

12.1.5. In the context of this IDP, the Open Space Assessment is used to assess the Green Infrastructure and Open Space needs relating to the proposed growth of the Joint Local Plan.

12.1.6. Table 11.2 below shows the parishes where development sites are proposed for allocation in the Joint Local Plan against the current assessment of supply used in the Open Space Assessment of May 2019, i.e. in terms of allotments, amenity green space, parks and recreation grounds, play areas for children and play areas for youth.

12.1.7. Please note that the access standards (table 11.1 below) described in the Open Space Assessment are used in relation to the table 11.2. In practice, the access standard should be considered first, as for many of the very rural parishes, there is not a requirement for open space against the access standard. Therefore, although the figures in table 11.2 may be showing a shortfall in provision, there may not be a requirement for a certain typology of open space, for example an allotment would not be required for a parish with a population of less than 1000, and therefore the cell would be highlighted grey. Alternatively, a parish may meet the access standard for allotments (i.e. there would be at least one allotment within a parish with over 1000 people), however, the supply figure may indicate a shortfall in provision against the quantity standard, this may indicate that the existing provision needs expanding and could be explored through further consultation.

**Table 31.: Summary of open space standards<sup>13</sup>**

Key used for table 12.1:

Cell highlighted green	Parish meets the access standards
Cell highlighted orange	Parish fails to meet the access standards
Cell highlighted grey	Provision not required against the access standards

<sup>13</sup> Source: Babergh and Mid Suffolk Open Space Assessment – May 2019 (by Ethos)

Typology	Quantity standards (ha/1000 population) for analysing existing provision	Quantity standards (ha/1000 population): requirements from new development	Access standard
Allotments	0.3	0.3	All Parishes with a population greater than 1000 people to have an allotment
Amenity Green Space	1.0	See standard for Natural Green Space	600 metres or 12-13 minutes' walk time to be met by amenity greenspace of at least 0.15 ha in size or by a park and recreation ground for parishes with over 200 people
Park and Recreation Grounds	1.0	1.0	All Parishes with a population greater than 1000 people to have a park and recreation ground.  600 metres (12-13 minutes' walk time) when considered with amenity green space
Play Space (Children)	0.06	0.06	Parishes with a population of 200 – 1000 people to have a play space;  Parishes with a population over 1000 people to have a play space within 600 metres (12-13 minutes' straight-line walk time)
Play Space (Youth)	0.04	0.04	Parishes with a population over 1000 people to have a youth play space;  Parishes with a population greater than 4000 people to have a youth space within 960 metres (20 minutes' straight-line walk time)
Natural Green Space	Accessible Natural Greenspace Standard (ANGSt, from Natural England)	1.0 to include natural and amenity green space	Accessible Natural Greenspace Standard (ANGSt, from Natural England)
<b>Total for new provision</b>		<b>2.40 ha/1000</b>	

12.1.8. Where a cell is highlighted grey, this means that due to the population size of the parish there is not a requirement for that particular typology of

open space (in accordance with the access standards). Therefore, the supply figure is not relevant. Where a cell is highlighted green, this means the parish meets the access standard for that particular open space typology, and the supply figure then shows whether or not there is sufficient supply (or not) of the open space typology against the quantity standards. Where a cell is highlighted orange, it means the parish does not meet the access standard for the particular typology, and the supply figure then shows whether or not the quantity standard is met.

12.1.9. For example, there is insufficient youth provision across the majority of Parishes – however the majority of these Parishes also fall below the required population size for provision (those cells highlighted grey), and therefore new provision would not be required – and it is not failing against the access standard.

12.1.10. It should be noted that the provision of sports pitches should be able to be accommodated within the standards (for parks and recreation in particular), although this does not take account of pitches provided specifically for individual clubs, nor on educational sites, as in both cases such provision is controlled and therefore not deemed to be open space that is publicly accessible.

**Table 32.: Supply identified in Open Space Assessment (May 2019)<sup>14</sup>**

**(Supply by parish (hectares) against the Babergh and Mid Suffolk quantity standards)**

Settlements where preferred sites are located	Estimated number of new dwellings from potential JLP site allocations within the settlement	Existing Population	Allotments	Amenity Green Space	Park and Recreation Grounds (Combined) Including Outdoor Sport (Fixed)	Play (Children)	Play (Youth)
Acton	100	1811	-0.54	-0.71	-0.43	-0.06	-0.07

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Bacton	50	1228	0.47	0.80	1.97	-0.04	-0.05
Barham	620	1504	-0.45	-1.15	-1.5	-0.09	-0.06
Bildeston	75	1054	-0.32	-0.69	1.64	0.01	0.01
Botesdale & Rickinghall	100	2073	0.02	-2.08	-1.53	-0.06	-0.06
Bramford	300	2303	-0.41	-1.82	-1.91	-0.03	0.06
Brantham	100	2566	-0.77	-1.39	0.96	0.09	-0.08
Bures	5	918	0.39	-0.92	2.89	0.05	-0.03
Capel St. Mary	550	2847	-0.85	-2.85	0.58	-0.05	0.15
Claydon	75	2197	-0.66	-1.63	0.09	-0.05	-0.08
Copdock & Washbrook	240	1114	0.72	-1.11	0.63	0.01	-0.04
Debenham	260	2210	0.32	0.72	-1.61	-0.04	-0.08
East Bergholt	220	2765	0	-2.77	-2.32	0.53	-0.11
Elmswell	210	3950	-0.17	0.83	3.04	-0.2	-0.11
Eye	505	2154	-0.19	-2.15	-1.31	0.21	-0.04
Great Blakenham	30	1235	-0.37	0.54	0.13	0.01	-0.05
Hadleigh	560	8253	1.38	3.01	-2.16	0.02	-0.12
Haughley	100	1638	-0.2	-1.64	0.57	0.06	-0.03
Holbrook	10	2180	-0.65	-2.18	-0.11	-0.05	-0.07
Lavenham	20	1722	-0.52	1.65	1.41	0.16	-0.06
Long Melford	80	3518	-0.22	1.6	-2.74	-0.07	-0.13

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Mendlesham	90	1407	0.45	0.22	-1.41	0.04	0.05
Needham Market	135	4528	-0.78	-3.45	-1.8	-0.06	-0.14
Shotley	50	2342	1.85	-0.5	-1.53	-0.1	-0.03
Sproughton	1175	1376	0.83	0.38	0.13	0.01	-0.05
Stonham Aspal	35	601	-0.18	-0.32	3.15	0	-0.02
Stowmarket	735	19280	-5.35	-15.61	2.35	-0.53	-0.6
Stowupland	420	1988	0.2	-1.99	3.23	0.02	-0.03
Stradbroke	215	1408	-0.42	-1.41	1.29	0.05	-0.06
Sudbury & Great Cornard	500	21971	-4.7	-12.31	-15.76	-0.35	-0.7
Thurston	535	3232	-0.24	-2.18	1.75	-0.11	-0.12
Woolpit	540	1995	-0.6	-0.46	2.11	-0.02	-0.08

12.1.11. The above figures highlight where there are shortfalls in supply and therefore where new provision should be sought in light of the proposed growth of the Joint Local Plan.

12.1.12. In particular, we can see that significant deficits in supply against the access standards are seen in Barham, as well as in Sudbury and Great Cornard. Stowmarket shows a significant deficit in Amenity Green Space.

12.1.13. Table 11.2 therefore also provides opportunities to meet shortfalls in supply, however as for other infrastructure needs that may be wholly or partly funded by Community Infrastructure Levy funds, it will be for a 'bid' to CIL to