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Description

A parish entirely within the AONB, containing the main settlement of Hambledon. It has a linear form and the village is contained within a defined policy boundary in the Local Plan Review. The central part of the village is a designated Conservation Area.

Existing Recreational Areas (Hectares)

Play:		Local Sports:	
A	Adj. Hambledon Village Hall*	0.1	C Chidden Cricket Ground (P) 2.4
B	Stewarts Green	0.2	D Glebe Land (P) 0.3
		District Sports:	
		E	Broadhalfpenny Cricket Ground (P) 1.9

General Use:

In the developed areas:

In the adjacent countryside:

Speltham Down
Wayfarers' Walk

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

0.4

Adequacy of Land for Play and Sports (Hectares)

	Local Plan Requirement	District Provision	Remaining Requirement	Existing Area	Current Adequacy
Play	0.8	-	0.8	0.3	- 0.5
Sports	1.6	0.4	1.2	2.7	+1.5

Assessment of Play Areas

Overall the Parish has insufficient public land for children's play and a further play area should be provided. There is a LEAP adjacent to Hambledon Village Hall together with a hard surfaced area for teenage games but Stewarts Green is unequipped and can only be used for casual play. Further land is currently being sought.

Deficiencies: Land, standard.

Improvements Proposed: Provision of an additional area of play space within the village. Assistance with improvements to the cricket ground facilities at Chidden, where these will benefit children's recreation.

Assessment of Sports Grounds

Both the cricket grounds are in private ownership and some distance from the village, but the ground at Chidden provides facilities for the local cricket club, whose facilities could be improved. The parish council have acquired Glebe land on a renewable lease in the centre of the village from the Portsmouth Diocese, adjacent to St Peter's church, to use as a football facility in place of the aborted site at Cam's Hill.

Deficiencies: Standard.

Improvements Proposed: Improvements to the facilities at the Cricket Ground at Chidden.

Contribution Scale

For Play Areas: A For Sports Grounds: B