

○ Cherryvale Playing Fields	South	3	Grass	One hybrid 3G pitch and changing accommodation to be completed as part of Belfast City Council capital works investment.
○ City of Belfast Playing Fields	North	22	Grass	19 Winter & 3 Summer
○ Falls Park	West	2	Grass	Winter - <b>one hybrid 3G pitch and changing to be completed late 2014/2015 as part of Belfast City Council capital works investment.</b>
○ Grove Playing Fields	North	8	Grass	Winter
○ King George V Playing Fields	East	3	Grass	All winter pitches – marked for three 9 aside Small Sided Games.
○ Marrowbone Pitch	North	1	Grass	<b>Currently being upgraded to 3G surface</b>
○ Olympia Leisure Centre	South	1	3G	Winter & Summer - a recent inspection highlighted the need for rubber infill to maintain good playing conditions – part of Windsor Park Stadium development.
○ Ormeau Park	East	6	Grass	3 Winter & 3 Summer pitches – <b>one hybrid 3G pitch and changing to be completed as part of Belfast City Council capital works investment.</b>
○ Strangford Avenue Playing Fields	South	4	Grass	Winter
○ Victoria Park Playing Fields	East	7	Grass	4 Winter & 3 Summer – <b>8 room changing pavilion to be completed as part of Belfast City Council's capital works investment</b>
○ Waterworks Westland End Football pitch	North	1	Grass	A 2 room changing pavilion to be completed as part of Belfast City Council capital works investment.
○ Wedderburn Park	South	4	Grass	2 Winter & 2 Summer
○ Whiterock Leisure Centre	West	1	3G	Winter & Summer – floodlit, requires minimal maintenance around pitch edges
○ Woodvale Park	Shanki II	2	Grass	2 Winter - <b>Both pitches have undergone renovation, they are currently being rested and will be used for play in 2014/15.</b>
<b>Total =79</b>				
<b>Facility Management Agreement (FMA)</b>				
○ Alderman Tommy Patton Playing Fields	East	4	Grass	All winter pitches, managed by East Belfast FC
○ Clarendon Park Playing Fields	North	2	Grass	Winter, managed by Clarendon FC, <b>both pitches are scheduled for renovation, already started on pitch 1, it is anticipated that both will be back in use for the 2014/15 season.</b>

Belfast City Council is presently exploring how it will support mutually beneficial partnership arrangements of pitch use and balance public access with dedicated use by sporting organisations across all playing pitch sites. This is being addressed through a number of open consultation meetings with all the key stakeholders and is on-going during this review period.

**5.12** Detailed inventories of association football pitches available both for matches and training in the Council area are presented in Tables 5.6, 5.7 and 5.8. These inventories present pitch details for the consultancy period Sept 2013 to February 2014; every effort has been taken to ensure these inventories reflect accurate pitch use and status for that period of time. It is noted that some of these pitches are presently unsuitable for competitive matches and have not been included in the modelling of adequacy of pitch provision. Five different types of pitch 'Ownership' are recorded:-

- ❖ **Belfast City Council** – Belfast City Council pitches maintained, operated and booked through the Outdoor Leisure booking line
- ❖ **FMA** – pitches managed under a Formal Management Agreement (number 3 above)
- ❖ **Community** – pitches owned by a community group or business
- ❖ **Club** – pitches owned or leased and managed by an association football club
- ❖ **Education** – pitches owned by primary, secondary or tertiary level educational establishments

**Table 5.6: Association Football - Pitch Inventory in Belfast City Council Area**

Pitch Site	Area	No. pitches	Type	Remarks
<b>Belfast City Council</b>				
○ Ballysillan Leisure Centre	North	1	3G	Winter & Summer – floodlit - a recent inspection highlighted the need for rubber infill to maintain good playing conditions
○ Ballysillan Playing Fields	North	4	Grass	3 Winter & 1 Summer – <b>8 room changing pavilion to be completed as part of Belfast City Council capital works investment.</b> There is a junior pitch on the site which is currently not used and has not been included in pitch totals.
○ Blanchflower Park Playing Fields	East	6	Grass	All winter pitches, 2 are used for cricket in summer
○ Boucher Road Playing Fields	South	3	Grass	Winter

<sup>(19)</sup> The first FMA was for the Mary Peters Track in 2008, there are now 18 FMAs between clubs/organisations and the Council reflecting varying levels of partnership depending on the perceived needs.

o Dixon Playing Fields	East	2	Grass	Winter, managed by Sirocco FC
o Hammer Playing Fields	Shanki II	1	3G	Winter & Summer – floodlit, managed by Lower Shankill FC
o Lenadoon Millennium Park	West	1	Grass	Winter, managed by Lenadoon Community Forum and home pitch to St Oliver Plunketts FC
o Loughside Playing Fields	North	2	Grass	Winter, managed by Loughside FC
o Orangefield Park	East	3	Grass	Winter, managed by Bloomfield FC
o Shore Road Playing Fields	North	2	Grass	Winter, managed by Grove United FC
o Suffolk Playing Fields	West	3	Grass	Winter, managed by Suffolk FC
o Ulidia Playing Fields	South	2	Grass	Winter, managed by Rosario Youth Club
o Woodlands	West	1	Grass	Pitch presently not maintained or used for association football.– <b>one hybrid 3G pitch and changing to be completed will be developed as part of Belfast City Council capital works investment</b> – hybrid pitch will be marked for both Gaelic and association football
<b>Total = 23</b>				
<b>Education</b>				
o Ashfield Boys High School	East	2	1 x3G 1x Grass	Both pitches full size, the 3G pitch is floodlit, presently seeking funding for flood lights on the grass pitch <sup>(20)</sup> . A secured community agreement is in place, managed by Amey Ventures and Artemis– pitches used extensively by association football clubs.
o Belfast Boys Model School	North	1	3G	Full size pitch managed by Amey Facility management.
o Belfast Metropolitan, Montgomery St	East	1	Grass	Unmarked grassed area 120m x 88m approximately
o De la Salle College	West	1	Grass	Grass pitch used for school sports activities located at Slievegallion Dr, known locally as Glasmullin Park – School keen to develop pitch

<sup>(20)</sup> Ashfield Boys Schools records the following in the survey "We would like to see if we could secure funding to transform the current grass pitch into a second 3G Pitch. We would also like to transform the playground area between the grass and 3G pitch into a community play zone with 6 A-Side football courts and basketball courts. Ideally we would like this zone to have an air dome covering, similar to the tennis club at CIYMS, so that it would provide a wet weather facility. If funding available we would also like to see a synthetic athletics track built around the three sports pitches. Furthermore, we also want to build a new sports gymnasium with fitness centre. All of these facilities would be open to the public / community groups from 6pm to 10pm Monday to Friday and 10am - 5pm Saturday and if possible 1pm to 5 pm on a Sunday."

o	Methodist College	South	1	Grass	1 full sized association football used by association football clubs for training
o	Mount Gilbert Community School	Shankill	1	Grass	School now closed - 1 full size grass, not marked no current information on pitch condition
o	Queen's University	South	4	3 x Grass 1 x 3G	Used mainly by university clubs any spare capacity is open to community use
o	Rathmore Grammar School	South	2	1 x Grass 1 x 3G	Used extensively by association football clubs – grass pitch occasionally used – no community use agreement in place.
o	St Genevieve's High School	West	1	Grass	Not flood lit - used by community – home venue for Suffolk Swifts, Grosvenor Youth FC are presently seeking a long term agreement. Has small grass training area
o	St Malachy's College	North	1	3G	Flood lights – funded through Big Lottery – confirmed community use at least until 2026, used extensively by association football clubs
o	St Mary's CB Grammar School	West	1	Grass	Limited community use on a 'one of' basis – would like to upgrade another shale pitch to 3G
<b>Total = 16</b>					
<b>Club</b>					
o	Donegal Celtic Park	West	1	Grass	Donegal Celtic FC home ground, seating capacity for 3000.
o	Glen Road Heights	West	1	Grass	Sport and Leisure Swifts FC home ground, no floodlights
o	Seaview Football Pitch	North	1	3G	Crusaders Utd FC home ground - flood lit, capacity 3,383
o	Skegoniel Avenue	North	1	Grass	Home pitch to Brantwood FC who play in the Ballymena and Provincial Intermediate League
o	Solitude Football Pitch	North	1	3G	Cliftonville FC home ground - flood lit, capacity 8000
o	The Oval	East	1	Grass	Glentoran FC home pitch – capacity 10,000
o	Tillysburn Park	East	1	Grass	H & W Welders FC home ground, includes small grass training area, no floodlights
o	Wilgar Park	East	1	Grass	Dundela FC home ground, capacity 400, no floodlights
o	Windsor Park	South	2	Grass	Linfield home pitch and Northern Ireland's largest association football stadium with an 18,500 capacity, planning permission recently granted for major redevelopment. There is also a full size training/reserve pitch – Midgley Park
<b>Total = 10</b>					