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<p>Accessible Natural Greenspace Standards* (ANGSt)</p> <p>(Source: Natural England: Nature Nearby: Accessible Natural Greenspace Guidance, March 2010 and WBC Green Spaces Development Plan)</p>	<p>The standards recommend that everyone, wherever they live, should have an accessible natural greenspace:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • of at least 2 hectares (ha) in size, no more than 300 metres (approx 5 minutes walk) from home; • at least one accessible 20 ha site within two km of home; • one accessible 100 ha site within five km of home; and • one accessible 500 ha site within ten km of home; plus • a minimum of one ha of statutory Local Nature Reserves per 1,000 population.
<p>Designated Play Areas</p> <p><u>Local Area for Play (LAP)</u> Small landscaped areas of open space designated and laid out for very young children (up to the age of six) to play close to where they live.</p> <p><u>Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP)</u> Open space designed and laid out with feature including equipment for children who are beginning to go out and play independently close to where they live.</p> <p><u>Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play (NEAP)</u> An open space specifically designated, laid out and equipped mainly for older children but with play opportunities for younger children as well.</p> <p>(Source: WBC Play Strategy and IDP)</p>	<p>Accessible within 100m walking distance or 60m straight line distance from home (approx 1 minute walking time).</p> <p>All residents should have one LEAP within a 400m walking distance or 240m straight line distance from home (approx 5 minute walking time).</p> <p>Accessible within a 1,000m walking distance or 600m straight line distance from home (approx 15 minute walking time).</p> <p>Play provision is to be delivered locally in accordance with the priorities set out in the Council's most up to date Play Strategy.</p>
<p>Outdoor sports</p> <p>(Source: (draft) WBC Playing Pitch Strategy Review, 2012).</p>	<p><u>Playing Pitches</u> Football - 0.48 ha per 1,000 population Cricket - 0.4 ha per 1,000 people. Rugby - 0.03 ha per 1,000 people. Overall standard for grass playing pitches - 0.91 ha per 1,000 people. This area includes the pitch space and run off margins, and added space required for ancillary facilities.</p>

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	<p><u>Other outdoor sports facilities</u> Tennis - 1 court per 1,470 people, or 0.68 courts per 1,000 population. This corresponds to 0.06 ha per 1,000 population, including a site multiplier to take into account any ancillary facilities required.</p> <p>Bowls - 1 green per 13,000 people or 0.08 greens per 1,000 population. This corresponds to 0.02 ha per 1,000 population, including a site multiplier to take into account any ancillary facilities required.</p> <p>Overall standard for other outdoor sport 0.08 ha per 1,000 population.</p> <p><u>Floodlit Multi-Use Games Areas (MUGAs)</u> One court per 4,500 people or 0.22 courts per 1000 population. This corresponds to 0.03ha per 1000 population, to include space for ancillary facilities if required.</p> <p><u>Artificial Grass Pitches (AGP)</u> One AGP per 25,000 people or 0.04 AGPs per 1,000 population, or a space equivalent of 0.04 ha per 1,000 population.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="740 1151 1351 1406"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="740 1151 1351 1189">Summary of Local Standards</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="740 1189 1059 1227">Playing pitches</td> <td data-bbox="1059 1189 1351 1227">0.91 ha/1000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="740 1227 1059 1265">Other outdoor sport</td> <td data-bbox="1059 1227 1351 1265">0.08 ha/1000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="740 1265 1059 1303">MUGAs</td> <td data-bbox="1059 1265 1351 1303">0.03 ha/1000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="740 1303 1059 1341">AGPs</td> <td data-bbox="1059 1303 1351 1341">0.04 ha/1000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="740 1341 1059 1406">Total - all outdoor sport</td> <td data-bbox="1059 1341 1351 1406">1.06 ha/1000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Summary of Local Standards		Playing pitches	0.91 ha/1000	Other outdoor sport	0.08 ha/1000	MUGAs	0.03 ha/1000	AGPs	0.04 ha/1000	Total - all outdoor sport	1.06 ha/1000
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<p>Allotments (Source: Infrastructure Delivery Plan and reports to Council)</p>	<p>All residents in the Borough should have access to an allotment within 800m of their home (approx 15 minute walk).</p> <p>Local demand in Woking Borough has been calculated as current allotment provision plus total number on waiting list. Meeting the demand would provide a local standard which the Council will seek to maintain. Number of plots (2012) = 822 Waiting list (2012) = 123 Total demand (2012) = 945 plots or 10.1 plots per 1,000 population.</p>												
<p>Parks and gardens Includes Woking Park and recreation grounds (Source: WBC Green Spaces</p>	<p>800m straight line distance (approx 15 mins walking)</p> <p>There are currently 12 sites with a total size of 49ha in the Borough. This gives a standard</p>												

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Development Plan)	0.52ha/ 1,000 population which the Council will seek to maintain or improve in line with the Green Spaces Development Plan.
Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG)	These standards are set out in the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area Avoidance Strategy.
Cemeteries (Source: WBC Green Spaces Development Plan and IDP)	Not relevant to provide a standard because the primary use is not recreation and available space depends on amount of burial space taken up. However if large areas of un-used space are available: Size greater than 20ha =5,000m straight line distance Size less than 20ha = 800m straight line distance

*As defined by Natural England