

Cabinet Member Decision Notice - Public

Part A – *to be provisionally completed prior to the meeting and finalised after the meeting following agreement with the decision maker.*

1. **Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Planning, Councillor Tim Myatt
2. **Date of the Decision:** Friday 4 November 2022
3. **Subject (title and description):** Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS)
4. **Did the decision maker declare an interest?** No
5. **Lead Officer:** Tracey Rathmell, Executive Officer Policy and Place and Rachael Hutton, Principal Policy and Delivery Officer
6. **Was all or any part of the report exempt?** No

If yes, is there an Exempt Decision Notice? N/A

7. **The Decision:**

That the PPS be approved and published on the Council's website.

That the PPS be the basis for making strategic decisions on future playing pitch provision and associated facilities across the District.

8. **Reasons for the Decision:**

To ensure that the Council has robust and up-to-date assessments of the need for open space, sport and recreational facilities and opportunities for new provision in line with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

It is important that the Council have an up to date audit and review of all outdoor sports assets and outdoor facilities including those managed by others.

The approval of the strategy should reduce the time and cost involved in the determination of planning applications involving playing pitches.

9. **Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:**

Not to approve or publish the PPS however this would be contrary to the NPPF and would also not allow the Council to use the PPS for the benefits listed in paragraph 5.3 of the report.

10. **Is this a Key Decision:** No

If yes, please state Forward Plan reference number: N/A

Part B – Key Decisions Only – *to be completed by Democratic Services*

11. **Is the decision subject to call in:** No
12. **End of the Call-In Period:** N/A