

**Policy SB12 Land for Expanding Education and Recreational Uses**  
**Supporting Evidence SB12.EV1 – Open Space Study (2013 – 2019 Analysis)**

The Open Space, Sport and Recreation facilities Study (2013 – 2019) was commissioned by Chichester District Council from JPC Strategic Planning and Leisure in partnership with RQA consultants and the Council's leisure and Environment Officers. Extract Part 3 Table 1.

Part 3 of this Study set out assessments of existing and required provision based on the 2011 Census Parish population (6265), and the detailed conclusions for Southbourne Parish were set out in Study Table 1.

**Southbourne Parish 2013**

	Existing Provision (ha)	2013 standards per 1000	Required Provision (ha)	Current Position 2013 (ha)
Play space	0.11	0.15	0.98	-0.87
Parks, sport and recreation grounds	2.12	1.5	10.45	-8.33
Allotments	0.37	0.4	2.61	-2.24
Amenity open space	0.00	0.5	3.27	-3.27
Natural and semi-natural green space (excluding Chi. Harbour)	452.37	1.0	6.53	+445.84
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2.60</b>		<b>17.31</b>	<b>- 14.71</b>

The assessment recommended a local standard of 0.15ha of play space per 1000 population within 480m (10 minutes straight line walk time), and 600m (12 – 13 minutes straight line walk time) for youth play space.

It should be noted that at that time the Six Acre Standard (Fields In Trust - FIT) recommended provision of 0.8 ha per 1000 for childrens' play space of which around 0.3 ha should be equipped.

The Recreation Ground in Southbourne was described as insufficient.

The Study recommended 0.4ha for allotments per 1000 population within main settlements and some 480 metres from development, and 0.3ha per 1000 population for all other areas. Southbourne fell short of this standard.