

## Planning Applications Affecting Playing Fields 2016/17

Table 1: Planning applications affecting playing fields by outcome

|   | 2007/08 |     | 2008/09 |     | 2009/10 |     | 2010/11 |     | 2011/12 |     | 2012/13 |     | 2013/14 |     | 2014-15 |     | 2015-16 |      | 2016-17     |             |
|---|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %    | Total       | %           |
| <b>Total number of applications</b>               | 1287    |     | 1322    |     | 1714    |     | 1583    |     | 1223    |     | 1273    |     | 1318    |     | 1281    |     | 1235    |      | <b>1219</b> |             |
| <b>Number of approved applications by the LPA</b> | 991     | 77  | 1048    | 79  | 1394    | 81  | 1275    | 80  | 1023    | 84  | 1089    | 86  | 1112    | 84  | 1114    | 87  | 1060    | 86%  | <b>1054</b> | <b>86%</b>  |
| <b>Rejected or withdrawn by LPA</b>               | 216     | 17  | 191     | 14  | 237     | 14  | 185     | 12  | 137     | 11  | 147     | 12  | 160     | 12  | 140     | 11  | 140     | 11%  | <b>133</b>  | <b>11%</b>  |
| <b>Applications yet to be decided by LPA</b>      | 80      | 6   | 83      | 6   | 83      | 5   | 123     | 8   | 63      | 5   | 37      | 2   | 46      | 4   | 27      | 2   | 35      | 3%   | <b>32</b>   | <b>3%</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>                                      | 1287    | 100 | 1322    | 100 | 1714    | 100 | 1583    | 100 | 1223    | 100 | 1273    | 100 | 1318    | 100 | 1281    | 100 | 1235    | 100% | <b>1219</b> | <b>100%</b> |

**Table 2: Approved applications by category**

|  | 2012/13 |     | 2013/14 |     | 2014/15 |     | 2015/16 |     | 2016/17     |             |
|--|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|-------------|-------------|
|  | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total   | %   | Total       | %           |
| <b>E5</b>                                      | 252     | 23  | 238     | 21  | 237     | 21% | 257     | 24% | <b>237</b>  | <b>23%</b>  |
| <b>E2</b>                                      | 216     | 20  | 199     | 18  | 189     | 17% | 186     | 18% | <b>192</b>  | <b>18%</b>  |
| <b>E4</b>                                      | 122     | 11  | 124     | 11  | 178     | 16% | 114     | 11% | <b>115</b>  | <b>11%</b>  |
| <b>E3</b>                                      | 410     | 38  | 440     | 40  | 387     | 35% | 430     | 41% | <b>415</b>  | <b>39%</b>  |
| <b>E1</b>                                      | 14      | 1   | 15      | 1   | 8       | 1%  | 11      | 1%  | <b>10</b>   | <b>1%</b>   |
| <b>Maintained Objection 1</b>                  | 57      | 5   | 72      | 7   | 106     | 9%  | 49      | 4%  | <b>68</b>   | <b>6%</b>   |
| <b>Maintained Objection on Private Sites 2</b> | 18      | 2   | 24      | 2   | 9       | 1%  | 13      | 1%  | <b>17</b>   | <b>2%</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | 1089    | 100 | 1112    | 100 | 1114    | 100 | 1060    | 100 | <b>1054</b> | <b>100%</b> |

Notes

E5 = Number of sites where approved applications will involve redevelopment to provide new or improved sports facilities

E2 = Applications that will improve the use of playing fields through new or refurbished changing rooms, added floodlighting or improved access to the site

E4 = Playing fields provided as like for like replacements

E3 = Cases where the site was too small or wrong shape to accommodate a playing pitch

E1 = Cases where a careful assessment of supply and demand against a playing pitch strategy showed that there was a strong case for releasing the land for a different use

<sup>1</sup> Cases where Sport England maintain an objection, and where Circular 02/2009 applies, but following referral the Department for Communities and Local Government concluded that call in by the Secretary of State was not necessary and the application was subsequently approved

<sup>2</sup> Applications where Sport England maintained its objection but where the provisions of Circular 09/2009 do not apply (privately owned fields) and the application was subsequently approved