

Royal Borough of Greenwich

Playing Pitch Strategy Executive Summary

2026-2036



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This executive summary provides an overview of the key findings, recommendations and a detailed action plan from the Royal Borough of Greenwich's updated Playing Pitch Strategy 2026-2036. The Executive Summary should be read in conjunction with the full report available on the Council's website.

1. Brief and Aims

- a. Greenwich council is committed to making the borough a healthier, happier and more active place to live and providing sport and leisure opportunities for all of its residents. The council commissioned Continuum Sport & Leisure (Continuum) to lead the production of a new 2026-2036 Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) which replaces the previous 2015 PPS.
- b. This strategy analyses the supply, demand, accessibility, and availability of facilities for the four primary playing pitch sports as per Sport England PPS methodology guidelines for cricket, football, rugby and hockey in addition to other grass pitch sports where identified in the borough.
- c. This strategy has been agreed by all the key PPS National Governing Bodies of sport (NGBs) in partnership with Sport England. The resulting action plan details potential facility developments and enhancements based on the supply and demand analysis and will be reviewed and amended, in partnership with stakeholders and the Strategy Steering Group as required during the strategy period.
- d. When applying for funding to develop new facilities or improve current facilities, Sport England, NGBs, and most other funding organisations, require evidence that justifies the proposed project. This strategy - developed and agreed in partnership with these same organisations - provides this evidence on the needs for improvements to playing pitches and ancillary facilities and is vital to the success of any funding bid.
- e. The council's main rationales for producing this updated strategy and associated action plan are detailed below:
 - The value of outdoor sport and recreation aligns with the Council's corporate missions associated with – Our People – Our Place – Our Economy – Our Communities- Our Organisation.
 - To provide a detailed the evidence base for sports facilities in the upcoming Local Plan.
 - Analyse the overall need for pitches across the borough, to prepare contemporary local planning policies relating to demand and under/over utilisation of existing pitches.
 - Identify development pressures on existing playing fields and the up-to-date evidence base necessary to protect those sites.
 - Identify priority projects for enhancement of existing provision or new provision to inform the Council's own capital programme and approaches by the Council and its partner playing pitch providers (e.g. schools, sports clubs and associations) to seeking external funding through developer contributions and/or external grants from sports bodies.
 - Ensuring the outdoor playing provision both for formal forms of play (through clubs and leagues) and less formal forms of sports, for example playing in parks, schools, and other community spaces is recognised and protected.

2. Methodology

- a. The strategy aims to be robust, based on local needs (current and projected to 2036), and deliverable. This objective is assured by adhering to the 'ten steps' advocated in the current Sport England's 'Playing Pitch Strategy Guidance, 2013', which is split into 5 key stages of the strategy

process A – D, with Stage E, the application, delivery, and renewal of the strategy, being the responsibility of the council. Each stage of the PPS is supported and signed off by the Strategy Steering Group which includes the playing pitch NGBs and Sport England.

Figure 2.1 - Ten stage approach to a PPS



Stage A	- Step 1: Prepare and tailor the approach.
Stage B	- Step 2: Gather supply information and views. - Step 3: Gather demand information and views.
Stage C	- Step 4: Understand the situation at individual sites. - Step 5: Develop the current and future pictures of provision. - Step 6: Identify the key findings and issues.
Stage D	- Step 7: Develop the recommendations and action plan. - Step 8: Write and adopt the strategy.
Stage E	- Step 9: Apply and deliver the strategy. - Step 10: Keep the strategy robust and up to date.

- b. The guidance published by Sport England advocates that strategic recommendations and action planning consider the following hierarchy of needs:
 - 1. Protect existing sports facilities where these are sustainable and continue to perform a valuable role in meeting community needs.
 - 2. Enhance existing facilities that meet these criteria but need improvement to continue to be of value; and, lastly,
 - 3. Provide new or extended facilities where there is found to be substantial unmet needs currently or predicted for the future.
- c. The development of the strategy has been managed by the Greenwich Playing Pitch Strategy Steering Group. Internal stakeholders within the steering group include representatives from Greenwich's Sport, Leisure and Libraries team, Public Health, Parks Service and Planning Policy officers. The external stakeholders included in the Steering Group are made up of representatives from The Football Association, Football Foundation, Kent Cricket, England & Wales Cricket Board, England Rugby, England Hockey, Sport England, and Continuum, the consultants appointed to coordinate the strategy development to the point of the recommendation and action plan.



3. The Study Area

- a. The study area for the strategy covers the Royal Borough of Greenwich local authority boundary. As with many London Boroughs, there is a significant level of cross boundary movement by clubs based in neighbouring authorities and using facilities in Greenwich as well as by teams from Greenwich using facilities outside of the borough, this cross boundary movement and its effect on facilities has been taken into consideration.
- b. In tailoring the approach, it is important to understand the following unique aspects of the area.
 - The high density of population and lack of open space suitable for pitch provision particularly in the north (close to the river) and western parts of the borough.
 - The importance of the facilities in the south of the borough for outdoor sport that support the lack of space in the north.
 - Concentrations of population growth linked to major regeneration schemes (Riverside, Charlton, Woolwich, Greenwich and Plumstead centres).
 - Neighbourhoods characterised by high levels of socio-economic deprivation, low participation in sports generally and poor health indicators but also affluent urban village neighbourhoods (e.g., within Blackheath, Greenwich) with populations with high propensity to participate in playing pitch sports.
- c. The sites assessed are detailed below and separated by grass playing pitch provision (see figures 3.2 and 3.3) and artificial pitch provision (see figures 3.4 and 3.5). Artificial pitches outside of Greenwich are shown on the map where they are within Sport England's recommended maximum drive time catchment of 20 minutes and they are the closest facility to a significant population grouping.
- d. As part of the research that informed that strategy a survey was distributed to all playing pitch sports clubs in the area to understand the current landscape and the demand and issues facing each specific sport. 44 individual sports clubs responded to the survey. Figure 3.1 below shows the response rate for affiliated clubs showing a high level of responses for each key playing pitch sport identified in the strategy brief.

Figure 3.1 Team response rate for affiliated clubs of each steering group sport

Sport	Response rate	No of Teams
Cricket	67%	70
Football	64%	475
Hockey	97%	30
Rugby Union	98%	51

Figure 3.2 Distribution of grass playing pitch sites

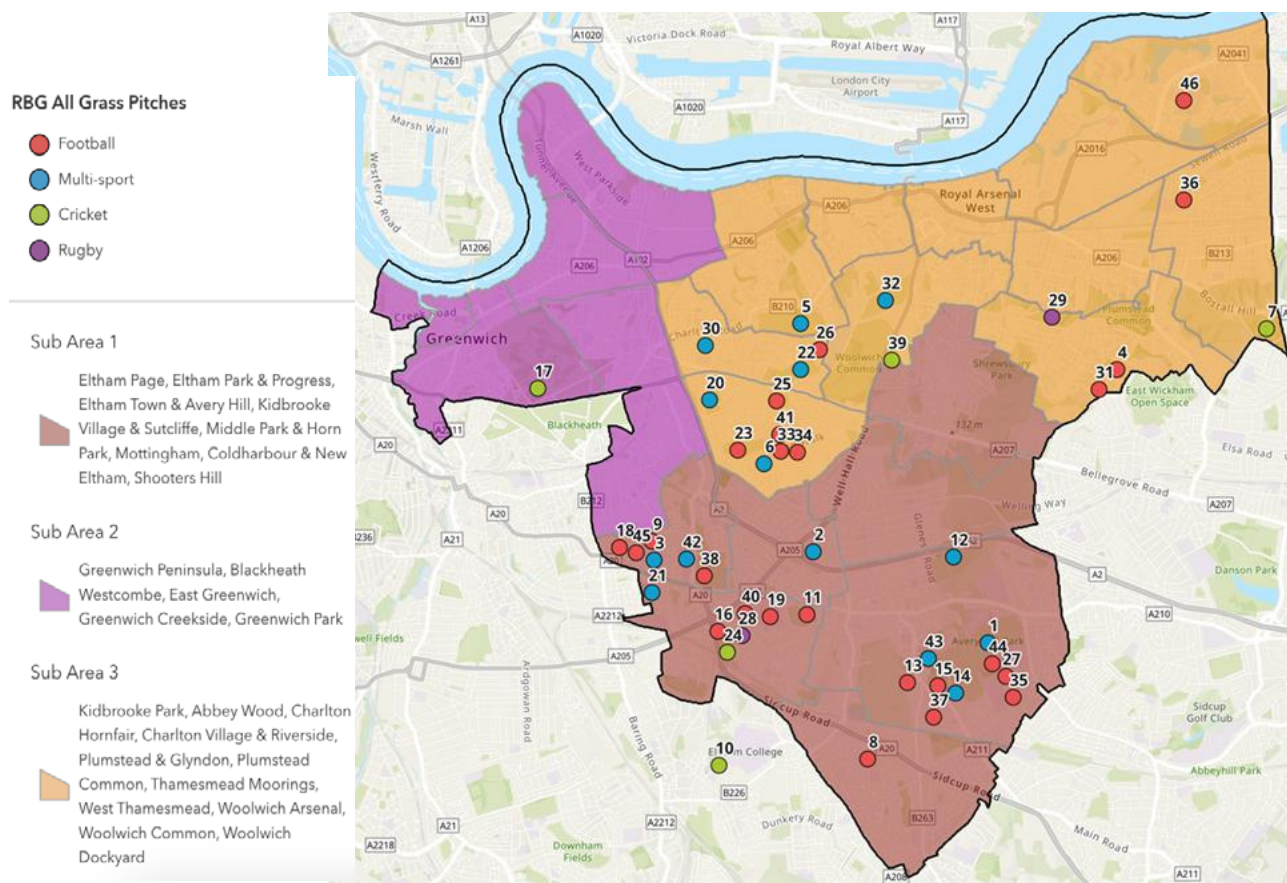


Figure 3.3 Grass playing pitches in Greenwich.

No	Site name	Sport(s)	No	Site name	Sport(s)
1	AVERY HILL PARK	Football, Cricket	24	LEATHERSELLERS SPORTS GROUND	Cricket
2	BLACKHEATH FC-WELL HALL	Rugby, Football	25	LONDON MARATHON PLAYING FIELD	Football
3	BLACKHEATH WANDERERS SPORTS CLUB	Football, Cricket	26	MERIDIAN SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB	Football
4	CAMDAL PLAYING FIELDS	Football	27	METROGAS AMATEUR SPORTS ASSOCIATION	Football
5	CHARLTON PARK	Football, Cricket	28	OLD BROCKLEIANS SPORTS CLUB	Rugby
6	CHARLTON PARK RUGBY CLUB	Rugby, Football	29	PLUMSTEAD COMMON	Rugby
7	CLAM FIELD REC GROUND	Cricket	30	RECTORY FIELD	Rugby, Cricket
8	COLDHARBOUR LEISURE CENTRE	Football	31	ROSE COTTAGE PLAYING FIELDS	Football
9	CROFTON ALBION SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB	Football	32	ROYAL ARTILLERY BARRACKS	Football, Cricket
10	COLLEGE MEADOW (ELTHAM COLLEGE)	Cricket	33	SAMUEL MONTAGU YOUTH CENTRE	Football
11	ELTHAM HILL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS	Football	34	SHOOTERS HILL SPORTS CLUB	Football
12	ELTHAM PARK SOUTH	Football, Cricket	35	ST JAMES MAR THOMA COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE	Football
13	ELTHAM TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB	Football	36	ST PAULS ACADEMY	Football
14	FOOTS CRAY RUGBY SPORTS & ATHLETIC CLUB	Rugby, Cricket	37	STC IVOR GROVE SPORTS CLUB	Football
15	GB10 SPORTS GROUND	Football	38	SUTCLIFFE PARK ATHLETICS TRACK	Football
16	GOALS (ELTHAM)	Football	39	THE ACADEMY GROUND	Cricket
17	GREENWICH PARK CRICKET PITCH	Cricket	40	THE ARTIC STADIUM	Football
18	GRESHAM SPORTS GROUND	Football	41	THE HALLEY ACADEMY	Football
19	HARRIS ACADEMY GREENWICH	Football	42	THE JOHN ROAN SCHOOL PLAYING FIELDS	Football, Cricket
20	HERVEY ROAD PLAYING FIELDS	Football, Cricket, Rugby	43	THE PAVILION SPORT AND LEISURE CLUB	Football, Cricket
21	HORN PARK (COLFEIAN GROUNDS LTD)	Football, Cricket, Rugby	44	UNIVERSITY OF GREENWICH (SPARROWS FARM)	Football
22	HORNFAIR PARK	Football, Cricket	45	WEIGALL ROAD PLAYING FIELDS	Football
23	KIDBROOKE PLAYING FIELDS	Football	46	WOOLWICH POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL FOR BOYS	Football

Figure 3.4 - Distribution of Artificial Turf Playing Pitches sites in Greenwich

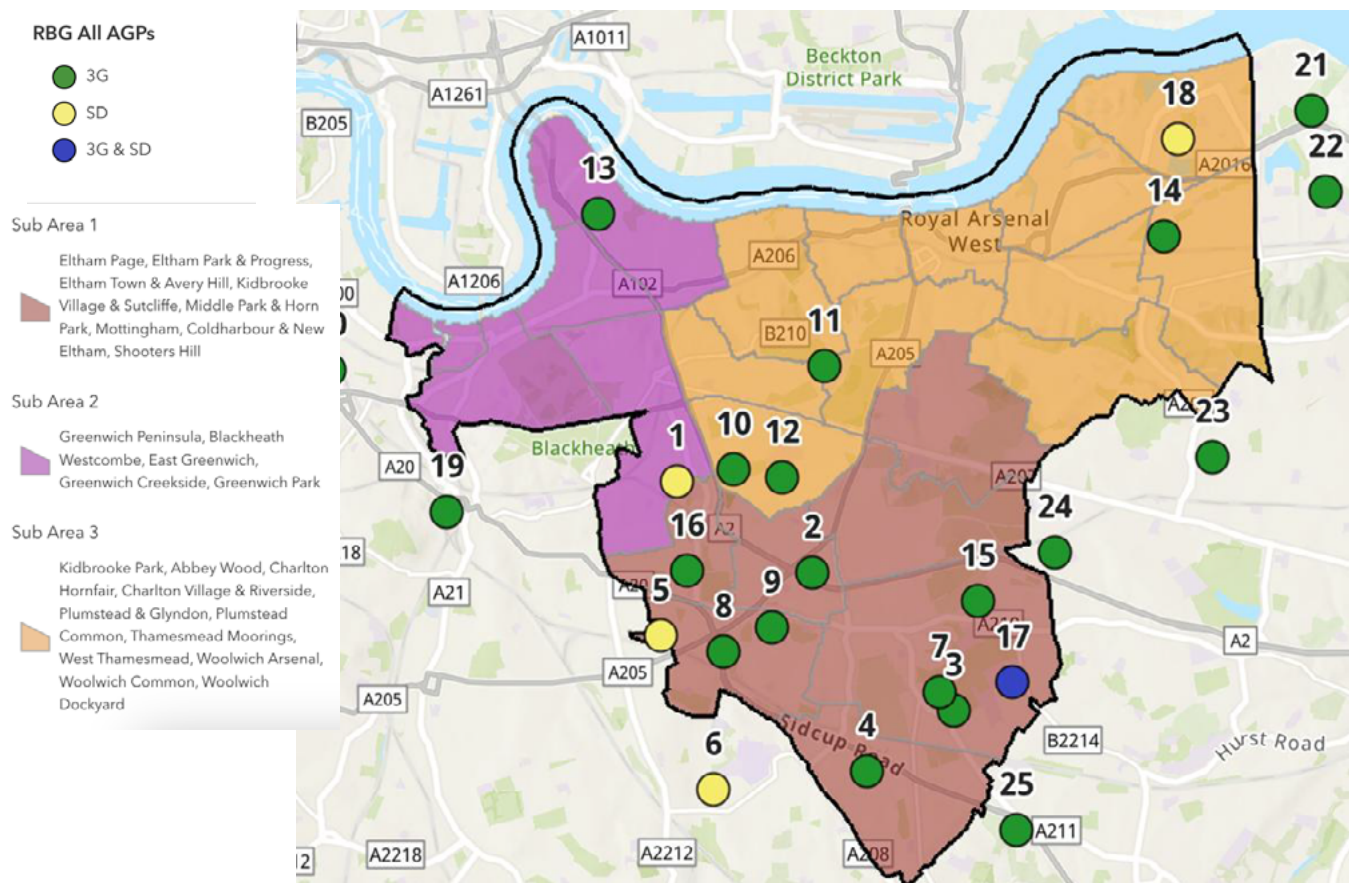


Figure 3.5 – Artificial Turf Playing Pitches in Greenwich

Key: Artificial Pitch Sites					
No	Site Name	Type	No	Site Name	Type
1	BLACKHEATH HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS GROUND	SD	10	KIDBROOKE PLAYING FIELDS	3G
2	BLACKHEATH FC-WELL HALL	3G	11	MERIDIAN SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB LTD	3G
3	CHARLTON ATHLETIC COMMUNITY TRUST SKILLS CENTRE	3G	12	SAMUEL MONTAGU YOUTH CENTRE	3G
4	COLDHARBOUR LEISURE CENTRE	3G	13	ST MARY MAGDALENE C OF E SCHOOL (PENINSULA SITE)	3G (SS)
5	COLFE'S LEISURE CENTRE	SD	14	ST PAULS ACADEMY	3G
6	COLLEGE MEADOW (ELTHAM COLLEGE)	SD	15	STATIONERS CROWN WOODS ACADEMY	3G
7	FOOTS CRAY RUGBY SPORTS AND ATHLETIC CLUB	3G	16	THE JOHN ROAN SCHOOL PLAYING FIELDS	3G (SS)
8	GOALS (ELTHAM)	3G (SS)	17	UNIVERSITY OF GREENWICH (AVERY HILL)	3G & SD
9	HARRIS ACADEMY GREENWICH	3G (SS)	18	WOOLWICH POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL FOR BOYS	SD
Sites outside of Greenwich					
19	PRENDERGAST VALE	3G (SS)	23	WELLING SCHOOL	3G
20	DEPTFORD GREEN SCHOOL	3G (SS)	24	HARRIS ACADEMY FALCONWOOD	3G
21	SPORTING CLUB THAMESMEAD	3G	25	FLAMINGO PARK SPORTS AND LEISURE	3G
22	HARRIS GARRARD ACADEMY	3G (SS)		SS = Small sided	

4. Findings and Facility Needs

- a. Detailed Assessment of Needs reports were undertaken for each of the playing pitch sports (Cricket, Football, Hockey and Rugby). These assessed the current supply, demand, and future needs for facilities across the Borough. A summary of the key findings for each playing pitch sport is as follows;

Cricket

- b. The assessment of facility needs shows that there are insufficient grass pitches in the area to cater for the current demand of clubs with 77% of grass pitches in the area being played at or over their maximum capacity. Two clubs also reported unmet demand through their responses to the club survey due to a lack of facilities.
- c. The cricket pitches (squares) and outfielders in the borough that are managed by clubs and education providers are, in the main, maintained to a standard quality, with the council and MOD managed sites maintained to a poor quality, with improvements needed to increase the capacity of these sites.
- d. To meet future cricket demand additional grass cricket pitches are needed with wickets of a good quality and opportunities should be explored for the development of provision at closed sports grounds in the Borough as well as aiming to secure and extend community use at education sites where possible.

Football

- e. There is a significant deficit of grass pitches in all categories other than mini soccer as well as a significant shortfall of 11v11 3G AGPs which are required to meet current demand. A number of playing field sites in Greenwich have pitches that are being played to capacity or overplayed. Two clubs also reported unmet demand due to a lack of suitable, available facilities to host additional teams.

- f. 29 grass pitches (18%) are not of sufficient quality and 4 of the 3G AGPs are rated as poor, 3 of which are full size pitches which are no longer on the FA 3G pitch register which prohibit them from being used for match play and significantly reduce their capacity. There is also a risk that the quality of these pitches could deteriorate making them unsuitable in the long term for any use. There are three sites in Greenwich with limited or no ancillary provision for teams, in addition to other sites where improvements are needed.
- g. To meet future demand additional grass pitch and artificial grass pitch provision is needed within the borough, priorities include the need to protect and improve the quality of current provision, secure community use on education sites, seek to reinstate provision at current closed sites and identify funding opportunities for new artificial pitch provision.

Hockey

- h. There is secured provision for the main club in the area with sufficient capacity for them to accommodate all their current activities on the two pitch site. There is also additional capacity for hockey at three of the remaining sites, although these are considered unsecured provision due to a lack of a community use agreement.
- i. All of the sand dressed pitches across Greenwich are rated either good or standard quality, with no immediate needs for resurfacing identified.
- j. There is sufficient provision in the borough for hockey to meet the current and future demand for the sport. Priorities for hockey include the need to protect current provision and secure education sites used by clubs without a community use agreement as well as support the ambitions of Blackheath and Elthamians HC to upgrade the clubhouse at College Meadow (Eltham College).

Rugby

- k. The overall current grass pitch capacity in Greenwich for Rugby meets current demand with only two pitches being played in excess of their carrying capacity and three grass pitches in the borough not being used to full capacity.
- l. One rugby pitch is rated as having inadequate drainage and poor maintenance, which significantly reduces the playing capacity of pitch and leads to the club having to carefully manage usage and frequently cancel training and matches. The maintenance of the remaining pitches is either adequate (5/13) or good (7/13).
- m. The 3G pitch at Blackheath FC (minor)-Well Hall has failed its WRC certification and has a failing shock pad, whilst it is still used by the club for training a key priority for the area should be the replacement of the surface and shockpad. There is also a need to improve the ancillary provision at four rugby sites.
- n. The assessment of needs for rugby identifies the need for additional grass pitch provision to meet future demand, but if the two unmarked pitches in the borough are reinstated this would provide adequate capacity. Improvements to the quality of provision particularly the pitch Plumstead Common and the replacement of the shockpad and surface at Blackheath FC (minor)-Well Hall is needed to support the needs of rugby clubs.

Planned new supply

- o. There are several committed or planned projects for new and enhanced playing pitch provision in the Borough which, taken together, will address some of the current need for additional playing pitch capacity. These 'pipeline' projects are:
 - Charlton Park - The council have started to improve the football pitch quality and have removed the socketed goals for portable ones. The council are also looking to develop a publicly accessible two lane cricket net system.
 - Metrogas Amateur Sports Association - The club are developing an application to the Football Foundation for a new 11v11 3G AGP. The project has been identified as a priority for the FA and Football Foundation and has planning permission.
 - Hornfair Park - The council have started to improve the football pitch quality and have removed the socketed goals for portable ones.
 - Horn Park (Colfeian Grounds Ltd) - A project to upgrade the changing pavilion is underway and being driven by the rugby club. The project is set to provide separate female changing rooms to support the growth of female teams at both the rugby clubs and the cricket club.
 - The John Roan School – Planning has been submitted for a 11v11 3G AGP at the playing fields and the school is working with the Football Foundation to secure funding. The site has been identified as a priority in the Local football Facility Plan for Greenwich.
 - Woolwich Waves Leisure Centre - The council have built a new 5v5 indoor 3G AGP as part of the new leisure centre development (opened January 2026).
- p. In addition to the above planned projects a number of others are at early stages of planning and development and if delivered would also impact positively on playing pitch provision. Teviot Rangers are in discussion with the Football Foundation over the development of new 9v9 3G at Rose Cottage Playing Fields. This site has been identified as a priority in the Local football Facility Plan for Greenwich. GB10 are also developing plans for two 3G pitches on their sports ground, although only one would be for regular community use, with the other supporting their academy teams.

5. Action Plan

- a. This action plan summarises the potential development and delivery of the priority projects and facility needs for sport and recreation as set out in the strategy.
- b. Figure AP1 presents the projects in alphabetical order, with a reference to their potential to be progressed either in the short term (defined as within 2 years approximately), the medium term (defined as within 2-5 years) or longer to progress - for example projects dependent on acquisition of land, the outcome of wider area development planning or large-scale review of options, feasibility and viability.
- c. Figure AP2 that follows highlights a number of sites which present opportunities for providing or extending community sports. These sites sit outside of the main action plan as further work is required to investigate relevant permission, access, suitability, and funding.
- d. Figure AP3 identifies those sites that are not identified in figures AP1 (for enhancement or new provision) or AP2 (opportunity sites) but require protection for community sport through the planning system. The omission of any playing pitch site from this Strategy is not an endorsement by the council, Sport England or the relevant national governing body of that sport of its disposal.
- e. The action plan is a guide to how facilities might be developed, pending funding confirmation and planning permission where necessary. The action plan highlights lead partners who would be involved in the delivery, support and where possible, funding towards the project. A number of project proposals within the strategy are subject to design and cost analysis and for some projects feasibility testing and options appraisals would be required.
- f. The immediate priority for the council, as with many local authorities at the time of this strategy, is to protect and continue to maintain the current level of facilities to ensure no further loss of provision. The current pressures on public sector budgets alongside increasing operational costs and capital costs (for maintenance and new facilities) means the council must plan prudently for future needs.
- g. An annual review of the action plan is recommended and should inform periodic updates of the council's priorities for investment and future decisions on funding either through capital grant and / or financing and budgetary planning.

Figure AP1 Priorities and actions for playing pitches in Greenwich					
Site	Timescale	Facility type	Priority actions	Lead	Partners
Avery Hill Park	Short	Cricket	Deliver recommendations from ECB PitchPower assessments to improve pitch quality, utilising funding from ECB where available.	RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Short	Football	Undertake FA PitchPower assessments to determine current grass pitch quality and recommendations for further improvements	RBG	FA / FF
Blackheath FC (minor)-Well Hall	Medium	Football / Rugby / American Football	Resurface existing poor quality 3G AGP and ensure surface is WRC and is placed on the FA pitch register to enable match play.	Club / RBG	RFU / FA / FF
Blackheath Wanderers	Short	Cricket / Football	Deliver recommendations from ECB/ FA Pitch Power assessments to improve pitch quality, utilising funding from where available and securing future provision for club use.	Club / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
Camdale Playing Fields (Swingate PF)	Short	Football	Explore options for site to be transferred into community ownership	RBG	FA / FF
Charlton Athletic Community Trust	Long	Football	Upgrade existing provisions to improve accessibility	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Charlton Park	Short	Cricket	Install new two lane cricket net system	RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Short	Football	Undertake FA PitchPower assessments to determine current grass pitch quality and recommendations for further improvements	RBG	FA / FF
Charlton Park RFC	Short	Rugby	Deliver RFU PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	Club / RBG	RFU
	Medium	Rugby	Explore the feasibility of reinstating the unmarked rugby pitch on this site to meet future needs for the sport.	Club / RBG	RFU
	Medium	Rugby	Upgrade the ancillary facilities on site to meet RFU standards and to support the growth of rugby.	Club / RBG	RFU
Coldharbour Leisure Centre	Long	Football	Resurface existing poor quality 3G AGP and ensure facility is placed on FA pitch register to enable match play.	RBG / GLL	FA / FF
Colfe's Leisure Centre	Short	Hockey	Investigate options to secure community use through a CUA	School / RBG	EH
College Meadow (Eltham College)	Short	Cricket	Investigate options to secure community use through a CUA	School / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Long	Hockey	Investigate options to refurbish the club house and changing facilities	School / RBG	EH
Eltham Park South	Long	Football	Consider options to provide suitable shelter and toilet provision to support youth football played on this site.	RBG	FA / FF
Eltham Town FC	Long	Football	Explore options to deliver a new full size 3G AGP on site as identified through the LFFP, securing site for future club provision.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Foots Cray Rugby Sports and Athletics Club	Short	Football	Deliver FA PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	Club / RBG	FA / FF
	Short	Rugby	Investigate options for other clubs to utilise space capacity on grass pitch.	Club / RBG	RFU
GB10 Sports Ground	Short	Football	Deliver FA PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Gresham Sports Ground	Short	Football	Deliver FA PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	Club / RBG	FA / FF
	Short	Football	Protect and secure site for football provision	Club / RBG	FA / FF

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Site	Timescale	Facility type	Priority actions	Lead	Partners
Harris Academy Greenwich	Short	Football	Investigate options to secure community use through a CUA	School / RBG	FA / FF
Hervey Road Playing Fields	Short	Cricket	Deliver recommendations from ECB PitchPower assessments to improve pitch quality, utilising funding from ECB where available.	RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Medium	Rugby	Explore the feasibility of reinstating unmarked pitches at this site to meet future needs for rugby	RBG	RFU
Horn Park (Colfeian grounds ltd)	Short	Cricket / Rugby	Upgrade the changing pavilion to modern standards, ensuring accessible provision to support both sports.	School / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket / RFU
	Short	Rugby	Improve grass pitch quality through improved maintenance.	School / RBG	RFU
Hornfair Park	Short	Football	Undertake FA PitchPower assessments to determine current grass pitch quality and recommendations for further improvements	RBG	FA / FF
Leathersellers Sports Ground	Short	Cricket	Investigate options to secure community use through a CUA	School / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
London Marathon Playing Fields (Greenwich)	Short	Football	Deliver FA PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	LPFF / RBG	FA / FF
	Long	Football	Explore options to deliver a new full size 3G AGP on site as identified through the LFFP.	School / RBG	FA / FF
Meridian Sports and Social Club	Short	Football	Work with club, where possible, to resolve financial issues and secure lease on site.	Club / RBG / FA	FF
Metrogas Amateur Sports Association	Short	Football	Deliver FA PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	Club / RBG	FA / FF
	Medium	Football	Explore options to deliver a new full size 3G AGP on site as identified through the LFFP.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Old Brockleians Sports Club	Medium	Football	Investigate options for the football pitch to be reinstated on this site	Club / RBG	FA / FF
	Long	Rugby	Make improvements to the ancillary facilities on site including replacing the old water tank, improving the cellar and signage.	Club / RBG	RFU
Plumstead Common	Short	Rugby	Improve grass pitch quality through improved maintenance.	RBG	RFU
	Long	Rugby	Support the club to improve the kitchen facilities within the ancillary facilities.	RBG	RFU
Rectory Field	Long	Rugby	Redecorate and modernise the ancillary facilities where possible to support the growth of rugby.	RBG	RFU
Rose Cottage Playing Fields	Short	Football	Deliver FA PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	Club / RBG	FA / FF
	Medium	Football	Explore options to deliver a new 9v9 3G AGP on site as identified through the LFFP.	School / RBG	FA / FF
Royal Artillery Barracks	Short	Cricket / Football	Protect and secure site for sports provision	MOD / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket / FA / FF
	Short	Cricket	Deliver recommendations from ECB PitchPower assessments to improve pitch quality, utilising funding from ECB where available.	MOD / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Medium	Cricket	Upgrade poor quality cricket nets system	MOD / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Medium	Cricket	Repair and upgrade pavilion to reinstate hot water provision	MOD / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket

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Site	Timescale	Facility type	Priority actions	Lead	Partners
Samuel Montagu Youth Centre	Medium	Football	Resurface existing poor quality 3G AGPs and ensure facility is placed on FA pitch register to enable match play.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Seven Arce Sports & Social club	Medium	Football	Investigate options for the pitch to be reinstated on this site.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Southwood Park	Medium	Football	Investigate options for the pitches to be reinstated on this site.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Stationers Crown Woods Academy	Short	Football	Investigate opportunity to hire out pitches to meet the needs of community clubs.	School / RBG	FA / FF
STC Ivor Grove Sports Club	Short	Football	Protect site from development, secure for football provision and investigate options to enhance pitch quality.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
St James Mar Thoma Community Sports Centre	Short	Football	Investigate options to secure community use through a CUA.	School / RBG	FA / FF
The Academy Ground	Short	Cricket	Deliver recommendations from ECB PitchPower assessments to improve pitch quality, utilising funding from ECB where available.	Club / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
The Artic Stadium	Long	Football	Explore options to deliver a new full size 3G AGP on site as identified through the LFFP, securing the site for future club use.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
The Halley Academy	Short	Football	Investigate options to secure community use through a CUA	School / RBG	FA / FF
The Joan Roan School Playing Fields	Short	Cricket/ Football	Investigate options to secure community use through a CUA	School / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Short	Football	Deliver FA PitchPower quality report recommendations for grass improvement	School / RBG	FA / FF
	Medium	Cricket	Upgrade poor quality cricket nets system	School / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
	Medium	Football	Explore options to deliver a new full size 3G AGP on site as identified through the LFFP.	School / RBG	FA / FF
	Long	Football	Refurbish changing provision and toilets to improve quality.	School / RBG	FA / FF
Thomas Tallis School	Short	Football	Investigate opportunity to hire out pitches to meet the needs of community clubs.	School / RBG	FA / FF
University of Greenwich (Avery Hill)	Short	Rugby	Seek to confirm if a shock pad suitable for contact rugby was included in the specifications for the 3G pitch and if WR certification can be achieved.	University / RBG	RFU
	Medium	Hockey	Monitor CUA to ensure use for community clubs in delivered	RBG	EH
University of Greenwich (Sparrows Farm)	Long	Football	Explore options to deliver a new full size 3G AGP on site as identified through the LFFP and secure site for community use through a CUA.	University / RBG	FA / FF
	Long	Football	Investigate feasibility and funding options to replace temporary changing provision with a new ancillary facilities.	University / RBG	FA / FF
Weigall Road Playing Fields	Long	Football	Investigate feasibility and funding options to replace temporary changing provision with a new ancillary facilities.	Club / RBG	FA / FF
Woolwich Polytechnic School for Boys	Short	Football	Investigate options to secure community use of grass pitches through a CUA	School / RBG	FA / FF

Figure AP1 Priorities and actions for playing pitches in Greenwich					
Site	Timescale	Facility type	Priority actions	Lead	Partners
Site to be confirmed	Short	Cricket	Look to establish a 'Last Man Stands' league in the borough using some of the new NTPs in the borough.	RBG / Kent Cricket	ECB
Site to be confirmed	Medium	Cricket	Explore site options and the feasibility of installing a Cricket Dome to provide for indoor training and match play.	RBG / Kent Cricket	ECB
Site to be confirmed	Medium	Football	Explore options to dedicate a site in a central location for girls mini soccer which has both 3G and grass provision.	RBG / FA	FF
Sites to be confirmed	Long	Cricket	Explore the feasibility of providing 2 new fine turf pitches (with a combined total of a minimum of 13 wickets of a good quality) to meet future demand, options include reinstating wickets at Old Brockleians Sports Ground and exploring provision on current closed sports grounds	Site owners / RBG	ECB / Kent Cricket
Sites to be confirmed	Long	Football	Identify suitable locations for additional 3G AGP provision to meet current and future needs. Sites in the North / East of the borough should be considered including Charlton Park, Greenwich Park / Blackheath common, Royal Artillery Barracks, Woolwich Polytechnic School for Boys (resurface).	Sites owners / RBG	FA / FF

Figure AP2 Opportunities for providing or extending community sports opportunities to be investigated further at the following sites, all pending funding and relevant permissions; all potential opportunities listed are dependent on the support of the site owners/operators					
Site	Timescale	Facility type	Potential actions	Partners	
Manor Way	Medium	Cricket / Football	Protect the site for sporting use and ensure the delivery of suitable playing pitch provision on this site to meet the needs of the Borough as identified in this strategy as part of any development, maintaining the previous capacity for football as a minimum.	RBG / Sport England / ECB / FF	
Willow Country Club	Medium	Cricket / Football	Protect the site for sporting use and ensure the delivery of suitable playing pitch provision on this site to meet the needs of the Borough as identified in this strategy as part of any development, maintaining the previous capacity for football as a minimum.	RBG / Sport England / ECB / FF	
Developed land in Greenwich Peninsula Ward.	Long	Football	Identify suitable opportunities for additional 3G AGP provision on developed land in this area to meet current and future needs.	RBG / FA / FF	

Figure. AP3 Other playing pitch sites for protection	
Site	Sport (s)
Blackheath High School Sports Ground	Hockey
Clam Field Recreation Ground	Cricket
Crofton Albion Sports & Social Club	Football
Eltham Hill School for Girls	Football
Goals (Eltham)	Football
Greenwich Park Cricket Pitch	Cricket
Kidbrooke Playing Fields	Football
Shooters Hill Sports Club	Football
St Mary Magdalene COE School (Peninsula Site)	Football
St Pauls Academy	Football
Stationers Crown Woods Academy	Football
Sutcliffe Park Athletics Track	Football



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