

COMMUNITY AND EDUCATION FACILITIES: SAFEGUARDED SITES

8.13 This policy is essential to ensure that the provision of facilities is not frustrated by the lack of a suitable site. If any sites become surplus to requirements for community facilities, alternative uses may be permitted subject to the overall development control and environmental protection policies of this plan. The new school buildings for site c) should largely be confined to the existing school playing fields and the land immediately to the north should be used as new school playing fields. Land has been reserved at site (f) in Chilwell to provide new facilities, including a library and drop-in centre, with a small development of associated social housing units, as a joint venture between the County and Borough Councils and the Nottingham Health Trust.

8.14 Other previously committed sites have been confirmed as no longer required. At Bramcote (Chilwell Lane) reserved school playing fields are no longer required; the site is now proposed for housing. At Greasley (Beauvale) a site reserved, as a school replacement site is no longer required and is proposed to be covered by an extension to the Green Belt.

8.15 This policy is designed to implement objectives rc/d and rc/f.

RC3 Sites identified for community and education facilities (as set out below and identified on the proposals map) will be safeguarded for their intended use, and alternative uses will not be permitted unless adequate replacement provision is made or there is no longer a need for the facility. The following sites

are safeguarded:

Education sites

a) Chilwell Meadows:

Land off Swiney Way

1.4 hectares for primary school

b) Eastwood:

Church Street

1.6 hectares to replace Eastwood primary school

c) Kimberley:

Gilthill

0.6 hectare, plus existing school premises, to replace Gilthill primary school

d) Kimberley:

North Street

0.4 hectare for school playing fields

e) Stapleford:

Nottingham Road

1.1 hectares to replace St John's primary school

Community facilities

f) Chilwell Meadows:

Land off Swiney Way

The primary school (under RC3a) is to be planned and managed so as to also provide for community uses

g) Chilwell:

Barncroft

0.2 hectare for new library and drop-in centre