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Introduction

This document is one of several produced which underpin the Sports Strategy and Action Plan for Bournemouth and Poole as Figure 1 shows.

Figure 1: Suite of Documents



Consultation and engagement is a key component of the Strategy's development. This document sets out what consultation has been done, when and with whom during the Strategy's development.

It is critical to ensure that the views of owners, providers, managers and users of sports facilities and pitches are taken into account. It is their detailed knowledge about specific facilities which provides the local "on the ground" information about accessibility, quality, quantity and demand (now and in the future). Equally as important is a dialogue with those with a responsibility for decision making, funding and delivering facilities.

While specific surveys, meetings, interviews and workshops were set-up to provide a focus for collecting comments from key stakeholders, it has been important not to “close the door” to people’s views and comments. With that in mind, consultation has not been strictly bounded by a set period of time. Instead, the process has been iterative during the development of the strategy, with the opportunity to comment being left open for consultees to comment at any stage.

It has been important to utilise the networks of those directly consulted during the strategy’s development. Rather than hold extensive public consultation, which can delay production of the strategy, the focus has been on dealing with the broad range of key stakeholders listed and to use existing consultation undertaken by the Borough Councils to inform the strategy, as well as dealing directly with representatives of services provided by the Councils to ensure that the key parts of the community not contacted directly and local interests are taken into account. Strategies developed for specific issues or user groups have also been taken into account, with further details documented in the Literature and Strategic Review part of the strategy.

The Picture of Provision in Bournemouth and Poole

It is important to understand the key providers of sports facilities and pitches in Bournemouth and Poole. The following paragraphs summarise the main providers of accessible community facilities and highlight why it is important that they provide an input into the strategy's development and ultimately its delivery.

Bournemouth Borough Council has an enabling role in sports provision and development and is responsible, with the Borough of Poole for commissioning the Sports Strategy. The Council retains the management and maintenance of its grass pitches and has passed the management and day-to-day running of leisure facilities to a Leisure Trust, BH Live.

BH Live is a Leisure Trust responsible, since 2010 for the management and day-to-day running of leisure facilities previously run by Bournemouth Borough Council. The Leisure Trust manages Littledown, Stokewood and Pelhams Leisure Centres together with the Bournemouth Pavilion Theatre and BIC conference and leisure premises. In addition, under an Operating Agreement, they manage the Sir David English Leisure Centre in partnership with Bournemouth School for Boys. The Trust services and develops a significant variety of sport and leisure offer within Bournemouth and there have already been a number of capital projects undertaken and completed by the Trust in the past three years with plans to progress further developments at Littledown and Stokewood to encourage the local community to participate in both sport and leisure uses on a more regular basis.

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Continental Landscapes is the contractor responsible for the maintenance of the Council's grass pitches across the Borough of Poole.

Everyone Active (Sport and Leisure Management Ltd.) manages the Borough of Poole's leisure centres at Ashdown, Rossmore and the Dolphin in partnership with the Council.

Bournemouth YMCA runs The Junction Sports and Leisure Centre on behalf of the Borough of Poole. Their long-term lease for the building, includes a £200,000 joint investment by Borough of Poole and Bournemouth YMCA to modernise the building, improving the pool area, changing facilities and reception.

Schools, Academies and Colleges across both Boroughs play an important role in the provision of accessible community sports facilities outside of the school day and term time. Linking and creating strong partnerships between schools and colleges, enablers and other providers is now more important than ever at a time when the education system is changing with increased parental choice; increased school autonomy; the introduction of changes through the Academies Act 2010 and Education Act 2011; emergence of Converter and sponsored Academies; additional schools (free schools / University Technical Colleges / Studio schools); and the changing role of local authorities to a focus on enabling, advocacy, strategy and commissioning. Sport England's focus for the period to 2016/17 through its strategy 'A Sporting Habit for Life', focuses around increasing participation and opportunities for young people and as part of that now has a focus on schools and colleges, which includes action on:

- ▶ Establishing 'satellite clubs' – community clubs on schools sites, taking young people into sport in the community;
- ▶ Establishing 'doorstep clubs' – working in disadvantaged areas, taking sport to where young people live;
- ▶ More working in higher education to give students the chance to take up a new sport or continue playing a sport;
- ▶ 150 new College Sport Makers, providing sports opportunities within Further Education colleges; and,

- ▶ Improving community access to school facilities in conjunction with local demand modelling and development of sports strategies.

This is set against a background of reduced local authority and school resources; increased costs of provision, management and maintenance of facilities; challenges in maintaining the quality of facilities; changes to club management; unclear pathways for children and young people to progress in sport; and, parental aspirations for children.

Key Stakeholders and Consultation Methods

Figure 2 below sets out who, how, when and why stakeholders in the process have been consulted. In addition to these principal methods, facility managers and owners had some input to varying degrees during the audit stage of the strategy's development.

Appendix 1 sets out a full list of consultees, by name and organisation, who provided an input into the development of the strategy. These stakeholders were involved through a combination of face-to-face meetings, workshops, telephone interviews and email dialogue.

Appendix 2 provides detailed records of comments made at various workshops held during the process.

Appendix 3 sets out the questions asked in online surveys used to gather information from clubs, leagues and key individuals active in specific sports across the Boroughs.

Figure 2

Who?	How? (principal method(s) of engagement)	When?	Why?
Members (Councillors), Borough of Poole	Workshop	18 th July 2013	Councillors are the elected representatives of local communities, have a good detailed knowledge of local and Borough-wide issues relating to sport and facilities / pitches and are local authority decision makers.
Members (Councillors), Bournemouth Borough Council	Round-table meeting	24 th June 2013	
Officers, Borough of Poole	Strategy Project Team	Throughout strategy development	The Strategy Project Team is the commissioning team for the strategy. Officers with various responsibilities linked to the provision and use of sports facilities and pitches offer invaluable input into the development of the strategy.
	Workshop	25 th June 2013	
	Telephone interviews and email dialogue	June and July 2013	

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Sport England	Strategy Project Team	Throughout strategy development	The Strategy Project Team is the commissioning team for the strategy. As the Government's Agency with the responsibility for sport, its guidance, input and influence is key to the development of a robust and successful strategy for sport.
National Sports Governing Bodies	Round-table meeting	1 st July 2013	The NGBs have information and knowledge about facilities, pitches and clubs which is important to feed in to the development of the strategy.
	Telephone interviews and email dialogue	Throughout strategy development	

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			<p>They have been used as the main conduit into clubs with regard to consultation.</p> <p>As funders of investment in sport facilities, management, participation and coaching, the National Sports Governing Bodies are also key to the development of a robust and deliverable strategy for sport.</p>
Active Dorset	Strategy Project Team	Throughout strategy development	<p>The Strategy Project Team is the commissioning team for the strategy.</p> <p>As the Dorset County Sports Partnership, Active Dorset has a vast knowledge and experience of sports provision and delivery in Bournemouth and Poole which is invaluable to the development of a deliverable strategy. It also has close contact with providers and managers of</p>

Who?	How? (principal method(s) of engagement)	When?	Why?
			facilities and as such is instrumental to the successful consultation and gathering of views, comments and priorities.
Sports Clubs	Survey (online or postal)	June - August 2013	Gathering of "on the ground" views on the quality, quantity, accessibility of and demand for facilities and pitches, and of local aspirations for sport could not be achieved without consulting clubs, leagues and manager / owners.
Sports Leagues	Survey (online or postal)	July - August 2013	
Facility and Pitch Managers / Owners	Telephone interviews	June - August 2013	
NHS Dorset	Meeting	August 2013	Important because of the links between health and wellbeing, healthcare and sport.
Schools and Colleges	Round-table meeting	11 th July 2013	Schools and colleges are often providers of facilities which are or have the potential to be accessed by the community. They also may have future plans for the improvement of facilities on their campus

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			which could have an impact on provision across the Boroughs.
Foreign Language Schools / Colleges (via Chair of International Education Forum)	Telephone interviews and email dialogues	July and October 2013	Important because of the potential impact of foreign language students on provision across the Boroughs and because of opportunities to provide facilities for foreign students for sports not usually played or which are considered as “mainstream” in the UK.
Facility (non-club) Users	Using existing surveys and other evidence	June and July 2013	It is important to get “on the ground” comments on the quality, quantity of and accessibility to facilities where data cannot be gathered through other means such as club or league surveys.
Bournemouth University	Face-to-face meeting	25 th June 2013	The University provides facilities and pitches for its students to use which can also be accessed by the community.
Bournemouth	Survey (online)	June and July 2013	

Who?	How? (principal method(s) of engagement)	When?	Why?
University Varsity Clubs			<p>It is important to gauge the plans and needs of the University and the potential impact and demands of students on facilities, in particular those coming from outside Bournemouth and Poole to study.</p> <p>University students have clubs for many sports on the typology of sports and facilities being assessed by and planned for in the strategy.</p>
Poole Sports Council	Face-to-face meeting	18 th July 2013	The Poole Sports Council can provide an invaluable input in relation to sports provision and key issues across Poole.

Surveys

This report does not set out individual responses to surveys, although they have been provided to Bournemouth Borough Council and the Borough of Poole as detailed evidence behind the findings of the process. Surveys to clubs were sent via national sports governing bodies, Active Dorset or the local authorities (for example, youth club surveys) to their affiliated clubs. Non-affiliated clubs were also contacted. For most sports, a responses or responses were received from the county level league, organisation or governing body. In summary, however, the following table sets out the responses received.

Figure 3: Number of Stakeholder Surveys Received across Bournemouth and Poole

Survey	Surveys Received
Football Clubs	31 clubs 125 teams 6 leagues
Rugby	3 clubs
Hockey	3 clubs
Cricket	16 clubs (8 of which have a home ground outside Bournemouth and Poole) 1 league
Badminton	7 clubs 1 league
Basketball	1 club
Bowls	14 clubs 1 indoor facility
Tennis	4 clubs

Survey	Surveys Received
Golf	3 clubs
Orienteering	3 responses
Squash	3 clubs
Athletics	5 clubs
Cycling	7 clubs
Informal watersports (sent to tuition, hire and retail businesses)	5 responses
Sailing	0 responses
Rowing & canoeing	2 clubs
Lifeguards	5 clubs
Beach sports	2 clubs
Gymnastics	5 clubs
Netball	4 clubs 2 leagues
Parkour	c.180 responses
Youth Clubs	15 responses
School, colleges and Academies	12 responses

Where there was a particularly low number of responses, effort has been put into having discussion with one or more key individuals involved in that sport (see Appendix 1 for full list of direct consultees) to get a good understanding of key issues facing the sport in Bournemouth and Poole.

The majority of surveys were sent via email as an attachment or identifying a link to an electronic survey which could be completed online. Those sent a survey were sent at least one reminder prior to or soon after the deadline to help ensure as high a response rate as possible.

Surveys were sent out via the following routes:

- ▶ For sports clubs and leagues, their National Sports Governing Body sent surveys out on the consultant team's and Councils' behalf to help ensure a good level of response.
- ▶ Bournemouth University distributed a survey to their sports clubs. For surveys sent to schools, Academies and Colleges, Active Dorset sent them on the consultant team's and Councils' behalf.
- ▶ Active Dorset also sent surveys for non-traditional sports.
- ▶ Surveys targeting young people were sent to Youth Leaders in Bournemouth and Poole via the two Borough Councils.
- ▶ The survey about parkour was sent to members of an active parkour group by the group's organisers, Train Hard.
- ▶ Surveys regarding the maintenance of playing pitches were sent to Continental Landscapes and Bournemouth Borough Council which maintain Council owned pitches in Poole and Bournemouth respectively.

Other Surveys

Other surveys already collected as part of other work or programmes of monitoring have been utilised for the development of the Sports Strategy. These include user surveys undertaken by Everyone Active and BH Live for their leisure centres and Council resident surveys such as the Poole Opinion Panel Survey and the Bournemouth Seafront Vision Survey.

Appendix 1

List of people and organisations engaged with directly during the strategy's development

The following list provides a record of those people who were invited to be involved in the strategy's development and provided an input during that time. The list below records those from whom an input was received. All national sports governing bodies were contacted more than once to provide an input. All neighbouring local authorities were invited to comment.

Name	Role / Title	Organisation
Michael Rowland	Parks	Bournemouth Borough Council
Chris Kelu	Economic Development Manager	Bournemouth Borough Council
Chris Saunders	Seafront	Bournemouth Borough Council
Geraint Griffiths	Youth	Bournemouth Borough Council
Jayne Dale	Research	Bournemouth Borough Council
Ed Alexander	Parks Contract Manager	Bournemouth Borough Council
Matt Lloyd	Seafront Sports Development	Bournemouth Borough Council
Shaun Woodland	Sports Bookings and Queens Park Golf Play Organiser	Bournemouth Borough Council
Andy McDonald	Parks Service Delivery Manager	Bournemouth Borough Council
Gary Platt	Head of Property	Bournemouth Borough Council
Andrew Williams	Safer and Stronger Communities Team	Bournemouth Borough Council

Name	Role / Title	Organisation
	Manager	
Rob Potter	Parks Grounds Maintenance Manager	Bournemouth Borough Council
Irene Roig	Adult Services	Bournemouth Borough Council
Rosemary Edward	Equality and Diversity Co-ordinator	Bournemouth Borough Council
Catherine Boulton	Public Health	Bournemouth Borough Council
Mark Axford	Senior Planner, Planning Policy	Bournemouth Borough Council
Martin Butcher	Children Services	Bournemouth Borough Council
Chris Mcmillan	South Area Manager, Bournemouth Parks	Bournemouth Borough Council
Andrew Emery	Service Development Manager , Seafront	Bournemouth Borough Council
Felicity Draper	Service Manager: Access, Community Learning and Commissioning	Bournemouth Borough Council
Sam Richardson	School Organisation Team	Bournemouth Borough Council
Councillor Lawrence Williams	Portfolio Leisure/Tourism	Bournemouth Borough Council
Councillor Derek Borthwick		Bournemouth Borough Council
Councillor Dennis Gritt		Bournemouth Borough Council
Councillor Amedeo Angiolini		Bournemouth Borough Council

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Councillor Eddie Coope		Bournemouth Borough Council
Councillor Chris Mayne		Bournemouth Borough Council
Councillor Philip Stanley-Watts		Bournemouth Borough Council
Councillor Judy Butt	Portfolio Holder with responsibility for Sports and Recreation, Beaches, Parks, Open Spaces and associated strategic plans	Borough of Poole
Councillor Ann Stribley		Borough of Poole
Councillor Vikki Slade		Borough of Poole
Councillor Ian Potter		Borough of Poole
Councillor Peter Adams		Borough of Poole
Councillor Mark Howell		Borough of Poole
Nick Lockwood	Relationship Manager Facilities and Planning	Sport England
Katy Walker	Principal Planning Manager	Sport England
Martin Kimberley	Chief Executive	Active Dorset
Inspector Mike Claxton	Area Police Inspectors / Sergeants	Dorset Police
Ben Parnell	Head	Winton and Glenmore Schools

Name	Role / Title	Organisation
Mike Burke	Head of PE	Winton and Glenmore Schools
Dr. Annetta Minard	Executive Principal	LEAF Academy
David Cowgill	Bursar	Avonbourne
Julia Ford	Bursar	Bournemouth Girls' Grammar
Anthony Rogers		Borough of Poole
Jan Hill		Borough of Poole
Ross Jones		Borough of Poole
Helen Harris		Borough of Poole
Graham Richardson	Tourism Officer	Borough of Poole
Adrian Trevett	Economic Development Manager	Borough of Poole
Christine White	Senior Manager Open Access Services, Youth Service	Borough of Poole
Julie Gale		Borough of Poole
Sally Ellis		Everyone Active
Mark Leahy		Everyone Active
Mike Lyons		BH Live
Adrian Dawson	Director of Public Health	NHS Dorset
Angie Mason		Continental Landscapes
Sophia O'Sullivan	Public Rights of Way Officer	Borough of Poole and Bournemouth Borough Councils
David Jones	Principal / Marketing Director	ETC International College and Chair of International Education Forum

Name	Role / Title	Organisation
Jan Shepherd		Poole Sports Council
Bob Harris		Poole Sports Council
Richard Yates		Poole Sports Council
Martin Stockley	Centre Manager	The Junction Sports and Leisure Centre
Tim Nicholls		England and Wales Cricket Board
Keith Brewer		England and Wales Cricket Board
Jon Bendle		Rugby Football Union
Andy Blackmore		England Hockey
Sacha Nicholas		Football Association
Todd Govan		Football Association
James Deem		Lawn Tennis Association
Karen Peaty		England Netball
Jon Carney	Facilities Manager	England Squash and Racquetball
Barry Squires	Head of Sport Development	Bournemouth University
Ian Jones	Head of University Facilities	Bournemouth University
Scott Jackson		Train Hard (for Parkour)
Jason Falconer		Feria Sport (for orienteering and cycling)
Russ Holbert		Maverick Industries
Peter Elviss		West Hants Tennis Club

Name	Role / Title	Organisation
Edward Nicholas		British Orienteering
Chris Brown		English Table Tennis Association
Roy Carder		Dorset Badminton
Phil Drake		Dorset County Playing Fields Association
John Chapman		Fields in Trust
Dave Walsh		Dorset County Council
Alex Potter		Dorset Coast Forum
Alan Ottaway		Christchurch Borough Council and East Dorset District Council
Alison Usher		Amateur Swimming Association
Tanya Coleman		Poole Netball League
Linda Cutler		Dorset Netball
David Porter		Dolphin Indoor Bowls Centre
David Parsons and Tom Cochrane		Bournemouth Athletics Club

Appendix 2

Records of comments made at various workshops held during the process

Bournemouth Borough Council - Officers' Workshop

Bournemouth Learning Centre, 24th June 2013

Summary of Key Points Made

In attendance:

Bournemouth Borough Council:

Michael Rowland, Parks Development Manager

Ed Alexander, Parks Contract Manager

Martin Butcher, Children's Services

Geraint Griffiths, Integrated Youth Services

Chris Saunders, Seafront Manager

Matt Lloyd, Seafront Sports Development

Shaun Woodland, Sports Bookings and Queens Park Golf Play Organiser

Andy McDonald, Parks Service Delivery Manager

Gary Platt, Head of Property

Irene Roig, Adult Services

Rosemary Edward, Equality and Diversity Co-ordinator

Catherine Boulton, Public Health

Mark Axford, Senior Planner

Rob Potter, Parks Grounds Maintenance Manager

Andrew Williams, Safer and Stronger Communities Team Manager

Inspector Mike Claxton, Area Police Inspectors / Sergeants, Dorset Police

Martin Kimberley, Chief Executive, Active Dorset

Nick Lockwood, Relationship Manager Facilities and Planning, Sport England

Consultant's team:

Stuart Todd, Director, Stuart Todd Associates

Colin Johnson, Partnership Director, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Laura Light, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Sarah Coombs, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Workshop 1

Q1. What do you think are the main gaps in the existing provision of facilities and pitches?

What are the top 3 priority gaps that should be filled?

Q2. What are the challenges, opportunities and other key issues facing the provision of sports facilities and pitches?

What are the top 3 which should be prioritised?

Key points:

General

- ▶ Access to funding harder in some areas
- ▶ Do we know the views of the non-users/participants?
- ▶ Membership structures and promotion can make the difference
- ▶ Do local facilities relate to local communities?
- ▶ Are they relevant/accessible to them in different areas of the town
- ▶ Cost – different perception of cost. Different levels of public subsidy
- ▶ Cost and impact of public use
- ▶ Choose own leisure time, not to be dictated to
- ▶ How do people use leisure time? Need for flexible offers/times/indoor
- ▶ Lack of seats in parks?
- ▶ Perception of cost e.g. cricket and golf cost of maintenance similar but cost of playing golf higher but acceptable – increase of playing cost of cricket less acceptable. Public subsidy per person is higher for cricket for example than any other sport.
- ▶ E.g. Birmingham City Council free for all facilities-offset savings on health.

Built Facilities

- ▶ Traditional facility provision ok across the borough
- ▶ Sustainability of netball
- ▶ Squash declining – moving to Racketball. West Hants - only squash.
- ▶ Athletics centre – cost of looking after
- ▶ Good new tennis initiative – key fob £30 a year?
- ▶ Slades farm potential

Pitch Sports (general)

- ▶ Traditional facility provision ok across the borough
- ▶ Slades farm potential

Football

- ▶ Decline in football demand at weekends
- ▶ Football facilities ok

Cricket

- ▶ Decline in cricket demand at weekends
- ▶ Cricket facilities ok
- ▶ Cricket issues with the size of boundaries – Kinson Manor Farm
- ▶ Dean park – end of lease, uni surrendering, needs to be kept as Cricket facility, huge loss if gone
- ▶ Cricket - Kinson Manor Farm had to stop senior games due to balls being hit into houses etc. due to tight boundary of ground. This is a key issue with many of the grounds in Bournemouth. Extra height of net issues. Build on existing cricket ground? Challenge to planning.

Rugby

- ▶ Rugby increasing
- ▶ Rugby facilities not good enough to support youth/mini
- ▶ Rugby- there are not enough under 12's and 13 's and facilities are not great eg: quality of pitches. About quality and maintenance.

Non-traditional (general)

- ▶ Focus of funding by Sport England on "traditional" sports means that it is more difficult to deliver informal or non-traditional sports facilities.
- ▶ Focus needs to be more on non-traditional facilities than traditional
- ▶ Better facilities for non-traditional
- ▶ Fitness trails – cost and location? (considered priority)
- ▶ Climbing walls – 1 at Hengistbury Head
- ▶ Lots of running/facilities – tends to be centred at BOSC-Bournemouth piers – could be widened
- ▶ Outdoor concrete table tennis- popular and easy to move.
- ▶ Outdoor table tennis – portable – good for visitors. Equal access
- ▶ Fitness groups use open space
- ▶ Signage and promotion required
- ▶ Conflict between kite surfing and windsurfing

Parkour and slack-lining

- ▶ Non traditional activities such as parkour, slack lining (considered priority)
- ▶ Is there a big need for Parkour and Slack lining?
- ▶ Will providing parkour facilities stop people doing to the sport using places where they are not welcome? Will it encourage more people or just existing ones?
- ▶ Climbing walls / parkour sharing ok?
- ▶ Multifunctional - e.g. parkour, climbing, art, skates? Difficulty of inspections, safety, insurance therefore cost. Could start with temporary facilities? Require programme of training behind provision of any physical facilities.

Ensure culture includes safety, responsibility and respect for public if using urban environment in general.

- ▶ Slack lining etc design into other things rather than specific.
- ▶ Slack walking-posts/trees with lines (tightrope)

Wheel Parks

- ▶ BMX track (Iford) requires an upgrade
- ▶ Skate park lacking in Town centre
- ▶ Skate parks territorial issues (rated 1st)
- ▶ Young people quite territorial
- ▶ Horseshoe Common (but slightly out of the way) - skateboard park needed as there are no facilities in town centre.
- ▶ Culture issue-won't go into other areas.
- ▶ Sea front location not good for wheel parks technical issue- sand and wheels do not mix.
- ▶ Areas with higher deprivation have no skate park facilities.

Cycling

- ▶ More BMX events if better quality
- ▶ Poor cycling provision
- ▶ Better signage and a way marking of cycle routes and facilities
- ▶ Wessex way – issue cycling over the road
- ▶ Not enough cycle paths
- ▶ Demand for informal cycling

Schools

- ▶ Every secondary school will be an Academy from September.
- ▶ Bulge in primary school children. 500-600 pupils entering first year at the moment.
- ▶ School sites – is there access, quality – Academies (rated 2nd)
- ▶ Bulge in Primary age children – Facilities on primary schools? (rated 2nd)
- ▶ Use of school sites (rated 2nd)

- ▶ Bournemouth School for girls – now closed access – use to be opened on Sundays for Tennis
- ▶ 3 to 4 primary schools being built soon
- ▶ Cycle to school – castle lane – more thought/creativity needed
- ▶ Use of school sites (rated 2nd)
- ▶ Need to use school facilities more – communities don't like to access them as much or find them difficult to access
- ▶ Attitudes are changing with Academies
- ▶ Some schools will let out facilities if want to
- ▶ Schools issues – resources being moved, toilets not accessible, having to walk through the school
- ▶ All schools academies as of 1st September
- ▶ Huge competition between schools, selection process
- ▶ Hillview primary school – no green space, 30-40min walk to space/park. Pupils are not getting sporting experience

Accessibility

- ▶ Facilities with multi-use / hubs supported (e.g. Littledean) – flexibility of space, bangs for buck and easier to fund – including supporting infrastructure for example on seafront for water and beach sports.
- ▶ Infrastructure behind informal water sports is key to improvement in these areas (parking, showers, sustainability issues and non car).
- ▶ Using different ways of accessing the same facilities e.g tennis in the park
- ▶ Social/informal sports with toilets/café – multi sports
- ▶ Problems of volume of traffic putting people off Bournemouth as destination for beach front and watersports
- ▶ Accessibility can be an issue for those who cannot afford the bus to get to the beach.
- ▶ Access and open to local people a challenge.
- ▶ Not enough informal “just turn up” events.
- ▶ Biggest growth areas in sport are running and cycling on an informal basis – ways to capitalise on these and link to points where clubs meet or play?
- ▶ Maps for running and cycling important. What’s there at the moment? Is it easy for a cyclist or running visitor to see where they can go, how far, terrain etc.? Any signposting there?

Local communities

- ▶ Engaging communities with spaces
- ▶ Sandbanks coastal access/coastal walks
- ▶ Should we be more bothered about provision for local people? At end of the day, providing for visitors will help to subsidise facilities which local residents might use which could not otherwise be afforded. Also works the other way around – i.e. make them attractive for residents to use and the quality will be there for visitors too.
- ▶ Opportunity to make more of reaching out to faith groups and religions to get more people involved in sport through these and other existing community networks?

Workshop 2

Q3. How important do you think sport is to tourism, the economy, and health and wellbeing?

What should be done to increase the contribution of sport to the growth of these sectors or to the changes they can bring about?

Key points:

General

- ▶ 30 golf courses in 10 miles of Bournemouth town centre
- ▶ Many Bournemouth residents migrate to seafront areas for non traditional facilities
- ▶ University hold volleyball championships
- ▶ Ice rink a possibility still? Sub-regionally important? Down to market to provide though – is there a need for a viability assessment? Is that a priority for the Council though? Ice rink- has outline permission at Kings Park. Looking at private developer-viability issue. There is a temporary indoor ice rink at Christmas.
- ▶
- ▶ Action Plan will need to reflect realistic delivery of facilities – e.g. focus on a few things that can be delivered rather than a long list of things which may not be deliverable.
- ▶ Important to be able to facilitate entry to sports for those who want to play informally or who have never played sport or much sport before – focus on getting people active to grow participation.

Tourism

- ▶ About maximising existing people coming in – provide supporting infrastructure for them e.g. cafes, toilets, changing, showers, parking, etc. – hubs.
- ▶ Sports tourism – Bowls, Golf, rugby 7s, Hockey, BMX, Triathlon, marathon, Sky ride, Park run, water sports, Social groups (60% Queens Park Golf)
- ▶ Big air festival
- ▶ Events as runs, marathons, cycle races, race for life
- ▶ Beach sports national competitions
- ▶ Stag and hen dos with activities
- ▶ SW coastal path extension
- ▶ How does Bournemouth market its self?
- ▶ What makes Bournemouth special? Non traditional and beach location
- ▶ Are people already coming to Bournemouth? Do we need to try any harder?
- ▶ Any promotion done outside Bournemouth to attract visitors?
- ▶ Tourist focus in Bournemouth is hotel rather than camping so is it set-up to accommodate visitors who might stay who want to participate in water and / or beach sports or activities such as mountain biking?

Health

- ▶ Masters/seniors competition
- ▶ Worth playing on the line of Bournemouth as a “health” resort?

Economy

- ▶ Probably a significant impact on economy
- ▶ Data shortfall to quantify benefit of sports provision to the economy. Hard data would help to sell it better to decision makers.

International Students

- ▶ Language schools use of open spaces
- ▶ Possible opportunities for tour location – national, foreign students
- ▶ Does Bournemouth supply the right sports for foreign students e.g handball, rounders
- ▶ Very important to the economy.
- ▶ Challenge of additional population – e.g. planning application in for 600 bed campus for Foreign Language School. Over 17,000 foreign language students in Bournemouth – could make more of that – for example, handball, rounders and volleyball likely to be popular sports but few, if any, facilities for them to access. These can be social and cheap if accommodated on an informal basis – from that formal set-ups might grow if demand is there. Are informal opportunities the “seed-corn” for greater formal participation? Local people may also take these types of opportunities up as they will be “new” sports to try.

Q4. What do you think is the impact of the “non-residents” on facilities and pitches?

Are the impacts positive or negative and what action, if any, is needed to respond?

Key points:

- ▶ University students here at non busy times
- ▶ Language schools
- ▶ Sports tourism
- ▶ Facilities/ opportunities for disabled people
- ▶ Growth is around informal – running/cycling
- ▶ Evidence of active tourism
- ▶ Free access to facilities
- ▶ Developing groups that feel confident to join in

Post it wall comments:

Challenges/ Opportunities/ Key issues

Accessibility

- ▶ Involvement of specific groups less likely to be involved in mainstream offer – mental health, disability, learning disability, BME, lower socio economic groups, carers, disengaged children and young people & families.
- ▶ Inclusivity – involvement of local population especially more deprived areas joining in sporting activities. Barriers – cost, culture ‘not for us’. Need to engage/ involve local people.
- ▶ Ensuring we recognise opportunities in recognising diversity and providing ‘appropriate’ facilities to allow for access and development. E.g. think about faith/ religion, BME, days of the week.
- ▶ Providing right facilities to encourage wider participation e.g. BME/ faith groups, times of prayer, religious festivities, dietary, gender issues. Disability – in its widest sense
- ▶ Homophobia in sports, issues arising in terms of access. Access isn’t just physical.
- ▶ Signage and promotion and use of cycle routes.
- ▶ Sustainable travel to access sports facilities and pitches rather than reliance on car.

Policies

- ▶ Cross department working policy development, e.g. planning, transport, highways, adult and sc children’s policy.
- ▶ Free leisure centre access – increase in health and wellbeing for whole population. Costs saved from health and long term impact.
- ▶ Need clear policy around sports/ healthy living promotion to run alongside facility development priorities – linked to corporate policy

Main gaps in provision

- ▶ Context – fit with access to wider physical activity offer.

- ▶ Build links to health CCGs/ public health
- ▶ Youth and wider community facilities offer.
- ▶ Provision for some sports activities

Non residents

- ▶ Bournemouth University is a very positive impact on sports locally – provision of volunteer coaches etc. Also possibly 2 new gyms in town centre wouldn't have opened without student business.

Borough of Poole - Officers' Workshop

Poole Park Pavilion, 25th June 2013

Summary of Key Points Made

In attendance:

Borough of Poole:

Anthony Rogers, Recreation Manager

Jan Hill, Recreation Development Team Leader

Sophia Callaghan, Assistant Director Public Health

Christine White, Senior Manager Open Access Services, CYP

Helen Harris, Planning Policy

Graham Richardson, Tourism

Lucy Giles-Townsend, Parks Supervisor

Tom Gaze, Cycling and Walking Officer

Ross Jones, Recreation Development Officer

Gemma Wilton, Recreation Development Officer

Matt Whitchurch, Greenspace Development Officer

Martin Kimberley, Chief Executive, Active Dorset (for part of workshop)

Consultant's team:

Stuart Todd, Director, Stuart Todd Associates

Colin Johnson, Partnership Director, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Laura Light, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Sarah Coombs, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Workshop 1

Q1. What do you think are the main gaps in the existing provision of facilities and pitches?

What are the top 3 priority gaps that should be filled?

Key points:

General

- ▶ Infrastructure around informal facilities (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ Harbour development identified – section are divided for use but further potential (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ Older people (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ MUGAs open to all – older age groups to use
- ▶ Knowledge of facilities with care and residential homes
- ▶ Small group interested in more squash
- ▶ Issues around no power, café, facilities for harbour development
- ▶ Public golf course gaps in provision
- ▶ Better sign posting to existing
- ▶ Health walks and rides, particularly for older age groups.
- ▶ Marketing is important as is signposting – making people aware of the opportunities, routes, etc. key.
- ▶ Is there a gap for activities and opportunities for working people during the working day?

Pitch sports (general)

- ▶ Quality of pitches – drainage issues and changing facilities quality (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ Gaps in AGP provision (identified as priority gap)

Pools

- ▶ Pools – Dolphin ageing infrastructure

Sports halls

- ▶ Access to sports hall during the day – only 1 available during the day
- ▶ Loss of 10 court badminton facility, no competition size facility

Wheel parks

- ▶ Wheel sports – replacement issues for ramps and equipment (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ Facilities for 13-19 year olds poor, particularly in non-traditional – e.g. skate parks.
- ▶ Lack of maintenance money e.g. for skate parks.
- ▶ Poole north skate park identified on the last strategy

Cycling

- ▶ Biking starts in Poole and goes outside (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ Biking activities run by bike shops and bike clubs (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ High demand for cycling 56% girls own bikes compared to 87% boys
- ▶ No cycling provision in Poole – velodrome in Bournemouth but too far for young people to travel.
- ▶ There is the ferry link to plenty of off-road cycling but mountain bike tracks in Poole lacking. Additional tracks could take pressure off protected heathland. Useful sell message to decision makers. Same point for BMX provision.

- ▶ Desire for a BMX race track in Poole. Bournemouth BMX club want to expand into Poole.
- ▶ BMX facility could take the pressure of protected areas
- ▶ Cycle speedway great facility and popular with children including road training.
- ▶ It is possible to share BMX and mountain biking on same site and utilise same track in places (not at the same time though) – i.e. the two bike sports are compatible.

Youth

- ▶ Needs a Youth hub based in Baiter
- ▶ Facilities for 13-19 years (identified as priority gap)
- ▶ Need to give them a voice to comment and engagement.
- ▶ Links with Play Strategy.
- ▶ Affordability for young people is key.
- ▶ Youth *will* travel to facilities across Poole.
- ▶ Rossmore skate park facility failing.

Q2. What are the challenges, opportunities and other key issues facing the provision of sports facilities and pitches?

What are the top 3 which should be prioritised?

Key points:

- ▶ Issues around no power, café, facilities for harbour development
- ▶ Environmental issues around harbour development
- ▶ Meeting the needs of the demographics
- ▶ Available funding
- ▶ Give a voice to young age groups
- ▶ Youth age groups to be involved in design and planning
- ▶ Affordability
- ▶ More joined up work avoiding similar projects led by different groups

Workshop 2

Q3. How important do you think sport is to tourism, the economy, and health and wellbeing?

What should be done to increase the contribution of sport to the growth of these sectors or to the changes they can bring about?

Key points:

General

- ▶ What do families want?
- ▶ Supporting infrastructure key
- ▶ H & WB the key?
- ▶ Student placements

Tourism

- ▶ Unique events – beach polo, volleyball, soccer, swimming, marathon, sailing, world championships Sept Poole YC
- ▶ Caravans, Hotels and self catering accommodation available
- ▶ 2.5 million day visitors
- ▶ End of the coastal path
- ▶ Cheaper hospitality options
- ▶ Importance of repeat visits – creating an experience
- ▶ Importance of affordable accommodation and food.
- ▶ No campsites in Poole but some outside.
- ▶ Ability to accommodate cyclists and watersports.
- ▶ Seafront - about creating experience to make people/visitors return.

Events

- ▶ Poole Park sports clubs show casing festival
- ▶ Beach Volley.
- ▶ Regatta.

- ▶ National kayak races.
- ▶ What's on website pages but no Events lead-dependent or other depts feeding pages info rather than events led.
- ▶ 28th July 13- sports try out day event for all sports.
- ▶ Could make more use of students helping to run events and sports development programmes. (colleges as well as university).

Health and wellbeing

- ▶ Outdoor gyms on the beach
- ▶ Tennis court new offer

Cycling

- ▶ Bike friendly
- ▶ Cycle hire
- ▶ Seafront bike hire
- ▶ People do come for cycling they start at Studland for southwest coast.

Accessibility

- ▶ Ease of accessibility to open access equipment. Could do handball and volleyball etc in Poole park if rentable equipment available. E.g key fob option, extend kiosk- have as a hub. Although volunteers largely (friends of Poole park).
- ▶ Disabled opportunities.

Q4. What do you think is the impact of the “non-residents” on facilities and pitches?

Are the impacts positive or negative and what action, if any, is needed to respond?

Key points:

- ▶ Ease of access
- ▶ Hire of equipment
- ▶ Uni/college sports delivery
- ▶ Image of town through upgrading facilities
- ▶ Having flexible facilities

Bournemouth Borough Council - Members' Round-table Meeting

Queens Park Pavilion, 24th June 2013

Summary of Key Points Made

In attendance:

Bournemouth Borough Council:

Councillor Lawrence Williams – Portfolio Holder Leisure/Tourism

Councillor Derek Borthwick

Councillor Dennis Gritt

Councillor Amedeo Angiolini

Councillor Eddie Coope

Councillor Chris Mayne

Councillor Philip Stanley-Watts

Michael Rowland, Parks Development Manager

Martin Kimberley, Chief Executive, Active Dorset

Consultant's team:

Stuart Todd, Director, Stuart Todd Associates

Colin Johnson, Partnership Director, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Laura Light, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Sarah Coombs, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Key points:

General

- ▶ Feeling that pitches in Bournemouth under public control. Do not want to give up responsibility to private sector.
- ▶ Need to work with NGB's and Sport England in partnership.
- ▶ About having infrastructure to support increased use.
 - ▷ bangs for buck / viability
 - ▷ signposting.
 - ▷ Joint promotion.
 - ▷ Where can Bournemouth grow in terms of sports provision? Non traditional sports probably.
- ▶ Horseshoe common – in strategy but no money to deliver.
- ▶ Maintenance a key issue and accessibility. FFP for next 20yrs updating them.
- ▶ Opportunities to better open up and make facilities more accessible. Difficult way of thinking especially around casual users.
- ▶ Showers at Boscombe but nowhere else.
- ▶ Indoor wet weather activity areas?
- ▶ Hengistbury Head education centre/outdoor centre - no signage for it.
- ▶ Golf courses Wessex way and queens park – bunkers not in the right place due to longer hitters and modern technology clubs
- ▶ Golf courses – the 2 municipal in Bournemouth amongst best in country. Concern re; Meryck Park one-skills and tools have changed.
- ▶ Ice rink- outline planning but no one to fund the project
- ▶ Boxing club need to find a temporary home
- ▶ Facilities for children with learning difficulties – do not do enough.
- ▶ Westover Rowing Club – catered for at Hengistbury Head but good enough? Should they be there? Historic club, but probably not a priority for rowing NGB? Options - Durley Chine or St. Josephs steps?
- ▶ Flats in town centre- likely to be 2 beds no gardens, so where do people go for activity/ what do they do?
- ▶ SASP have run inter-business rounders in Taunton Levering money in from private sector. Some businesses now sponsoring events. Recommendation for strategy?

Pitch sports (general)

- ▶ Football – safeguard and grow it-national sport. Particularly north of town. Look after areas.
- ▶ Arguments for cricket, rugby, athletics too?
- ▶ Bournemouth AFC - working on community use agreement on their training pitch and 5 a side pitches.

Seafront

- ▶ Boscombe beach – touch rugby and beach sports academy

Cycling

- ▶ BMX track -Iford needs improving.
- ▶ BMX need a little more help to be able to stage national events.
- ▶ Opportunity to develop cycling-should be supporting and developing other sports.

Athletics / running

- ▶ Kings Park athletics track – In need of improvements. Needs to be used more in the winter.
- ▶ Kings park run 09.30 5k run every Sunday from July.
- ▶ What about indoor athletics? Opportunity? Viability a problem.
- ▶ Athletics track-changing facilities are old fashioned. A 'B band' facility. This is a poor relation to Kings Park football - what about winter activities? Sundays-use athletic stadium for disabled/learning difficulties.
- ▶ BBC already working with athletics clubs and universities on athletic track.

Cricket

- ▶ Cricket Littledown changing room access

Strategy

- ▶ Important not to duplicate facilities across Poole and Bournemouth – need to remember the strategic picture.
- ▶ Do not want Academies undertaking same sport competing-variety.

Beach sports

- ▶ Beach Sports Academy part of bigger picture in Boscombe.

Tourism

- ▶ Linked trips
- ▶ Signposting opportunities for visitors
- ▶ Provide infrastructure - where's it coming from - where's the right investment?
- ▶ Need to link tourism and sports better.

Events

- ▶ Events a focus for a (this?) strategy?
- ▶ Conference visitors – link to park table tennis.
- ▶ 'Making Bournemouth a sports/leisure friendly' place.

- ▶ Triathlon looking to come from Windsor to Bournemouth- Martin K.
- ▶ New signage system coming soon.

Borough of Poole - Members' Round-table Discussion

Poole Park Pavilion, 18th July 2013

Summary of Key Points Made

In attendance:

Borough of Poole:

Councillor Judy Butt

Councillor Ann Sibley

Councillor Vikki Slade

Councillor Ian Potter

Councillor Peter Adams

Councillor Mark Howell

Anthony Rogers, Recreation Manager

Jan Hill, Recreation Development Team Leader

Kevin McErlane, Head of Culture and Community Learning

Consultant's team:

Stuart Todd, Director, Stuart Todd Associates

Colin Johnson, Partnership Director, Somerset Sports and Activity Partnership

Key points:

General

- ▶ Too many tennis courts.
- ▶ New canoe club facility coming forward soon. Must be affordable and achievable – capital and revenue.
- ▶ 'Access to leisure' a good scheme –conditional that club offer reductions.

Accessibility

- ▶ About formal (club) structures and informal opportunities.
- ▶ About giving Poole best facilities and opportunities to start a sporting journey.
- ▶ Opportunities at each level:
 - ▷ Entry/leisure → participation → club → elite
- ▶ Community spirit.
- ▶ Importance of volunteers (also came out in Poole sports council meeting).
- ▶ Car park strategy outcomes.

Pitch sports (general)

- ▶ Some playing fields now in Fields in Trust – special case?

Leisure / sports centres

- ▶ Broadstone has great facilities and clubs. Great for kids clubs in summer.
- ▶ Community centres and Broadstone only sports hall in daytime.
- ▶ Dolphin building in council ownership- was private centre of excellence for badminton.

Football

- ▶ Poole Town FC (32 teams).

Health

- ▶ Importance of links/silver thread of health and wellbeing through sport eg grass roots, youth etc.

Strategy

- ▶ Multi-use facilities / economies of scale.
- ▶ Centres of excellence for specific sports.
- ▶ Growing population-need critical mass.
- ▶ Lack of facilities e.g. loss of sports hall + housing growth – sports hall was not a facility that the council could save. Need a plan for replacement? (managing ok without it but there is a need there). This is supported by the Facilities Planning Model report.
- ▶ Good swimming clubs and athletic clubs. Focus on these?

Cycling

- ▶ Cycling-growing although velo in Bournemouth so do not really need equivalent.

Harbour and seafront

- ▶ Importance of harbour and water sports - do not make enough of it-issue of lack of public access to harbour. Used to have public slipway next to East Dorset sailing club but slipway now leased to them. There is one public slipway - now at Baiter-does seafront master plan say anything about additional slipways? Problem though of public slipways maintenance and safety.

Schools

- ▶ Importance of schools. (NGB funding towards community use of schools, not solely for school use.)

Deprived areas

- ▶ Under privileged / IMD areas a focus for providing new opportunities-e.g. area of high IMD very near to harbour but people who live there are not engaged.- Lagland Street , Turlin Moor. Help to forge links between IMD





areas and clubs 'sponsorship'. Council should act as enabler to lever in participation.













- ▶ Seascouts popular – over-subscribed - Easy and cheap to access.
- ▶ Council funding to pay for coaches useful way forward too.
- ▶ Poole Borough FC-do work on Turlin Moor as do Rugby club.
- ▶ Do not lose pockets of IMD in higher/better off areas e.g. Oakdale.

Appendix 3

Copies of surveys used to gather information from clubs, leagues and key individuals active in specific sports across the Boroughs

The survey platform, Survey Monkey, was used for the online surveys sent to clubs, leagues and key individuals for specific sports. Rather than reproduce multiple pages of surveys, in the interests of saving paper, links to the surveys are reproduced below.

 football.htm	 football league.htm	 football additional.htm
 agp football.htm	 agp football league.htm	 agp football additional.htm
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 cricket.htm	 cricket league.htm	 additional cricket.htm
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 badminton.htm	 badminton league.htm	
 athletics.htm	 athletics league.htm	
 agp rugby.htm	 agp rugby league.htm	 agp rugby additional.htm
 agp hockey league.htm	 hockey additional.htm	
 netball.htm	 netball league.htm	
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 golf.htm	 golf league.htm	
 swimming.htm	 swimming league.htm	
 trampolining.htm	 trampolining league.htm	
 volleyball.htm	 volleyball league.htm	

Surveys not published in an online format are copied below.

Sports and Recreation Facilities – Provision for Parkour

This survey is part of a wider piece of work looking at the provision of sports and recreation facilities across Bournemouth and Poole, which will help to inform the development of a new Sports Strategy for both Boroughs.

The work is examining existing provision of facilities in terms of their quality, quantity and accessibility as well as identifying gaps in provision. It is also seeking to establish where there are demands and needs to improve the supply and quality of facilities in the future over the next ten years or so.

This survey focuses specifically on parkour. It is very important that we gather views on demand and needs so that we can set out evidence for the future provision of facilities.

We'd be grateful if you can complete the survey and return it either to the parkour session organiser / person who has given it to you or post it to Stuart Todd Associates, 39 George Street, Taunton, TA1 7DF. Alternatively, if you would like to fill in an electronic version of the survey, please speak to the person who handed you the survey or contact the consultants developing the Sports Strategy, Stuart Todd Associates and the Somerset Activity and Sports Partnership via stuart@stuarttoddassociates.co.uk. Please return completed surveys no later than **13th September 2013**.

This survey is anonymous, but if you would like to give your details you can do so at the end of the form.

Questions

1. How old are you? (please tick)

under 15		16-18		19-25		26-40		41+	
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2. Do you currently do parkour or free-run regularly? (please tick)

Yes		No	
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3. If "yes", where do you go to do this?

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4. How good would you say you are (i.e. what is your level of skill)? (please tick)

Beginner		Good grasp of basics		Intermediate		Very good		Expert	
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5. Would you use a dedicated parkour facility / structure if one were to be provided in Bournemouth or Poole? (please tick)

Yes		No		Don't know	
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6. Where do you think would be a good location or good locations for a new facility?

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7. Would you prefer an indoor or outdoor facility or doesn't it matter? (please tick)

Indoor		Outdoor		Doesn't matter	
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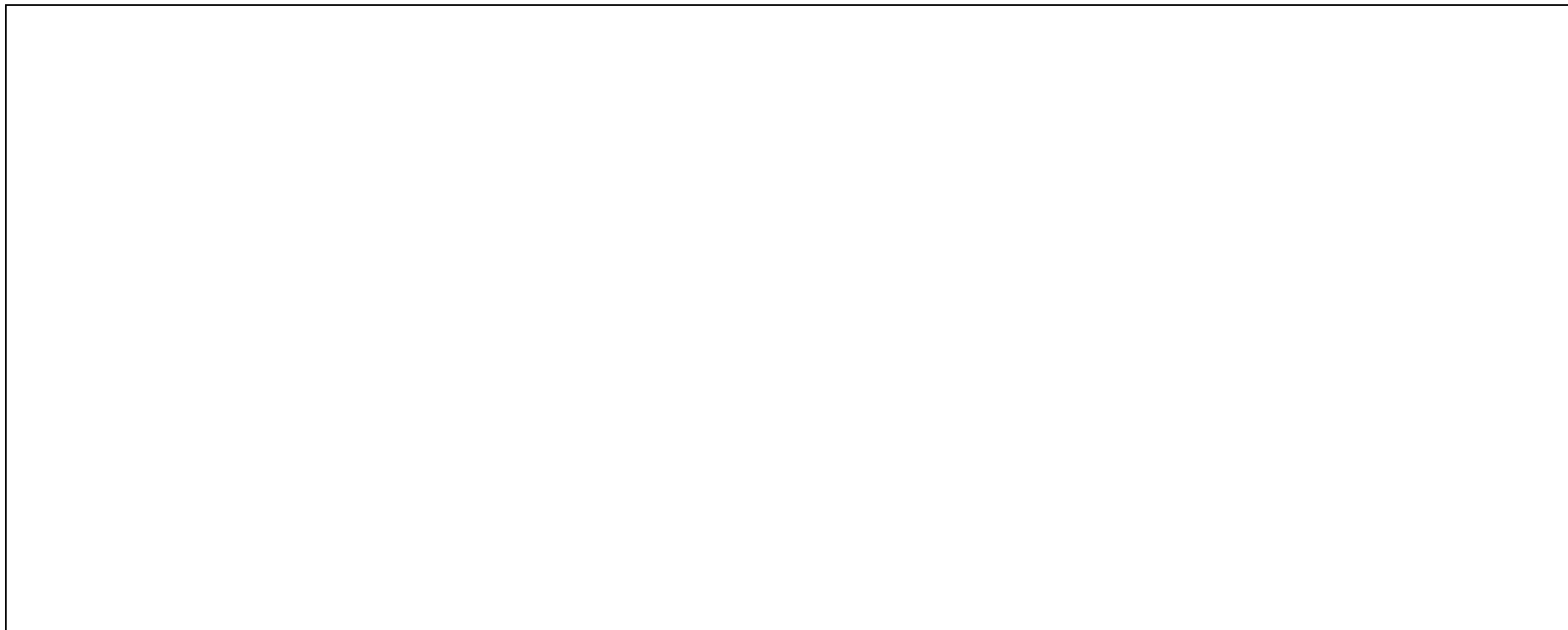
8. Do you use any of the following existing types of facilities? (please tick as many as apply)

Free to access ball parks / multi-use games areas		BMX parks / skate parks	
Outdoor tennis courts		Outdoor gyms	
Outdoor table tennis		Indoor gyms	
Climbing walls		Slack lines	
Other(s) (please name)			

9. Would you like to go to more organised sessions to try parkour, to receive 'coaching' and to 'train'? (please tick)

Yes		No		Don't know	
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10. Please add any other comments you would like to make about parkour in Bournemouth and Poole in the box below and / or on an additional sheet.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the respondent to provide additional comments about parkour in Bournemouth and Poole.

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY

Sports and Recreation Facilities – Provision for Young People

This survey is part of a wider piece of work looking at the provision of sports and recreation facilities across Bournemouth and Poole, which will help to inform the development of a new Sports Strategy for both Boroughs. Please discuss with your group to complete the survey.

The work is examining existing provision of facilities in terms of their quality, quantity and accessibility as well as identifying gaps in provision. It is also seeking to establish where there are demands and needs to improve the supply and quality of facilities in the future over the next ten years or so.

This survey focuses on the openly accessible facilities provided mainly for young people to use. It is very important that we gather the views of young people to help to evidence future provision of facilities.

We are also interested in your own views as a youth leader and if you would like to add anything to the survey, please do so on a separate sheet.

We should be grateful if you can complete the survey and return it by reply to the email to which it is attached no later than 13th September 2013. If you have any queries about the work or this survey, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the consultants developing the Sports Strategy, Stuart Todd Associates and the Somerset Activity and Sports Partnership via stuart@stuarttoddassociates.co.uk.

Questions

Your name and position:

Email and telephone number:

Youth Club (name & address):

Age range of young people answering the survey:

1. Amongst the young people who use your Youth Club, which of the following *types of facilities* are used the most?
(please tick as many as apply)

Free to access ball parks / multi-use games areas		BMX parks / skate parks	
Outdoor tennis courts		Outdoor gyms	
Climbing walls		Outdoor table tennis	
Other(s) (please name)			

2. Please name the location of the facilities that the young people use the most

3. Why do young people use these facilities the most? (please tick as many as apply)

there's nothing else to do / nowhere else to go		it's a good quality facility	
it's close to home		I feel safe there	
my friends go there		the facility is floodlit	
I like the activity / sport		it's free	
other(s) (please name)			

4. Are there any facilities that they don't go to at the moment but would like to? (please list location and type of facility)

5. If there are, what sorts of things prevent them from going there? (please tick as many as apply)

It's too far from home		poor quality or vandalised	
they don't get on with the people who hang out there		it costs too much to get there	
their friends don't go there		they don't feel safe there	
there's no floodlighting		It's not interesting enough	
it's in a different neighbourhood		other(s) (please name)	

6. How far would you say most young people travel to use these facilities? (please tick)

< 1 mile		1 – 2 miles		2+ miles	
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7. What additional informal / open access facilities would you like to see provided in Bournemouth and Poole and where? (please list)

	Where?		Where?
Free to access ball parks / multi-use games areas		BMX parks / skate parks	
Outdoor tennis courts		Outdoor gyms	
Climbing walls		Outdoor table tennis	
Parkour facility		Ultimate Frisbee 'course'	
Other(s) (please name)			

8. Turning to formal sports facilities / arranged sports, do the young people who go to your youth club think that there is easy access to club based sport?

Yes		No		Don't know	
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9. If "no", why is this? (please list)

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10. Would the young people who go to your youth club play more sport if there were more opportunities to just play socially, for fun, try a new sport out, or turn-up and play?

Yes		No		Don't know	
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11. Please add any other comments you would like to make about sports facilities and provision in Bournemouth and Poole in the box below and / or on an additional sheet.

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY

Bournemouth & Poole Schools and Colleges - Sports Facilities and Pitches Survey

Your Name and position:

Contact details (email and telephone number):

School or College:

1. To which of the following facilities and pitches do you currently have access? (please insert number - where 'Sch' = your school's own or dedicated facilities; 'Sha' = shared with other schools and users; and tick where N = none)

	Sch	Sha	N		Sch	Sha	N		Sch	Sha	N		Sch	Sha	N
football pitches (full size grass)				<u>dedicated</u> cricket pitches (grass)				sports hall (8+ badminton courts)				<u>dedicated</u> tennis courts (outdoor)			
rugby pitches (full size grass)				<u>seasonal</u> cricket pitches (shared with football / rugby - grass)				sports hall (6-8 badminton courts)				<u>dedicated</u> tennis courts (indoor)			
hockey pitches (full size grass)				swimming pool (25m+)				sports hall (4-6 badminton courts)				<u>dedicated</u> netball courts (outdoor)			
hockey (dedicated full size artificial)				swimming pool (<25m)				sports hall (2-4 badminton courts)				other [please name]			
multi-sports use artificial pitch (full size)				squash courts				sports hall (1 badminton court)							
multi-sports use artificial pitch (five-a-side size)				gym				<u>shared</u> tennis / netball courts							

2. What are your priorities for future provision of facilities and pitches at the school / college (on or off-site)?

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3. If you develop new facilities and / or pitches in the future, do you have plans to allow access to clubs and / or the local community?

(please tick)

Yes		No		Don't know		Not applicable	
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4. Do you currently give some access to clubs and the local community to use your sports facilities? (please tick)

Yes		No		Don't know		Not applicable	
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5. If yes, which facilities?

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6. Are these accessed through formal or informal agreements? (please tick)

Informal		Formal		A mixture of both		Don't know	
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7. Please tell us how much the hire and / or lease of facilities and / or pitches costs (or attach a price list if you have one).

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8. Typically, how often are the facilities open to the community to access? (tick as many as apply)

TERM TIME		SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	
1-2 weekday evenings per week		1-2 weekday evenings per week	
3-5 weekday evenings per week		3-5 weekday evenings per week	
Saturday		Saturday	
Sunday		Sunday	
Don't know		Don't know	
Not applicable		Not applicable	

9. If you don't currently open facilities and / or pitches to the community or clubs, please tell us why. (tick as many as apply)

It costs too much to open and staff the facilities and / or pitches		Security of pupils		The facilities are not segregated from the rest of the school	
There is not enough demand		We want to keep the facilities solely for school use		There is no parking on site	
We have no-one to manage bookings etc.		We are concerned that users would not tidy up / return equipment after use			
Other (please list)					

10. If these issues could be overcome, would you consider opening facilities / pitches up to the local community or clubs?

Yes		No		Don't know		Not applicable	
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11. Bearing in mind the current educational and community use, is there any spare capacity to increase community use of playing pitches?

Yes		No		Don't know		Not applicable	
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12. If so, what pitches could be opened up and when?

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13. Bearing in mind the current educational and community use is there any spare capacity to increase community use of other facilities?

Yes		No		Don't know		Not applicable	
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14. If so, what facilities could be opened up and when?

15. If you would like to add any other comments about pitches or facilities, please do so below.

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE SURVEY

Bournemouth & Poole Schools and Colleges

Quality of Cricket, Rugby and Football Playing Pitches

N.B. Please answer this survey only if you allow access to your pitches to the local community and / or clubs or you intend to do so in the future.

Your Name and position:

Contact details (email and telephone number):

School or College:

Please answer the following questions and complete the tables to the best of your knowledge.

CRICKET

CRICKET PITCH MAINTENANCE AND QUALITY							
Do the school / college own or manage the grass playing pitch facilities? (please tick)	Yes, own		Yes, manage		Yes, own and manage		No

Site name and pitch number / location (if applicable)	How would you rate the quality of the pitch			If 'poor', why?	If you know approximately how many matches were cancelled last season due to poor pitch conditions, please state here	Has the pitch quality improved, decreased or stayed the same over the last 3 playing seasons?			Additional quality comments. E.g. are too many matches played there; would improved drainage improve the surface, etc.?
	Good	Adequate	Poor			Improved	Decreased	Stayed the same	
e.g. Florence Cricket Pitch		✓			0			✓	The wicket is in good condition but some of the outfield areas are not all level

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Site name and pitch number / location (if applicable)	Please identify any maintenance issues or concerns about quality that you are aware of for any of the pitches identified above.

RUGBY

RUGBY PITCH MAINTENANCE AND QUALITY							
Do the school / college own or manage the grass playing pitch facilities? (please tick)	Yes, own		Yes, manage		Yes, own and manage		No
Are any of the pitches overmarked? If so, how many? (please insert number)							

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e.g. Florence Playing Field (pitch number 2 / pitch at south end of playing field)			✓	The pitch slopes slightly and so the south-east corner is prone to flooding	2		✓		There are good changing rooms compared to other pitches and so the pitch is used more often leading to overplay

Site name and pitch number / location (if applicable)	How often a year is each carried out					Drainage type (please tick)				
	Never (0), once (1), twice (2), three or more (3+), Don't know (D)					N.B. Natural (adequate) = 3 or less training/match cancellations per season				
	Aerated (per year)	Sand dressed (per year)	Fertilised (per year)	Weed killed (per year)	Chain harrowed (per month)	Natural (adequate)	Natural (inadequate)	Pipe Drain	Pipe & slit drain	Un-known
e.g. Florence Playing Field (pitch number 2 / pitch at south end of playing field)	1	0	1	0	4		✓			

FOOTBALL

FOOTBALL PITCH MAINTENANCE AND QUALITY							
Do the school / college own or manage the grass playing pitch facilities? (please tick)	Yes, own		Yes, manage		Yes, own and manage		No
Are any of the pitches overmarked? If so, how many? (please insert number)							

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e.g. Florence Playing Field (pitch number 3 / pitch at south end of playing field)			✓	The pitch slopes slightly and so the south-eastern flank is prone to flooding	3			✓	Could do with better drainage due to periodic flooding

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Site name and pitch number / location (if applicable)	Are any of the following items applied to the pitches during the course of the season to support the maintenance Yes (Y), No (N), Don't know (D)				How often a year is each carried out Never (0), once (1), twice (2), three or more (3+), Don't know (D)					Drainage type (please tick) N.B. Natural (adequate) = 3 or less training/match cancellations per season Natural (inadequate) = 4 or more training match cancellations per season				
	Sand	Seed	Feed	Weed kill	Aerated	Sand dressed	Fertilised	Weed killed	Chain harrowed	Natural (adequate)	Natural (inadequate)	Pipe Drain	Pipe & slit drain	Unknown
e.g. Florence Playing			Y	Y	1	0	1	2	1		✓			

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Field (pitch number 2 / pitch at south end of playing field)														

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRE

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FOOTBALL PITCH MAINTENANCE SURVEY

Name of organization / company:

Contact name and position (e.g. Site Manager):

Daytime telephone number:

Email Address:

Website:

Do you own or manage grass playing pitch facilities? (please tick)	Yes, own		Yes, manage		No
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Are any of the pitches overmarked? (please tick)	Yes		No
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If yes, please indicate which site/pitches are overmarked? (e.g. one junior pitch is overmarked on a senior pitch at Florence Playing Field):

Please complete the quality table below for each type of pitch at each site

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Please copy and paste or add rows to table if you need additional space for pitch details

Please complete the maintenance table below for each type of pitch at each site

MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME (information from maintenance schedule or grounds team)

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RUGBY PITCH MAINTENANCE SURVEY

Name of organization / company:

Contact name and position (e.g. Site Manager):

Daytime telephone number:

Email Address:

Website:

Do you own or manage grass playing pitch facilities? (please tick)	Yes, own		Yes, manage		No
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Are any of the pitches overmarked? (please tick)	Yes		No
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CRICKET PITCH MAINTENANCE SURVEY

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Contact name and position (e.g. Site Manager):

Daytime telephone number:

Email Address:

Website:

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/ location (if applicable)

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