

Community Recreation	
Aim	<i>Realise the leisure and recreation potential of the Island</i>
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support development of leisure and recreation facilities • Protect and enhance local parks • Support development of new community buildings and spaces • Support new facilities for young people • Support use of buildings or land for events and festivals

Policy no and Title	Policy Wording	Narrative Context
Policy No. Port/CR1 Protecting Recreation Spaces	The following sports and recreational buildings and land (identified on Map 13) are very important to the local community because of their sports and recreational value. They should be afforded protection in accordance with Local Plan Policy COM5. Atlantic Academy Sports Field, Grove Cricket Bowl, Grove Playing Fields, Grove Sports Stadium, Islanders Club for Young People, Osprey Leisure Centre, Osprey Quay School Playing Field, Portland Beach Skatepark, Portland Boxing Club, Portland United Football Ground, Red Triangle Cricket Ground ,St Georges School Playing Fields, Weston Road Sports Field ,Weston Street Playing Fields - East and West ,West Weare MUGA, Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, YMCA Reforne	Local Plan Policy COM5. THE RETENTION OF OPEN SPACE AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES states i) Development on, or change of use of open spaces of public value and recreational facilities (including school playing fields) will not be permitted unless: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The development proposed is ancillary to the use of the site and the proposal will either support or improve the recreational and amenity value of the site or does not adversely affect the number, size or quality of playing pitches or their use; or • The proposed development is for an indoor or outdoor sports facility, the provision of which would be of sufficient benefit to the development of sport as to outweigh the detriment caused by the loss of the open spaces and recreational facilities (including school playing fields); or • Alternative and/or suitable replacement outdoor or indoor provision of equal or better recreational quality or value is provided in a location which is suitable to meet any deficiency in provision, and/or better placed and accessible to the surrounding community it serves, and there is a clear community benefit; or • It can be demonstrated that the open space, buildings or land are surplus to requirements and there is no need for alternative open space of public value or recreational uses which could reasonably take

		place at the site. ii) Existing marine based recreational facilities should be retained.
Policy No. Port/CR2 Local Green Space	The areas listed below and identified on Map 14 are designated as Local Green Spaces and will be protected from development due to their particular local significance and community value: Chiswell Walled Garden, Church Lane ,Easton Gardens ,Grove Governor’s Community Garden ,Gooseberry Field, Ladymead Garden, Liberty Square, Reap Lane, Southwell Green ,Victoria Gardens, Victoria Square Entrance, Westcliff Play Area ,Weston Green, West Weares Proposals for development on this land that is not ancillary to the use of the land for amenity or recreational purposes will be resisted. Development proposals which lead to the loss of, damage to or adverse impact on these local green spaces will not be supported.	Specific requirements were needed to be assessed to identify these areas which were summarised in the Local Green Space Report.
Policy No. Port/CR3 Allotments	Proposals that result in harm to or loss of existing allotments on Portland will not be supported unless: i. replacement provision is made, of at least equivalent quality, and located at reasonable convenience for the existing plot holders; or ii. overriding community benefits are achieved. Proposals for new allotments and the extension of existing sites, where appropriate will be supported.	A general policy to cover areas designated as allotment spaces
Policy No. Port/CR4 Sites of Open Space Value	Areas of incidental open space within residential areas that contribute to local amenity, character and/or green infrastructure should be protected from development except where: i. new and appropriate alternative provision can be demonstrated to compensate for localised loss of public amenity and community wellbeing; or, ii. it can be demonstrated that any damage to green infrastructure and/or local character can be rectified or the existing situation enhanced.	A policy to safeguard as far as possible incidental spaces in housing estates which were designed to provide a quality to the environment.
Policy No. Port/CR5 New Community Facilities	Proposals that provide additional community, social or recreation facilities for the direct benefit of young people are supported where it is demonstrated, through direct engagement with recognised local youth organisations, that there is a local need and young people have been consulted and involved in developing the proposal.	A policy to support new community recreation opportunities for young people with emerging and changing areas of interest
Policy No. Port/CR6 Community and Visitor Events	The temporary use of buildings and open spaces for organised-events will be supported provided that the proposed temporary use: i. does not cause any significant adverse environmental problems; ii. would	Portland has a number of areas where events can be held to attract interest as has happened in the past. This policy provides a proactive framework to support such ideas.

	not have significant harmful impacts on the amenities of neighbouring residents; iii. would not have significant harmful impacts on the wider visitor experience; and iv. there is clear community and neighbour support for the period of use proposed.	
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