

Issue Number	Issues raised through consultation	Officer response
Appendix C: Open Space Standards		
C1	HCC Ecology comments that a strategic approach to green corridors through the District has not been identified, from which more local networks can be identified, protected and managed as per the Open Space Standards in Appendix C.	<p>No amendment to Plan in response to this issue</p> <p>The Council is in the process of updating the Open Space Standards through a new Open Spaces, Sports and Recreation Assessment. The Council has a Strategic Green Infrastructure Plan and is working with neighbouring authorities and other partners to deliver wider strategic green infrastructure objectives. In addition, each site allocation requires the delivery of on-site green infrastructure and contributions towards off-site programmes where appropriate. The Plan as a whole seeks to create net gains to biodiversity.</p>
C2	Sport England objects to Table C.1 as the proposed quantity standard for outdoor sports facilities (3.79 ha per 1000 pop) is derived from an assessment that is significantly out of date. The Council's Playing Pitch Strategy recommended standards (table 7.5 of strategy document) is based on the most recent needs assessment and Sport England considers this to be the appropriate standards to be used until the playing pitch strategy is reviewed. Although, the 2010 strategy was not incorporated into an adopted SPD it should take precedence over the 2005 study.	<p>Proposed amendment to Plan</p> <p>As above, the Council is updating the assessment of open spaces which includes indoor and outdoor sports facilities. New text could be added to clarify the position on standards. However, it is unlikely that new standards will be ready for the pre-submission consultation (Regulation 19). Instead, it is proposed that Appendix C will be deleted and the open space standards assessment, when complete, will form the basis of a Supplementary Planning Document. The Community Facilities, Leisure and Recreation chapter will require applicants to use the Council's most up to date evidence, in collaboration with Sport England and other key stakeholders.</p>
C3	Sport England suggests that Appendix C should include the standard for indoor sports provision as CLFR2 does not	<p>Proposed amendment to Plan</p> <p>Agreed. As above, the Council is updating the assessment of</p>

	<p>appear to apply just to outdoor facilities. The NPPF does not distinguish between indoor and outdoor sports, so Appendix C should also include quantitative standards for indoor sport.</p>	<p>open spaces which includes indoor and outdoor sports facilities. New text could be added to clarify the position on standards. However, it is unlikely that new standards will be ready for the pre-submission consultation (Regulation 19). Instead, it is proposed that Appendix C should be deleted and the open space standards assessment, when complete, will form the basis of a Supplementary Planning Document. The Community Facilities, Leisure and Recreation chapter will require applicants to use the Council's most up to date evidence, in collaboration with Sport England and other key stakeholders.</p>
<p>C4</p>	<p>Section 18.3 should clarify what standards should be used on both indoor and outdoor sports. Appendix C should be replaced initially by the recommended standards in table 7.5 of the Playing Pitch Strategy and then updated in due course when new evidence is prepared</p>	<p>Proposed amendment to Plan</p> <p>Chapter 18 will be amended to set out the latest position with regard to open spaces, sport and recreation facilities.</p>
<p>Appendix D: Monitoring Framework</p>		
<p>D1</p>	<p>HCC Ecology states that the indicator for Natural Environment requires altering. Whilst annual monitoring of species is undertaken, this is limited to two groups (butterflies and birds). This is also entirely undertaken by volunteers, therefore is not analysed or organised by the LPA. Consequently any consideration of species should be left out.</p> <p>HCC Ecology advise that the following two indicators are proposed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Change in number and area of statutorily protected sites. This will monitor the legally protected site network of SSSIs and LNRs which are also a statutory designation. 2. Change in number and area of non-statutory sites. 	<p>Proposed amendment to Plan</p> <p>The Council's Monitoring Framework should be amended accordingly.</p>

Appendices

	<p>These will be anything else that is considered to have some form of informal biodiversity or geodiversity recognition namely, Wildlife sites, important geological/geomorphological sites, Wildlife Trust or other reserves.</p>	
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