

Stroud District Playing Pitch Strategy

FINAL STRATEGY: ACTION PLANS (Part 2)

June 2019

The full set of documents comprises:

Stroud PPS Final Strategy: Main Report (Part 1)

Stroud PPS Final Strategy: Action Plans (Part 2)

Stroud PPS Final Needs Assessment Reports (7 documents: (1&2) Introduction & Context;
(3) Football; (4) Cricket; (5) Rugby; (6) Hockey; (7) Tennis & Bowls; (8) Key Findings and Issues)

Appendix 1 Final Stage B Database

Appendix 2 Maps of Clusters

Appendix 3 List of Site Reference Numbers

Appendix 4 Key Site Overviews (37 in total)



SECTION 6: ACTION PLANS

Section 6 of the Strategy – or Part 2 - sets out Action Plans as follows:

6A: Action Plans - Berkeley Cluster; 6B: Action Plans – Cam/Dursley Cluster; 6C: Action Plans – Cotswold Fringe Cluster; 6D: Action Plans – Gloucester Fringe Cluster; 6E: Action Plans – Severn Vale Cluster; 6F: Action Plans – Stonehouse Cluster; 6G: Action Plans – Stroud Valleys Cluster and 6H: Action Plans – Wotton Cluster.

6I Action Plan by Strategic Objectives (General, District Wide)

The final Action Plans are accompanied by indicative maps showing pitch sport sites in each cluster. Progress against the action plans and the potential for additional actions will be considered at meetings of the Playing Pitch Strategy Delivery Group as detailed in Section 5.

Indicative time frames and/or priorities are given as follows (although it is recognised that many actions will run concurrently and/or take advantage of opportunities arising):

- 1 Ongoing and very important; to be addressed in short term (1-5 years)
- 2 Important: to be addressed in medium term (6-10 years)
- 3 During the remainder of the life of the Strategy (Over 10 years)

Priority Projects are denoted accordingly*

Partners to deliver action and other acronyms used are as follows:

3G FGP	Football Turf Pitch	NTW	Non Turf Wicket	SHW hub	Sport, Health & Wellbeing Hub
AGP	Artificial Grass Pitch	RFU	Rugby Football Union	VQA	Visual Quality Assessment
ECB	England Cricket Board/	AG	Active Gloucestershire	Comm. Org.	Community Organisation
GCB	Gloucestershire Cricket Board	SE	Sport England	LTA	Lawn Tennis Assn
EH	England Hockey	SDC	Stroud District Council	NGBs	National Governing Bodies
FA	Football Association/Glos FA	PC	Parish Council	CUA	Community Use Agreement
FF	Football Foundation	TC	Town Council	SGS	South Gloucestershire & Stroud College
MUGA	Multi Use Games Area	P/TC	Parish/Town Council	LFFP	Local Football Facilities Plan

Timescale

S - Short (1-5 years); M - Medium (6 -10 years) and L - Long (10+ years) O – Ongoing

Cost Band

L – Low (<£50k); M – Medium (£50k-250k) and H - High (£250k+)

Cost estimates are taken from the latest version (2nd quarter 2018) of the Facilities Costs Datasheet provided by Sport England. <https://www.sportengland.org/media/13346/facility-costs-q2-18.pdf> Sport England states: 'These rounded costs are based on typical schemes funded through the Lottery. Costs are capital costs for new provision but exclude specific project details (e.g. difficult access); costs for site remodelling (natural turf pitches); inflation; VAT and land acquisition costs.' Costs for enhancement works and drainage have been estimated; these will often be subject to existing budgets and schemes tailored accordingly,

Presentation of actual costs to be discussed with Delivery Group.

6 STROUD PLAYING PITCH STRATEGY: ACTION PLANS FOR KEY SITES BY CLUSTER (sites listed alphabetically)

6A KEY SITES - BERKELEY CLUSTER

Table 6A Site ref	Site Name	Site – sport; pitches; (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDBE.26	Rockhampton Cricket Club	Cricket: Grass square; 10 wickets	Sports Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> VQA (Visual Quality Assessment): Good. High quality facility. Proposals: Intention to increase size of square and further develop second pitch on site for junior play. Need to use Rockhampton Common for 3rd & 4th senior teams and midweek juniors but could accommodate some additional play, especially Sundays. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for ground developments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> extension to square 2nd pitch on site for junior play 		M	GCB, club	M
SDBE.08	Hamfields Leisure Centre (Former Berkeley Power Station Sports & Social Club Fields)	Shared site: Football 1 adult, 1 junior 9v9 and 2 mini pitches.	Sports Club/ College	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> New changing facilities nearing completion (\$106 funded). No issues raised in respect of ground by clubs and no improvements required. VQA observation that floodlights would be an advantage. Adult pitch has railings and dug outs. South Gloucester and Stroud College (SGS) and Berkeley UTC now based on campus with expected growth in students up to 1000. College is developing arrangements with Hamfields Community Trust to use pitch facilities Potential long-term site for 3G FTP provision (based on assessed demand for 0.9 x 3G FTP in Berkeley Cluster in 2040) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible floodlighting of main pitch Potential site for 3G FTP to include appropriate changing room provision and coaching facilities Potential SHW (Sport, Health & Wellbeing) hub through partnership with on-site South Gloucester and Stroud College (SGS), Hamfields Community Trust and resident clubs (Sharpness AFC and Severnside Nuclear Juniors). 	*	M	SDC, SGS College, FA/FF, SE, developers, clubs, Hamfields C.T.	H
		Tennis: 2 redundant courts		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2 unlocked, poor quality, non floodlit courts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resurfacing of tennis courts 		S	SGS College, LTA, SDC	L
		Disused cricket pitch		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Former site of cricket pitch; square no longer apparent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible reinstatement of cricket pitch or non turf wicket to meet demand from new development in Berkeley Cluster 		L	SDC, ECB, GCB	M
SDBE.71	Sharpness Recreation Ground	Shared site: Football: 1 adult pitch	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Parish Council owned site; one adult pitch. Used by Sharpness AFC 3rd XI (1st & 2nd play at Hamfields) Changing available in community hall over road which do not meet FA standards. Valuable facility, which is potentially able to accommodate more play but lack of changing facilities limits capacity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for provision of appropriate changing facility for Sharpness AFC 		M	FA/FF, PC, clubs.	M
		2 non floodlit tennis courts		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2 tennis courts in good condition, free public access 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seek advice to provide easier access, monitor usage and raise income (ClubSpark) 		M	LTA, PC	L
SDBE.77	Thornhill Park	Football: 1 adult pitch	Sports Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Good stadium pitch, potentially able to accommodate additional use. Good access via A38 and M5. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep under review for appropriate facilities for football hub site 		M	FA/FF, club	L

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				2. Club have expressed desire for 3G training area as no area off-pitch for warm up for visiting teams etc 3. This site identified by FA and DC as potential as key football site – additional training facilities would fit with this, but site is enclosed and very restricted.					

6B KEY SITES - CAM/DURSLEY CLUSTER

Table 6B Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band	
SDCD.05	Dursley Rugby Club	Shared site: R, C, B. 3 full size (1 floodlit) + 3 mini/midi + partially floodlit training area for Rugby	Sports Club	1 The rugby capacity of this site would be increased by better floodlights on the training area and also floodlighting of Pitch 2 (Pitch 1 is floodlit, although lights are 10 years old)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Floodlighting of training area Floodlighting of Pitch 2 Potential SHW hub as partnership between Dursley Running Club, Dursley RFC and Stinchcombe Stragglers CC (also involves adjacent farmland) 	*	S	SDC, RFU, T/PC, clubs,	M	
		Cricket		2 Multi use site – cricket, rugby, running						1 Resurgent cricket club.8 grass wickets, VQA: good. There is spare capacity at the ground to run another Saturday cricket team
SDCD.07	Everlands Ground, Cam	Shared site: Football: 1 adult pitch	Sports Club	1. VQA: Good. Shared changing in very poor condition and needs urgent replacement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replacement of changing provision as partnership between clubs 	*	S/M	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs, ECB	H	
		Cricket: Grass square; 5 wickets		2. Sports club now considering building new changing block on site (leaving social facilities as they are) as possible move to Norman Hill seems increasingly unlikely.						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to additional cricket pitch and/or alternative site for Cam CC which will have greater capacity and allow for expansion is required
		Tennis – 3 courts, 2 floodlit		3. Adult football pitch rated as good for purposes of capacity analysis. Potential to accommodate additional teams outside of peak time.						
SDCD.61	Jubilee Playing Fields, Cam	Football: 1 adult, 2 jnr 9v9, 2 mini 7v7 and 1 mini 5v5	Parish Council	1. Large site with variety of pitch sizes. PQA rated as standard.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of fences to prevent losing match balls Site could be identified as potential SHW hub Possible site for half-size FTP 		S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	H	
		• Adult pitch has slight spare capacity (possibly room for another team) but junior 9v9s are fully used. Also, some spare capacity in theory on mini pitches, but conclude ground is used as fully and efficiently as possible. Club copes by staggering kick off times.								
SDCD.25	Norman Hill (Rednock School off-site)	School playing field: rugby pitch, Non-turf cricket strip	School	1. Off-site school playing field. Rated poor and now redundant. Rugby is the sole remaining pitch (currently cut and marked) but posts rusty. Poor quality non turf cricket wicket. No community use.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action/decision required on future of this site Set up sub group to meet and develop proposals for use of ground Non turf cricket wicket requires replacement 	*	S	Rednock School, SDC, FA/FF, Glos CC, RFU, T/PC, clubs, ECB	?	
		2. Flat, level, attractive site with various sports/options pursued over the years.								

Table 6B Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal school use because of distance from school and this is unlikely to change. Changing facilities now fenced off and out of use; could be reinstated. Important site in Dursley; future options should be investigated further. 					
SDCD.42	Rednock School	School: full size floodlit 3G FTP	School	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Only full size floodlit 3G FTP provision in Stroud District. Pitch is not FA Registered this year. Pitch is fully used on weekday evenings but not used as weekends for match play, other than to accommodate occasional postponed matches FF investment into new changing rooms in 2011 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priority to make best use of this facility and work towards FA Registration and affordable match play slots. 3G FTP to be tested and subsequently put on FA 3G Register and then tested every three years to enable affiliated match-play. 	*	S	FA/FF, Rednock school	L
SDCD.39	Uley Playing Fields	Shared site: F, C. 5 grass wickets, 1 adult football pitch, rated standard	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cricket and football pitches assessed as standard. Football pitch could accommodate more play outside of peak times. Club say that there is no perimeter fencing or pitch floodlight, which restricts play No other issues identified but visits suggest smart village facility which has spare pitch sport capacity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep under review and support enhancements to encourage additional use for local football and cricket activity. 		O	PC, GFA	
		Cricket pitch – 5 wickets, rated standard	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Underused ground for cricket, just 5 matches per season. 			O	PC, GCB	
SDCD.80	War Memorial Recreation Ground, Dursley	Football: adult pitches	Town Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Major open space site in central Dursley accommodating range of informal and casual use as well as football. Adult pitches have some potential for additional use at peak times. Important site in the district for women’s and girls’ football (Dursley Ladies and Girls FC.) Identified by FA for pitch improvements to provide better playing surface to support this; enhanced changing facilities would also support. Site of former cricket pitch. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pitch improvements Enhancement of changing facilities to support women’s and girls’ play Potential SHW hub Consider reintroduction of cricket and reinstatement of cricket wicket 	*	S	FA/FF, TC, clubs, GCB	H
		Tennis – 2 non floodlit courts		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Tennis courts are free but need to be booked. Usage figures not available 					

6C KEY SITES - COTSWOLD FRINGE CLUSTER

Table 6C Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDCF.12	King George V Playing Fields, Bisley	Shared site: F, C. 1 adult football pitch,	Parish Council	1. Fairly remote site from the rest of the district. 2. 1 adult football pitch rated standard; spare capacity. Ground is not rated highly by clubs, due to issues around maintenance, grass cutting and poor changing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improvements to changing 		M	FA/FF,PC, clubs, ECB	L
		Cricket pitch		1. Unused cricket ground for at least a couple of years. Square apparent but uncut.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cricket ground could fairly easily be reinstated. NGB directives and initiatives required to increase usage. 		S	PC, clubs, ECB	
SDCF.24	Painswick RFC & Sports Club	Shared site: R, C, T.	Sports Club	1. 2 adult rugby – one fully floodlit and 2nd pitch partially floodlit, 3 mini/midi pitches 2. Technically overplayed main rugby pitch with only limited spare capacity on mini/midi pitches. 3. Improving floodlighting of 2nd rugby pitch would increase capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced floodlighting of both main and 2nd rugby pitch 		S	RFU, club	M
		Cricket 1 grass square (10 wkts)		1. No issues with cricket; club runs 4 adult and 2 junior teams. VQA: Good.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action identified 				
		Tennis – 6 floodlit courts		1. Courts in good condition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action identified 				
SDCF.23	Painswick Recreation Ground	Shared site: F, T,B	Parish Council	1. Bowls green and clubhouse potentially may be lost under plans to provide car parking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarify situation in respect of bowls green - protect 		S	SDC, PC	?
		Football 1 adult pitch		1. Football pitch rated as standard; room for additional junior pitch. (Previously cricket pitch on site)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action identified 				

6D KEY SITES - GLOUCESTER FRINGE CLUSTER

Table 6D Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDGF.09	Hardwicke Village Hall Playing Fields	Football: 1 adult and 2 minis	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Public recreation ground with on-site village hall which includes changing facilities Rated as standard. Adult pitch being played to the level the site can sustain; some spare capacity on mini pitches Site (as public open space) is not suitable for standard of play of Hardwicke AFC Club would like separate changing facilities for the club - key site for FA focus. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of enhanced changing for club Ideally new ground required for Hardwicke AFC to meet league requirements Potential SHW hub with Rob Dawe Memorial Close (below) 	*	S/M	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs	H
SDGF.69	Rob Dawe Memorial Close	Football: 1 adult, 1 junior	Sports Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Rated standard, are being used to the level the site can sustain – there is very little spare capacity. Site accommodates almost all Hardwicke Rangers Youth FC teams. Changing facilities provided in temporary portacabins. Club have advanced plans to replace with permanent changing and clubhouse facilities, but problems over remaining length and terms of lease – site may be vulnerable. No equivalent, replacement sites nearby. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for permanent changing and clubhouse facilities Protection of site as playing field; equivalent, replacement site may be required. Options for new site to cater for all senior and junior teams Potential SHW hub with Hardwicke Village Hall Playing Fields (above) 	*	S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs	H
SDGF.38	Upton Recreation Ground	Shared site: F, C, T., 1 adult football pitch	Parish Council	1. Football Pitch rated as standard (because of recent drainage works) but meets requirements of Northern League Division 1. No other issues for football. .	• No action identified				
		1 grass pitch; 12 wickets		1. Cricket VQA: Good. Site accommodates 4 adult teams, several junior teams and other representative matches and cricket activity. Site is overplayed for cricket.	• Overplay for cricket leading to demand for additional cricket pitch in Gloucester Fringe area		S	SDC, T/PC, clubs, ECB, GCB	
		2 non floodlit tennis courts		1. Newly refurbished courts in good condition	• No action identified				

6E KEY SITES - SEVERN VALE CLUSTER

Table 6E Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDSE.68	Reg Davies Memorial Field	Football: 1 adult, 2 x 9v9, 1 x 7v7 and 2 x 5v5	Sports Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Large open site with range of pitch sizes, all rated standard. Some spare capacity including at peak times but in general the ground is well and efficiently used. 2. Aspiration for on site, indoor training facilities. There is an area of the ground not currently used for pitches where a mini size indoor training area could be provided. 3. Identified as potential priority project for indoor 5v5 3G FTP in Stroud LFFP 4. Stroud LFFP potential priority for natural grass pitch improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for indoor 5v5 provision • Frampton YFC – strong minis community dev and feeder club to district and premier league teams 	*	S/M	FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	H
SDSE.49	The Bellfield	1 adult pitch, rated good.	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attractive single pitch site in middle of village. Would expect such a site to be floodlit and club also desires this. Pitch is fenced off with a barrier. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of floodlights to enable club to train and play midweek matches 		M	FA/FF, club	M
SDSE.40	Whitminster Playing Fields & Pavillion	Shared site: F, C. 1 adult and 1 mini football	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Football pitches rated good/standard. There is a little spare capacity outside of peak times. Main base for Cotswold Rangers adult teams and some youth. 2. The pavilion is large but very outdated and unattractive given the other good attributes of the ground 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading of pavilion; identified as requiring replacement or major renovation. 	*	S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs, ECB, GCB	H
		1 grass cricket pitch; 10 wickets,		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cricket pitch rated good. Potentially able to accommodate some additional play outside of peak times. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pavilion (as above) 				

6F KEY SITES - STONEHOUSE CLUSTER

Table 6F Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDST.15	Leonard Stanley Playing Fields	Football: 1 adult, 1 9v9, 1 7v7 and 2x 5v5 mini	Parish Council	1. Football pitches, rated standard. Adult and youth pitches full at peak time with a little spare capacity in week; mini pitches have spare capacity. 2. Pitches on open playing field site and vulnerable to fouling by dogs 3. Key site as developing as a football hub?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support as football hub - range of improvements to pitches and changing facilities required if club is to progress. Further Encourage further use for mini football 	*	O	FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	L
		2 non floodlit tennis courts		1. Tennis club with low membership 2. Poor quality surface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resurface courts. Potential for floodlighting to increase capacity 		L	T/PC, clubs, LTA	L
SDST.43	Maidenhill School	School site: F, R.	School	1. Football and rugby pitches on-site now managed by the school and no recorded community use. Have been used by the community in the past. 2. (Stonehouse Sport run indoor facilities) 3. Also identified as possible SHW hub site.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential SHW hub Need to establish potential and willingness for school to develop/continue community use of football and rugby pitches in the future Potential site for 3G FTP 	*	S	SDC, FA/FF, RFU, T/PC, School	H
SDST.22	Owen Harris Memorial Ground	Shared site: F, C. 2 adult football pitches		1. Pleasant large, open site with attractive changing facilities. 2. 2 adult football pitches catering for a range of teams, rated good. Spare capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Underused NGB directives and initiatives required to increase usage. 		S	GFA,GCB T/PC,	
		1 grass square; 5 wickets.		3. Cricket pitch rated good; Identified as considerable spare capacity for cricket					
SDST.66	Oldends Lane Playing Field	Football: stadium pitch, 2 adult, 1 junior 9v9, 2 mini	Town Council	1. Stonehouse Town FC stadium pitch rated as good. Major plans for development of car park for housing and upgrading of clubhouse facilities through S106 funding; also, improvements to floodlighting funded ready for when club is promoted. 2. Also 2 adult, 1 junior 9v9 and 2 mini pitches on adjacent land rated as standard. A little spare capacity, but well used football hub site. 3. Base for Stonehouse Parkrun.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Important site within Stonehouse. Possible site for 3G FTP provision, although no on-site management 		S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	M
SDST.41	Wycliffe College	School site: sand based AGP, Hockey pitch	Independent School	1. Sand based AGP in good condition but not secured for community use 2. Important facility for hockey in Stroud but only for training; not available at weekends.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion with school to secure community use of sand based AGP for weekday evenings 	*	S	SDC, EH, School	

6G KEY SITES - STROUD VALLEYS CLUSTER

Table 6G Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDSV.01	Archway School	School site: F. 1 adult, 1 9v9	School	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Football pitches with established community use. Rated standard and being played to the level the site can sustain. Vitally important site for Stroud RFC juniors – u6-u13s play here and site is used to capacity on Sundays. Identified as potential priority project for 11v11 3G FTP in Stroud LFFP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential site for 3G FTP 		S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs, School	H
SDSV.03	Chalford Sports & Social Club (Highfield Sports Ground)	Shared site: F, C, T. 2 adult football and 1 mini	Sports Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Football pitch rated good/standard. Little spare capacity for football and works well with primary school pitches next door in accommodating any overflow. Very active sporting hub 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for plans to extend changing/clubhouse to meet requirements for possible promotion. Club also desires: pitch side barriers and all weather training area 		M	SDC, FA/FF, ECB, T/PC, clubs,	M
		Grass square; 12 wickets		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cricket pitch - Good quality. Ground approaching capacity but still able to accommodate more outside peak time (Saturdays) 					
SDSV.52	Elm Road Playing Field (Cashes Green)	1 adult football pitch	Town Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Adult football pitch rated standard. Pitch slopes considerably and no on-site changing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of changing facilities on site 		S	FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	M
SDSV.10	Jubilee Fields, Randwick	1 adult, 1 junior(9v9) and 1 mini (5v5). Adult o/m with 9v9; 9v9 o/m with 7v7	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> A severely sloping site where best use is made of available ground. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long term aim is to cut and fill areas of Randwick Playing Fields to provide pitches with less of a gradient 		L	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	H
SDSV.62	King George V Playing Fields, Nailsworth	Shared site: F, T. 1 adult pitch	Town Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Adult football pitch rated as standard (because on a tiered bank) but otherwise with very good playing surface and attractive ground. One team playing here (Taverners FC 2nd XI) so potential to accommodate additional play at peak times. Taverners FC 1st XI is a Nailsworth club currently playing at Owen Harris Memorial Ground but would prefer to play in Nailsworth. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible extension of pitch (remodelling and levelling) and upgrade of changing to meet ground requirements for Taverners 1st XI 		M/L	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	H
		2 non floodlit tennis courts		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pavilion, fencing and playing surface all in good condition. 					
SDSV.16	Marling School	School site: 1 grass square; 8 wickets.	School	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> VQA: Good. Regular community use for cricket and (probably) being played to the level the site can sustain. Site also used by several football clubs on regular basis. No community use for rugby Identified as potential priority project for 11v11 3G FTP in Stroud LFFP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential site for 3G FTP. 		S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs, School	H

Table 6G Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDSV.63	Mason Road Recreation Ground	1 stand alone adult pitch rated standard.	Sports Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Constrained pitch of minimum adult size 85m x 56m. Stroud Harriers FC have been located here for many years and has much community support. 2. However, the club cannot progress as pitch is too small and changing facilities do not meet requirements of next league step. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address issues- possibility of new changing facilities? 		S/M	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs,	
SDSV.88	Minchinhampton RFC	2 full size, 1 junior and 1 floodlit training area., rated D2/M1	Sports club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Being played to the level the site can sustain although training on adult pitches means these pitches are technically overplayed 2. If all minis and juniors are at home there is not enough space. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep under review as activity increases; potential need for additional pitches 		S/M	Club/RFU	M
SDSV.65	Nailsworth C of E Primary School	School site: 1 adult	School	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Very good full-size adult pitch on school site next to Forest Green Rovers. No known community use at present, although has been valuable football facility in the past. 2. Plans advanced for MUGA on the site 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish dual use agreement. • Develop MUGA 		M	School/ FA/FF	M
SDSV.91	Stratford Park Leisure Centre	Shared site . AGP; tennis courts; bowling green	SDC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sand based AGP in good condition. Peak time use at capacity. 2. Important facility, especially for hockey match play and training (and football training as no 3G FTP in the town) 3. Stroud Hockey Club would like all their teams to be able to be accommodated for training and match play on this pitch 4. No separate clubhouse for hockey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential SHW hub • Provision of clubhouse for hockey • Adequate sinking fund for AGP 	*	M	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs, LTA	H
		6 tennis courts (4 floodlit)		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tennis courts are LTA priority for improvement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major enhancement of tennis courts identified and improved access/usage arrangement 		S		L
		Bowling green		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bowls pavilion needs attention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refurbishment of bowling pavilion 		S		L
SDSV.33	Stratford Court Playing Fields	Shared site: F, C. 1 adult pitch, 1 9v9 and 3 x 7v7 pitches	SDC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Important playing field site in the town 2. For football, site currently accommodates 1 adult pitch, 1 9v9 and 3 x 7v7 pitches, with various overmarkings for 5v5 pitches. Adult pitch is being played to the level it can sustain; junior pitch is being overplayed slightly and there is a little spare capacity on mini pitches. 3. Changing facility is acceptable; but any intensification of use would benefit from enhanced and improved facilities including officials' changing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LFFP potential priority for enhanced changing and to include officials' changing. • Various proposals advanced for this site; strategy recommends maintaining as cricket site; removing redundant wicket and considering basing all of one club's Youth FC teams here. 	*	S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs, ECB, GCB	M
		Cricket square plus separate, redundant artificial wicket		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cricket square evident but not cut. No cricket on site for past 2 years. Redundant artificial strip separate to cricket square restricts capacity and alignment for football pitches. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retain grass square and remove artificial wicket. • NGB directives and initiatives required to increase usage. 		S	SDC, ECB	

Table 6G Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDSV.89	Stroud RFC (Fromehall Park)	Rugby: 1 full size, floodlit rugby pitch and quarter size, partially floodlit, training area	Sports Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Quality good. Main pitch probably overplayed as accommodates u13 upwards fixtures as well as adult play. Club say that all senior matches and training can be accommodated but space is woefully inadequate for the Mini and Junior section necessitating them relocating to Archway School every weekend. Showers and changing areas are old, tired and much in need of refurbishment. The search for a new site for Stroud RFC youth teams has been going on for many years. 3-4 rugby pitches required to accommodate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refurbishment/major enhancement of changing facilities New site sought for Stroud RFC juniors 	*	S	SDC, RFU, clubs,	H
SDSV.35	Stuart Playing Field, Minchinhampton	Shared site: F, C, T. Adult football, junior 9v9 and 2 x 5v5	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Football pitches which have some spare capacity. Not clear why more junior football is not played here (and other youth teams play on other pitches)? Size of pitch constricted by tennis club and tree for progression, lack of floodlights prevent mid week/evening fixtures/training in winter months Separate changing facilities for all sports (including tennis). Vibrant, sporting hub site. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of floodlights to facilitate midweek and evening fixtures and training 		M	FA/FF, T/PC,	M
		1 grass cricket pitch; 12 wickets		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> VQA: Good. Potentially able to accommodate some additional play outside of peak times. Cricket pavilion rated as good. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action identified 				
		3 floodlit courts.		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Good quality facility –courts and changing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action identified 				
SDSV.44	Thomas Keble School	School site: 2 adult football pitches and rugby pitch,	School	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> School with extensive playing fields – at least rated standard Recorded community in the past but not at present. Need to identify why? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to establish potential and willingness for school to develop/continue community use of football and rugby pitches in the future Potential SHW hub Potential site for 3G FTP 	*	S	SDC, FA/FF, RFU, T/PC, clubs, school	H

6H KEY SITES - WOTTON CLUSTER

Table 6H Site ref	Site Name	Site –sport; pitches; quality rating (NMP = no marked pitches)	Management	Sport/Issue	Options/Action	Priority Site	Timescale	Partners to deliver action	Cost Band
SDWO.14	Kingswood Playing Fields	Shared site: F, C. . 1 adult football	Parish Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Football pitch rated as standard 2. Good changing within modern village hall on site. 3. Pitches have considerable spare capacity for both cricket and football. 4. Identified as key site because of underuse for cricket. – 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep under review and support enhancements to encourage additional use; underused village facility. • NGB directives and initiatives required to increase usage. 		S	SDC, FA/FF, T/PC, clubs, GCB	
		1 grass square; 4 wickets		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. VQA: Standard. 2. How to best support/increase use? 					
SDWO.45	Wotton Sports Centre Community Parc/Katharine Lady Berkeley School	School site: 2 adult football, 2 x 9v9.. 3 small 3G FTP's	School/ Community Association	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2 adult football pitches and 2 x 9v9 pitches being efficiently used and operating at the level they can sustain. 2. Smaller 3G FTP fully used for football training and junior matches; spare capacity Sundays. 3. Changing facilities are now insufficient for the range and amount of community use of this site. 4. Stroud LFFP potential priority for natural grass pitch improvements 5. Stroud LFFP potential priority for enhanced changing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential SHW hub • New community sports hub clubhouse and separate changing for various sports required (football, rugby and hockey) • Possible location for additional sand based artificial grass pitch, subject to enough space, ancillary facilities etc • Promotion of non turf cricket wicket for community use • Higher permanent lighting stations for rugby pitch 	*	S	SDC, FA/FF, RFU, EH, T/PC, clubs, school	H
		Full size sand AGP		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Full size sand based AGP: operating at full capacity with Wotton Hockey Club and Dursley Hockey Club teams for training and match play and some football use 					
		1 adult rugby		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One adult rugby pitch with training floodlights. Rated standard. 					
		Non-turf cricket wicket		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recently installed non-turf cricket wicket which school wishes to promote for community use. 					

61 STROUD DISTRICT PLAYING PITCH STRATEGY: ACTION PLANS: GENERAL

Based on objectives as set out in Section 2:

- Objective 1** To protect existing provision and create viable and sustainable sites, by making the best use of existing resources
- Objective 2** To provide sufficient and appropriate high quality facilities and opportunities (enhanced and new) to meet demand to 2040
- Objective 3** To raise the profile of the pitch sports in contributing to enhanced mental and physical health and well-being and to consider the establishment of community sport, health and wellbeing hub sites based around pitch sport provision.
- Objective 4** To enhance and manage facilities to ensure retention of players and attraction of new participants, particularly those still underrepresented in the pitch sports such as women, girls and people with disabilities
- Objective 5** To create a delivery framework for people and organisations to work together to share skills, expertise, resources and facilities in implementing the Strategy

	Options/Action	Partners to deliver action
Objective 1: To protect existing provision and create viable and sustainable sites, by making the best use of existing resources		
1.1	Ensure all development proposals comply with the requirements of the relevant policy on protection of playing fields in the emerging Local Plan	SDC
1.2	Ensure that all existing and any new sites identified are able to accommodate intensification of use e.g.. provision and/or upgrading to artificial grass surfaces, car parking and requisite changing and pavilion facilities	SDC, SE, NGBs
1.3	Any new winter pitch site should include at least one pitch and a training pitch (preferably two pitches to allow for development) and match with RFU and FA model venues as set out in the national strategy. Targets should be set for the development of participation in football and rugby following new provision.	NGBs, SE, SDC
1.4	When planning new facilities, the existing sporting infrastructure should be taken into account. For example: existing club bases should be retained and wherever possible floodlit artificial grass pitches should be located near to grass playing pitches	SDC, SE, NGBs
1.5	Review the alignment of pitches at key sites to ensure that optimum use is being made of space available, including remarking of pitches to meet with FA guidelines ensuring that juniors play on suitable pitches and marking out more pitches to ensure improved rotation for rest and recovery	SDC, NGBs, clubs,
1.6	All new facilities to be subject to full community use and appropriate business, management and usage plans, to include provision for maintenance and a robust sinking fund for future refurbishment and/or replacement. Where possible and feasible, opportunities for multi-use of changing rooms and pavilions (such as workshops, small offices or playgroups) should be explored.	Clubs, NGBs, SDC, Schools, SE
Objective 2: To provide sufficient and appropriate high quality facilities and opportunities (enhanced and new) to meet demand to 2040		
2.1	At sites which also function as open space, direct casual use to other areas of the site to help reduce wear and tear (e.g. removing / repositioning goal posts, protecting the cricket square).	SDC,
2.2	Wherever possible, consider opportunities for appropriate and good quality floodlighting, that may increase the capacity of existing sites and new sites. Proposals should fully comply with relevant policies within the emerging Local Plan	SDC, NGBs
2.3	Addressing issue of dog fouling by a targeted marketing campaign, enforcement officers and animal wardens patrolling sites to issue fixed penalty notices to offenders. Provide improved signage and bins and delineated 'dog walking' areas.	SDC,
2.4	Ensure an appropriate amount of age specific size pitches are provided to meet the needs of youth football – this needs to be flexible for the expected change in team numbers season to season.	FA, clubs, SDC, SE
2.5	Support the provision of dedicated storage facilities and appropriate facilities for supporters and parents where identified	NGBs, clubs, SDC
2.6	Ensure the facilities through the S106 agreement/CIL meet the relevant and quality standards guidance provided by Sport England and/or the relevant NGB, fully comply with the provisions of the Equality Act 2010 (and the former Disability Discrimination Act) and are made available for community use at an affordable level.	SDC, NGBs, SE
2.7	Ensure pitches at priority sites are well maintained to ensure capacity levels are maintained and increased.	NGBs, clubs, SE
2.8	Address identified drainage issues at existing pitches focusing firstly on sites where improvements will have maximum impact and where cancellations occur due to drainage issues.	Working Party to progress
2.9	Adopt a minimum standard of toilets and wash facilities at sites for junior and mini football.	FA, clubs
2.10	Ensure associated ancillary facilities at priority sites are enhanced to improve the user experience	NGBs, clubs, SDC
2.11	Support clubs with management responsibilities to improve the pitches under their control by, for example, engaging with the IOG Regional Pitch Advisor Programme.	Clubs, FA
2.12	Enhancement/provision of facilities at football pitch sites which will meet requirements for progression to higher leagues within the FA pyramid	Clubs, FA, SE, SDC

	Options/Action	Partners to deliver action
2.13	Provide appropriately sized, strategically placed and well maintained 3G FTP pitches to improve opportunities for training (as a priority) and matchplay. Matches for mini soccer and 9v9 games should be particularly encouraged.	Clubs, FA, SDC, Schools, SE
2.14	Ensure 3G FTPs meet the Performance Test and are listed on the FA register of approved sites for matchplay	Clubs, FA
2.15	Protect AGP provision for hockey and keep need for additional sand based AGPs for hockey under review	Clubs, SDC, EH
2.16	Improve artificial cricket wickets where identified to increase capacity and maintain play	Clubs, ECB, SE, SDC
2.17	Support cricket clubs in the development of good quality training nets at grounds to enhance sustainability & improve overall performance.	Clubs, ECB, SE, SDC,
2.18	Promote provision of indoor training for cricket at sports halls	SDC, ECB
Objective 3 To raise the profile of the pitch sports in contributing to enhanced mental and physical health and well-being and to consider the establishment of community sport, health and wellbeing hub sites based around pitch sport provision.		
3	Allocation of sites as Sport, Health and Wellbeing Hub Sites	SDC
Objective 4 To enhance and manage facilities to ensure retention of players and attraction of new participants, particularly those still underrepresented in the pitch sports such as women, girls and people with disabilities		
4.1	Pricing policies should be affordable for grassroots clubs. For example, match rates at weekends for 3G FTPs should be equivalent to LA natural turf pitch prices to encourage full take up of 3G FTPs at weekend.	SDC, FA, facility operators
4.2	Upgrade/Provide changing accommodation to better meet the needs of women and girls, juniors players and people with disabilities	NGBs, clubs, SE, SDC
4.3	Support improvements and developments which enhance opportunities for participation by people with disabilities, young people and women	SDC, clubs, NGBs, SE
4.4	Ensure all changing facilities are compliant with the Equality Act 2010 (and the former Disability Discrimination Act) and there are disability car parking spaces	SDC, clubs, NGBs, SE
4.5	Ensure all playing field sites linked and served by cycleways, with adequate, safe and secure bike storage options	SDC, schools
4.6	Encourage car sharing. Review car parking charges at local authority operated sites. Ensure sufficient car and coach parking	SDC
4.7	Ensure all main playing field sites are easily accessible by public transport and/or establish how sites can be accessed by public transport	SDC
4.8	Address the issue of pricing of schools' use, to see if any more concessionary rates can be applied	SDC, pitch operators, schools, AG
4.9	Secure community use agreements at all primary and secondary school sites using model templates provided by Sport England, in discussion with school business managers, Heads of PE. The challenges in achieving this are recognised; however guidance provided by Sport England will help to maximise opportunities	SDC, schools, SE, AG
4.10	Explore further possible access to school pitches and AGPs which do not currently have community use and/or opportunities for developing use to increase participation and alleviate any lack of spare capacity.	SDC, schools, SE, NGBs, AG
4.11	Support improvements at school sites to increase community access and make more use of school playing pitches (e.g. improve pitches; enhance/provide changing)	SDC, schools, SE, NGBs,
4.12	Further develop school club links and the establishment of a relationship between schools and pitch sport clubs. Facilities at school sites can then be used as the club expands. Note improvements to the quality of facilities are likely to also be required. Stroud Schools Playing Field Group.	Clubs, NGBs, schools, AG
Objective 5 To create a delivery framework for people and organisations to work together to share skills, expertise, resources and facilities in implementing the Strategy		
5.1	Active Design: Develop pitch sports facilities in association with health agencies/agendas to create environments which provide opportunities for sport and fitness activities to take place easily within people's daily lives.	SDC, health agencies, NGBs, SE
5.2	Encourage football leagues to introduce alternative and staggered kick-off times, to make use of off-peak periods and increase usage	FA, football leagues
5.3	Ensure that this strategy is monitored and reviewed on a regular basis. Review meeting to be held three months after adoption and then at annual intervals	Working Group
5.4	Maintain liaison with and support town and parish councils over maintenance and protection of vulnerable and/or poorly maintained sites.	Town and parish councils, NGBs, SDC
5.5	Recognise issues around shared grounds (i.e. cricket/rugby and cricket/football) and encourage liaison between clubs	Town and parish councils, NGBs, SDC