



**Communities Scrutiny and Review Board  
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# ITEM 5

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## Derby City Playing Pitches Strategy

### Purpose

- 1.1 To provide the Communities Scrutiny and Review Board (the Board) with an overview of the Derby City Playing Pitches Strategy (PPS) providing the vision and strategy action plan that forms part of the Council's evidence base for physical activity and sport in the city. This will be supported by a presentation provided to the Board.

### Recommendation

- 2.1 The Board is requested to note the information provided within the report and the presentation, providing officers with any comments for consideration, as appropriate.

### Reason

- 3.1 The Board requested an overview of the vision and strategy action plan for Derby's playing pitches, an update has therefore been provided on these areas in the report and presentation.

### Supporting information

- 4.1 The PPS supports the Council and its partners in its vision, established within Move More Derby, Physical Activity and Sport strategy as follows:

*'An active Derby for everyone, improving our health, wellbeing and quality of life by supporting people to move more in Derby'.*

To achieve this strategic vision, this strategy seeks to deliver the following objectives;

- Ensure that all valuable facilities are protected for the long-term benefit of sport
- Promote a sustainable approach to the provision of playing pitches and management of sports clubs
- Ensure that there are enough facilities in the right place to meet current and projected future demand
- Ensure that all clubs have access to facilities of appropriate quality to meet current needs and longer-term aspirations.

- 4.2 The PPS frames the priorities for future investments and the continued development of the playing pitch and associated facility infrastructure across Derby. The evidence base created is utilised when considering planning applications in consultation with Sport England as a statutory consultee, who in turn will consult with National Governing Bodies of Sport as appropriate.
- 4.3 Whilst the analysis within the PPS assists in determining the priorities for investment, any playing pitch or associated infrastructure improvement and / or new development will be subject to sources of funding (primarily from external sources) being made available. Any development of disposal will also be subject to the development of a clear business case, impact assessment and where appropriate a funding application.
- 4.4 In addition to the PPS assessment and action plan a specific report was developed, in conjunction with South Derbyshire District Council, which focuses on the shared area of growth between the City of Derby and South Derbyshire, termed the Derby Growth Zone, which will see significant housing growth to 2028.
- 4.5 A Short Term action (18 months) plan has been developed framing the priorities for the implementation of the action plan supported by an internal DCC steering group and Derby and South Derbyshire Playing Pitch Strategy Steering Group with National Governing Bodies.

#### **Public/stakeholder engagement**

- 5.1 None related to this report

#### **Other options**

- 6.1 None applicable to this report

#### **Financial and value for money issues**

- 7.1 There are not any general financial implications for the Council in relation to implementation of the strategy; however, in the event that there are specific implications in individual cases, these will be taken into account in determining the way forward and consideration given on a case-by-case basis to how any financial issues will be funded.

In implementing the Strategy, it will enable the Council to support more targeted and effective deployment of Council resources as well as a prioritisation for attracting and supporting external funding including s106 monies.

#### **Legal implications**

- 8.1 Non applicable to this report

#### **Other significant implications**

9.1 Non applicable to this report

This report has been approved by the following people:

<b>Role</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date of sign-off</b>
<b>Legal</b> <b>Finance</b> <b>Service Director(s)</b> <b>Report sponsor</b> <b>Other(s)</b>	Claire Davenport	27 June 2019

**Background papers:**  
**List of appendices:**