

**Response to Section 40 of the Draft Allocations Document for North Ferriby from North Ferriby Parish Council**  
**15 July 20201**

We concur with the proposed changes to allocated housing sites.

In relation to FER- B, **paragraph 40.7 states** - *“The previous policy requirement to provide outdoor sports facilities has now been removed as this is not supported by the Open Space Review 2020”*

North Ferriby Parish Council strongly objects to the removal of the playing field provision identified in the 2016 Local Plan, and it appears to be in direct conflict with **Policy C3 - B** (contained in the Strategy Document) which states that *“Residential development of 11 or more dwellings or of a combined gross floor space of 1001m2 or more that increases demand for open space will be required to provide for an amount of open space per dwelling in line with the following:*

- 1 13.5msq per 1 bedroom building
- 2 32.8msq per 3 bedroom building
- 3 52.1msq per 4 bedroom building
- 4 77.2msq per 4 or more bedroom building

*Where practicable open space should be provided on site and link in well with other green infrastructure features described in Policy ENV5”*

Given the proposed 141 dwellings (in this plan) and taking a three bedroom house as an average example, FER - B would require the provision of 4624.8 m<sup>2</sup> of open space, contrary to what is proposed.

The Open Space review document (Area Supply Report 2020) states that there is a shortfall of -0.56 hectares in respect of outdoor sports facilities in the village which also conflicts with the proposal to remove the open space.

Parish	Population (2011 Census)	Allotments Shortfall Surplus/Shortfall Hectares	Amenity Green Space Surplus/Shortfall Hectares	Young people's Equipped play Surplus/Shortfall M <sup>2</sup>	Young people's Recreation play Surplus/Shortfall M <sup>2</sup>	Natural Space Surplus/Shortfall Hectares	Outdoor Playing Pitches Surplus/Shortfall Hectares	Parks & Gardens Surplus/Shortfall Hectares
North Ferriby	3893 people that includes 703 children	0.01	-2.28	-1264	114264	4.13	-0.56	-0.66

Also requirement for additional playing fields (particularly junior football pitches) was identified by ERYC below

North Ferriby Playing Fields	Grange Lane, HU14 3AB	Cricket	1 cricket pitch providing 9 wickets both of standard quality with no capacity issues. Used by North Ferriby CC. Commuted sums have been funded to the local parish council to upgrade cricket and bowls facilities at this site.	E1, E2	Introduce appropriate maintenance in order to improve pitch quality and capacity. Consider appropriate funding options for improvements to ancillary facilities (Nets) and new/additional maintenance equipment.	<u>Medium Term</u> COM, CLB, NGB
		Football	2 x youth football 9v9 of poor quality and being overplayed by -4 MES	E1 N4	Introduce appropriate maintenance in order to improve pitch quality and capacity (Drainage issues). By improving quality to good, capacity would reduce overplay to a +2MES of spare capacity. Opportunities may exist for securing new land adjacent to the site. Consider options and feasibility to increase long term capacity and future growth.	<u>Short Term</u> COM, CLB

EYRC in their Playing Pitch Strategy 2019 -2024 Stage C: Assessment Report identified

• Eight sites have a combined use and accommodate more than one sport. The main concern of the cricket clubs using these sites is damage to the outfield and costs associated to their repair.

Including North Ferriby

#### 2.4 Shared Sites

The following table shows football sites that are shared with other sports where issues may exist.

Site	Shared With	Quality Issue
Hill Top Sports Centre.	Cricket	Pitch laid out over outfield.
Middleton on the Wolds Recreation Ground.	Cricket	Pitch on outfield.
North Ferriby Playing Fields.	Cricket	Pitch marked over outfield.
Stamford Bridge PFA Ground.	Cricket	Outfield shared and overlapped by pitch.
The Recreation Field Newport.	Cricket	Pitch on outfield.

This has resulted in serious overuse of the Playing Fields with compaction of playing surfaces to the point that the hardened cricket outfield gives serious safety concerns for cricketers and adjacent footballers from unpredictable “flying” cricket balls.

From a footballing point of view the overuse contributes to ERYC’s assessment of Poor status for the 2 pitches used by youth teams

North Cave Playing Fields	Elloughton-Cum-Brough PPS	3	Yes	Yes	Youth Football 9v9	Standard
North Ferriby Playing Fields	Cottingham PPS	1	Yes	Yes	Youth Football 9v9	Poor
North Ferriby Playing Fields	Cottingham PPS	2	Yes	Yes	Youth Football 9v9	Poor
North Frodingham Playing Field	Leven PPS	1	Yes	Yes	Adult Football 11v11	Good

and

Middleton on the Wolds Recreation Ground.	Adult Football 11v11	Poor drainage, uneven pitch surface.	
North Ferriby Playing Fields.	2 x Youth Football 9v9	Surface damage and drainage issues.	
Rawcliffe Bridge Recreation	Adult Football 11v11	Standing water, very soggy pitch.	
North Ferriby Playing Fields.	Youth Football 9v9	2 pitches. rated as poor quality (poor drainage). Used for match play & training by 6 teams (3 Youth 9v9 & 3 MS 5v5 teams).	4

Assuming the survey was carried out when North Ferriby’s Football League Club was under a difficult ownership period the club is now under the control of local businessmen and the previous long-standing Chairman, all dedicated to maintaining and developing a community club.

North Ferriby FC are already committed to and running 18 junior/youth boys teams with the intent of replicating this with girls teams as soon as possible.



This is a growth area and as identified by ERYC below and there is no way this level of commitment can be met and fulfilled by the 2 pitches in North Ferriby and nearby limited capacity, so the previously proposed 2 additional youth pitches are essential.

The main area of potential growth in terms of team development will be Mini Soccer. Clubs hope that by using start up clubs and working with educational establishments, they can embed football in to school life and increase the numbers of younger players.

Further growth in women and girls teams is a key priority for clubs. This relates well to “The Game Plan for Growth” the FA’s strategy for Women and Girls football 2017-2020. Developing participation opportunities and infrastructure to enable a talent pipeline for women\girl players is a key priority for football in the East Riding of Yorkshire. Work in developing a localised woman’s football strategy, and networks of programmes designed to help girls continue playing will be essential going forward.

A good example of early development is the SSE Wildcats Girls’ Football Centres that have been run by local clubs (AFC Tickton, Bridlington CYP, Hessle Rangers and North Ferriby FC) in conjunction



with East Riding County FA. They utilise qualified coaches and local facilities to offer girls the chance and the experience of playing football.

Overall taking in to account all the categories assessed there is an overall shortfall of open space for sports use in the village which needs to be reflected and correctly addressed with the reinstatement of the 2016 provisions within the updated Local Plan.