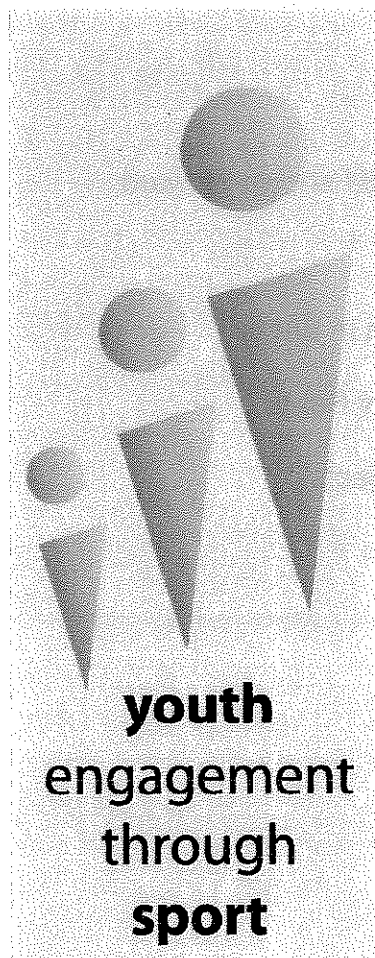


# **Youth Facility Plan**

**Forming part of the  
Youth Engagement Through Sport  
Project**



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## **In Context**

South Derbyshire is a district located South of the City of Derby, close to Burton upon Trent and North of Birmingham, with a population of around 84, 000. It has the second lowest levels of crime in Derbyshire and below average levels of social deprivation for the County. Just over a quarter of those arrested for crimes in South Derbyshire between April 2001 & March 2003 were aged 17 years and under. Nuisance crime is an evident problem in the area, boredom and lack of leisure opportunities for young people is viewed as a main causal factor.

## **Introduction**

### **Background**

The 2004 Youth Facilities Plan has been developed from the recommendations in the Youth Needs Survey (2003/04). These recommendations stated that facilities should be delivered in the areas that require them, such as areas with anti-social behaviour problems. This Plan produces a programme that will provide a range of youth facilities across South Derbyshire, these facilities will be those that were discussed by the respondents to the Youth Needs Survey. Also under-pinning the Plan is the SDDC Facilities Strategy (2002) and the Facilities Audit (2004), which forms part of this report.

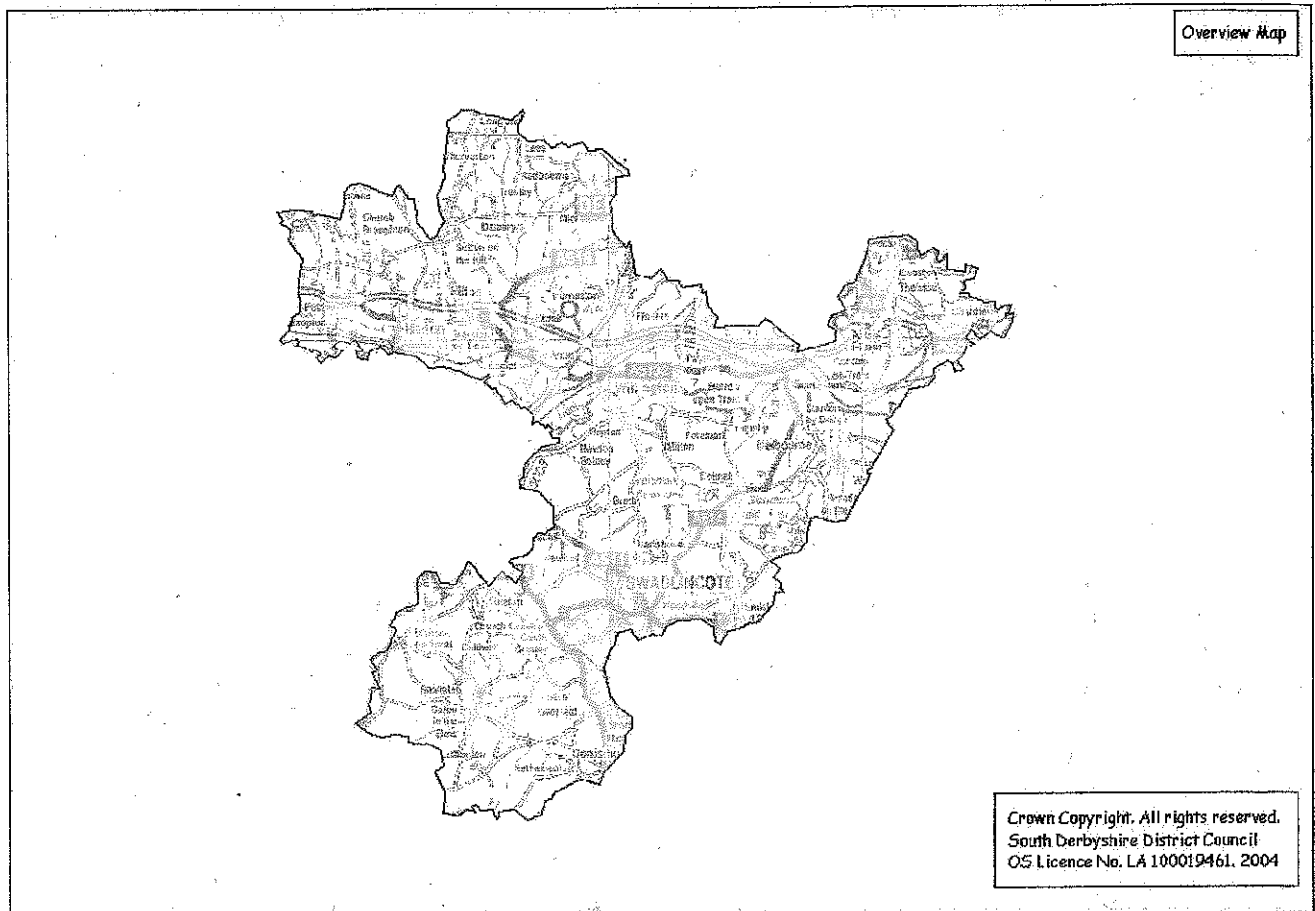
### **Aims and Principles**

This Plan aims to develop a range of youth orientated facilities across the whole of South Derbyshire. It will also identify the facilities that are appropriate for certain villages and towns across the District. To do this, three areas will be considered; existing facilities, population, and cases of antisocial behaviour.

The criteria for the delivery of the Youth Facility Plan are:

- Reports of ASB according to Police Beat (subject to additional Police consultation)
- Equipment reports as performed by Parish Councils (collated under individual Parish and Ward)
- The number of 13-19 year olds living in each Ward in 2001.
- The strategic position within the District for the proposed facility

Figure 1: Map of South Derbyshire

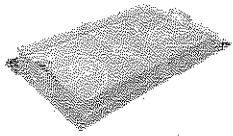


## **Proposed Facilities**

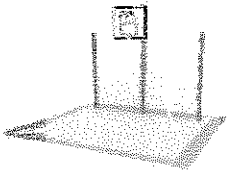
As previously discussed three types of facilities were highlighted by the respondents of the youth needs survey.

### **Multi-Use Games Areas**

Multi-Use Games Areas (MUGA's) vary in size and can include a variety of equipment. They are important to give young people an area where they can safely play sports and can also act as a meeting place.



This is an example of a large MUGA, the area is enclosed and contains basketball rings, football goals and line markings.



Smaller areas with basketball rings may be more suitable where there is not the space or demand for a full size court.

### **Meeting Places**



Youth shelters can be an exciting focal point for young people, providing a suitable environment where they can gather and "Hang Out", a need raised by the YNS. There are a variety of designs available and the young people themselves can play a key role in this process. These will be provided in some areas to provide a place for young people to meet and socialise.

These will be considered in areas where there is currently nowhere suitable for young people to congregate, forcing them to areas that cause concern to local residents.

### **Skate Parks**



Skate Parks are becoming increasingly popular and again were requested in the YNS. There are various designs, which can range from mini skate parks for smaller areas to full skate parks with half pipes. There are also mobile skate parks, which can be transported to any area in the District including schools and parks.

## Method

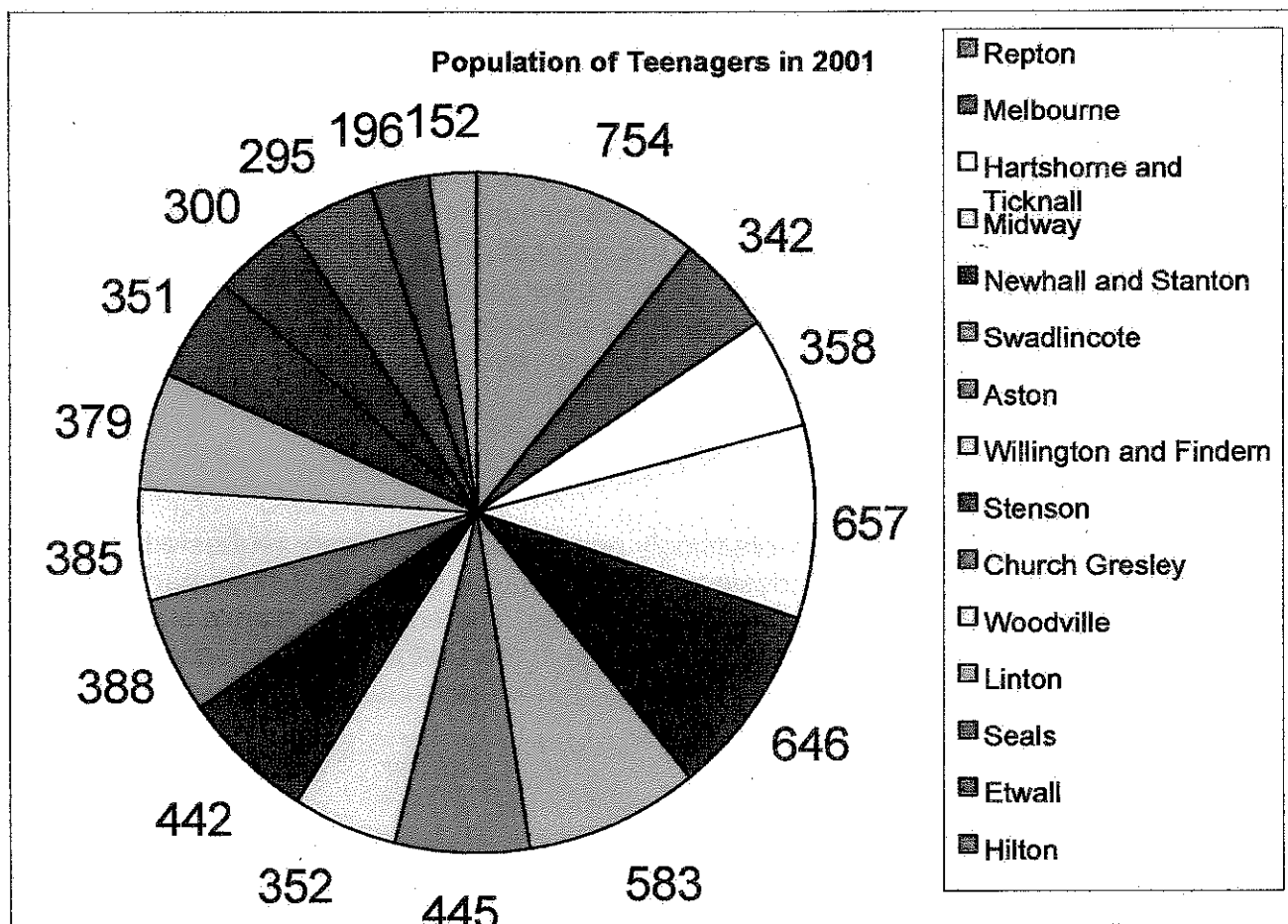
### Youth Facility Audit

In order to complete the Youth Facilities Plan it must first be established what facilities currently exist across South Derbyshire. Firstly, a Youth Facility Audit was sent to each Parish Council in the area (see appendix 1). At this point all facilities were detailed including those owned by schools or areas with restricted access, such as privately owned cricket clubs. A map of each village was then used to detail the existing facilities, the condition of these facilities and the age groups that are catered for (see appendix 2). Once this work has been completed we will be able to see which existing facilities need repairing or expanding. Possible areas for new projects will also be identified, ensuring that the appropriate facilities are provided where they are most needed.

### Population

A key aim of the Youth Facility Plan is to increase the range and standard of facilities available to young people. By identifying potentially how many young people will have access to certain areas we can target sites for development. The 2001 census was consulted to identify the number of 13-19 year olds in each ward.

Figure 2: The teenage populations in 2001 shown by ward



### Cases of Anti-social Behaviour

Reports have shown that lack of youth provision is a main causal factor of anti-social behaviour. Therefore areas affected by anti-social behaviour will also benefit from an improvement in facilities. Such areas were identified in beats, using calls for service figures obtained from the police for the year of 2004. Seven months of these were actual figures, the rest were extrapolated.

Figure 3: Beat Map of South Derbyshire

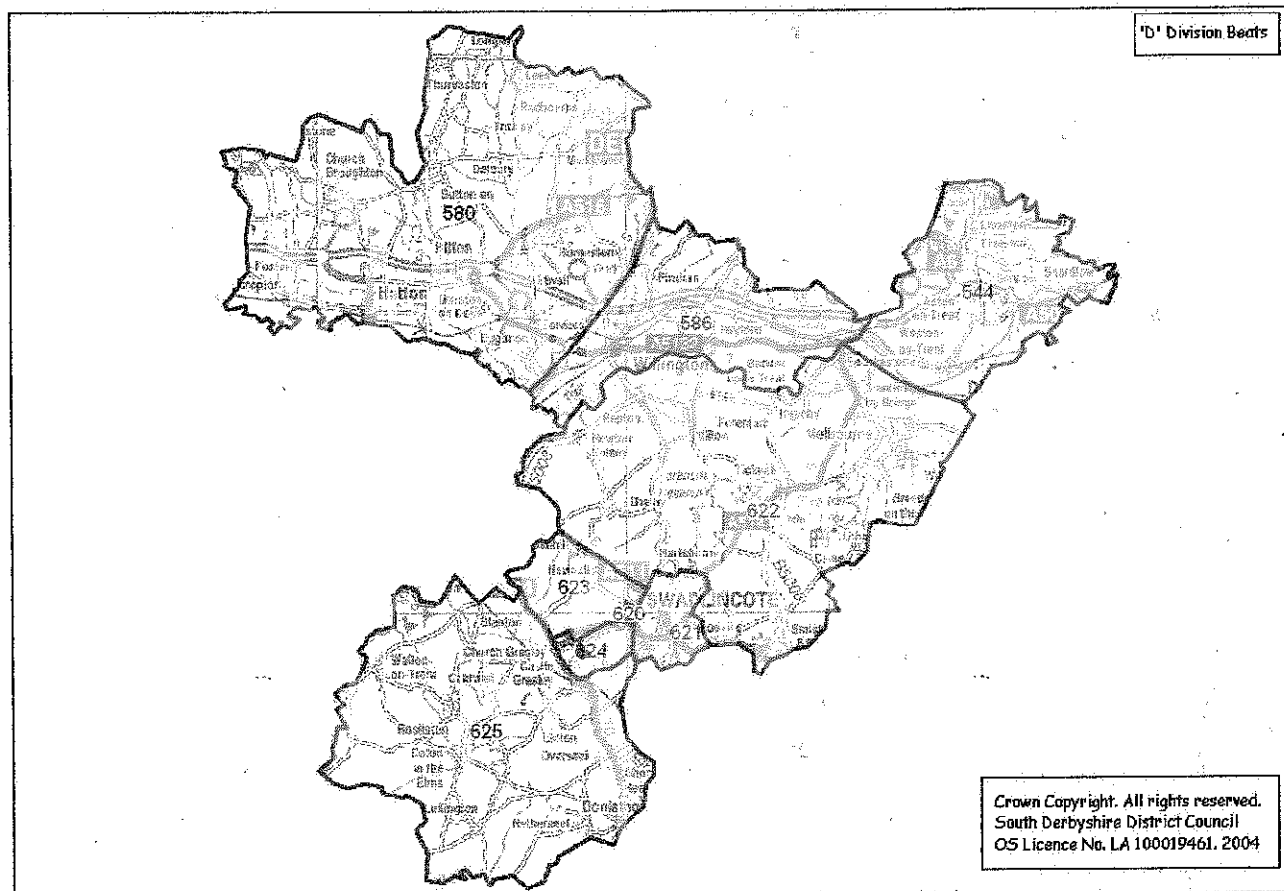


Figure 4: Calls for service in 2004 shown in Beats

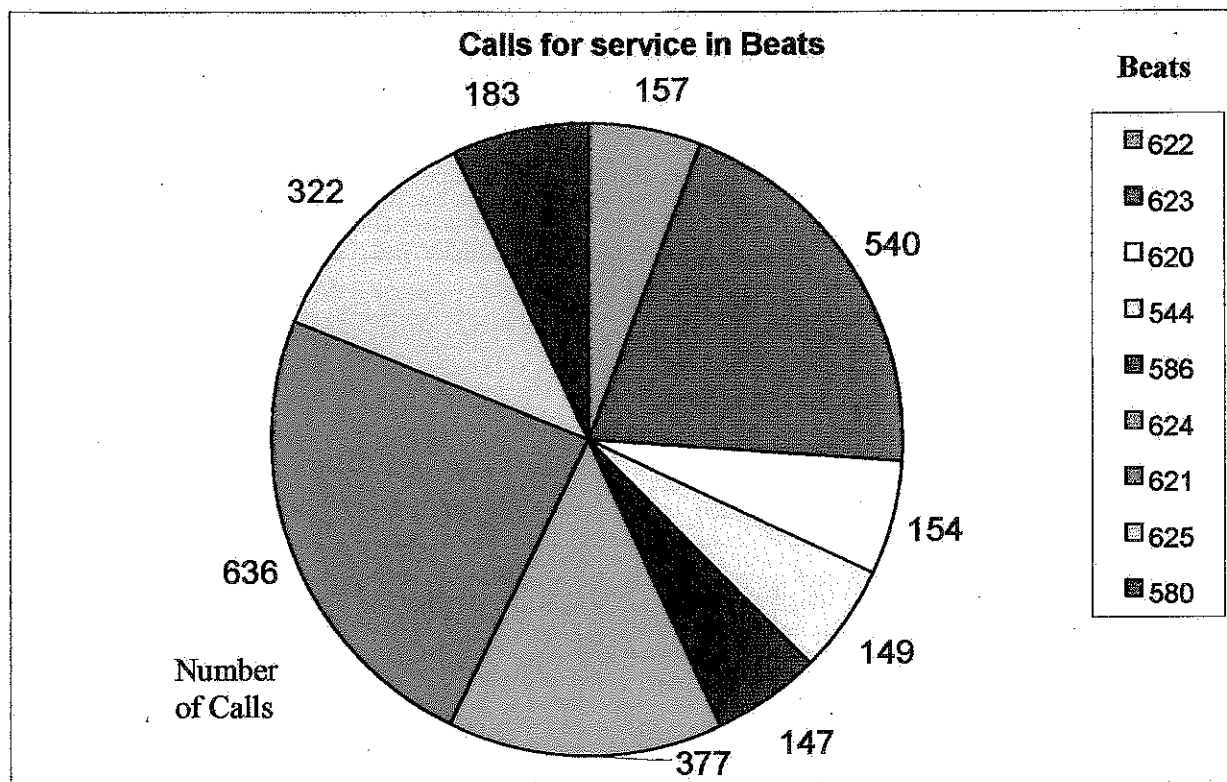


Figure 5: Breakdown of areas covered by Beats

Beat	Areas Covered
622	Melbourne, Repton, Ticknall, Bretby
623	Newhall, Upper Midway
620	Swadlincote
544	Aston on Trent, Weston on Trent, Swarkestone, Shardlow
586	Willington, Barrow, Stenson, Findern
624	Church Gresley
621	Lower Midway, Woodville, Hartshorne
625	Coton, Overseal, Linton, Rosliston, Netherseal, Walton, Caldwell, Castle Gresley, Lullington
580	Etwall, Hatton, Hilton, Eggington, Church Broughton



## **Grading Process**

After obtaining these figures the next stage was to identify possible sites for development. This needed to be done ensuring the areas with high populations, high cases of anti-social behaviour and poor existing facilities were prioritised. To do this, each area of South Derbyshire was given a grading according to these three factors.

### Criteria for facility grading

**Grade 4-** No equipment in place, grass areas may be available but are not appropriate for ball games.

**Grade 3-** Some equipment may be in place but in great need of repair or very limited

**Grade 2-** A good range of facilities not needing repair.

**Grade 1-** An excellent range of equipment that is easily accessible and requires no repair.

### Criteria for Anti Social Behaviour Grading – per Police Beat

**Grade 4 –** More than 540 reports

**Grade 3 –** Between 300 and 540 reports

**Grade 2 –** Between 150 and 300 reports

**Grade 1 –** Less than 150 reports

### Criteria for Population Grading – per ward

**Grade 4 –** More than 500 teenagers

**Grade 3 –** Between 301 and 500 teenagers

**Grade 2 –** Between 200 and 300 teenagers

**Grade 1 –** Less than 200 teenagers

To summarise three grades were given to each ward; a facility grade, a population grade, and an anti social behaviour grade. These resulted in each ward having a score that took into account all three factors, a low score will indicate an area with a good level of facilities, a low population and low levels of anti social behaviour. Therefore priority can be given to those areas with high scores.

## **Notes on Method**

Certain problems were encountered when gathering the data. Firstly Information gathered by 'Police Beat' can be skewed when comparing information with 'Ward' and 'Parish'. This is due to each 'area' having its own characteristic. In no circumstances are beat, parish and ward the same geographical area when compared to each other. Through consultation with the Police it has been possible to note that within a 'Beat' area, ASB reports may be concentrated within a specific village, this is due to knowledge of the officers concerned. But, currently ASB reporting figures are only displayed within a 'beat', which covers 'a main ASB area' and also villages not affected by ASB – therefore skewing figures.

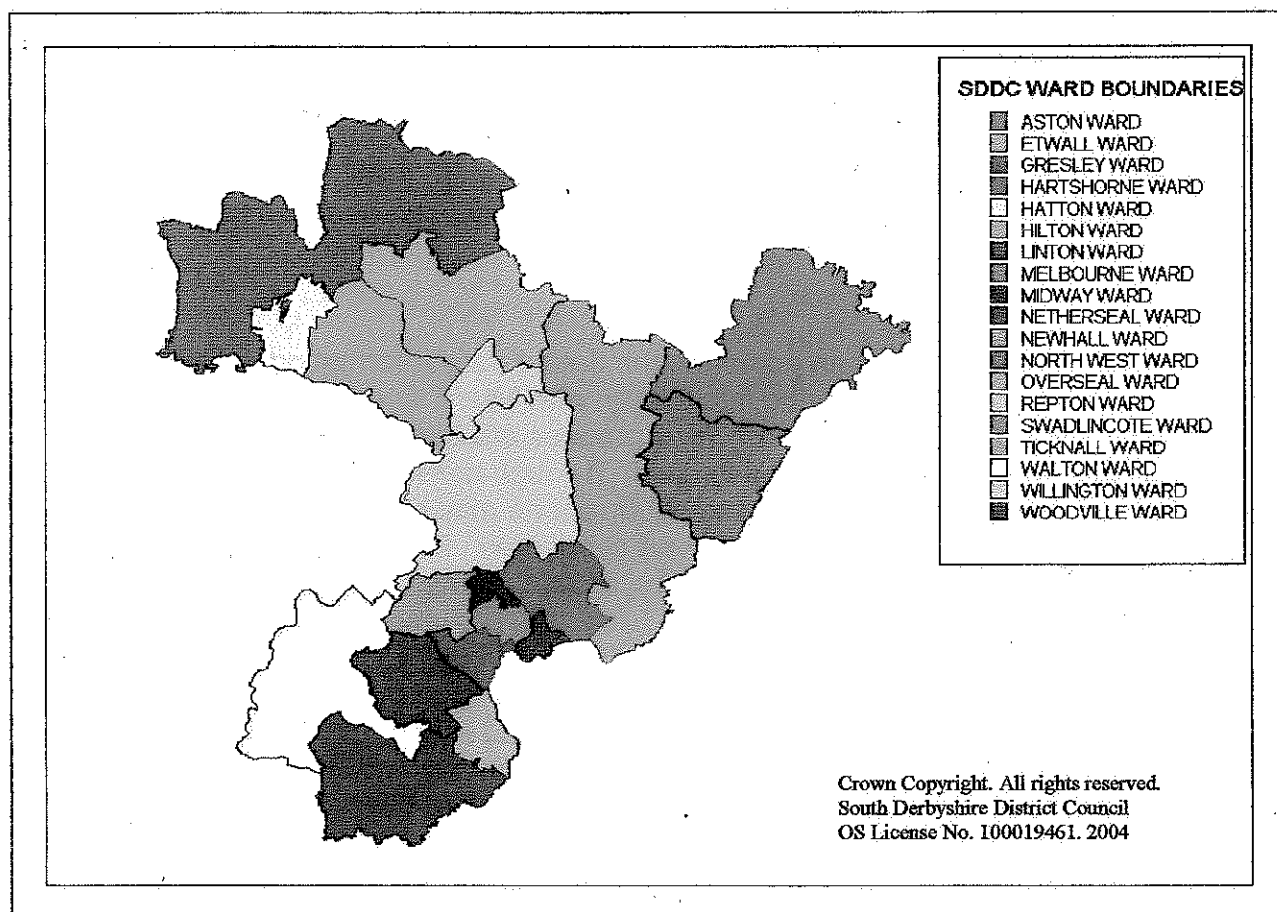
Similarly the population figures were only available per ward, resulting in small villages in the same ward as a very large village having high priority because of an incorrect high population. This problem was overcome through consultation with the community and leisure team to gain more accurate figures. There was also consultation with the Planning department to identify areas that may have seen a population increase due to new development since the figures were obtained in 2001.

## Findings

From the grading process and consultations with the police, the planning department and the community and leisure department the following areas were identified for development over the next 3 years: -

- Midway
- Castle Gresley
- Swadlincote, Eureka
- Woodville
- Coton Park
- Coton in the Elms
- Aston on Trent
- Melbourne
- Hatton
- Overseal
- Newhall
- Hartshorne
- Netherseal

Figure 6: Priority areas for proposed projects

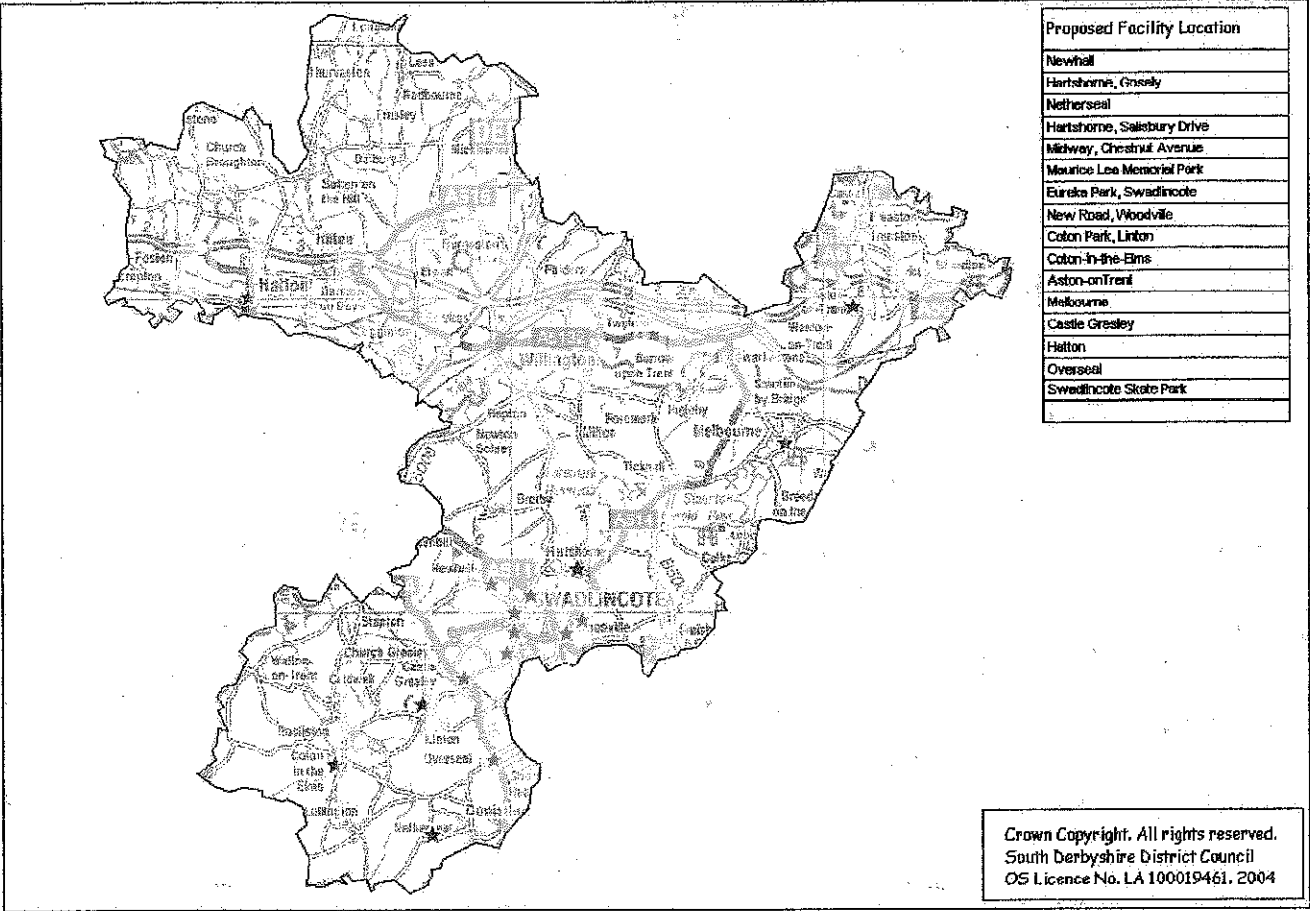


## **Recommendations and Proposals**

The size and type of the facilities in each area were considered based on the existing provision and the demand for facilities. Below is a description of the specific facilities proposed for each venue, approximate costs and details of when work will be completed.

<b>Venue</b>	<b>Proposed Facilities</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Year of Development</b>
Newhall	½ Skate park	£30,000	06/07
Hartshorne, Goseley	¾ MUGA	£45,000	05/06
Netherseal	¾ MUGA	£45,000	06/07
Hartshorne, Salisbury Drive	¾ MUGA	£45,000	07/08
Midway, Chestnut Avenue	¾ MUGA Shelter Toddler area	£60,000	05/06
Castle Gresley	½ Skate Park Shelter	£35,000	04/05
Swadlincote, Eureka Park	¼ Skate Park Toddler area ½ MUGA or 2 goal ends	£50,000	04/05
New Road, Woodville	¾ MUGA Shelter	£55,000	06/07
Coton Park (Linton)	Shelter ½ MUGA	£40,000	05
Coton in the Elms	Shelter ¼ MUGA / or 1 goal end	£15,000	05/06
Aston on Trent	Shelter ¾ MUGA	£50,000	06/07
Melbourne	Skate Park	£67,000	07/08
Maurice Lea Park, Church Gresley	MUGA (hard area already provided)	£25,000	05
Swadlincote Skate Park	¾ MUGA or 2 goal ends	£45,000	05/06
Hatton	½ / ¼ Skate Park Shelter ½ MUGA or 2 goal ends	£80,000	05/06
Overseal	Shelter Conversion	£5,000	04/05

Figure 7: Proposed facility locations



## The Future

For this Plan to be implemented, a partnership approach will need to be adopted to deliver the range of the facilities. For the provision of facilities at each venue, an initial meeting will be organised by the Youth Engagement Through Sport Officer. Relevant partner agencies and local residents will be invited and may include:

- South Derbyshire District Council
- South Derbyshire Crime & Disorder Partnership
- Parish Councils
- Young people
- Local Crime Reduction Groups

An action plan will then be determined for each venue including detailed tasks, responsibilities and timescales. It will include further, more in-depth consultation with young people to ensure that specification of the facilities will meet their needs. It will also ensure that they are engaged throughout the development of the facility.

A key task within each action plan will be securing sufficient funding for the project. In order to complete the proposed projects, a variety of financial arrangements will need to be secured. Possible sources of funding are:

- South Derbyshire District Council
- South Derbyshire Crime & Disorder Partnership
- Parish Councils
- Derbyshire County Council – Safer Derbyshire Fund
- Derby & Derbyshire Economic Partnership
- WREN
- CVS (will assist Parish Councils with gaining funding)
- Local Crime Reduction Groups
- Friends of ..... groups

Each action plan will be monitored on a regular basis and meetings held to progress issues as and when appropriate.

## Appendix 1 - Sample Questionnaire used for facility audit

Name of Parish Council:.....

Contact name:.....Tel No:.....

Parish covers .....  
..... villages / conurbations.

### Current Facilities

<b>Facility &amp; description</b> (e.g. playground, adventure playground, football pitch, swings, multi- use games area)	<b>Facility location</b> (park, street name etc)	<b>Target group for facility</b> (i.e. toddler 0 - 4, children 5 - 9, children 10 – 13, young people 14 – 19) maybe applicable to more than one age group	<b>Additional comments</b>

Thank you very much for your assistance.

# Appendix 2 – Table of Findings

Beat	Ward	Parish	Suitable age groups				No.13-19 yrs		ASB	Grading 1 = low problem area		High score=High priority	Strategic position	recommended
			0-4	5-9	10-13	14-19	2001	2011		Facilities	Population			
622	Repton	Repton	x	x	x	x	754	157	4	4	4	2	10 central	
		Bretby							4	4	4	2	10 c	
		Newton Salney	x	x					3	4	4	2	9 c	
		Stanton by bridge							4	4	4	2	10 c	
		Melbourne	x	x	x	x	342		1	3	3	2	6 north east	y
623	Hartshorne and Ticknall	Hartshorne	x	x	x	x	358		2	3	3	2	7 c	
		Ticknall	x	x	x	x			3	3	3	2	8 c	
		Smisby	x	x	x	x			4	4	3	2	9 c	
		Midway	x	x	x	x	657	540	3	4	4	4	11 urban core	
		Newhall and Stanton	x	x	x	x	646		3	4	4	4	11 u	
624	Aston	Swadlincote	x	x	x	x	583	154	3	4	4	2	9 u	
		Aston on Trent	x	x	x	x	445	149	2	3	3	1	6 ne	y
		Barrow on trent	x	x	x	x			3	3	3	1	7 c	
		Shardlow & Great Wilne	x	x	x	x			4	4	3	1	8 ne	
		Elvaston							4	4	3	1	8 ne	
586	Willington and Findern	Weston on Trent	x	x	x	x			4	4	3	1	8 ne	
		Findern	x	x	x	x	352	147	2	3	3	1	6 n	
		Willington	x	x	x	x			2	3	3	1	6 n	
		Stenson Fields	x	x	x	x	442		2	3	3	1	6 n	
		Stenson					388	377	3	3	3	3	9 u	
625	Linton	Church Gresley					385	636	3	3	3	4	10 u	y
		Woodville	x	x	x	x	379	322	3	3	3	3	9 south	y
		Linton (coton park							3	3	3	3	9 urban core	y
		Castle Gresley							3	3	3	3	9 s	
		Rosliston							3	3	3	3	9 s	
580	Seals	Netherseal	x	x	x	x	351		3	3	3	3	9 s	y
		Coton In The Elms	x	x	x	x			3	3	3	3	9 s	y
		Overseal	x	x	x	x			3	3	3	3	9 s	y
		Walton on Trent	x	x	x	x			4	4	3	3	10 s	
		Etwell	x	x			300	183	1	2	2	2	5 north west	
580	North West	Burnaston	x						4	4	2	2	8 nw	
		Eggington	x	x					4	4	2	2	8 nw	
		Hilton	x	x	x	x	295		2	1	1	2	5 nw	
		Hatton	x	x	x	x	196		2	1	1	2	5 nw	y
		Church Broughton	x	x	x	x	152		2	1	1	2	5 nw	
580	North West	Dalbury Lees							4	4	1	2	7 nw	
		Foston & Scropton	x	x					4	4	1	2	7 nw	
		Sutton on the Hill							4	4	1	2	7 nw	

### Appendix 3 – Table of Facilities

Ward	Parish	Description of facilities	Suitable age groups			
			0-4	5-9	10-13	14-19
Repton	Repton	Play equipment, large grass area	x	x	x	x
	Bretby	Small grass area				
	Newton Solney	Playground, football pitch	x	x		x
	Stanton by bridge	Village hall				
Melbourne	Melbourne	Play area x 3, basket ball court with goals, football pitches, rugby pitches, youth shelter	x	x	x	x
	Hartshorne	football pitch, 2x 5 aside football pitches, 2x play areas	x	x	x	x
	Ticknall	Football pitch, play area (out of village)	x	x	x	x
	Smisby	Play area	x	x		
Midway		Chestnut Avenue- 2 football pitches, swings, climbing frame	x	x	x	x
Newhall and Stanton		Newhall park- Toddlers area, MUGA, Football pitch,	x	x	x	x
Swadlincote		Eureka Park- Toddlers area, small teenage provision, Crazy golf, Pitches. Woodlands- Large Play area with climbing boulder	x	x	x	x
	Aston on Trent	Football Pitch with goals, Basket ball court, play area.	x	x	x	x
	Barrow on trent	Play area, mini and full football pitch with goal posts, Large grass area.	x	x	x	x
	Shardlow & Great Wilne	Large grass area, play area.	x	x	x	x
	Elvaston	Small grass area				
	Weston on Trent	Play area, field (owned by school)	x	x	x	x
Willington and Findern	Findern	Play area, football pitch	x	x	x	x
	Willington	Play areas, playing field, football pitch, tennis courts	x	x	x	x
	Stenson Fields	Play areas, 5 aside football pitch with goals	x	x	x	x
Church Gresley		Mourice Lee Memorial Park- Bowling greens, toddlers area, tennis courts, football pitches, basketball court.				
Woodville		Football pitch 5 aside and full size, play area, cricket ground	x	x	x	x
Linton	Linton (coton park	Basket ball court, work due to start			x	x
	Castle Gresley	Coton Park, work due to start				
	Rosliston	Football pitches with posts				
	Netherseal	Play area, football pitches	x	x	x	x
Seals	Coton In The Elms	Recreation ground, play area	x	x	x	x
	Overseal	Playground, recreation ground, youth club	x	x	x	x
	Walton on Trent	Playing field with limited play area	x	x	x	x
	Etwell	Play area, football pitches, basket ball court, youth shelter	x	x		
Etwell	Burnaston	Play area	x	x		
	Eggington	Play area.	x	x		
	Hilton	Skate park, 2 x play area, playing field with tennis and football, playing field being developed for football	x	x	x	x
Hafton	Hafton	2x football pitches, 2x play areas	x	x	x	x
North West	Church Broughton	Tennis court, playing field, play ground, small and large football pitches	x	x		
	Dalbury Lees	None	x	x		
	Foston & Scropton	Play area, small grass area.	x	x		
	Sutton on the Hill	Village hall	x	x		