

Request 9336 Number of Playgrounds, MUGAs and Outdoor Fitness Areas

The Association of Play Industries (API) campaigns for policy recognition of the value of play. Previous years' FOI requests have revealed an alarming decline in the number of public play spaces. We are lobbying Government for increased funding for public playgrounds, MUGAs and outdoor fitness areas. Please can you provide the following information:

How many playgrounds were there in your authority area during the financial year 2019/20?

How many playgrounds are there in your authority area during this financial year 2020/21?

How many playgrounds do you expect to have in your authority area in the financial year 2021/22?

How many multi-use games areas (MUGAs) were there in your authority area during the financial year 2019/20?

How many multi-use games areas (MUGAs) are there in your authority area during this financial year 2020/21?

How many multi-use games areas (MUGAs) do you expect to have in your authority area in the financial year 2021/22?

How many outdoor fitness areas were there in your authority area during the financial year 2019/20?

How many outdoor fitness areas are there in your authority area during this financial year 2020/21?

How many outdoor fitness areas do you expect to have in your authority area in the financial year 2021/22?

Response

The only sources we have in a published final form are our evidence studies that are available on the website which show some information request. We don't monitor these spaces on an annual basis.

- [Playing Pitch Strategy](#) 2015-2031
- [Indoor Sports Facility Strategy](#) 2015-2031

In SCDC, all the playgrounds (either in schools or in public), MUGAs and Fitness areas are managed by either the County or schools/academies or parishes.