

Epping Forest District Council Playing Pitch Strategy

PROJECT DETAILS	
CLIENT NAME	Epping Forest District Council
ASSIGNMENT TITLE	Epping Forest Council Playing Pitch Strategy
REPORT	FOOTBALL ANALYSIS – TECHNICAL APPENDIX A

Summary update:

- 100% of football sites assessed
- Consultations undertaken with 39 out of 56 football clubs. All remaining demand data obtained from FA Whole Game System.
- Information gathered in 4 global online platform www.playingpitch.com
- Raw site assessment and demand consultation data is presented in the accompanying excel file.
- All supply and demand data in this datasheet is required to be signed off by the NGB before Stage B can be completed

Sign-off Process:

This datasheet is split into two sections;

- **Stage B Data** – Supply and demand data captured through site assessments and club consultations
- **Stage C Data and site by site analysis** – This is the analysis undertaken per site showing capacity, key issues and club requirements.

STAGE B SIGN-OFF

Pitch supply (including AGPs)

Introduction

An overview of the supply of football pitches in Epping Forest is provided in this section. There are 5 types of pitches that are used by football teams from the ages of Under 7 through to Adults. The pitch types are as follows:

- Adult 11v11
- Youth 11v11
- Youth 9v9
- Mini soccer 7v7
- Mini soccer 5v5

Artificial grass pitches (AGPs) are also used by football teams and have been included in this data collection summary.

Site Details

The number of football pitches in Epping Forest has been detailed in the table below. It is important to understand where there may be potential further supply should the capacity analysis inform us that there is overplay within Epping Forest.

Table 1: Pitch supply

Site Name	Community use on site	Security of Use	Owners	Adult	Yth Football		Mini Soccer		AGP's		
				11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Sand	3G	Water
Abbes Roding Playing Field	Available	Unsecured	Abbes, Beauchamp and Berners Roding Parish Council	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Abridge Village Hall	Available	Secured	Abridge Parish Council	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brook Road Play Area	Available	Unsecured	Epping Town Council	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

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				11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Sand	3G	Water
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	Available	Secured	Mixed (club owns main parcel of land; separate sports club owns north portion of field)	3	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
Bumbles Green Leisure Centre	Available	Secured	Nazeing Parish Council	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buxton Playing Field	Available	Secured	Trust	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capershotts	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chigwell Primary School	Available	Secured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Chipping Ongar Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Coopersale And Theydon Garnon Church of England Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Coopersale Hall School	Not available	Unsecured	Private	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Debden Park High School	Not available	Unsecured	Academy	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Debden Sports Club	Available	Secured	Local Authority	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Epping Primary School	Available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Epping St John's	Not available	Secured	Voluntary Controlled School	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Epping Upland C of E Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Epping Upper Clapton Rfc	Available	Secured	Sports Club	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Frampton Road Recreation Ground	Available	Unsecured	Private	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fyfield Business and Research Park	Available	Unsecured	Private	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Fyfield Sports And Social Club	Available	Secured	Fyfield Parish Council	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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				11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Sand	3G	Water
Football Academy, Loughton*	Not available	Unsecured	Unknown	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
Grange Farm	Available	Secured	Grange Farm Trust	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College	Available	Unsecured	Local Authority	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hereward Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hillhouse Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ivy Chimneys Primary School	Available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Jubilee Park Pavilion	Available	Secured	Ongar Town Council	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
King Harold Business and Enterprise Academy	Not available	Unsecured	Academy	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lambourne Primary School	Not available	Secured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Larsens Recreation Ground	Available	Secured	Waltham Abbey Town Council	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lodge Lane Playing Field	Available	Unsecured	Waltham Abbey Town Council	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loughton Football Club	Available	Secured	Loughton Town Council	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Loughton Sports Academy	Not available	Secured	Private	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Loyola Preparatory School	Not available	Unsecured	Private	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Memorial Playing Fields	Available	Secured	Trust	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)	Available	Secured	Lord Mayors Office	5	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
Morton Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ninefields Playing Fields	Available	Unsecured	Epping Forest District Council and Essex County Council	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Oak View School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

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				11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Sand	3G	Water
Oaklands School	Not available	Unsecured	Private	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Old Chigwellians Club	Not available	Unsecured	Old Chigwellians Association	7	2	3	2	2	2	0	0
Ongar Academy	Not available	Unsecured	Academy	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Queens Head Meadow	Available	Unsecured	Sports Club	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rayley Lane	Available	Unsecured	Private	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Roding Valley High School	Available	Secured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Roding Valley Playing Fields North	Available	Secured	Loughton Town Council	5	0	2	1	1	0	0	0
Roydon Playing Fields	Available	Unsecured	Trust	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roydon Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
St John Fisher Catholic Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Stapleford Abbots Primary School	Not available	Secured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground	Available	Unsecured	Epping Town Council	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
The Leverton Junior School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
The White Bridge Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Theydon Bois County Primary School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Thomas Willingale School	Not available	Secured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Thornwood Common	Available	Unsecured	North Weald Parish Council	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Townmead Leisure Park	Available	Secured	Waltham Abbey Town Council	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Upshire Primary Foundation School	Not available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

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Site Name	Community use on site	Security of Use	Owners	Adult	Yth Football		Mini Soccer		AGP's		
				11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Sand	3G	Water
Waltham Holy Cross County Junior School	Available	Unsecured	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Willingale Road Playing Fields	Available	Secured	Loughton Town Council	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0

* *1 x 11v11 adult pitch identified on assessment. Further pitches added following consultation with Essex County FA

Quantity Overview

Table 2 below provides an overview of the number of football pitches across Epping Forest. This splits the football pitches into five sub-categories for grass pitches and 3 sub-categories for AGP's.

Table 2: Pitch supply overview

Epping Forest District	Number of pitches							
	Adult football	Youth football		Mini soccer		AGPs		
	11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5	Sand Based	3G	Water based
Total	52	14	23	35	7	3	8 (all sizes)	0

Tenure/Management Overview

The table below details how the ownership and management of football pitch sites is split across Epping Forest. The main owner of football sites is the Local Authority. This is important to understand, as the owners of football pitches can affect their community use and potentially inhibit their use, or provide the opportunity for new/increased use.

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Table 3: Site ownership

Type of ownership	Ownership	Management
Academy	3 (5%)	3 (5%)
Education	1 (1.66%)	24 (40%)
Local Authority	5 (8.33%)	2 (3.33%)
Local Authority (Essex County Council)	19 (31.66%)	2 (3.33%)
Lord Mayors Office	1 (1.66%)	0
Mixed	2 (3.33%)	0
Parish Council	5 (8.33%)	3 (5%)
Private	7 (11.66%)	4 (6.66%)
Sports Club	2 (3.33%)	7 (11.66%)
Town Council	9 (15%)	7 (11.66%)
Trust	5 (8.33%)	6 (10%)
Unknown	1 (1.66%)	2 (3.33%)

Site assessor overview

The site assessments carried out by 4Global determine the 'Carrying Capacity' of a football pitch. This capacity determines the number of matches a pitch per week without having a detrimental effect on the quality. A pitch receives a score identified through the assessment that determines the quality as 'good', 'standard' or 'poor'. The effect this has on carrying capacity for adult pitches is as follows:

- Poor = 1 match equivalent carrying capacity per week
- Standard = 2 match equivalent carrying capacity per week

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- Good = 3 match equivalent carrying capacity per week

For Youth Football 11v11 and 9v9 pitches, carrying capacity is affected differently due to the difference in nature and length of play. The effect of the quality scores on these pitches is as follows:

- Poor = 1 match equivalent carrying capacity per week
- Standard = 2 match equivalent carrying capacity per week
- Good = 4 match equivalent carrying capacity per week

For Mini soccer 7v7 and 5v5 pitches, the quality score affects carrying capacity as follows:

- Poor = 2 match equivalent carrying capacity per week
- Standard = 4 match equivalent carrying capacity per week
- Good = 6 match equivalent carrying capacity per week

Table 4 below provides a general overview of the scores received for the different pitch types across the area.

Table 4: Pitch quality summary

Quality score	Adult football	Youth football		Mini soccer	
	11v11	11v11	9v9	7v7	5v5
Good (80-100%)	13	0	3	7	3
Standard (50-79.9%)	25	12	18	20	4
Poor (0-49.9%)	14	2	2	9	0

Table 5 below provides a detailed view of the site-by-site assessment data collected by 4 global.

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Table 5: Pitch quality by site

Site	Ownership	Management	Pitch type	Pitch score	Ancillary score	Rating
Roding Playing Field	Abbess, Beauchamp and Berners Roding Parish Council	Parish Council	Mini Soccer 7v7	57.14%	7.69%	Standard
Abridge Village Hall	Abridge Parish Council	Trust	Adult Football	45.71%	30.77%	Poor
Brook Road Play Area	Epping Town Council	Town Council	Youth Football 11v11	62.86%	0.00%	Standard
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	Mixed (Club owns main parcel of land, separate sports club owns north portion field)	Club	Mini Soccer 7v7	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club			Mini Soccer 7v7	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club			Mini Soccer 5v5	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club			Mini Soccer 5v5	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club			Adult Football	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club			Adult Football	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club			Adult Football	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club			Youth Football 9v9	88.57%	86.15%	Good
Buckhurst Hill Football Club					Youth Football 11v11	88.57%
13 Green Leisure Centre	Parish Council	Parish Council	Youth Football 11v11	70.00%	0.00%	Standard
Bumbles Green Leisure Centre			Youth Football 11v11	70.00%	0.00%	Standard
Buxton Playing Field	Trust	Trust	Adult Football	72.86%	76.92%	Standard
Capershotts	Local Authority	Sport Club	Adult Football	81.43%	86.15%	Good
Chigwell Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Adult Football	97.14%	92.31%	Good
Chigwell Primary School			Mini Soccer 7v7	97.14%	92.31%	Good
Chigwell Primary School			Mini Soccer 7v7	97.14%	92.31%	Good
Chigwell School*	Education	Education	Adult Football**	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Adult Football	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Youth Football 11v11**	78.57%	58.46%	Standard

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Site	Ownership	Management	Pitch type	Pitch score	Ancillary score	Rating
			Youth Football 11v11	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Youth Football 9v9**	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Youth Football 9v9	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Youth Football 9v9	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Mini Soccer 7v7**	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Mini Soccer 7v7	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Mini Soccer 5v5**	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Mini Soccer 5v5	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
			Adult Football	81.43%	58.46%	Good
			Adult Football	81.43%	58.46%	Good
Adult Football	81.43%	58.46%	Good			
Chipping Ongar Primary School	Local Authority	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	47.14%	0.00%	Poor
Coopersale And Theydon Garnon Church Of England Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	68.57%	7.69%	Standard
Coopersale Hall School	Private	Education (Private)	Mini Soccer 7v7	72.86%	15.38%	Standard
Debden Park High School	Academy	Academy	Youth Football 9v9	62.86%	35.38%	Standard
Debden Park High School			Youth Football 11v11	57.14%	35.38%	Standard
Debden Sports Club	Local Authority	Debden Sports Committee	Adult Football	52.86%	47.69%	Standard
Debden Sports Club			Adult Football	50.00%	47.69%	Standard
Debden Sports Club			Adult Football	47.14%	47.69%	Poor
Epping Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	68.57%	7.69%	Standard
Epping St John's	Voluntary Controlled School	Education	Youth Football 11v11	58.57%	23.08%	Standard
Epping St John's			Youth Football 11v11	58.57%	23.08%	Standard
Epping St John's			Youth Football 11v11	58.57%	23.08%	Standard

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Site	Ownership	Management	Pitch type	Pitch score	Ancillary score	Rating
Epping Upland C Of E Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	62.86%	7.69%	Standard
Frampton Road Recreation Ground	Private	Local Authority	Adult Football	42.86%	7.69%	Poor
Fyfield Sports And Social Club	Fyfield Parish Council	Sport Club	Adult Football	50.00%	80.00%	Standard
Fyfield Sports And Social Club			Adult Football	35.71%	80.00%	Poor
GFA Loughton Fc	Unknown	Unknown	Adult Football	34.29%	15.38%	Poor
Grange Farm	Grange Farm Trust	Grange Farm Trust	Adult Football	94.29%	100.00%	Good
Grange Farm			Youth Football 9v9	94.29%	100.00%	Good
Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College	Local Authority	Education	Adult Football	54.29%	50.77%	Standard
Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College			Adult Football	54.29%	50.77%	Standard
Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College			Youth Football 11v11	54.29%	50.77%	Standard
Hereward Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Youth Football 9v9	51.43%	15.38%	Standard
Hereward Primary School			Youth Football 9v9	51.43%	15.38%	Standard
Hillhouse Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	68.57%	53.85%	Standard
Ivy Chimneys Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	65.71%	7.69%	Standard
Jubilee Park Pavilion	Ongar Town Council	Club	Adult Football	62.86%	50.77%	Standard
Jubilee Park Pavilion			Adult Football	60.00%	50.77%	Standard
Jubilee Park Pavilion			Youth Football 9v9	60.00%	43.08%	Standard
Jubilee Park Pavilion			Youth Football 9v9	60.00%	43.08%	Standard
King Harold Business And Enterprise Academy	Academy	Academy	Adult Football	60.00%	15.38%	Standard
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King Harold Business And Enterprise Academy			Youth Football 9v9	60.00%	15.38%	Standard
Lambourne Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	55.71%	7.69%	Standard
Larsens Recreation Ground	Waltham Abbey Town Council	Waltham Abbey Town Council	Adult Football	47.14%	15.38%	Poor
Larsens Recreation Ground			Youth Football 9v9	47.14%	15.38%	Poor
Lodge Lane Playing Field	Waltham Abbey Town Council	Waltham Abbey Town Council	Adult Football	32.86%	7.69%	Poor
Lodge Lane Playing Field			Adult Football	32.86%	7.69%	Poor
Loughton Football Club	Loughton Town Council	Club	Adult Football	60.00%	44.62%	Standard
Loughton Football Club			Youth Football 11v11	60.00%	44.62%	Standard
Loughton Football Club			Youth Football 9v9	60.00%	44.62%	Standard
Loughton Football Club			Mini Soccer 7v7	60.00%	44.62%	Standard
Loughton Sports Academy	Private	Unknown	Mini Soccer 7v7	55.71%	15.38%	Standard
Memorial Playing Fields	Trust	Trust	Youth Football 9v9	54.29%	66.15%	Standard
Memorial Playing Fields			Youth Football 9v9	54.29%	66.15%	Standard
Memorial Playing Fields			Mini Soccer 5v5	54.29%	66.15%	Standard
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)	Lord Mayors Office	Private	Adult Football	75.71%	96.92%	Poor
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)			Adult Football	75.71%	96.92%	Poor
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)			Adult Football	75.71%	96.92%	Poor
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Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)			Mini Soccer 7v7	75.71%	96.92%	Poor

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Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)			Mini Soccer 7v7	75.71%	96.92%	Poor
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)			Mini Soccer 7v7	75.71%	96.92%	Poor
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)			Youth Football 9v9	75.71%	96.92%	Poor
Morton Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	41.43%	15.38%	Poor
Ninefields Playing Fields	Epping Forest District Council and Essex County Council	Local Authority	Youth Football 9v9	80.00%	15.38%	Good
Ninefields Playing Fields			Mini Soccer 7v7	80.00%	15.38%	Good
Ninefields Playing Fields			Mini Soccer 5v5	80.00%	15.38%	Good
Oak View School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Youth Football 11v11	54.29%	0.00%	Standard
Old Chigwellians Club	Old Chigwellians Association	Old Chigwellians Association	Adult Football	81.43%	58.46%	Good
Old Chigwellians Club			Adult Football	78.57%	58.46%	Standard
Ongar Academy	Academy	Academy	Adult Football	45.71%	7.69%	Poor
Queens Head Meadow	Sports Club	Sport Club	Youth Football 11v11	38.57%	7.69%	Poor
Roding Valley High School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Youth Football 9v9	65.71%	7.69%	Standard
Roding Valley High School			Adult Football	65.71%	7.69%	Standard
Roding Valley High School			Adult Football	65.71%	7.69%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North	Loughton Town Council	Loughton Town Council	Adult Football	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Adult Football	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Youth Football 9v9	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Youth Football 9v9	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Mini Soccer 7v7	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Mini Soccer 5v5	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
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Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Adult Football	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Adult Football	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roding Valley Playing Fields North			Adult Football	74.29%	41.54%	Standard
Roydon Playing Fields	Trust	Trust	Adult Football	57.14%	16.92%	Standard
Roydon Playing Fields			Adult Football	57.14%	16.92%	Standard
Roydon Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Mini Soccer 7v7	51.43%	7.69%	Standard
Roydon Primary School			Mini Soccer 7v7	51.43%	7.69%	Standard
St John Fisher Catholic Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	51.43%	15.38%	Standard
Stapleford Abbots Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	50.00%	27.69%	Standard
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground	Epping Town Council	Epping Town Council	Adult Football	80.00%	24.62%	Good
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground			Adult Football	80.00%	24.62%	Good
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground			Mini Soccer 7v7	80.00%	24.62%	Good
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground			Mini Soccer 7v7	80.00%	24.62%	Good
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground			Adult Football	82.86%	24.62%	Good
The Leverton Junior School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	62.86%	15.38%	Standard
The White Bridge Primary School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	44.29%	43.08%	Poor
Theydon Bois County Primary School	Local Authority	Education	Youth Football 9v9	57.14%	7.69%	Standard
Theydon Bois County Primary School			Youth Football 9v9	57.14%	7.69%	Standard
Thomas Willingale School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	47.14%	0.00%	Poor
Thornwood Common	North Weald Basset Parish Council	North Weald Bassett Parish Council	Youth Football 11v11	45.71%	0.00%	Poor

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Site	Ownership	Management	Pitch type	Pitch score	Ancillary score	Rating
Townmead Leisure Park	Waltham Abbey Town Council	Waltham Abbey Town Council	Adult Football	58.57%	66.15%	Standard
Townmead Leisure Park			Adult Football	58.57%	66.15%	Standard
Upshire Primary Foundation School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Mini Soccer 7v7	62.86%	15.38%	Standard
Waltham Holy Cross County Junior School	Local Authority (Essex County Council)	Education	Youth Football 9v9	57.14%	15.38%	Standard
Willingale Road Playing Fields	Loughton Town Council	Loughton Town Council	Mini Soccer 7v7	40.00%	29.23%	Poor
Willingale Road Playing Fields			Mini Soccer 7v7	40.00%	29.23%	Poor

**Only pitches identified by ** at Chigwell School are available for community use and will be included in supply and demand analysis*

Astroturf Pitches

Football training and matches can also be played on artificial grass pitches (matches can only be played on FA certified rubber-crumb 3G pitches), therefore the tables and information summarised below inform the provision of Artificial Grass Pitches in the area.

Note: Additionally, to the below there are 10 5-a-side AGP pitches located at Football Academy, Langston Road, Loughton IG7 6BQ, these are currently non-operational.

Table 6: AGP breakdown

Site Name	Pitch Type (3G; Sand based; Sand filled; water based)	Size	Community use category	Security of use	Floodlighting	Age of Surface	Pitch score	FA Register
Coopersale Hall School	Sand Filled	Unknown	Not Available	Unsecured	Unknown	Over 10 years	47 - Poor	No
Debden Park High School*	3G	100x60	Available	Secured	Yes	Less than 2 years	81 - Good	Yes
Epping Upper Clapton RFC	3G	66x33	Available	Secured	Yes	2-5 years	70 - Standard	No
Epping St. John's	3G	100x60	Available	Secured	Yes	2-5 years	80 - Good	Yes

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Site Name	Pitch Type (3G; Sand based; Sand filled; water based)	Size	Community use category	Security of use	Floodlighting	Age of Surface	Pitch score	FA Register
Fyfield Business and Research Park	3G	60x40	Available	Unsecured	Yes	Over 10 years	41 - Poor	No
Loyola Preparatory School	3G	26x24	Not Available	Unsecured	No	5-10 years	56 - Standard	No
Oaklands School	Sand Dressed	30x15	Not Available	Unsecured	No	5-10 years	56 - Standard	No
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	Sand Based	60x40	Not Available	Unsecured	Yes	2-5 years	78 - Standard	No
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	Sand Based	100x70	Available	Unsecured	Yes	5-10 years	76 - Standard	No
Rayley Lane	3G	25x20	Available	Unsecured	Yes	2-5 years	78 - Standard	No
Rayley Lane	3G	25x20	Available	Unsecured	Yes	2-5 years	78 - Standard	No
Rayley Lane	3G	25x20	Available	Unsecured	Yes	2-5 years	78 - Standard	No
Rayley Lane	3G	25x20	Available	Unsecured	Yes	2-5 years	78 - Standard	No
Rayley Lane	3G	25x20	Available	Unsecured	Yes	2-5 years	78 - Standard	No
Roding Valley High School*	3G	85x55	Available	Secured	Yes	Less than 2 years	81 - Good	Yes
Townmead Leisure Park	3G	100x70	Available	Secured	Yes	2-5 years	80 - Good	Yes

*Resurfaced during PPS project delivery

Table 7: AGP Matches and Training

Site Name	Pitch Type (3G; Sand based; Sand filled; water based)	Clubs (training)
Townmead Leisure Park	3G	Abbey Youth FC Chingford Athletic Epping Forest College Upshire Forest Waltham Abbey and Youth Waltham Cross Youth Lings Elite GT United

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Site Name	Pitch Type (3G; Sand based; Sand filled; water based)	Clubs (training)
		Buckhurst Hill FC Churchbury FC
Debden Park High School	3G	Barkingside Youth GFA Loughton Loughton FC
Epping St John's	3G	Buckhurst Hill Buckhurst Hill Youth Epping FC Loughton Wanderers
Epping Upper Clapton RFC	3G	Epping Youth
Roding Valley High School	3G	Loughton FC Colebrook Royals
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians club	Sand based	Old Chigwellians FC Buckhurst Hill Youth and Girls Colebrook Royals

Table 8: AGP Capacity Analysis – All figures in HOURS

Site Name	Community use category	Total Peak Time Capacity	Match Demand	Training Demand	Spare Capacity	Notes
Coopersale Hall School	Not Available	0	0	0	0	
Debden Park High School*	Available	40	0	40	0	Re-surfaced during PPS project and now suitable for competitive football
Epping Upper Clapton RFC	Available	12	0	10	2	The site does not have full time management staff and therefore cannot be open at all peak times
Epping St. John's	Available	40	0	9	31	
Fyfield Business and Research Park	Available	0	0	0	0	Facility currently in development – capacity to be confirmed when site is operational
Loyola Preparatory School	Not Available	0	0	0	0	
Oaklands School	Not Available	0	0	0	0	

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Site Name	Community use category	Total Peak Time Capacity	Match Demand	Training Demand	Spare Capacity	Notes
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	Not Available	0	0	0	0	
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	Available	20	0	9	11	Sand-based facility so suitable for training only
Rayley Lane (Shooters Football)	Available	40	0	4	n/a	All demand imported from Langley Colts FC, Newhall Rangers FC and Parsloe Athletic FC, all from Harlow Local Authority. The site is a commercial small sided facility and therefore spare capacity varies depending on seasonal factors.
	Available	40	0	4		
	Available	40	0	4		
	Available	40	0	4		
	Available	40	0	4		
Roding Valley High School*	Available	40	0	4		
Townmead Leisure Park	Available	40	5	42.5	0	Greater demand than available in peak period, with teams playing outside of peak period as well as during peak period

*Resurfaced during PPS project delivery

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Abridge Village Hall: the site consists of one adult pitch which requires maintenance. Football goals require updating.

Buckhurst Hill Football Club: the site is mainly a volunteer run football club but is maintained and operated to a high level. The club has 8 years remaining on a 25 lease for use of the northerly field from the sports club. Then FC are in the advanced stages of purchasing a large parcel of land from to the west of their main field. This is much needed according to the club to increase its capacity, especially for junior and mini football. If this purchase goes through the club believes it will require additional changing provision extended onto its current 18 year old facility.

Bumbles Green Leisure Centre: It was commented on consultation with the youth team manager that next season 1x 9 aside pitch will be marked with 3 mini soccer pitches next to it. Currently the pitches are marked by the team manager. The changing rooms/clubhouse has been condemned by council and plans are going through for a new building, however it wont be ready for the season.

Capershotts: the site has a well looked after pitch but dated facilities and currently no provision for disabled access/toilets

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Chigwell School: Private school site, high quality with access to 3G pitch time bookable for local clubs and also use of grass pitches. Old Chigwellians club house used by community clubs and also training ground for Leyton Orient. Smaller 3G pitch on site but not available for community clubs.

Debden Sports Club: Stated to receive little support/assistance from local authority. There are drainage problems on 3rd pitch and the clubhouse requires refurbishment.

Frampton Road Recreation Ground: very undulating pitch and poor drainage. There is a lack of clear parking for field.

Grange Farm: Colebrook FC have 28 teams and are now at capacity turning children away. There is a restricted car park which has an impact on the Saturday soccer school which sees 150 children every Saturday. Site itself is of excellent standard and Grange Farm Trust own and undertake all maintenance. Colebrook FC would like 3G pitch built on Chigwell School site to be able to increase capacity.

Jubilee Park Pavilion: No site manager meeting, self-assessment done. Multi-sport site, evidence of well used facilities, at near carrying capacity. No access to pavilion possible, but local insight suggested older facility of low standard

Larsens Recreation Ground: 2 Junior pitches in a public open space, with tennis courts and play area on site. Changing facilities are located just off the site (shared with Nursery) - no access during visit.

Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club): The site is large but in need of some refurbishment and investment. The club has a disused AGP which is highly unsafe and requires investment to bring back to a usable state. The pitches are well maintained but the site's primary source of income is weddings and functions rather than sport. The site is at risk of losing cricket squares due to a lack of demand.

Ongar Academy: No site manager, self-assessment done. Standard school site, with field hockey goals, lots of drainage covers above ground, and a disused athletics circle. Site drainage was poor overall, however this has now been addressed through significant drainage improvement works in Summer 2017. Sport England consultation highlighted that the playing fields are in the process of being transferred to Academy management and as part of the school redevelopment, this will see an improvement to rugby and football provision.

Queens Head Meadow: Informal space with 2 Junior goals and no markings (approx 50x60). Located on a village hall site with children's play space on site

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Roding Valley Playing Fields North: The site is very large with numerous pitches and catering to several sports. The fields are on a flood plain and flood regularly. The pitches themselves are in a fair condition, but the ancillary facilities are very poor and require up-grading / rebuilding. The Town council has plans to create a visitor's hub style facility with changing rooms and a cafe included.

Roydon Playing Fields: 2 standard quality pitches, has space to expand into a 3rd. Changing rooms – no access on visit. Poor car parking and location signage.

Stonards Hill Recreation Ground: public playfield with many pitches that show evidence of use, but no goals visible. There was a pitch that had fencing and some stands but was not clear if this was part of the facility or not.

Townmead Leisure Park: Large site with a 3G pitch (in good condition) and 2 Adult grass pitches (one with lights/ barrier). The Adult main pitch is in good condition but would benefit from an improved maintenance programme. Animal damage an issue. Changing rooms are in a very poor state, suffering from external vandalism issues but also extremely poor internal conditions. Conversation with groundsman on site, confirmed minimal maintenance programme: his comments were that hollow tyre/ sand dressing would really improve pitches but current budget does not allow this. Issues with quad bikes/ dog mess on pitches plus animal damage. There is a separate clubhouse on site with bar in good condition

Loughton Football Club: Could not gain access to the site on the day of the visit. The majority of the information was obtained from the club survey.

Memorial Playing Fields: Good site with a good quality pavilion and 3 adequate pitches but with some drainage issues. They have a lease with a local football team but if capacity increased drainage would need to be sorted out.

Roding Valley High School: community school owned by the Local Authority. There is community use of pitches every weekday night and the site has had some anti-social problems in the past. Sport England highlighted that plans to develop current AGP to 3G AGP and to change a grass pitch to a full size 3G AGP are currently being assessed.

Willingale Road Playing Fields: The pitches are heavily damaged by moto-cross bikes and anti-social behaviour, despite numerous signs and barriers in place. The club using the site have also reported dog fouling and poor drainage of the pitches.

Ninefields Playing Fields: Sport England consultation highlighted that there is site planning permission to redevelop the site, unsure on the future sporting use after 2016/17 season.

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Fyfield Business And Research Park: Sport England highlighted that planning permission was granted to redevelop existing sand AGP to a 3G AGP, but unsure as to when or if this will happen.

Pitch demand

The following section presents the data from the demand section of the PPS audit. This data has been gathered using the club survey as directed in the FA Playing Pitch Strategy Guidance. Each club has been given the opportunity to fill in their survey online. 4 global have also chased all clubs a minimum of two times in order to encourage them to fill in the survey or to fill in the data over the phone.

Table 8 presents the number of teams per club in Epping Forest, split into the eight key sub-groups as defined in the PPS guidance document.

Table 8: Teams per club

CLUB	ADULT TEAMS		YOUTH TEAMS				MINI TEAMS		TOTALS
	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
3 Area TSG SC020	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Abbey Youth	-	1	2	2	-	-	5	6	16
Abridge Village (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Avondale Rangers	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Barkingside Y	-	-	3	8	-	-	7	9	27

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	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
Belmont Juniors	-	-	5	1	-	-	1	-	7
Britannia	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Buckhurst Hill	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Buckhurst Hill Girls	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Buckhurst Hill Y		-	8	7	-	-	7	8	30
Chigwell	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Chigwell Rovers	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Chigwell Y	-	-	5	6	-	-	4	4	19
Chingford Athletic	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
Chipping Ongar Vets	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

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	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
City of London Police	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Colebrook Royals	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Colebrook Royals Girls	-	-	-	-	4	2	-	-	6
Colebrook Royals Y	-	-	7	3	-	-	7	3	20
Coppice Row (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Debden Sports Club	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Debden Sports Club Y	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
East Ham Inter	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Epping	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Epping Forest Active	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

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	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
Epping Forest College	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	5
Epping Forest Falcons Y	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
Epping Youth	-	-	4	3	-	-	2	1	10
Galacticos United (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
GFA Loughton Y	-	-	2	3	-	-	7	5	17
Hillford (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Horse & Well (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Horse & Wells	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Lindsey Street C A (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Loughton Town (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

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	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
Loughton Wanderers (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Loughton Y	-	-	4	2	-	-	2	-	8
Maiden London	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Metpol Chigwell NE	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Mini-Shooters Y	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Nazeing Youth	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	4
Newham Borough Police	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
North Weald	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Old Chigwellians FC	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Ongar Juniors Y	-	-	2	2	-	-	2	2	8

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	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
Ongar Town	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Ongar United (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Partizan BSB (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Redbridge Police	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Roydon	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sanders Cross United (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sheering	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Three Colts	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Upshire (S)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Upshire Forest	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

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	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
Waltham Abbey	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Waltham Abbey Y	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	2	6

This data is summarised in Table 9 below.

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Overall team profile

Table 9: Overall team profile following club breakdown

AREA	ADULT TEAMS		YOUTH TEAMS				MINI TEAMS		TOTALS
	MENS	LADIES	BOYS		GIRLS		MINI SOCCER		
			11 V 11	9 V 9	11 V 11	9 V 9	7 V 7	5 V 5	
Epping Forest District	58	3	52	42	4	2	46	42	249

The following clubs have failed to respond to 4 global's survey. Team information has been obtained from FA's Whole Game System

- 3 Area TSG SC020
- Avondale Rangers
- Belmont Juniors
- Britannia
- Chipping Ongar Vets
- City of London Police
- Coppice Row
- Debden Sports Youth
- Galacticos United
- Horse & Wells
- Lindsey Street C A
- Loughton Town
- Maiden London
- Ongar Town
- Sanders Cross United
- Three Colts

Key Club Consultation Summaries

The following is a summary of the consultation undertaken with 5 key clubs, focussing on their key issues and future plans. All pitch-rating comments are the opinions of the club and may differ from the impartial rating given by the site assessor.

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Club	Consultation Summary
Abbey Youth FC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A total of 16 teams ranging from U7s to U14s, as well as an adult ladies side. - The majority of fixtures are currently being played at Ninefields, also utilizing the pitches at Townmead Leisure Park. - All training takes place on the 3G at Townmead Leisure Park. The club hires the full pitch for a total of 4 hours per week <p>Key issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ongoing housing development plans at Ninefields. The club expressed their disappointment and discontent with this and their imminent relocation. The site has been their home for over 50 years - 50% of the site is owned by Essex County Council and the other 50% by the local council. The first half has already been lost and the club are currently trying to fit the majority of their fixtures on the second half (until the Christmas break, when it is expected to be lost as well) - Some demand has been displaced to Townmead Leisure Park, mainly U14s and U15s currently. The club are utilizing this site as a complete last resource due its quality, which has been identified as very poor (poor maintenance of both the grass pitches and the 3G, which also suffers from vandalism, and very poor and outdated changing facilities) - The club has been successful in recent years, seeing an increase in the demand as a consequence of a new committee set up, additional volunteers and an improvement of the club culture. They are also expecting this growth to continue, but are concerned that this might be affected by the lack of provision following the closure of Ninefields. - The club has been told by Essex FA that £300k have been secured for replacement provision once Ninefields is lost. The club understands that this is the only solution at the moment but have expressed their discontent with it: "We don't want to play just anywhere. Abbey Youth have been at Waltham Abbey for years, at a site that we like and care for. We do understand that the best option for the club right now is to move from there – something that we don't support and are not happy with – but we will do what is best for the club"

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Barkingside Youth FC:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A total of 27 teams, ranging from U7s to U14s, the majority playing home matches at Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club) <p>Key issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The club have identified an issue regarding availability of 9v9 pitches for the club (they have 11 teams which require 9v9 pitches every week and sometimes the club struggles to accommodate all, and could not have anymore teams at the moment) - Some competitive matches for 9v9 and 11v11 are held outside of the study area (at Ilford Wanderers RFC and Fairlop Oak Playing Fields) due to a lack of available pitches in Epping Forest. - The club has no long term agreements on pitch usage with any of the sites that they use, they renew on an annual basis - They have had to buy grass cutting equipment for the home ground at a cost of 2.5k even though maintenance is the club's responsibility - Currently spending around 7-10k on pitch hire per year <p>Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Immediate plans to become an FA charter standard club. They have already begun the process and are close to completing this. - Due to the lack of long-term agreements on home grounds, the club would like to find a facility that will provide them with a long-term lease. - If they are able to find a suitable location to base themselves, they would like to develop a clubhouse and changing rooms that they could run themselves.
Buckhurst Hill Youth FC:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A total of 34 teams with two adults, 2 girls and 30 boys sides, ranging from U7 to U18 all playing at Buckhurst Hill Football Club <p>Key issues/development plans:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pressing issue for the club is having enough available pitches for both training and match days. - Developmentally, the club wants to increase the amount of pitches on the home site and ideally would like to develop an artificial surface at the home site. This would mean they could centralize all training and would mean that they could expand. - The club stated that they are limited to developing more teams due to the amount of pitches available and are looking to hire out pitches in the Redbridge area but have nothing confirmed yet. - Generally satisfied with the quality of ancillary facilities and pitches at their home ground, which they have identified to be of a good standard.

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Chigwell FC and Youth:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4 adult (including a ladies side) and 19 youth teams from U7 to U17, all playing home matches at Chigwell School <p>Key issues/Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ideally would like to have a home site that they own. No immediate plans to move however - Current use of the Chigwell School is good but does not allow for the club to use ancillary facilities - Club also cant train at the site, a new home site would allow centralized training for all teams - Would like to develop more teams but struggling to get the coaches for teams
Colebrook Royals FC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A total of 28 teams, including adult, boys and girls football in all age groups and playing at Grange Farm. <p>Key issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter training is split across numerous sites, with the majority taking place at Roding Valley School. The club have identified a need for additional training facilities in the study area. - No particular issues with the home ground were identified during consultation. The site has had recent development works, with pitches and ancillary facilities to an extremely high standard. <p>Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provisional plans being drawn up for the development of a 3G pitch at the Grange Farm site. This would require the neighbouring Chigwell School to sacrifice some land for the development and the club are currently in talks with the school regarding this. There would be a shared usage agreement of some nature and the club are not sure how the funding for the project would be segregated between the two parties yet - If these works are completed, the club would move all of their training demand to Grange Farm
GFA Loughton:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 17 youth and mini teams from U7s to u13 and playing from Willingale Road Playing Fields and Roding Valley Rec <p>Key issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Currently providing 3 hours of training for all teams: 1.5 hours at Davenant Foundation School and 1.5 hours at Debden Park High School. The club would ideally like a venue where they could host all training without having to divide it. - They would also like to have a centralized venue for the club where they could host all home games - Currently struggling with cost of rentals and have no secure leases which hinders development - Lack of 3G pitches in the area has proved problematic in finding training facilities <p>Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would like to have a home ground they could have a long term lease on or ownership - The club believe that having a secure home ground would mean more stability to develop and from this would like to develop ancillary facilities, etc. - The club has plans to increase the number of teams but currently having problems with availability of pitches.

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<p>Epping Youth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 12 youth and mini teams from U7s to u18s, the club runs an academy for mini soccer coaching. <p>Key Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Their use at Standards Hill is limited to kick off only before 11:30am. They also do not have U13 compliant sized goals, therefore have lost keepers as using full size goals for U13. - The club use around 70-80% of their turnover on Upper Clapton site, which is used just for training. - Memorial Ground having issues with vandalism. <p>Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Club would like a centralized playing and training location, which enables them to host the club. - Need smaller sized goals to enable player development and retention for the future.
<p>Ongar Juniors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Club numbers are declining; currently have 12 teams fro U7-U14. Play from numerous different locations. <p>Key Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ongoing issues with the town council, feel they are charged too much for inadequate pitches. - Pitch fees have almost doubled to £5,610, which the club had to pass on through enrolment fee. <p>Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Club are looking to add girls team, but are aware of girls travelling a long distance.

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Key League Consultation Summaries

League	Consultation Summary
Echo Youth League (Iris Fraser – league secretary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 750+ teams in all age groups from U7 to U18 - The league does not operate from central venues and each club has to hire their own ground (except for occasional festivals). It was stated that clubs currently struggle with finding available and affordable sites. - The league does not have a significant presence in Epping Forest (some of the sites mentioned were Roding Valley Recreation Ground, Roding Valley School, Willingale Playing Fields and other sites in Loguhton) and it was stated that, in general, facilities in the area are not good: “pitch maintenance varies from ground to ground and it can be very poor, there are always issues with public access, dog fouling and littering”. - Demand for junior football increases every year, with the league going from 450 teams to the current 750 in the last 5 years. This growth is expected to continue in coming years and it was stated that the lack of available and affordable pitches and training facilities will become the clubs’ major challenge going forward. - Storage was also identified as an issue for clubs at council sites – having to carry kit and equipment every week – and it was stated that it would be beneficial to have containers installed.
Essex Olympian League (Kevin Lorkins – league secretary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are 90 teams in the league, all open-age (seniors). Of these teams, the following ones were identified to be using facilities within Epping Forest: Epping FC, Ongar Town FC, Jubilee FC and Debden Sports FC - The league has had problems with the clubs from this area over the past few seasons, with teams having to withdraw teams from the league due to lack of finances or for not being able to find good facilities. - Participation rates in the league are expected to remain at the current level. “Participation in open age football has been declining, but in our league they have increased slightly. We cannot speak for all football sites in the Epping Forest area but in general the grounds and facilities, changing rooms, social areas, etc. have been in decline for a while” - The main Challenges identified for football in the area were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of funding Finances Social trends which are moving away from traditional sport Lack of support for volunteers Decline in volunteering “Some of these challenges are difficult to overcome which is why we need to concentrate on central venues for clubs and build community involvement to support the clubs” - Further comments: “I would encourage the Local Authorities and the Governing Body to concentrate funding in areas that can best support club development. Football can only improve through strong partnerships between the

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League	Consultation Summary
	public bodies, the FA and the clubs themselves. Nearly all clubs are run by volunteers and they receive little assistance with the fantastic job they do”
Brentwood Community Football Alliance League (Kevin Lorkins – league secretary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Over 200 teams ranging from U7 to U11, with two clubs based in Epping Forest: Interpath Youth and Ongar Juniors - In addition to the general issues mentioned above for football in the Epping Forest area – which are similar for this league - the increase in pitch hiring fees was also identified as one of the major challenges. Ongar Juniors have been forced to move their base to the Local Authority school because of the increase in fees at the Love Lane ground.
Harlow and District League (Alvyn Charles – league secretary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alvyn stated that the league is based in Harlow and they do not use facilities within Epping Forest.
Mid Essex League	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No response from Andy Chaplin, league secretary, who was contacted twice via email and phone.

STAGE C SITE BY SITE ANALYSIS

Supply and demand balance figures

Following the gathering of supply side and demand side information, the capacity analysis ('balance') for pitches/sites can be undertaken. The tables below split the balance figures across the 5 different football pitch types. The tables identify the supply of pitches in terms of quantity and overall carrying capacity (given that some pitches on the same site may be identified as different qualities), the demand placed on the pitches by clubs (matches and training) and then provides the balance (the difference between capacity and demand match equivalents). This capacity analysis will inform the site-by-site action plan in the final report.

Pitch type balance figures

Table 10: Adult football

SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS)	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Abridge Village Hall	1	1	0.5	0.5
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	3	9	1.5	7.5
Capershotts	1	3	1	2
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	7	20	4	16
Debden Park High School	0	0	0.5	-0.5
Debden Sports Club	3	5	3	2
Frampton Road Recreation Ground	1	1	0.5	0.5
Grange Farm	1	3	1	2
Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College	2	4	1	3
Jubilee Park Pavilion	2	4	2	2
Larsens Recreation Ground	1	1	1	0

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SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS)	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)	5	5	5.5	-0.5
Ongar Academy	1	1	0.5	0.5
Queens Head Meadow	0	0	0.5	-0.5
Roding Valley Playing Fields North	5	10	2.5	7.5
Roydon Playing Fields	2	4	0.5	3.5
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground	3	9	1	8
Townmead Leisure Park	2	2	1.5	0.5

Table 11: Youth football 11v11

SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS) 11v11	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	0	0	4	-4
Capershotts	0	0	0.5	-0.5
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	2	4	3	1
Debden Sports Club	0	0	0.5	-0.5
Grange Farm	0	0	6	-6
Jubilee Park Pavilion	0	0	1	-1
Loughton Football Club	1	2	2	0
Memorial Playing Fields	0	0	1	-1
Ninefields Playing Fields	0	0	1	-1
Roding Valley High School	0	0	1	-1
Roding Valley Playing Fields North	0	0	4	-3

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SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS) 11v11	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground	0	0	1	-1
Townmead Leisure Park	0	0	1.5	-1.5

Table 12: Youth Football 9v9

SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS) 9V9	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	1	4	4.5	-0.5
Bumbles Green Leisure Centre	0	0	0.5	-0.5
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	3	6	3.5	2.5
Grange Farm	1	4	2	2
Jubilee Park Pavilion	2	4	1	3
Loughton Football Club	1	2	1	1
Memorial Playing Fields	2	4	1.5	2.5
Ninefields Playing Fields	1	3	1	2
Roding Valley Playing Fields North	2	4	2	2
Townmead Leisure Park	0	0	2	-2

Table 13: Mini Soccer 7v7

SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS) 7v7	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	2	12	3.5	8.5
Bumbles Green Leisure Centre	0	0	0.5	-0.5

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SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS) 7v7	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	2	8	2	6
Grange Farm	0	0	3.5	-3.5
Jubilee Park Pavilion	0	0	1	-1
Loughton Football Club	1	4	1	3
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)	3	6	3.5	2.5
Ninefields Playing Fields	1	6	2.5	-3.5
Roding Valley Playing Fields North	1	4	0.5	3.5
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground	2	8	1	7
Townmead Leisure Park	0	0	1.5	-1.5
Willingale Road Playing Fields	2	4	3.5	0.5

Table 14: Mini Soccer 5v5

SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS) 5v5	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	2	12	4	8
Bumbles Green Leisure Centre	0	0	1	-1
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	2	8	2	6
Grange Farm	0	0	1.5	-1.5
Jubilee Park Pavilion	0	0	1	-1
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)	0	0	4.5	-4.5

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SITE	NUMBER OF PITCHES	PITCH CAPACITY	DEMAND (MATCH EQUIVALENTS) 5v5	DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CAPACITY & DEMAND MATCH EQUIVALENTS
Ninefields Playing Fields	1	6	3	3
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground	0	0	0.5	-0.5
Townmead Leisure Park	0	0	1.5	-1.5
Willingale Road Playing Fields	0	0	2	-2

Table 15: Supply and demand balance summary

Provision - Site	Total Number of Pitches	Total Pitch Capacity	Total Demand (Match Equivalents)	Difference Between Capacity & Demand Match Equivalents
Abridge Village Hall	1	1	0.5	0.5
Buckhurst Hill Football Club	8	37	17.5	19.5
Capershots	1	3	1.5	1.5
Chigwell School / Old Chigwellians Club	16	44	14.5	29.5
Debden Park High School	2	4	0.5	3.5
Debden Sports Club	3	5	3.5	1.5
Frampton Road Recreation Ground	1	1	0.5	0.5
Grange Farm	2	6	14	-8
Guru Gobind Singh Khalsa College	3	6	1	5
Jubilee Park Pavilion	4	8	6	2
Larsens Recreation Ground	2	2	1	1
Metropolitan Police (Chigwell Sports Club)	9	12	13.5	-1.5

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Provision - Site	Total Number of Pitches	Total Pitch Capacity	Total Demand (Match Equivalents)	Difference Between Capacity & Demand Match Equivalents
Ongar Academy	1	1	0.5	0.5
Queens Head Meadow	1	1	0.5	0.5
Roding Valley Playing Fields North	9	22	6.5	15.5
Roydon Playing Fields	2	4	0.5	3.5
Stonards Hill Recreation Ground	5	21	3.5	17.5
Townmead Leisure Park	2	2	8	-6
Loughton Football Club	4	10	4	6
Memorial Playing Fields	3	8	2.5	5.5
Ninefields Playing Fields	3	15	7.5	7.5
Roding Valley High School	3	6	1	5
Bumbles Green Leisure Centre	2	4	2	2
Willingale Road Playing Fields	2	4	5.5	-1.5

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Future demand analysis

To calculate the future demand for football in the study area, a Team Generation Rate¹ has been calculated using the current number of teams and the current population. This measure allows us to calculate what size of population (for various age groups) will typically cause enough demand for a football team.

This Team Generation Rate can then be applied to the population projections for the local authority to confirm how population growth or reduction will affect the demand for teams in each of the key age groups.

Table below shows the population growth, split by sub-area, based on ONS SNPP population projections including the significant growth of population from housing development in the Harlow sub-area.

For areas of significant growth, the PPS Playing Pitch Calculator is used within the full report to demonstrate the potential future need generated by housing development.

Table 16: Team Generation Rate Analysis – Sub-area breakdown

Sport and Age Groups	Total Teams	East	Harlow	South	West
Football Adult Men 11v11 (16-45yrs)	7	1	3	2	1
Football Adult Women 11v11 (16-45yrs)	0	0	0	0	0
Football Youth Boys 11v11 (12-15yrs)	17	2	8	4	3
Football Youth Girls 11v11 (12-15yrs)	13	2	6	3	2
Football Youth Boys 9v9 (10-11yrs)	1	0	0	0	0
Football Youth Girls 9v9 (10-11yrs)	1	0	0	0	0
Football Mini Soccer Mixed 7v7 (8-9yrs)	10	1	4	2	2
Football Mini Soccer Mixed 5v5 (6-7yrs)	7	1	3	2	1
Total	55	7	25	13	10

¹ The Team Generation Rate calculation uses the current number of teams and the current population to calculate a proxy measure of the number of total residents per relevant sports team. This measure is therefore applied to the projected population (depending on the length of the strategy) to predict how many additional teams will be required in order to satisfy the demand from the 'new' population.

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Appendix A – Club response breakdown

This appendix details the clubs identified by the Football Association and their response to 4 global's data gathering exercise. This requires sign-off from the Football Association.

Club	Number of Teams	Response Status	4G Contact round 1/ Action taken	4g Contact Round 2 / Action Taken
Abbey Youth	16	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Abridge Village (S)	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Barkingside Y	27	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Buckhurst Hill	2	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Buckhurst Hill Girls	2	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Buckhurst Hill Y	30	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Chigwell	4	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Chigwell Rovers	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Chigwell Y	19	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Chingford Athletic	4	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Colebrook Royals	2	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Colebrook Royals Girls	6	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Colebrook Royals Y	20	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Debden Sports Club	4	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
East Ham Inter	2	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Epping	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Epping Forest Active	1 (See notes)	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Epping Forest College	5	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Epping Forest Falcons Y	3	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Epping Youth	10	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
GFA Loughton Y	17	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Hillford (S)	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Loughton Wanderers (S)	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Loughton Y	8	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Metpol Chigwell NE	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Mini-Shooters Y	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Nazeing Youth	4	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Newham Borough Police	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
North Weald	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Ongar Juniors Y	8	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Ongar United (S)	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Partizan BSB (S)	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Redbridge Police	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Roydon	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Sheering	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Upshire (S)	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Upshire Forest	1	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Waltham Abbey	3	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Waltham Abbey Y	6	Complete	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
3 Area TSG SC020	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Avondale Rangers	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Belmont Juniors	7	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Britannia	2	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Chipping Ongar Vets	2	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA

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City of London Police	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Coppice Row (S)	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Debden Sports Club Y	2	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Galacticos United (S)	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Horse & Well (S)	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Horse & Wells	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Lindsey Street C A (S)	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Loughton Town (S)	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Maiden London	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Ongar Town	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Sanders Cross United (S)	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA
Three Colts	1	Incomplete	06/06/17 - NA	12/06/17 - NA

4 global Playing Pitch Platform Assumptions

The 4 global Playing Pitch Platform has been developed specifically in line with Sport England methodology. The standard assumptions within the supply and demand model are applied on the platform:

- **Pitch quality assumptions** - Adult, Youth and Mini soccer carrying capacities are generated through non-technical site assessment results
- **Match play and training demand** – matches and training form match equivalents on the platform in line with those set out in the guidance (e.g. 0.5 match equivalents per week for an adult team). Training and matches are distinguished between grass and AGP use.
- **Capacity analysis** – supply and demand are factored together to provide an overall view of the balance as well as on a site-by-site basis. Pitches with no community use are not factored into balance calculations.
- **Overmarking** – Overmarked pitches are identified and demand from teams on those pitches has been scaled down to represent any difference in time and nature of play.