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Description

A downland parish containing the villages of Bighton and Gundleton, but the entire parish is designated as countryside in the Local Plan Review.

Existing Recreational Areas (Hectares)

Play:			Local Sports:	
A	Dean Lane, Bighton*	0.2	B	Manor Farm field (P)
				3.5
			District Sports:	
				-
General Use:				
In the developed areas:			In the adjacent countryside:	
				-

Proportion of District Sports Provision attributed to the Parish (Hectares)

0.2

Adequacy of Land for Play and Sports (Hectares)

	Local Plan Requirement	District Provision	Remaining Requirement	Existing Area	Current Adequacy
Play	0.3	-	0.3	0.2	- 0.2
Sports	0.5	0.2	0.3	3.5	+3.2

Assessment of Play Areas

The parish has been under-provided with land for children's play space for many years. In this year however the play area at Bighton will be increased in size, with the equipment refurbished and additional items added to bring it up to LEAP standard. No play area exists in Gundleton, there should be a LEAP available there.

Deficiencies: Land, standard, quality and distribution.

Improvements Proposed: Extension and upgrading of play area in Bighton to LEAP status. Provision of a LEAP in Gundleton.

Assessment of Sports Grounds

The parish has a privately owned rugby/cricket pitch which meets league standard in terms of size, but it is in poor condition, with poor pavilion facilities. This facility currently serves New Alresford rugby teams. In turn, football pitches at New Alresford serve the parish of Bighton.

Deficiencies: Standard and quality.

Improvements Proposed: Refurbishment/replacement of pavilion, provision of car parking, and improvements to the quality of the pitch at Manor Farm field.

Contribution Scale

For Play Areas: A For Sports Grounds: B