

District split for analysis purposes

North area	Central area	South area
North West	Newhall	Seales
Hatton	Midway	
Hilton	Swadlincote	
Etwell	Woodville	
Willington	Gresley	
Repton	Linton	
Aston		
Hartshorne & Ticknall		
Melbourne		

**Built Facilities – Strategic Objectives**

**Aim**

'SDDC aims to provide, or support the provision of an appropriate distribution and range of good quality, accessible leisure facilities with balanced programming, which will offer opportunities for participation in indoor sports to all residents.'

**Strategic objectives**

Linked closely to the aim, the following objectives have been developed as a result of the identified key issues within the Assessment Report:

1. To provide good quality sport and recreation facilities.
2. Provide affordable facilities, which are accessible to all sections of the community.
3. Support provision of new facilities in the areas identified as having a shortfall.
4. Increase access to indoor sports facilities:

  - Locate any new sites near public transport hubs.
  - Increase public transport links to larger sites, especially at weekends and throughout the summer.
  - Increase partnerships with local education authority sites.
  - Further support schools to maximise the availability of community space for both sport and recreation activities.

5. Support schools, community groups and sports clubs in providing balanced programming within non-SDDC facilities.
6. Ensure provision of accessible leisure facilities:
  - Residents should have access to good quality leisure centres within at least a 15-minute drive time (Sport England guidelines) catchment of the settlement area.
  - Residents should have access to good quality leisure centres within at least a 1-2 km catchment.
7. Develop facilities that function as a catalyst for community participation in a range of activities that contribute to the social life and well being of the community. Increase the quality of life and health of South Derbyshire residents.
8. Fully DDA (Disability Discrimination Act) compliant facilities to be achieved by 2007.

## Management Objectives

A number of management objectives should be implemented to enable the above strategic objectives to be delivered. They include:

Within a phased programme, improve the quality of indoor sports facilities including their ancillary facilities such as car parking.

Use development opportunities and consult with the sporting community, local residents, parish councils and management committees to identify facility need and increase and/or improve the existing in line with the findings of the Assessment Report.

Develop a general framework to enable specific management committees and parish councils, where needs have been identified, to implement development proposals.

Strive to ensure that where sites may be lost, through development or closure, that facilities of the same or improved standard are provided to meet the continued needs of residents.

Work with and assist partner agencies (such as Derbyshire County Council) to provide usable, accessible and viable community buildings and leisure centres.

Provide assistance and support to those facilities that have yet to meet DDA requirements and seek to ensure that facilities are accessible to all residents.

Strive to ensure that there is a clearly identified community and sporting need for development of new facilities with minimal displacement of usage from other sites.

Ensure that all new or replacement of facilities are developed to meet minimum contemporary specifications in the context of length, breadth, lighting, floor spaces etc. as set out by Sport England.

Develop written agreements for provision of new facilities located on school sites to ensure appropriate levels of usage to all sections of the community.

**Built Facility Targets**

A number of targets have been produced and should be implemented to enable the policy objectives to be delivered. It is recommended that SDCC adopt these to enable it to achieve the Strategy's aims and objectives.

**TARGET 1**  
 Adopt a provision hierarchy, which enables resources to be targeted at sites of strategic importance on a local and district-wide level for the refurbishment and development of new facilities.

**TARGET 2**  
 Ensure that all new built facilities meet Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) guidelines.  
 Support community centres/village halls, in gaining funding, if required, to upgrade buildings to meet with DDA requirements.

**TARGET 3**  
 In partnership with Derbyshire County Council LEA, improve and increase provision of indoor facilities at school sites by 2010.  
 All new school facilities must commit to at least 25 hours of community use per week for planning permission to be granted.

**TARGET 4**  
 Where new sports facilities are provided at school sites, encourage greater accessibility. Increase car parking to withstand both curricular and community usage of the site. Changing rooms to be located close to the sports facilities.

**TARGET 5**  
 Work with the management committees of community buildings and school facilities to provide balanced programmes for all sections of the community.

**TARGET 6**  
 Detailed community use agreement to be written into planning applications for all new sports and leisure facilities, particularly at school sites. This will ensure appropriate community usage of new facilities in line with SDCC policies. It should include pricing policy and opening time commitments.  
 Monitor and update community use agreements of facilities on a yearly basis. Offering guidance and support to facility providers throughout the rest of the year.

**TARGET 7**  
 Council to provide its own stock of community centres with new long term leases within the next five years.

Summary of Identified deficiencies in the three typology areas

Analysis area	Informal				Formal				Play			
	Current level	Aspirational standard	Deficit	Current level	Aspirational standard	Deficit	Current level	Aspirational standard	Deficit	Current level	Aspirational standard	Deficit
North	0.72	1.01	0.29	10.12	10.25	0.13	0.05	0.27	0.22			
Central	0.76	1.16	0.40	2.51	2.64	0.13	0.06	0.13	0.07			
South	0.48	0.87	0.39	0.36	0.51	0.16	0.04	0.11	0.07			

Analysis area	Informal	Formal	Play	Total
North	1.01	10.25	0.27	11.52
Central	1.16	2.64	0.13	3.93
South	0.87	0.51	0.11	1.50

Outdoor Sports Pitches

**Strategic objectives**

The aim will be worked towards by the implementation of the following objectives:

1. Provide usable, accessible and sustainable pitches and ancillary facilities within the District.
2. Seek to ensure that this provision is of an appropriate distribution, quantity and quality.
3. Meet identified shortfall as outlined in the Assessment Report through improvements to the current pitch stock and ancillaries.
4. Encourage, support and develop partnerships with local schools, which do not have formal community use arrangements to develop structured use of outdoor sports facilities.
5. Proactive use of planning powers to quantify and secure appropriate developer contributions for new or enhanced facilities.
6. Work in tandem with the parish councils and voluntary sector clubs, with regards to securing and developing pitch and other outdoor sports provision for the use of sport and recreation.
7. Ensure that existing and future provision complies with DDA legislation and is fully accessible for all residents (including juniors and girls).

**Management objectives**

A number of management objectives to be implemented to enable the above strategic objectives to be delivered. They include:

1. Identify areas of open space that have the potential to contribute to outdoor sports provision, including education playing fields, parks and recreation grounds.
2. Within a phased programme, improve the quality and security of outdoor sports facilities including their ancillary amenities such as changing accommodation and car parking.
3. Develop policy guidance, through the local development framework process, to enable specific local clubs and playing fields associations, where needs have been identified, to implement development proposals.
4. Develop policy guidance, through the local development framework, to ensure that where sites may be lost through development or closure of access, that facilities of the same or improved standard are provided in the local area to meet the continued needs of residents.
5. Work with and assist partner agencies (such as parish councils, miners welfare clubs etc.) to provide usable, accessible and viable outdoor sports facilities.

Specific Targets for Outdoor Pitch Provision

A number of targets have been developed and should be implemented to enable the policy objectives to be delivered. It is recommended that SDC adopt these to enable it to achieve the Strategy's aims and objectives.

**TARGET 1 - Development route for provision**  
 Outline a development route of provision, which enables resources to be targeted at sites of strategic importance on a local and district-wide level.

**TARGET 2: BOWLS**  
 All bowling greens and ancillary facilities across the District to be classified as good quality.

**TARGET 3: CRICKET**  
 The continuation of the District Development Group in supporting local cricket clubs.  
 Secured use of an additional pitch for Elvaston CC.

**TARGET 4: FOOTBALL**  
 Self-management of sites by clubs in order to facilitate club development plans.  
 All pitches and ancillary facilities to be rated as adequate or good.

**TARGET 5: RUGBY**  
 Provision of facilities for junior rugby in or around Melbourne.  
 Provision of adequate ancillary facilities for Melbourne Rugby Club.

**TARGET 6: SHOOTING/ARCHERY**  
 Development of Swadlincote Rifle & Pistol Club to maintain and extend disciplines accommodated.



- TARGET 8: TENNIS**
- Provision of appropriate tennis facilities at John Port School to accommodate Ethwall Tennis Club.
  - Protect and maintain the existing level of publicly accessible tennis courts.

- TARGET 7: SAILING/WATERSPORTS**
- Continue to provide opportunities for people with disabilities.
  - Upgrade of Staunton Harold Sailing Club to include clubhouse, car parking and pontoon.