



NO PROVISION

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Description

The main part of the village straddles the main road through the centre, with the M3 to the west, and the Itchen Valley to the east. It comprises a main core of older properties with more recent housing development to the rear. The smaller hamlet of Otterbourne Hill lies separately to the south, adjoining the area of Allbrook in Eastleigh Borough. Otterbourne has a defined policy boundary in the District Local Plan Review, but Otterbourne Hill has a countryside status.

Existing Recreational Areas (Hectares)

Play:			Local Sports:		
A	Oakwood Park*	0.2	A	Oakwood Park	1.8
B	Cranbourne Drive	0.5	C	Southern Water cricket ground (P)	1.6
			D	Elderfield junior cricket pitch (P)	1.5
			District Sports:	-	
General Use:			In the adjacent countryside:		
In the developed areas:			Otterbourne Wood		
E	Greenacres Drive		The Common, Otterbourne Hill		
			Footpath Network		

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

0.6

Adequacy of Land for Play and Sports (Hectares)

	Local Plan Requirement	District Provision	Remaining Requirement	Existing Area	Current Adequacy
Play	1.3	-	1.3	0.7	- 0.6
Sports	2.6	0.6	2.0	4.9	+2.9

Assessment of Play Areas

The parish is deficient in play space. The only equipped play area in the Parish is at the main recreation ground. This has LEAP status but it should be refurbished and further extended and equipped to NEAP standard, to provide the main central play facility for the Parish. The land at Cranbourne Drive provides only casual play space. A LEAP should be provided to serve the housing area to the west of the main road. Otterbourne Hill is a separate settlement and currently has no play provision. An area of land for general use has recently been provided by developers to the south of Greenacres Drive.

Deficiencies: Land, standard, quality, distribution.

Improvements Proposed: Refurbishment and upgrading of play area at the main recreation ground to NEAP status will take place this year. Provision of LEAPS at Cranbourne Drive, and at Otterbourne Hill if suitable sites can be found.

Assessment of Sports Grounds

The Parish is generally well provided with sports grounds at the main recreation ground, supplemented by facilities at Southern Water's cricket ground and the Elderfield Junior cricket pitch although the land is leased and it is intended to purchase the land. Cranbourne Drive requires some adult facilities.

Deficiencies: Standard.

Improvements Proposed: Provision of a Boules court at Cranbourne Drive open space. Purchase of Oakwood Park Recreation ground and Oakwood Copse.

Contribution Scale

For Play Areas: A For Sports Grounds: B