its community development programme with local schools as there are insufficient facilities for this to take place.

Table 49: Spare Capacity for Hockey Training and Match Havant Facilities

Site Name	Supply Weekday Training 1Hr Slots	Demand Weekday Training 1 Hr slots	Shortfall Weekday Training 1 Hr slots
Havant and South Down College AGP	20	21	1
Total	20	21	1

Hockey Summary Key Issues Comparison between Havant Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 and the Playing Pitch Strategy Review 2023

- 6.34. This section of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) Review 2023 compares its findings with the findings of the Havant Borough Council Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 for hockey.
- 6.35. Table 50 includes the response to 5 key questions, which are asked in the PPS 2017 to provide a standardised illustration of supply and demand for sports provision. It shows the Analysis from the 2017 PPS and the data and analysis from the 2023. The 2023 review analysis is taken from the Supply and Demand report for hockey PPS Review 2023.

Table 50: Key PPS findings for Hockey in Havant Borough

Key Question	Analysis PPS 2017	Analysis PPS 2023
What are the main characteristics of the current supply and demand for provision?	There is one AGP available in the Local Authority area at Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) that is suitable for community hockey use.	As 2017 provision of one AGP at Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) that is suitable for hockey.

Key Question	Analysis PPS 2017	Analysis PPS 2023
	Club demand is based at the Havant & South Downs College (Havant Campus) site. The club also must use additional facilities outside of the Borough to accommodate demand at peak time and "pinch points". Havant Hockey Club is the only formal hockey club in the Borough – it has a total of 21 teams: eight men's, five ladies and eight junior teams. Havant & South Downs College (Havant Campus) is owned and managed by the College. The pitch and use of the changing facilities are rented by the	Havant Hockey Club exports some match play to HMS Temerarire, Burnaby Road, Portsmouth (13 matches 2022/23) and Langstone, Portsmouth (1 match 2022/23). Havant Hockey club remains the only formal hockey club in the Borough – teams have expanded to 27 teams: eight men's, five ladies, one mixed and thirteen junior teams. The pitch and changing facility are rented by the club through an annual agreement which is seen as unsecured community use.
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet current demand	Club. Havant HC accesses several venues outside of the Havant Borough area to accommodate matches and training for all teams. The pitch is operating at capacity during peak times, and there is a lack of capacity for additional hockey use due to demand for football training in the area.	Havant HC still must access venues outside of the Havant Borough area to accommodate matches. The AGP is operating at capacity at peak times. There is no football use of the water based AGP any more due to damage by football participants and the AGP is now only used for hockey. There are insufficient match slots to meet the clubs match play demand of 7 per Saturday and 6.5 per Sunday. There is a need for two AGPs to meet current demand. There is insufficient training supply on one AGP
		at Havant and South Down College. The shortfall of 1 hour is further exacerbated if the Women's team wish to train at an alternative evening other than a Monday. The level the club plays at dictates that junior training takes place mid-week. The lack of AGP time mid-week hinders the club providing informal programmes such as Back to Hockey etc. In addition, as there are no other sand based AGPs in Havant this hinders the club with its community development programme with local schools as there are insufficient facilities for this
Is the provision that is accessible of sufficient quality and appropriately maintained?	The sand based AGP at the Havant & South Downs College (Havant Campus) is maintained by the College, and it is in a Standard condition by Havant HC. The changing facilities at the College are of poor quality and a lack of social space at the site is hindering club development.	to take place. The AGP Is not sand-based, but water-based. The AGP is rated as 'Poor'. It is considered that the water-based carpet has a 2-year life expectancy. The water cannons are aged and only 3 of the six are working. The sports lighting requires replacing and upgrading to LED. The changing facilities are not fit for purpose and require replacing. The lack of a social space at the site is still hindering the club's development.
What are the main characteristics of the future supply and demand for provision?	There is expected to be increased hockey demand in the future due to the previous success of GB Hockey teams and upcoming World Cup matches. The Hampshire League is a growing league and therefore future demand for hockey in Havant Borough is expected to increase at a higher rate than the TGRs suggest – an increase of one Junior team by 2026.	The previous PPS identified a one team increase by 2026. There are now 6 additional teams in 2023.
Is there enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet future demand?	There is not enough accessible and secured community use provision to meet the current and future demand for hockey in Havant Borough. Havant HC would be unable to grow as it expects without new facility provision within the Borough, demand. A second Hockey appropriate AGP in Havant is required, ideally on the same site as the existing Hockey club to accommodate the current and future demand required for Hockey.	A second hockey AGP is required on the same site as the existing hockey AGP. The existing hockey AGP will require replacing soon (2 years). These facilities will require ancillary facilities such as changing and social areas that are fit for purpose.

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Key Question	Analysis PPS 2017	Analysis PPS 2023
	This should be supported with improved ancillary provision.	

2023 -- Key Issues for Hockey

6.36. The 2023 key issues for hockey are:

- 1. The water based AGP at (Havant South Downs College (Havant Campus) is rated as 'Poor'. It is considered that the water-based carpet has a 2-year life expectancy. The water cannons are aged and only 3 of the six are working. The sports lighting requires replacing and upgrading to LED. The changing facilities are not fit for purpose and require replacing. The lack of a social space at the site is still hindering the club's development.
- 2. There are insufficient match slots to meet Havant Hockey Clubs match play demand of 7 per Saturday and 6.5 per Sunday. There is a need for two AGPs to meet current demand.
- 3. There is insufficient training supply on one AGP at Havant and South Down College. The shortfall of 1 hour is further exacerbated if the Women's team wish to train at an alternative evening other than a Monday. The level the club plays at dictates that junior training takes place mid-week. The lack of AGP time mid-week hinders the club providing informal programmes such as Back to Hockey etc.
- **4.** In addition, as there are no other sand based AGPs in Havant this hinders the club with its community development programme with local schools as there are insufficient facilities for this to take place.
- 5. Any future development of hockey AGPs at Havant South Downs College (Havant Campus) will need to consider how the college will provide for football in the future as it currently has 2 youth 11v11 pitches on site in addition to the existing hockey AGP.

2023 PPS Hockey-- Recommendations

- 1. As part of the Local Plan and ongoing planning policy, there is a need to protect all sites designated as hockey playing fields (AGPs).
- 2. Work with and support Havant Hockey Club in its endeavours to purchase or lease land from Havant and South Downs College (Havant Campus) and provide 2 new AGPS with a clubhouse (Changing and social facilities). Unless alternative land options become available.
- 3. Work with Havant Hockey Club to ensure its future needs are met in terms of changing provision and social facilities to provide support for its continuing growth in members on the same site as its AGPs.
- There is a need to protect sand based AGPs from being converted to 3G AGP.
- **5.** Ensure a sink fund is in place for long-term sustainability of any new AGPs in the future.

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7. Athletics Analysis and Recommendations

- 7.1. England Athletics is the membership and development body for grass roots athletics and running clubs in England.
- 7.2. In May 2021, following extensive consultation with a multitude of stakeholders across the sport, we launched our new strategic plan for 2021-2042: Athletes and runners at the heart creating opportunities, enhancing experiences, and powering potential.
- 7.3. This strategy ensures a robust and clearly defined future direction for our sport which places athletes and runners at the heart of everything we will do over the 12-year period to 2042.

Our purpose

7.4. To inspire more athletes and runners of all abilities and backgrounds to fulfil their potential and to have a lifelong love for the sport.

Our vision

7.5. For athletics and running to become an inclusive sport where everyone belongs and can flourish.

Our guiding principles

- 7.6. We want every participant involved in the sport, whether they are an athlete, runner, coach, official, leader, volunteer, competition provider, facility operator, parent, or guardian to see and experience first-hand the guiding principles which continue to drive our work. These are to:
 - Put the athlete and runner first.
 - Encourage high standards and ethical success across all aspects of our work.
 - Enhance experiences and
 - Work together in partnership not in isolation.

Our key focus areas

- 7.7. At the heart of this plan, and the focal point for everything that England Athletics do, are the people and communities involved in athletics across the following five key areas:
 - 1. Clubs, Club Leaders, and facilities.
 - 2. Competition
 - 3. Coaches and Officials
 - **4.** Participation: young people and running
 - 5. Talented athletes

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7.8. The above five key focus areas from England Athletics Strategy 2021 – 2032 are identified in the England Athletics infographic below.

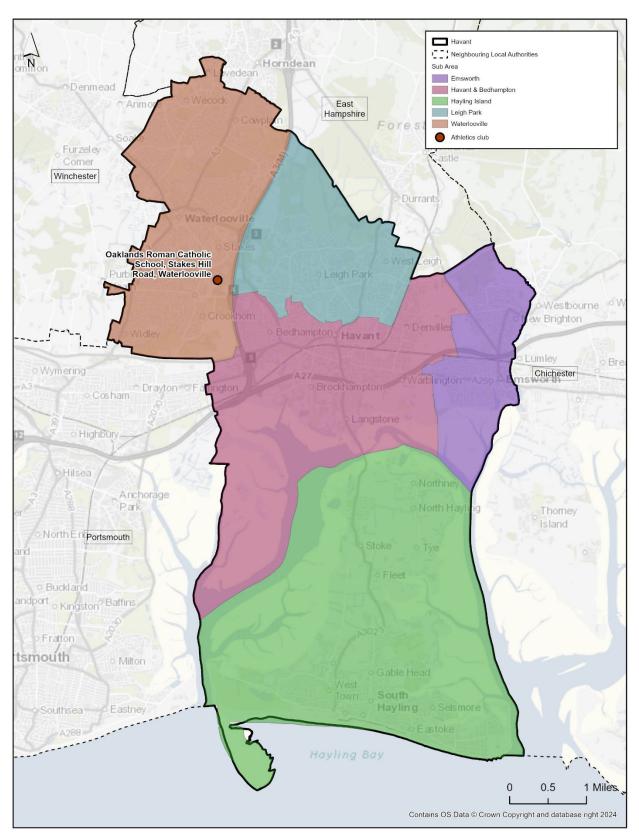
Figure 1: England Athletics Strategy 2021 - 2032 Key focus areas.



Supply

7.9. As shown in Map 4 below there is one athletics site in Havant Borough used by Havant Athletics Club - Oaklands Roman Catholic School, Stakes Hill Road, Waterlooville, PO7 7BW. The Mountbatten Centre is located outside of Havant Borough, in the North-West of Portsmouth. Havant Athletics Club has moved from Cowplain School where they had access to an 8-lane grass track.

Map 4: Athletics Facilities Havant Borough



Athletics clubs in Havant

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7.10. The following table identifies the two known grass tracks available for community use for athletics in Havant Borough.

Table 51: Supply - Athletics Sites in Havant Borough

Site Name	Facility	Lanes	Ownership	Management	Community Use	Security of Use
Cowplain Community School	Grass	8	Education	Education	Available	Unsecured
Oaklands Roman Catholic School	Grass	8	Education	Education	Available	Unsecured

- 7.11. The grass athletics track at Cowplain Community School has eight lanes, which are available for community use, but it is unsecured and managed by the school. The athletics facilities are suitable for school competitions and club training. The track and field facilities at this site are unsuitable for club competition and unusable during winter months. The development of a care home on the school playing field may well impact on the size of the athletics track soon.
- 7.12. Havant Athletic Club has moved from Cowplain School to Oaklands Roman Catholic School and enjoyed several advantages with its move, the Club has stated that they now not only enjoy the use of the outside grass track areas but also tarmac zones for inclement weather as well as two gymnasium areas and a fully equipped Health Suite. A great plus is that the school also shares the Clubs long awaited ambition of having a synthetic running track.
- 7.13. The athletics facilities at Mountbatten Centre in Portsmouth are available for secured community use and suitable for club training and competition it is a synthetic track with full range of field event provision.

Demand

- 7.14. Consultation and online research of athletics and clubs in Havant Borough, as well as England Athletics has informed the demand for athletics in the Borough. There is one affiliated athletics club, Havant Athletics Club, two road running clubs and a jogging club in the area: Havant Athletics Club (330 club members), Victory Athletics Club (200 club members), Denmead Striders (approx. 100 members) and Emsworth Jogging Club. There is a weekly parkrun at Staunton Country Park, Middle Park Way, Havant, 9.00am every Saturday and a junior Parkrun at Waterlooville Recreation Ground every Sunday.
- 7.15. Havant AC uses Oaklands Roman Catholic School Cowplain for training during the summer, and winter training, The Mountbatten Track in Portsmouth is used for club competition. Victory AC and Denmead Striders both running clubs use numerous leisure centres and recreation grounds as a base for hosting training session on local roads. Emsworth Jogging Club meets at Holybank Recreation Ground, Emsworth.
- 7.16. Havant AC has stated that the Oaklands Roman Catholic School shares the club's ambition of having a synthetic running track. The school has already invested over £20,000.00 in various preparation fees for such a facility but the cost-of-living crisis has precluded any further action currently. The school had been considering a J track. So, called because it is half an oval 400m track.
- 7.17. Consultation with England Athletics identified the following:

"There's no track in Havant and the area is generally well served by the 400m track at the Mountbatten Centre – This means Havant is not recognised as a priority area for a NewGen facility by England Athletics."

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- 7.18. That said Havant is surrounded by two areas that are identified as a priority (Chichester and East Hampshire). So, there is the possibility a case could be made for an entry level facility if sufficient demand can be evidenced.
- 7.19. Due to the amount of traditional 400m Athletics tracks in the country and the ongoing work to sustain usage of some, and high maintenance costs, England Athletics recommendations for the areas of need are to look at the compact athletics module, which is a more cost-effective way of offering various athletic opportunities in a smaller area.
- 7.20. England Athletics has stated that identified priority locations will be reviewed on a regular basis to reflect (amongst other factors):
 - Emerging strategic housing developments that are approved and may alter the original demographic assumptions in each priority location.
 - The development of new athletics facilities not included or known about in the original mapping analysis.
- 7.21. The partnership work between Havant AC and Oaklands Roman Catholic School in considering a track facility may well fit within the second bullet point and discussions should be held with England Athletics to identify if it is feasible for the Oaklands Roman Catholic School site to be considered within the England Athletics Strategic Plan.

Recommendations

- 7.22. As part of the Local Plan and ongoing planning policy, protect Cowplain Community School and Oaklands Roman catholic School athletics tracks.
- 7.23. Obtain security of use for Havant Athletics Club to continue to use the grass athletics track at Oaklands roman Catholic School
- 7.24. Discuss further with England Athletics the aspiration of providing athletics track facilities at Oaklands Roman Catholic School in partnership with Havant AC and consider development of a NewGen Track facility. New Generation Tracks (d1laub10p5ibfa.cloudfront.net).

8. Bowls Green Analysis and Recommendations

- 8.1. Bowls England is responsible for governance administration and promotion of Flat Green Lawn Bowls in England. It was formed in 2008 following a unification of the English Bowling Association (EBA) and English Women's Bowling Association (EWBA).
- 8.2. The 2021-26 England Bowls Strategy 'Fit for the Future' frames a new and exciting course for the sport. England Bowls believe it will:
 - Unite the sport behind a compelling vision, creating a sense of belonging and source of inspiration for its volunteers.
 - Guide the staff team's activity allowing it to better allocate resources to the areas that matter most.
 - Help put issues and problems into a broader context, engendering a can-do, optimistic culture.
 - Build confidence and enthusiasm amongst current partners and act as a catalyst to forge new relationships.
 - Enable it to articulate with one voice why those outside its sport should care.
- 8.3. The five-year plan, launched in August 2021, is designed with the goal of getting more people playing and enjoying bowls.
- 8.4. It sets out our vision for the sport, how it plans to achieve its objectives and what success looks like in 2026. The priorities that will get England Bowls to its target of **One Million Bowls Experiences** by 2026 are:
 - **Building the brand of bowls** by increasing focus on international & top domestic bowls and utilising opportunities such as Birmingham 2022 to achieve larger media coverage.
 - **Ensuring the sport is truly accessible** to all by offering different formats of the game which suit all time constraints, as well as driving more people to clubs in new ways.
 - Creating positive playing experiences for everyone who steps on the green, both for casual
 and competitive players, as well as growing our events calendar and introducing a Performance
 Pathway
 - **Putting volunteers first**, as the lifeblood of our sport, by increasing our support for clubs to empower them to thrive.
 - **Leading the sport with purpose** by developing our Governance structures, diversifying our revenue streams, and work collaboratively with all the sport's key stakeholders.
- 8.5. In addition to flat green bowls there are two Old English Bowling Association clubs in Havant. Unfortunately, this is a sport that has been slowly declining over the years and is now struggling for new players.
- 8.6. Emsworth Sports and Social Club and the Belair Club (4 rinks) both private clubs provide a green each for the play of Old English Bowls. Both clubs have teams that play in the Chichester Old English Bowls League. Both greens are used for other activities such as fun days etc and are not good quality greens.
- 8.7. Most bowls facilities in Havant Borough provide for England Bowls Flat green and is played on a flat grass (or artificial) surface called the 'green' that should be either rectangular or square. The length of the green in the direction of play should be between 31 metres and 40 metres.
- 8.8. The green is divided into sections called 'rinks' which should be between a minimum of 4.3 metres and a maximum of 5.8 metres wide for outdoor play.
- 8.9. Surrounding the green is a ditch, and a bank where markers indicate the boundaries and centre lines of each rink.

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- 8.10. Each game is split into individual ends. At the start of each end one player will place the mat on the centre line of the rink and deliver the jack. The jack is then put on the centre line at the other end of the rink. The jack must be a minimum of 23 metres from the mat at the start of the end.
- 8.11. Old English Bowls rinks:
 - Rinks are to be grass and each rink should measure approximately 90' by 22' 6". (Club dependant based on area available).
 - Matches are to be played between the months of May August.
 - Rinks must face North / South to avoid bowling into the late evening sun.
 - Grass is expected to be cut short and white lines are to be painted to mark the boundaries.
 - All 4 rinks will be played on at the same time during a match.
 - Mats are to be positioned behind the base line and within the side limits of the box.

Supply

- 8.12. Emsworth Sports and Social Club (PO10 7JF), Royal British Legion Club Hayling Island (PO11 0HB) and the Belair Club (PO9 2RG) all private clubs provide a green of 4 rinks each for the play of Old English Bowls. All three clubs have teams that play in the last remaining Old English Bowls League Chichester Old English Bowls League. All three greens are used for other activities such as fun days etc and are not good quality greens.
- 8.13. There are eight England Bowls flat green bowls greens in Havant Borough.
- 8.14. Table 52. below provides details of the bowls sites, which all have one green and six rinks. All but one green is considered secure. The green at Portsmouth Water once use by Portsmouth Water Bowls Club is no longer in use and not maintained. Portsmouth Water Bowls Club now play at Alexandra Bowls Club Portsmouth. The Portsmouth Water Bowls green is classed as unsecured and not in use.
- 8.15. This leaves seven of the eight bowling greens classed as secured community use. These seven bowls sites are owned by the Local Authority; and all sites are bowling club managed.

Table 52: Flat Green Bowls Sites in Havant Borough

Site Name	Sub Area	Ownership	Management & Membership	Security of Use	Number: Green – Rinks	Quality: Green – Clubhouse
Bedhampton Bowls Club (Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground)	Havant & Bedhampton	Local Authority	Club - 90 Members	Secured	1 – 6	Poor – Standard
Cowplain Bowling Club (Cowplain Recreation Ground)	Waterlooville	Local Authority	Club – 152 members	Secured	1 - 7	Good -Good
Emsworth Bowling Club	Emsworth	Local Authority	Club – Members 80	Secured	1 – 6	Standard – Standard
Leigh Park Bowling Club (Front Lawn)	Leigh Park	Local Authority	Club – 50 members	Secured	1 – 6	Standard – Good
Hayling Island Bowls Club (Hayling Park)	Hayling Island	Local Authority	Club – 110 members	Secured	1 – 7	Good – Standard
Portsmouth Water Bowls Club	Havant and Bedhampton	Private	Not maintained	Unsecured	1 – 6	Poor – Standard

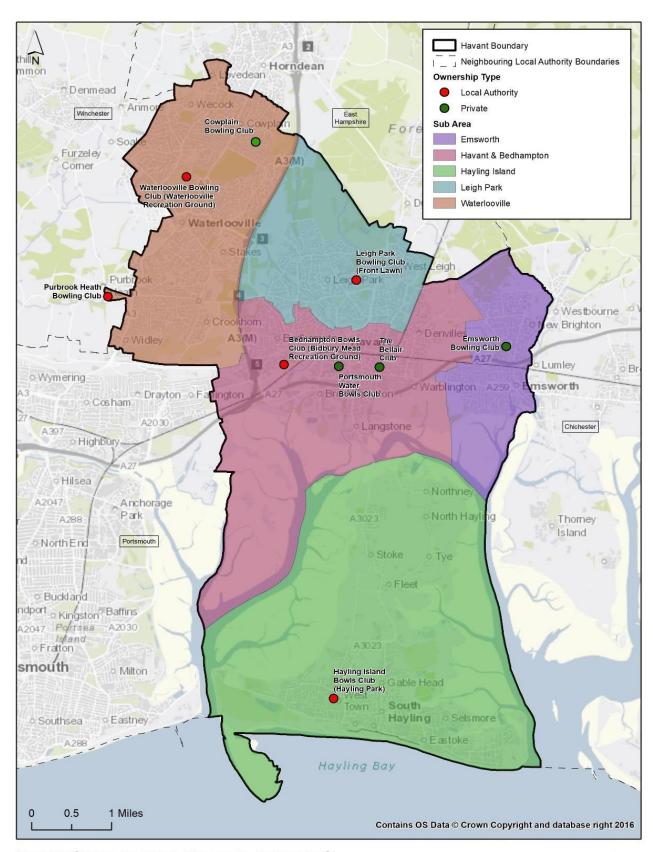
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Site Name	Sub Area	Ownership	Management & Membership	Security of Use	Number: Green – Rinks	Quality: Green – Clubhouse
Purbrook Heath Bowling Club (Purbrook Heath Recreation Ground)	Waterlooville	Local Authority	Club – Estimated 80 members	Secured	1 – 6	Good – Good
Waterlooville Bowling Club (Waterlooville Recreation Ground)	Waterlooville	Local Authority	Club – 142 Members	Secured	1 – 6	Good – Good

- 8.16. Table 52 also provides non-technical site assessment scores for the quality the bowling green and the clubhouse. Consultation with the bowls clubs has identified the following:
 - Bedhampton Bowls Club green is rated as poor quality. The artificial surface is now 10 years
 old and will need replacing in the very near future. There are issues with overhanging trees that
 cause considerable problems with moss growth on the green. There is also a serious issue with
 tree roots that are invading one of the rinks under the surface, and therefore making the rink
 unplayable.
 - The clubhouse is related as standard with disability facilities but is not large enough to accommodate all 90 members for social events. Because of the lack of club house space, it is difficult when other teams visit, because the club do not have large enough changing facilities. There is also a lack of storage areas for maintenance equipment and bowling equipment.
 - Leigh Park Bowls Club the green is rated standard quality but has improved during the covid lockdown. A new clubhouse has been provided in 2020 can cater for short mat bowls in the winter months. There is an issue with lack of car parking space since the 3G AGP has been constructed at Front Lawn.
 - Hayling Island Bowls Club Green was replaced by an artificial surface in 2021 and is rated as good quality with floodlights provided. The clubhouse is attached to the Community Centre. Under Havant Borough Council's lease with the Community Centre, the bowls club gets free use of the clubhouse between April & September. The bowls club rents the clubhouse from the community centre between October and March there is no long-term arrangement in place. The clubhouse has changing, kitchen & meeting room facilities. The north & south boundary fences are not secure there are numerous places that can be and are accessed from outside by humans and animals. The high hedges do cause mould growth on the playing surface which is treatable with fungicidal spray. The club wishes to replace these, but no long-term agreement for clubhouse use deters both sponsors and club investment.
 - Cowplain Bowls Club Green was replaced with an artificial surface in 2015 and is rated as good quality. A new log cabin pavilion was constructed in 2022.
 - Emsworth Bowls Club the green was poorly maintained up until 2020 when the club took over the maintenance of the green. The green is currently rated as standard quality. The clubhouse is rated as standard quality with improvements required to enable disability access.
 - Waterlooville Bowls Club the original grass green was replaced with artificial grass in 2008 and replaced again in 2019. The green is rated as good quality. The clubhouse was refurbished and extended in 2021 to house new toilets including a dedicated accessible toilet, extended changing facilities and larger function room. The clubhouse is rated as good quality.
 - Purbrook Heath Bowls Club fine turf bowls green rated as good quality and good quality rated clubhouse.
- 8.17. Only one club Purbrook Heath Bowls Club did not respond to the consultation. The estimated membership for the club has been identified from internet research.
- 8.18. Map 5 below displays the location of bowls sites in Havant Borough the majority are within the Havant & Bedhampton Sub-Area.

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Map 5: Bowls Club sites in Havant Borough



Bowling Greens by ownership type in Havant, PPS



Bowls Summary

- 8.19. This study has identified 704 bowls members in Havant Borough. The clubs have stated that membership remains roughly the same as previous years and that they are targeting younger players as it is hard to maintain an ageing membership. Hayling Island and Bedhampton Bowls Club wish to increase their membership by 20 members each in the next two years and Leigh Park 6 10 new members.
- 8.20. Although Bowls England has noted a decline in membership rates since its inception in 2008, Clubs in Havant Borough are generally healthy, with memberships reported to be steady but aging in many cases.
- 8.21. The only change in supply since the 2017 PPS is the loss of access to the Portsmouth Water Bowls Green. This site needs to remain protected in the Havant Borough Local Plan and any future loss of this site mitigated to improve local bowls facilities in the immediate surrounds.
- 8.22. Future demand patterns are likely to be like current levels, based on participation trends. Sport England Active Lives survey suggests 1% of the population participated in flat green bowls activities in 2021/2022.
- 8.23. The Census 2021 identifies the Havant borough population to be 124,200. 1% of the population equates to 1,242 persons participating in flat green bowls. This is 538 higher than the 704 Borough wide membership identified in the study. This could be down to casual players participating in come and try sessions etc.
- 8.24. Higher population projections will create a requirement for 1% additional capacity by 2042. This equates to approximately 222 additional bowls players. Spare capacity at the existing bowls facilities will be able to accommodate all additional future demand. Based on the 7 clubs across Havant Borough this equates to 32 new members each by 2042.
- 8.25. There will be a need to ensure that bowls clubhouses can accommodate the additional demand. It is also recommended that Bowls England work with Clubs to encourage improved awareness of facilities and that Clubs are well linked to participation programmes and support with marketing.

Bowls Recommendations

- 8.26. Protecting existing bowls greens through the Local Plan will be key both to securing local provision by ensuring that planning policy supports the retention of existing facilities, unless the loss of a facility would involve its replacement with a facility of at least the equivalent size, quality and accessibility or create improvements to be able to increase capacity at nearby bowls greens.
- 8.27. There is a need to replace the artificial bowls green at Bedhampton Bowls Club The artificial surface is now 10 years old and will need replacing in the very near future. There are issues with overhanging trees that cause considerable problems with moss growth on the green. There is also a serious issue with tree roots that are invading one of the rinks under the surface, and therefore making the rink unplayable.
- 8.28. The Bedhampton Bowls Club clubhouse requires refurbishment and an extension. The clubhouse is not large enough to accommodate all 90 members for social events. Because of the lack of club house space, it is difficult when other teams visit, because the club do not have large enough changing facilities. There is also a lack of storage areas for maintenance equipment and bowling equipment.
- 8.29. Leigh Park Bowls Club requires enhancements to improve car parking facilities.
- 8.30. Emsworth Bowls Club require clubhouse improvements to meet disability access requirements.

Golf Analysis and Recommendations

- 9.1. Golf is the fifth largest participation sport in the Country, with around 70,000 members belonging to one of 1800 affiliated clubs and a further 2 million people playing golf independently outside of club membership.
- 9.2. More than 4 million people have played golf on a full-length course in the last 12 months this is an increase on previous years and highlights a growing golf participation market. Other notable figures regarding golf club participation in the last 12 months suggest a large and growing market of new and existing golfers:
 - 2.6 million have used driving ranges.
 - 2.1 million played a short course.
 - 3.7 million played pitch & putt.
 - 6.8 million have been to Adventure Golf facility (Source: Sport MR)
- 9.3. The latest England Golf Strategy 'Course Planner' provides golf with a strategic direction 2021 2025. The following infographic identifies the England Golf strategies 18 Tee shots to success.

Figure 2: England Golf Strategy 18 Tee shots to success 2021 – 2025.



- 9.4. In 2014 England Golf published the 'Raising Our Game' strategy, which clearly defined the organisation's strategic direction for the 2014-2017 window. This document highlighted the need for a strategy to enhance market understanding of the size and shape of the golfing market and to map alongside the golfing facilities catering for that demand. Jigsaw research was commissioned by England Golf in 2015, to create a market segmentation which is specific to golf.
- 9.5. The research identified that 24% of adults in England are potential players. This is made up of 9% current players, 8% lapsed players and 7% latent players amounting to c.9.6 million people in total. It also provided England Golf with 9 defined profiles and clearly identified behaviours, motivations, and barriers within each one. England Golf then worked with LCMB, facility consultancy, to utilise the segmentation work to develop a facility strategy and create some practical tools to overlay supply with demand. When looking at a club, Local Authority or Region, our mapping report can identify the total number of golfers within a 20-minute catchment. This number will include current, lapsed, and latent golfers the full 24%.

Demand

9.6. The demand for golf within Havant Borough, Hampshire County and the region by profile is shown in the table below.

Table 53: Profile and demand for Golf – average number of people per club/facility/local authority within a 20-minute drive time

	Average number of people per club/facility/local authority (within 20-minute drive time*)						
Profile Name	Local Authority	County	Region				
	Havant	Hampshire	South West				
1: Relaxed Members	6663	6322	3737				
2: Older Traditionalists	5652	5623	3305				
3: Younger Traditionalists	6602	6154	3625				
4: Younger Fanatics	5973	6064	3534				
5: Younger Actives	6352	6090	3592				
6: Late Enthusiasts	5871	5869	3445				
7: Occasional Time Pressed	6465	6142	3616				
8: Social Couples	6061	5846	3467				
9: Casual Fun	5877	6177	3587				

^{*}The figures represent the number of people within each profile, within a 20-minute drive time of each club/facility. It is averaged to ensure no double counting and is therefore at its most accurate at club/facility level.

9.7. In addition, the following table outlines the demand for each of the clubs and facilities within Havant Borough and its catchment.

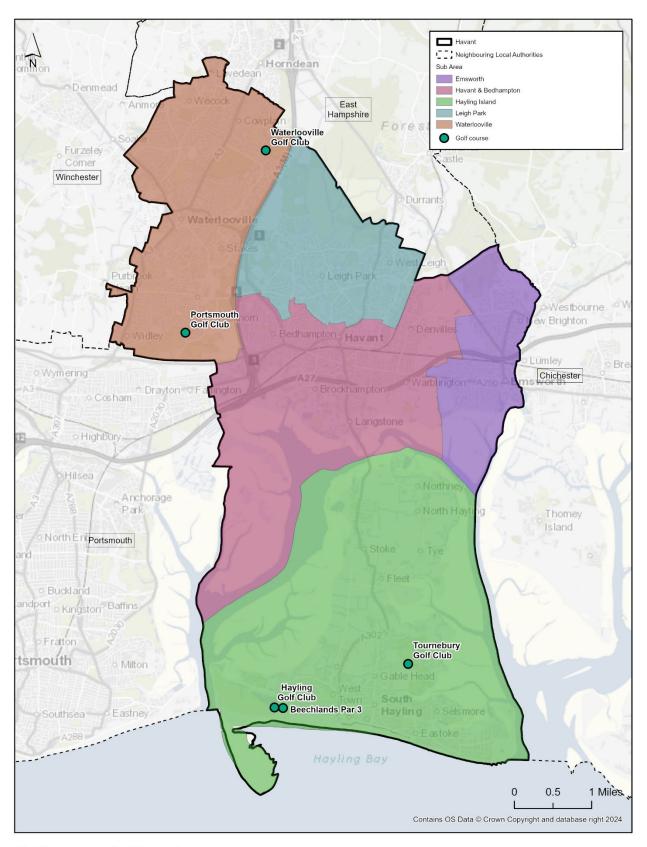
Table 54: Profile and Average Number of Persons per affiliated facility for Golf within a 20-minute drive time

	Average Number of People per Affiliated Facility (within 20-minute drive time*)								
Profile Name	Non-Affiliated Club	Affiliated Club	Affiliated Club	Affiliated Club	Affiliated Club				
	BEACHLANDS PAR 3 GOLF COURSE	HAYLING GOLF CLUB	PORTSMOUTH GOLF CLUB	TOURNERBURY GOLF CLUB	WATERLOOVILLE GOLF CLUB				
1: Relaxed Members	3006	2793	12352	6961	8201				
2: Older Traditionalists	2647	2446	10396	5917	6856				
3: Younger Traditionalists	3058	2690	12262	6844	8156				
4: Younger Fanatics	2838	2585	10992	6210	7240				
5: Younger Actives	2908	2674	11754	6631	7792				
6: Late Enthusiasts	2735	2546	10806	6141	7126				
7: Occasional Time Pressed	2986	2683	11982	6723	7953				
8: Social Couples	2727	2603	11189	6379	7408				
9: Casual Fun	2797	2615	10778	6125	7071				

Golf Supply

9.8. Within Havant Borough there are four affiliated clubs and one non-affiliated club. The affiliated clubs are shown in Map 6 below.

Map 6: Havant Local Authority - Golf Courses



Golf courses in Havant

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9.9. The table below identifies the golf course facility Information - Provision & Prices for Havant Local Authority Golf Courses.

Affiliated Club Name	Number of Holes	Club Type	Course Type	Driving Range? Y/N	Clubhouse? Y/N	Green fees weekday	Green fees weekend	7 Day membership fees
BEACHLANDS PAR 3 GOLF COURSE	9 (Pitch & Putt)	Proprietary	Links	N	N	£5.30	-	£195
HAYLING GOLF CLUB	18	Members	Links	N	Y	£100	£120	£1460 (£2600 joining fee)
PORTSMOUTH GOLF CLUB	18	Members	Downland	N	Y	£22	£25	£960 + £100
TOURNERBURY GOLF CLUB	9	Proprietary	Parkland	Y	N	£12	£12	£550
WATERLOOVILLE GOLF CLUB	18	Members	Parkland	N	Y	£60	N/A	£1297 (£1100 joining fee)

- 9.10. Demand for golf in Havant Borough sits above both the county and regional averages. Membership figures are strong with the current 2023 average across clubs in the authority being well above the national average of 407 members. This is also the case when factoring in the equivalent number of 18-hole courses which works out to be 3.5 and equates to a 27% higher than average number of members.
- 9.11. England Golf has stated that there is an adequate mix of facilities within the catchment, including a 9-hole pitch & putt, a full length 9-hole course, and three 18-hole standard courses. Of the 18-hole courses, both Hayling and Waterlooville are at the top end of the price range, leaving Portsmouth Golf Course as the only more affordable 18-hole option for golfers. Given the demand levels, there is probably an under provision of entry level standard courses which are viewed as being more accessible to less proficient golfers.
- 9.12. There is clearly a large undersupply of driving range provision in the authority given that Tournerbury Golf Centre provides the only facilities in the authority, and this is located on Hayling Island. This suggests that many golfers in Havant have very limited access to a driving range.
- 9.13. Participation and membership in golf has seen a large resurgence over the last few years and particularly because of the COVID-19 pandemic, as it was a much safer and more accessible sport when we emerged from the various periods of restrictions.
- 9.14. England Golf knows that clubs showing growth are developing new income streams and catering for a wide range of needs, so there is clearly scope for clubs to offer additional non-traditional and flexible playing opportunities wherever appropriate. As each club/facility has its own USP and place in the market, there may also be further opportunities for some clubs to work more collaboratively in terms of creating pathways where appropriate and collectively cater for the needs of all golfing profiles.

Golf Recommendations

- 9.15. Protect the current golf courses across Havant Borough Council area within the Local Plan.
- 9.16. Consider planning applications for entry level standard courses which are viewed as being more accessible to less proficient golfers.
- 9.17. Consider planning applications for driving range facilities in central Havant and Waterlooville.
- 9.18. Encourage existing clubs to work collaboratively in terms of creating pathways where appropriate and collectively cater for the needs of all golfing profiles.

10. Skate Park and Dirt Track Analysis and Recommendations

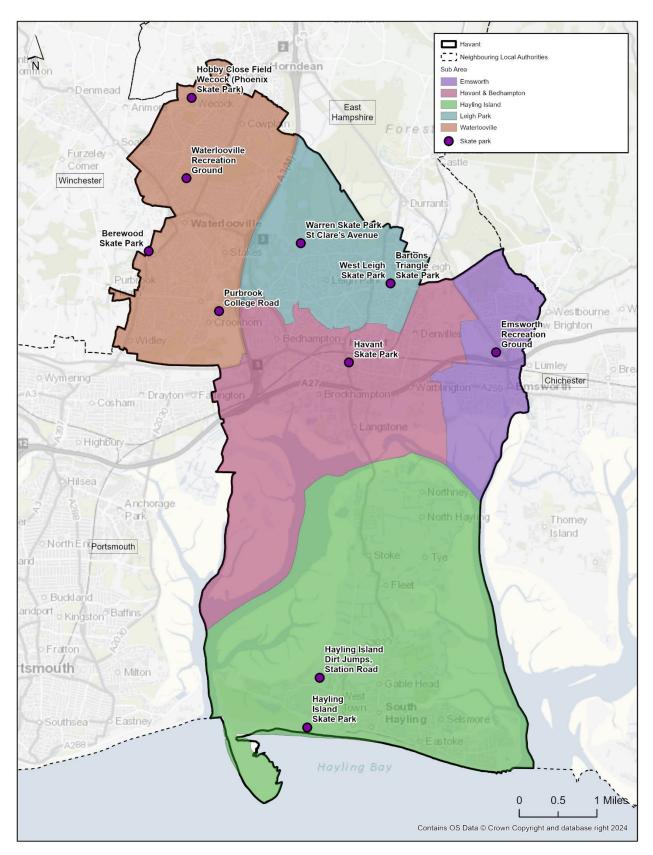
- 10.1. Skateboarding falls under the auspices of Skateboard GB, which are a non-for-profit organisation Skateboard GB is the National Governing Body for skateboarding in England and the home of Olympic skateboarding in Great Britain.
- 10.2. The organisation exists to give skateboarders the opportunity to "Skate More, Skate Better" ensuring they are skater-focused on everything that they do; aiming to lead, support, empower and facilitate.
- 10.3. Skateboard GB celebrate and champion everything that is positive about Skateboarding's heritage and culture and work with the Skateboarding community to develop more opportunities and better environments to skate, inspiring future generations of skateboarders because of success on the world stage.
- 10.4. In conjunction with Sport England, Skateboard GB in 2021 have produced design guidance for local authorities to follow in the future. this design guidance can be accessed via <u>9671+-+Skateboard+Design+and+Development+Guidance++-+April+2021_NE.pdf</u> (squarespace.com).

Supply

10.5. Map 7 below shows the location of the three Skate Parks in Havant Borough. All the sites are publicly accessible, owned and managed by the Local Authority, with security of use. The largest site is Hayling Island Skate Park, which although is of significant size and scale it does not host formal skateboarding – competitions are held at nearby Southsea Skate Park (Portsmouth).

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Map 7: Supply of Skateboarding Facilities in Havant Borough



Skate parks in Havant

Table 56: Skate Park and Bike Facilities in Havant Borough

Site Name	Community use on site	Security of Use	Owners	Management Type	Nature of Facility	Quality
Bartons Triangle Skate Park PO9 9NP	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local authority	Metal skatepark situated on a tarmac base. The skatepark features a mini-ramp, various rails, volcanos, quarter pipes, spine and funbox.	Standard
Berewood Skate Park PO7 5ST	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local authority	This square concrete skatepark features a unique "hole" in the middle that is laid with grass, adding a touch of green to the otherwise grey landscape. Designed like a street park, Berewood Skatepark has many rails and ledges, as well as a set of stairs and a hubba. The skatepark also boasts a set of banks for experienced riders. Concrete seats are dotted around the skatepark.	Standard
Warren Skate Park St Clare's Avenue PO9 4HL	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	This is a tarmac skate park, with metal ramps and pipes present. The skate park is situated as part of a wider public park. The park features back and forth runs along with raised pipe areas and banks at either end. BMX dirt jumps.	Standard
West Leigh Skate Park PO9 5RT	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	It is a tarmac surface with multiple-built ramps that sit on top of the tarmac. Site has small youth shelter on site.	Standard
Havant Skate Park PO9 1HE	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	Havant Skate Park is made up of metal ramps on a tarmac base. The skate park features a back and forth run with a quarter pipe and flat bank either side of a fun box.	Poor
Hayling Island Skate Park PO11 0BA	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	Hayling Island Skatepark – Re developed in 2022. Replacing the old existing metal and wooden ramps with a new concrete structure that includes quarter pipes, pockets, roll overs, driveways, curbs, and other obstacles suitable for all abilities.	Good
Hayling Island Dirt Jumps, Station Road PO11 0FN	Available	Secure	Local Authority	Local Authority	Dirt jumps – funding secured to replace with fit for purpose pump track in 2024.	Poor
Purbrook College Road PO7 8SW	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	Small concrete skatepark located within the College Road Play Area by South Downs college. It features a small mini ramp on one side with a flat bank leading off the one of the top platforms and a driveway with rail and hubba next to a ledge and a small quarter pipe to finish as a return ramp.	Standard

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Site Name	Community use on site	Security of Use	Owners	Management Type	Nature of Facility	Quality
Emsworth Recreation Ground PO10 7PT	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	This outdoor skatepark features a range of concrete ramps a wide mini ramp located on one side, complete with a quarter pipe that comes off one of the top platforms. This ramp setup opens to the street course, which offers a back and forth run consisting of a funbox with hubba and finishing with a flat bank at the end. Skaters can also enjoy a ledge along the side of this run, perfect for grinding and practicing tricks.	Standard
Hobby Close Field Wecock (Phoenix Skate Park)	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	New skate park opened 2021 and replaced a poor skate park facility.	Good
Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Available	Secured	Local Authority	Local Authority	Bike Dirt track	Poor

10.6. The Havant local authority play parks are visited regularly by its operational services team, who carry out a litter pick and keep our facilities tidy and clean. Play equipment is checked weekly by qualified inspectors, as well as a 3 monthly engineering inspection to check for any further damage to the play items, and an annual independent inspection from an inspector on the register of play inspectors International takes place.

Demand

- 10.7. The majority of UK skateparks are built on council-owned land and it is generally the council that will ultimately take ownership of the facility with responsibility for and insurance and maintenance. Importantly, the council will usually wish to be involved in the tendering process.
- 10.8. Overall, community/stakeholder support is essential to the success of a skatepark project, and this support needs to come from:
 - local riders
 - residents
 - the council
 - community groups
- 10.9. No formal demand from clubs has been identified for Skateboarding in Havant Borough. However, all Skate Parks in the Borough are used to meet informal and casual demand.
- 10.10. Sport England's Active Lives survey does not record skateboarding demand and therefore estimating demand for skateboarding in Havant Borough has not been possible.
- 10.11. There is an opportunity to invest in the potential refurbishment of the dirt jump facility located off Station Road, Hayling, known as "Hayling Dirt Jumps." Havant Borough Council has consulted with young people, their parents, and wheeled sports enthusiasts the council has asked what else the facility should include to ensure it is suitable for all ages and riding abilities.

Skate Park Recommendations

- 10.12. As part of the Local Plan and ongoing planning policy, protect all sites designated as skateboarding parks.
- 10.13. Undertake regular checks of all skate parks in the Borough to ensure that the quality of facilities is retained and/or improved, where appropriate, to ensure the safety of all users throughout the year.
- 10.14. Continue to provide skate parks and BMX facilities where consultation has been undertaken and an identified need has been confirmed. Use Skateboard GB and Sport England Guidance to provide and construct skate parks in the future.
- 10.15. There is a need to refurbish those skate parks that are quality rated as poor Havant skate Park and the dirt track at Waterlooville Recreation Ground.
- 10.16. Funding is in place to refurbish the Dirt jumps at Station Road Hayling Island as a pump track in 2024.

11. Tennis Analysis and Recommendations

- 11.1. The Lawn Tennis Association's (LTA) vision for tennis which has recently been introduced following a major consultative process. The vision is 'Tennis Opened Up' and the mission is to grow tennis by making it more relevant, accessible, welcoming, and enjoyable. Strategic initiatives at county and national level aim to support this'. The recent joint LTA and UK Government Parks Tennis Project investment (£30 million) is designed to open tennis to people of all backgrounds, improve access to tennis across the nation, and provide greater opportunities for children and adults to be active. Park tennis courts are particularly important in providing affordable, engaging, and accessible opportunities for more female players and those from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, as well as being the most popular venue for women to play after they have left education.
- 11.2. The LTA wants to work with local networks, to promote a joined up, transformational improvement to existing facilities, largely through increasing the number of courts that are floodlit and covered but also courts that can be booked online. Havant Borough Council are engaged with the LTA and are working in partnership to increase usage and financial sustainability.
- 11.3. The LTA had previously piloted two projects in community parks in Havant, at Front Lawn and Hayling Park. These pilots introduced booking systems, access systems and low-cost price models to support players to get on court more easily. The results from these pilots have determined what projects the LTA looked to do next in Havant.
- 11.4. The LTA's mission is to grow tennis and padel by making them accessible, welcoming, and enjoyable. Ensuring local communities have access to quality facilities is critical to attracting and retaining more players. As such, the LTA's Quick Access Loan Scheme aims to provide interest-free loans to support venues investment in facilities, prioritising the installation and construction of covered courts.
- 11.5. The objectives of the fund are to:
 - Provide covered or sports-lit playing facilities to encourage community accessible play all year.
 - Retain and increase the number of participants at the venue.
 - Offer and increase both non-members pay and play usage and coaching opportunities.
 - Grow the numbers of adults and juniors on the coaching programme.
 - Provide seamless booking of tennis courts and lessons through an online booking system

Parks Investment Project

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 - Repaired damaged areas of the courts,
 - Repainted the courts,
 - Replaced and re-tensioned the parameter fence line wire,
 - Installed a locking gate with access technology.
- 11.8. Havant Borough Council has been included in the Parks Investment Project in collaboration with the LTA and The Department for Digital, Culture, Media, & Sport.

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- 11.9. The works which started in April 2023- included court resurfacing, new access technology, nets, posts, and colour coating comprising green courts and blue surrounds.
- 11.10. Works on tennis courts at Purbrook Heath, Waterlooville Recreation Ground, Havant Park and Cowplain Recreation Ground were completed (July 2023).
- 11.11. Bidbury Mead and Emsworth Recreation Ground have had gate access controls introduced alongside online booking making it far easier to find and book a court or activity.
- 11.12. Havant Borough Council have appointed the National Tennis Association (NTA) to manage all council owned parks tennis facilities across the borough. This is to ensure that courts remain sustainable and are used to their maximum. The council owned tennis courts include:
 - Bidbury Mead
 - Cowplain Recreation Ground
 - Emsworth Recreation Ground
 - Havant Park
 - Hayling Island Park
 - Purbrook Heath Tennis courts
 - Waterlooville Recreation Ground
- 11.13. The tennis courts at Front Lawn will continue to be managed by the Community Hub.
- 11.14. A new affordable, paid for model has been implemented at all sites, ensuring the long-term playing condition of the courts, and offering a sustainable approach to their ongoing maintenance and refurbishment.
- 11.15. Residents will be able to use Clubspark an online booking system to book and pay for sessions on court. Additionally, through Clubspark residents can access tennis coaching sessions (for all ages and abilities), and secure household membership for just £37 a year. Household membership allows unlimited tennis court access to all sites across the borough for everyone at the registered address.
- 11.16. The LTA products will be promoted at most park sites. This includes:
 - Adult Tennis coaching
 - LTA Youth The LTA Junior Programme for different ages
 - School Holiday Camps
 - LTA Local Tennis Leagues Local recreational tennis league competition for people to sign up to
- 11.17. All LTA registered venues and accredited coaches can use ClubSpark free of charge. ClubSpark is a flexible and simple venue management platform with multiple products and applications to help venues, local authorities and coaches manage their sport. It is a tool that is offered for free as part of LTA venue registration and allows administrators to manage all functions at their venue(s).

Padel Tennis

11.18. The LTA is the National Governing body for Padel. Padel tennis is relatively new to Great Britain and is growing in popularity, particularly since its recognition as a sport and integration within the LTA. It is played mainly in a doubles format on an enclosed court about a third of the size of a tennis court and can be played in groups of mixed ages and abilities. The rules are broadly the same as tennis, although you serve under-arm, and the walls are used as part of the game with the ball allowed to bounce off them.

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- 11.19. To grow the sport, the LTA is focused on improving the infrastructure and the coach education pathway. At the end of 2020, there were 87 padel courts, whereas there are now 275, with a projected growth to 450 in 2023. It is therefore envisaged that the infrastructure and participation in padel will increase significantly in the next five years. There are currently no formal padel courts within Havant.
- 11.20. Seacourt Tennis Club Hayling Island decided to encourage Padel Tennis to be played on its Rackets court, as this was the least used court in the Club. It was marked out to double up as a Padel Court. Over time the court has been used by several small groups and individual players. However, over the last few years, Padel tennis popularity has grown massively. There is now a Seacourt Padel Group which has been running for several years, this group plays predominantly in the earlier part of the day. Many other smaller groups play in the afternoon and evening. The standard in the Club goes from beginners through to advanced and there are players from all ages. The present indoor court is good but not a true Padel court as it is 1meter shorter and 1 meter narrower than an official court size. The club has submitted a planning application to construct 2 courts on an old pétanque area at the club in 2024 and this awaits planning approval.
- 11.21. Consultation is underway on refurbishing the Waterlooville Leisure Centre and the consultation plans identify a 2 court padel facility with a canopy and floodlighting as options.
- 11.22. The LTA states that padel court development at leisure centre sites can be particularly beneficial as provision can be tied into other sports facilities and profit from an already established operating model. Furthermore, it identifies that they can benefit clubs and particularly those that may be otherwise struggling due to the additional revenue that they can provide.
- 11.23. Notwithstanding the above, the LTA also states that it is not encouraging clubs to convert existing tennis courts to padel courts, unless it can be shown that they have the capacity to support this. This is to ensure that the provision of tennis courts remains sufficient.
- 11.24. LTA data on national tennis playing demand patterns is instructive for describing activity patterns in Havant.
- 11.25. **Location of play:** The importance of parks courts is emphasised by the following data on where people play tennis. Parks are the highest where people play 31%. Hence the need to protect Havant's Park facilities and enhance them.

Table 57: National Survey – Location of Play 2018 (Source: Statistica)

Location	% Players
Parks	31%
Education sites	22%
Tennis clubs	19%
Other (i.e., Leisure centres)	28%

11.26. **Organised play:** Parks players are less reliant on organised tennis activity but heavily reliant on using parks for social tennis with friends and family:

Table 58: National survey Organised Play

Type of Tennis	% Parks Players	% Club Players
Social tennis with friends/family	90%	74%
Informal tennis	15%	18%

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Type of Tennis	% Parks Players	% Club Players
Individual tennis competition	2%	17%
Group coaching/lessons	2%	15%
Team tennis competition	1%	13%
Private lessons	1%	11%
Cardio tennis	3%	8%

11.27. **Satisfaction levels with courts:** The % of players of each type who are 'very satisfied' are as follows:

Table 59: National Survey - Satisfaction Levels with Courts

Aspects of courts	% Parks players	% Club players
Safety of courts	28%	49%
Proximity to home	31%	45%
Condition of courts	13%	39%
Ease of booking	16%	35%
Cost of courts	36%	31%
Availability of courts	19%	30%
Number of courts	13%	30%
Customer service	10%	27%
Ancillary facilities	5%	26%

11.28. **Awareness of local tennis courts:** The importance of publicising court availability is emphasised by the following findings.

Table 60: National Survey - Awareness of Local Tennis Courts

Type of court	% People aware
Parks courts	31%
Tennis club courts	28%
Leisure centres	27%
Education courts	15%
Indoor tennis centres	10%

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- 11.29. Table 61 and Map 8 below provide a breakdown of tennis court sites in the study area. The quality rating of a site is calculated using the following LTA **criteria**:
 - **Good** Good playing surface, courts recently been upgraded, resurfaced, nets and fencing in working order.

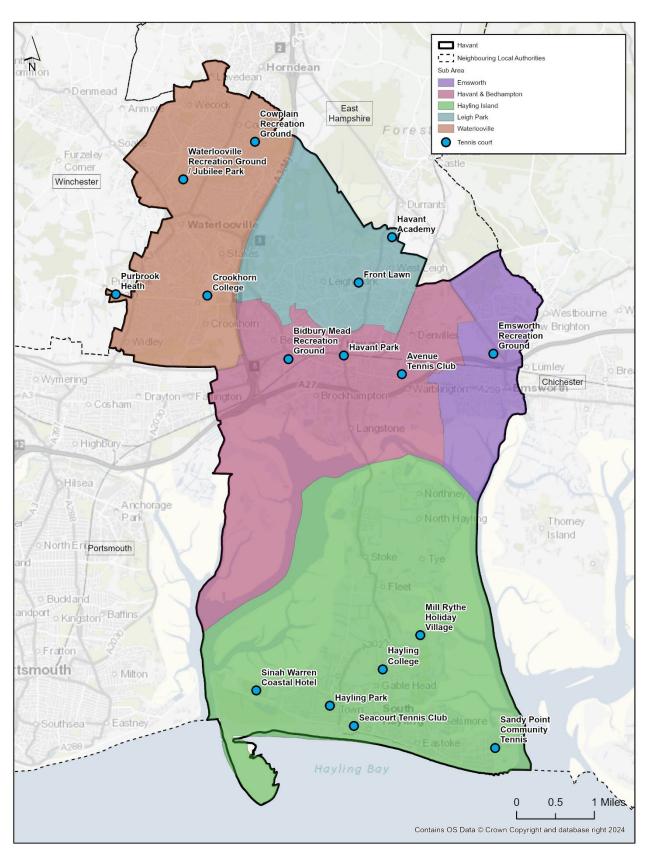
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- Average Court colour is fading or showing signs of wear. The surface remains largely intact.
 The court life, prior to needing resurfacing, would be extended for up to 5 years by cleaning and repainting of the existing surface.
- **Below Average** Court is showing clear signs of deterioration including cracking, loosening of fretting of the surface. This indicates the court needs resurfacing.
- **Poor** Playing surface poor, slippery playing surface, poor drainage, cracks on the playing surface and surrounding area, court markings hardly visible, no nets or nets damaged, surrounding fencing poor/dangerous.

Table 61: Outdoor Tennis Provision by Site - Havant Borough

Outdoor Tennis	Sub Area	Site Type	Tennis courts			014 0 0 114
sites			All Courts	Surface	Floodlit	Site Quality
Avenue Tennis Club	Havant & Bedhampton	Club Membership	17	Grass x10 Artificial Grass x3 Artificial Clay x4	Artificial Grass x3 Artificial Clay x 4	Good
Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground	Havant & Bedhampton	Local Authority	3	Tarmac	No	Good
Cowplain Recreation Ground	Waterlooville	Local Authority	3	Nonporous acrylic	No	Good
Crookhorn College	Waterlooville	Education	5	Tarmac	Yes	Average
Emsworth Recreation Ground	Emsworth	Local Authority	2	Tarmac	No	Good
Front Lawn	Leigh Park	Local Authority	3	Tarmac	Yes	Good
Havant Academy	Leigh Park	Education	4	Tarmac	Yes	Average
Havant Park	Havant & Bedhampton	Local Authority	2	Nonporous acrylic	No	Good
Hayling College	Hayling Island	Education	4	Tarmac	No	Poor
Hayling Park	Hayling Island	Local Authority	3	Tarmac	No	Good
Mill Rythe Holiday Village	Hayling Island	Private - Hotel	2	Other	No	Average
Purbrook Heath	Waterlooville	Local Authority	3	Tarmac	No	Good
Sandy Point Community Tennis	Hayling Island	Residents Membership only	1	Tarmac	No	Average
Seacourt Tennis Club	Hayling Island	Club Membership	2	Tarmac	Yes	Good
Sinah Warren Coastal Hotel	Hayling Island	Private - Hotel	2	Tarmac	No	Average
Waterlooville Recreation Ground / Jubilee Park	Waterlooville	Local Authority	4	Tarmac	No	Good
Total		60		21		

Map 8: Havant Borough Location of Tennis Courts



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- 11.30. There are 60 tennis courts in Havant Borough located at 16 sites. The Local Authority through its operator NTA provides 20 tennis courts located across 6 park sites that have recently all been refurbished. Front Lawn is managed on the Local Authorities behalf by the Community Hub and the site provided 3 floodlit courts.
- 11.31. There are two membership tennis clubs affiliated to the Lawn Tennis Association in Havant.
 - The Avenue Lawn Tennis Club Southleigh Avenue, Havant 17 courts (7 floodlit). Adults 380 juniors 112
 - Seacourt Tennis Club Victoria Avenue, Hayling Island 2 courts (2 floodlit)
- 11.32. A third club Sandy Point is open to residents only and is affiliated to the LTA. The club provides 1 non floodlit court.
- 11.33. There are two tourist facilities that provide private use providing 4 non floodlit courts 2 courts each.
- 11.34. There are three education sites providing 13 courts, Crookhorn College provides 5 floodlit courts, Havant College provides 4 floodlit courts and The Hayling College provides 4 non floodlit courts. These courts are used for netball as well as tennis.
- 11.35. The table below identifies the number of courts and membership numbers for the main 2 LTA registered membership Clubs within Havant Borough.

Table 62: Lawn tennis Association Courts and Memberships

Venue Name	Number of non- floodlit courts	Number of floodlit courts	Number of indoor/covered courts	Number of Adult Members	Number of Junior Members	Suggested Total capacity of members**
The Avenue Lawn Tennis Club	10	7	0	380	112	700
Seacourt Tennis Club	0	2	0	192	58	120

^{**}note capacity is worked estimate of 40 per non-floodlit court, 60 per floodlit court,

- 11.36. Seacourt Tennis Club is above capacity, and The Avenue Lawn Tennis Club is below capacity. Demand is estimated to increase in new/returning players that will be driven by the investment into parks tennis.
- 11.37. The LTA advises that the capacity of public community courts on Local Authority sites to be 7 hours per day for non-floodlit courts and 12 hours per day for floodlit courts.
- 11.38. As previously stated, the Council provides 23 tennis courts on sites managed by its operators. Three of these courts are floodlit. It is estimated that the 20 non floodlit courts contribute 140 hours per day and 980 hours per week and the three floodlit courts contribute 36 hours per day and 252 hours per week of playing capacity to meet demand for informal tennis in Havant. This equates to 5,280 hours per month (30-day average) or 63,360 hours per year.
- 11.39. Tennis clubs including Sandy Point provide 11 non floodlit tennis courts and 9 floodlit tennis courts. Applying the same ratio of use as public courts, clubs non floodlit tennis courts provide 2,310 hours per month and floodlit tennis courts provide 3,240 hours per month. A total of 5,550 hours per month. (30-day average) or 66,600 hours per year.
- 11.40. When adding the parks and club courts monthly hours of court supply together, the total monthly hours of use available equals 10,830.

- 11.41. Sport England Active Lives data for 2021/2022 informs us that 3.4% of the population across Havant Borough participate in tennis activity at least once a year. The Census 2021 identifies the Havant borough population to be 124,200. 3.4 % of the population equates to 4,223 persons participating in tennis.
- 11.42. Assuming an average of 3 people per court per 'booking / use' (to account for an even split between singles, doubles, and some sessions where 3 people share a court) this equates to 3,600 (10,800/3) sessions per month played on public and sports club courts. If each match lasts for 1 hour on average this means that when considering public and club courts, they are operating for 3,600 hours out of a possible 10,830 hours per month 33.2% of their total operational capacity.
- 11.43. According to data provided by the LTA's online booking system (Clubspark) with court access technology, the average level of utilisation in venues (UK wide) is 53%. By this barometer Havant is estimated to be currently operating significantly below average levels in terms of its utilisation of tennis courts. The new improved gate access systems now in place for 2023 will provide Havant with up-to-date accurate usage data.
- 11.44. **Population growth:** A scenario has been modelled for future needs based on 3.4% of the population participating in tennis.
- 11.45. Havant Borough Council is undertaking a local plan review, The 'Building a Better Future Plan' will be the Local Plan for Havant Borough. Local plans are at the heart of the planning system and every local authority in England is required by Government to prepare one. The local plan addresses the needs and opportunities for development in an area setting out how much, what type and where development will take place over at least a 15-year period. It also sets out how development should take place, what infrastructure is required to support development and how harm is avoided. The new Local Plan will run until 2042.
- 11.46. New housing needs for Havant are currently estimated at 516 per year. Between 2023 and 2040 (19 years) there will be a need for 9,804 new houses.
- 11.47. Based upon the same methodology as the previous 2017 Havant Playing Pitch Strategy 2017, the 9,804 -proposed allocation of new homes is multiplied by the average persons per dwelling (2.27 persons)5, giving a projected population increase of 22,255 residents by 2042.
- 11.48. By applying the Active Lives 3.4% of Havant Borough residents participating in tennis in the past twelve months to the increased population 22,255, this equates to increase participation of 757 people. Assuming an average of 3 people per court per 'booking / use' (to account for an even split between singles, doubles, and some sessions where 3 people share a court) this equates to 252 (757/3) sessions per month played on public courts. If each match lasts for 1 hour on average this means that when considering public courts only, they would be operating for an additional 252 hours. This with the current estimated 3,600 hours of use totals 3,852 hours out of possible 10,830 hours per month 36% of their total operational capacity.
- 11.49. The theoretical observations above suggest that there is no need for additional courts to be provided to meet future population needs. However, with the investment being provided to install access gates in 2023 across all park's courts. The actual usage of courts will be able to be monitored and inform future decision making.
- 11.50. The LTA has stated that new provision is always welcome to fulfil strong playing demand in Havant. Future trends may be the need to improve 'wrap around' facilities in parks. This includes floodlighting of courts to improve all year round play and ensure coaching income in parks is not too seasonal.

⁵ Department for Communities and Local Government 2014-based Household Projections: England, 2014-2039 – Household average size projected 2029 of 2.27 persons per household

- 11.51. This also includes toilet, pavilion, and path lighting around tennis facilities to encourage comfortable and safe routes to and from courts. These facilities will also be key to driving junior and adult coaching programmes and competitions within parks.
- 11.52. LTA anticipate there to be a demand for Padel courts within Havant considering the growth of the sport. There are currently no Padel courts in Havant and considering the already existing tennis stock and number of players in Havant, the LTA are keen to increase provision in this area. The provision of padel courts at Seacourt Tennis club and Waterlooville Leisure Centre in the future would assist with this provision.

Tennis Recommendations

- 1. The Protection of all community use tennis courts across Havant Borough Council.
- 2. Havant Borough Council and the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) to work together to:
 - Develop strong local park and other community tennis venue partnerships to deliver inclusive and sustainable tennis provision for all.
 - Invest in great people delivering great experiences in parks.
 - Target investment in "welcoming "park facilities for people to socialise and play.
- 3. Monitor and use the gate access systems installed to identify demand currently and for the future and use the findings to promote tennis across Havant Borough. There is a need to consider a review of tennis usage on the parks bookable courts so actual demand/use can be understood and future provision planned for more accurately.
- 4. Future trends may be the need to improve 'wrap around' facilities in parks. This includes floodlighting of courts to improve all year round play and ensure coaching income in parks is not too seasonal. This also includes toilet, pavilion, and path lighting around tennis facilities to encourage comfortable and safe routes to and from courts. These facilities will also be key to driving junior and adult coaching programmes and competitions within parks.
- 5. There are currently no Padel courts in Havant and considering the already existing tennis stock and number of players in Havant, the LTA are keen to increase provision in this area. Seacourt Tennis club has a planning application awaiting a decision for 2 padel courts and the refurbishment of Waterlooville Leisure Centre which is currently being consulted on has plans for 2 padel courts.
- 6. Havant Borough Council needs to broadly encourage and support the work to link between venues, coaches, and schools to ensure the young people across Havant have an opportunity to participate in tennis.
- 7. The LTA to work with clubs through its club network to develop opportunities for growth in the tennis workforce to support the tennis environments.