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A unified, engaged and caring community that cultivates opportunities and embraces our rural lifestyle.

MISSION

We deliver services that responsibly utilize resources, respect our environment, and foster a community ready to shape its future.

The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss
Committee of the Whole Agenda

December 2, 2024

7:00 pm

Council Chambers

Members

Don Murray, Mayor
Jim Hanna, Deputy Mayor
Larry Allison, Councillor
Shari Flett, Councillor
Scott Gibson, Councillor
Ed McGugan, Councillor
Carl Sloetjes, Councillor

Staff

Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer
Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief
Mike Fair, Director of Community Services
Christine Heinisch, Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer
John Yungblut, Director of Public Works
Brett Pollock, Manager of Building and Planning, CBO

Pages

1. **Call to Order**

   The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss will be called to Order at 7:00 p.m. on December 2, 2024 in the Council Chambers.

2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

3. **Delegations**

3.1 County of Bruce - County Official Plan 11

Monica Morrison with the County of Bruce will present an update on the Bruce County Official Plan for Huron-Kinloss.

3.2 Pl.ural Parks and Trails Plan 18

Sean Kelly with Pl.ural will present Council with the final draft Parks and Trails Plan.

4. Staff Reports

4.1 Building & Planning

a. Telecommunication Antenna Structure ON8439 Lower Langside, BLD-2024-12-24 40

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receive for information Report BLD-2024-12-24 prepared by Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official;

AND FURTHER provide a statement of concurrence to Xplore Inc. in support of the installation of a free standing 45metre tall lite duty self support type tower structure (ON8439) at CON 6 PT LOT 29 Township of Huron-Kinloss in accordance with the governing regulations set out by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISCD)

AND FURTHER THAT Council is aware that the jurisdiction for approval of the noted facility rests strictly with ISED Canada, and that the Township's role is one of a commenting body to ISED Canada and the Applicant

b. Building Statistics October, November 2024, BLD-2024-12-23 51

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole receives for information Report BLD-2024-12-23, prepared by Brett Pollock, Chief Building Official.

c. **2025 Building Permit Fees Review, BLD-2024-12-25** 54

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLD-2024-12-25 prepared by Brett Pollock, Manager of Building and Planning/CBO;

AND FURTHER approves amending the building fees as outlined in the report;

AND FURTHER THAT a public meeting be held in accordance with the Building Code Act and notice of the public meeting be provided in accordance with the Act;

AND FURTHER authorizes a by-law be brought back amending the fees following the public meeting.

4.2 By-law Enforcement

a. **Municipal By-Law Enforcement Status Report November 2024, BLE-2024-12-16** 59

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLE-2024-12-16, as prepared by Heather Falconer, Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer.

4.3 Fire Department

a. **Fire and Emergency Services November 2024, FIR-2024-12-30** 62

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-12-30 prepared by Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief.

b. **Emergency Management and Health and Safety November 2024 Summary, FIR-2024-12-32** 65

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-12-32 prepared by Mel Moulton, Emergency Services/ Health & Safety Coordinator-CEMC.

4.4 Drainage

a. **Sutton Municipal Drain Improvement Request, DRA-2024-12-06** 67

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report Number DRA-2024-12-06 prepared by Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent;

AND accepts the request made to Improve the Sutton Municipal Drain to provide sufficient depth for underdrainage in Lot 9, Concession 12, Kinloss Ward;

AND FURTHER that following the required notice period, that Headway Engineering Limited be appointed to undertake the project, if available.

b. **Municipal Drain Status Update December 2024, DRA-2024-12-07** 69

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report DRA-2024-12-07 prepared by Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent.

4.5 Treasury

a. **Community Support Policy, TRE-2024-12-68** 72

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole receives Report TRE-2024-12-68 prepared by Christine Heinisch, Treasurer;

AND FURTHER that the appropriate by-law be brought forward to adopt the Community Support Policy attached.

b. **2025 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Budget, TRE-2024-12-69** 78

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report TRE-2024-12-69 prepared by Christine Heinisch, Treasurer.

4.6 Community Services

a. Ripley Medical Centre Agreement with Dr. Shyu, CS-2024-12-48 81

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives Report CS-2024-12-48 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER authorizes a by-law come forward.

b. Community Services Status Report December 2024, CS-2024-12-49 93

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-12-49 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

c. Parks and Facilities Update December 2024, CS-2024-12-52 96

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-12-52 prepared by Matt McClinchey, Parks, and Facilities Supervisor.

d. Summer Student Wages and Leader in Training Program, CS-2024-12-50 100

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CS-2024-12-50 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-law to come forward;

AND FURTHER THAT the Leader in Training program for summer camp program be exempt from the Volunteer Policy.

e. Parks and Trails Plan, CS-2024-12-51 103

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CS-2024-12-51 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER adopts the Parks and Trails Plan prepared by Pl.ural in principle;

AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate by-law coming forward.

4.7 Public Works

a. **Transportation December 2024, PW-2024-12-51** 330

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW-2024-12-51 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

b. **Point Clark Drainage Master Plan, PW-2024-12-50** 342

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW-2024-12-50 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works;

AND FURTHER supports implementing the following solutions to address the existing drainage issues in the northern Point Clark area as described in this report:

North Problem Area – Alternative 1 and Alternative 2; and
South Problem Area – Alternative 1

AND FURTHER directs staff to bring forward a final report for the Point Clark Stormwater Servicing Master Plan for Council approval.

c. **Water-Wastewater December 2024, PW-2024-12-52** 347

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW2024-12-52 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

4.8 Chief Administrative Officer

a. **Employee Years of Service Recognition 2024, CAO-2024-12-38** 352

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO-2024-12-38 prepared by Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist.

b. **Work From Home Policy Pilot Program, CAO-2024-12-39** 354

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO-2024-12-39 as prepared by Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist;

AND THAT Council approves in principal the proposed Work from Home Policy and authorize Staff entering into a 6-month work from home pilot program .

4.9 Legislative Services

a. **Resolutions for Consideration December 2, 2024, CLK-2024-12-47** 362

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-12-47 prepared by Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk;

AND FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole support the following resolutions;

AND FURTHER direct Staff to distribute as they see fit.

b. **Deeming - Part of Plan 20, Geographic Village Lucknow and Part of Plan 101 Geographic Township of Kinloss, CLK-2024-12-48** 372

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CLK-2024-12-48 prepared by Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk;

AND FURTHER authorizes Part Lot 219, Lots 220 to 229 Plan 20, Geographic Village Lucknow to not be lots in a registered plan;

AND FURTHER authorizes Lots 21 to 30, 39 to 47, 66 to 101, Part Lots 102 to 104, 105, 106 Plan 101 Geographic Township of Kinloss to not be lots in a registered plan;

AND FURTHER that the appropriate by-law be brought forward.

c. **25 -Year Amalgamation Anniversary Time Capsule Video, CLK-2024-12-49** 377

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-12-49 prepared by Kristen Prentice, Communications Coordinator.

5. Correspondence Requiring Direction

6. Information

Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 6.0.

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Bruce County Recognized for National Award from EDAC - November 8, 2024
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Owen Sound Grey Bruce 2024 YMCA Peace Medal Ceremony - November 14, 2024
RT-O7 - November 25, 2025
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6.10 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing: Additional Residential Units 532

7. New Business/Council Reports

Committee members have the opportunity to provide an update on Board and Committee meetings.

8. Closed Session

Motion
THAT Committee of the Whole move into closed meeting at [time] for the purpose of considering:

1) labour relations or employee negotiations; (non-union compensation),

2) labour relations or employee negotiations; (collective agreement negotiations),

3) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board (Ministry of Labour Order),

4) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; (personnel);

5) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; (Property Standards Committee Appointment),

pursuant to Section 239(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001,* as amended;

AND FURTHER THAT Committee of the Whole return to regular open meeting upon completion.

9. Business Arising from the Closed Session

10. Adjournment

Document Accessibility

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Motion
THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby adjourn at XX:XX.

Update Report

To: Township of Huron-Kinloss, Council

From: Monica Morrison, Land Use Planning Manager

Date: December 2, 2024

Re: Draft New Bruce County Official Plan

Recommendation:

That Huron-Kinloss Council receives this report for information.

Summary:

This report is a follow-up to questions arising from the staff presentation about the proposed new Bruce County Official Plan to Township Council on September 16, 2024.

Settlement Area Boundary Adjustment Requests:

The new Bruce County Official Plan represents an opportunity to ensure settlement areas across the County are appropriately identified to accommodate growth within the County for the timeframe of the plan (to 2046).

A land needs analysis and commercial market study were conducted by Watson and Associates as part of the project. The findings were incorporated into the Good Growth Amendment to the Bruce County Official Plan, which was adopted by Bruce County in October of 2022 and approved by the Province of Ontario in August 2024.

The land needs analysis found that on a County-wide basis there is an adequate supply of residential land already designated for future development to the year 2046. However, some settlement areas have a projected shortfall of land for residential or employment uses. Huron-Kinloss was not identified as having a shortfall of residential or employment uses.

The commercial market study identified Lucknow and Ripley as being tight for commercial land supply. These settlement areas were recommended to be reviewed for possible opportunities to increase the supply of land for commercial uses. This would be a function of the local Official Plan which allocates land uses within settlement areas.

Through the public engagement phase of the draft new County Official Plan, a number of potential boundary adjustments were considered by the County. Two requests were considered for Huron-Kinloss: one in Ripley, from a private landowner, and one in the Lakeshore area arising from the Township's Master Servicing Strategy.

In addition to reviewing these requests against the County land needs assessment and the policies of the Official Plan, these boundary adjustment requests are also required to be reviewed against the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) 2024, which took effect on October 20, 2024.

In allowing a settlement area boundary expansion, the PPS 2024 states planning authorities shall consider the following:

a) the need to designate and plan for additional land to accommodate an appropriate range and mix of land uses;

b) if there is sufficient capacity in existing or planned infrastructure and public service facilities;

c) whether the applicable lands comprise specialty crop areas;

d) the evaluation of alternative locations which avoid prime agricultural areas and, where avoidance is not possible, consider reasonable alternatives on lower priority agricultural lands in prime agricultural areas;

e) whether the new or expanded settlement area complies with the minimum distance separation formulae;

f) whether impacts on the agricultural system are avoided, or where avoidance is not possible, minimized and mitigated to the extent feasible as determined through an agricultural impact assessment or equivalent analysis, based on provincial guidance; and

g) the new or expanded settlement area provides for the phased progression of urban development.

A significant change in PPS 2024 is that the Province now permits boundary adjustment applications to be submitted through site-specific official plan amendments at any time. Under Provincial Policy Statement 2020, boundary expansions were limited to only be considered at the time of an official plan update, when a comprehensive review was being completed. The additional flexibility in PPS 2024 allows for future consideration of site- or community-specific boundary expansion applications that may be premature at this time, or that may require additional assessment, for example in relation to ability and capacity for servicing.

The Planning Department has completed a review of the two settlement boundary area adjustment requests for Huron-Kinloss that have been received through the engagement process for the draft new Official Plan. Results of the assessment are attached for Council's information. These requests have been reviewed with reference to the land needs analysis and the proposed policies for settlement area boundary expansions in the draft new Official Plan, and the criteria of the PPS 2024.

The requests are not recommended to be included in the new Official Plan at this time.

Through conversations with Huron-Kinloss municipal staff it was recognized that the County's Growth Management Forecast and the Municipal Master Servicing Strategy apply the same growth projections, however there the Growth Management Study assumes a lower yield within the existing Lakeshore area and thus identifies some deficiency of land.

The potential shortfall is not immediate, and potential wastewater servicing approaches is not yet known, and so staff has recommended that we continue to monitor growth with the municipality in the near term and process an area-specific amendment to the Plan when more information is available.

Ripley does not at this time have a shortage of land, and an expansion for Ripley would be premature until the issue of municipal sewage capacity can be addressed.

Development on Private or Partial Services and Protection of Groundwater

County staff have been consulting with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the proposed policies of the draft new Official Plan that attempt to facilitate intensification of development on private or partial services while managing risk to groundwater. Planning staff are anticipate completing this review shortly.

Next Steps for the Official Plan:

Staff propose to bring a report to the December 19th County Council meeting summarizing engagement and feedback that has been received to-date on the draft new Bruce County Official Plan.

Staff propose to present to County Council final draft land use schedules and text that staff recommend, which arose from the engagement process, and issues that may require Council direction to resolve.

At this time staff anticipate seeking direction from County Council at the December Council meeting to proceed to finalize the draft plan and schedule a statutory open house and a public meeting early in the new year based on the revised schedules and text.

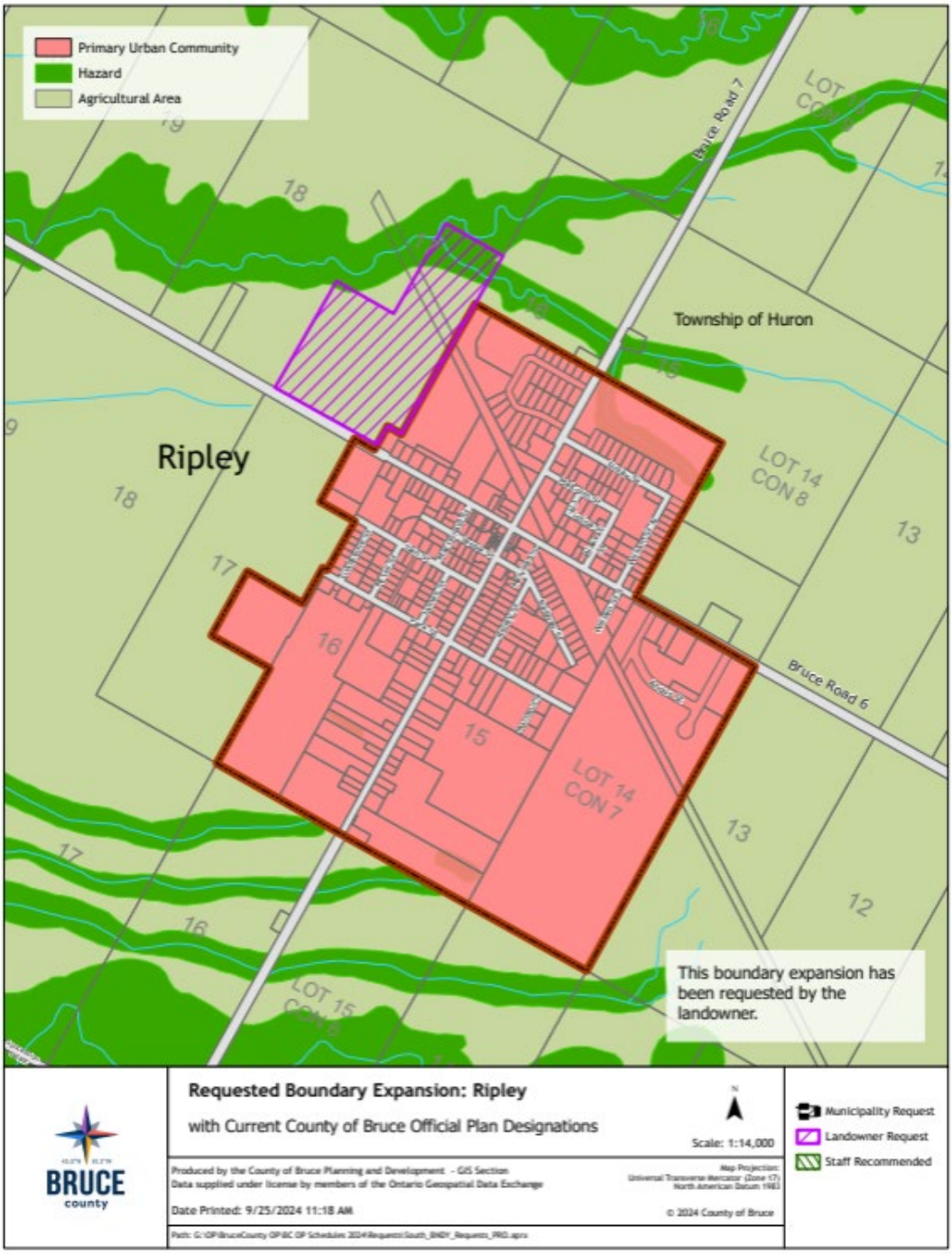
County Council would be able to consider adoption of the final County Official Plan following the statutory open house and public meeting. Following adoption of the new County Official Plan, the Plan is forwarded to the province for approval.

Based on the current timeframe, it is expected that the new Official Plan would come into effect in early to mid 2025.

Planning staff are looking forward next to supporting local municipalities with updates to local plans and zoning by-laws to implement the new County Official Plan.

Appendices

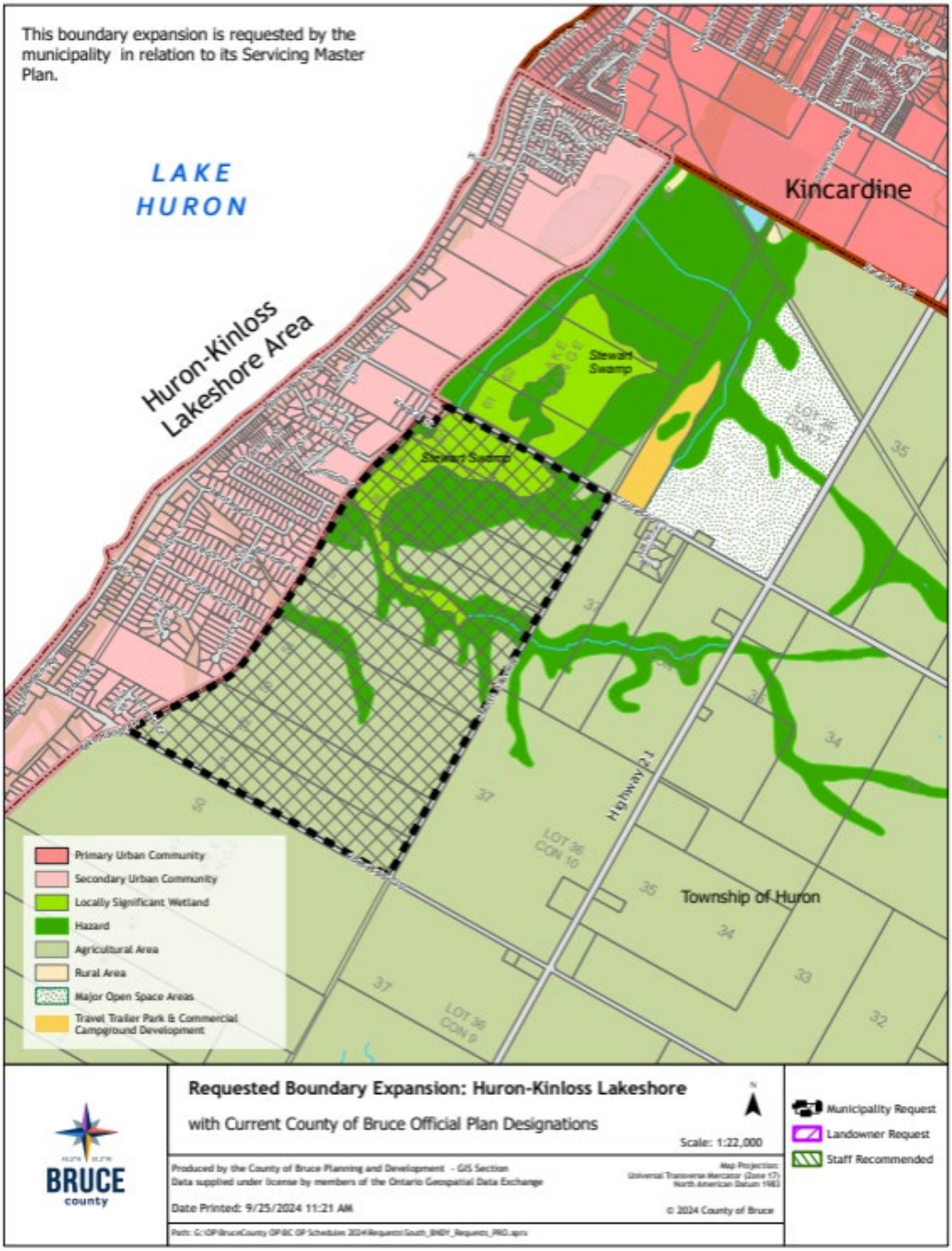
Huron Kinloss: Ripley
Intended Use: Residential
Recommendation: Not yet – beyond forecast land need and planned service capacity.



Required Criteria

Criteria	Analysis
Growth Management: Are existing boundaries not sufficient for forecasted growth?	Watson and Associates work did not identify a shortfall of residential land within the plan horizon. Proposed area would yield approximately 285 units.
Servicing: Is there sufficient capacity in existing or planned infrastructure?	Water capacity does not appear to be a constraint. Ripley Wastewater System is theoretically over-committed, with plant capacity reached in approximately 2038. Servicing allocation policy is under review.
Efficient Development: Can it be developed efficiently and consistent with density policies in this plan?	Provided servicing available, the site does not appear to have significant constraints.
Financial Impact: Will there be an undue financial burden on the County or municipality?	Insufficient information to evaluate at this time.
Criteria to be Considered	
Criteria	**Analysis**
Environmental Impact: Regard for Natural Environment System policies	Watercourse at rear of property.
Constraints: Hazards, Gravel Deposits	Rear of property CA regulated.
Agricultural Impact: Avoids impact on agricultural lands or minimizes and mitigates impacts to the extent feasible	Air photo indicates livestock barn on the subject property. Subject lands current and proposed designation is Prime Ag.
Engagement: Appropriate stakeholder engagement	Initial conversations with municipality. Info available online and at public open houses.
SON Engagement: Appropriate engagement with Saugeen Ojibway Nation	Unaware of engagement at this time.
Access and Transportation: Fit with overall transportation infrastructure.	Access from Bruce Rd. 6
MDS Impact: Meets Minimum Distance Separation Requirements	Not yet evaluated
Access to community Services / amenities: Schools, hospitals, child care, recreation, parks	Elementary school, Recreation Centre, County Library, Municipal Office, Y Child Care, Royal Canadian Legion, Rosewood R. Villa located within adjacent settlement area
Opportunity for Rounding Out: Small scale in a settlement area without services or partial services	Not applicable

Huron Kinloss Lakeshore
Intended Use: Residential and Local Commercial
Recommendation: Not yet - Area-specific application when additional details are available.



Required Criteria	
Criteria	**Analysis**
Growth Management: Are existing boundaries not sufficient for forecasted growth?	Watson and Associates work did not identify a shortfall of residential land within the plan horizon. The municipality's Master Servicing Strategy anticipates less intensification/infilling in lakeshore partial serviced area and identifies land shortage of 60-100 units to 2046
Servicing: Is there Sufficient capacity in existing or planned infrastructure?	Master Servicing Study identifies need for replacement water tower and additional storage capacity is recommended. Area currently un-serviced - Municipality preparing infrastructure plan to support water supply infrastructure and reviewing options for wastewater treatment.
Efficient Development: Can it be developed efficiently and consistent with density policies in this plan?	May be difficult to achieve 15 units per hectare on full services due to costs and density pattern in area.
Financial Impact: Will there be an undue financial burden on the County or municipality?	Lower density development may have Increased costs for service delivery and be unable to generate funds for infrastructure replacement
Criteria to be Considered	
Criteria	**Analysis**
Environmental Impact: Regard for Natural Environment System policies	Regard for Stewart Swamp
Constraints: Hazards, Gravel Deposits	Stewart Swamp, Kincardine water system Intake Protection Zone
Agricultural Impact: Avoids impact on agricultural lands or minimizes and mitigates impacts	Field areas currently cropped.
Engagement: Appropriate stakeholder engagement	Municipality and County discussions, area shown conceptually in master servicing plan and included in OP map packages during engagement. online and at public open houses.
SON Engagement: Appropriate engagement with Saugeen Ojibway Nation	No indication of engagement at this time.
Access and Transportation: Fit with overall transportation infrastructure.	Access available through local roads, connections to north constrained by Stewart Swamp.
MDS Impact: Does the expansion meet MDS?	evaluated by BM Ross and subject lands are least constrained area available.
Community Facilities Considerations: Schools, hospitals, child care, recreation, parks	Most existing services would require transportation to access. Significant growth in this area may require additional Paramedic Services resources in Kincardine.

The Township of Huron-Kinloss

Parks and Trails Plan

Final Draft | Council Presentation | **December 2, 2024**

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The Team

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Community Participants, Township of Huron Kinloss

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A small design/planning firm based in Fergus, Ontario

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About This Project

April, 2024

pl.ural responds to Request for Proposal.

May, 2024

pl.ural is hired as the consultant to conduct work.

Building on the input, findings and recommendations of the Township's **Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2022)**, the Strategy will help guide long-term use, the potential rearrangement of existing amenities, the development of new park infrastructure, and capital planning for 18 key park sites across the Township.

Project Scope

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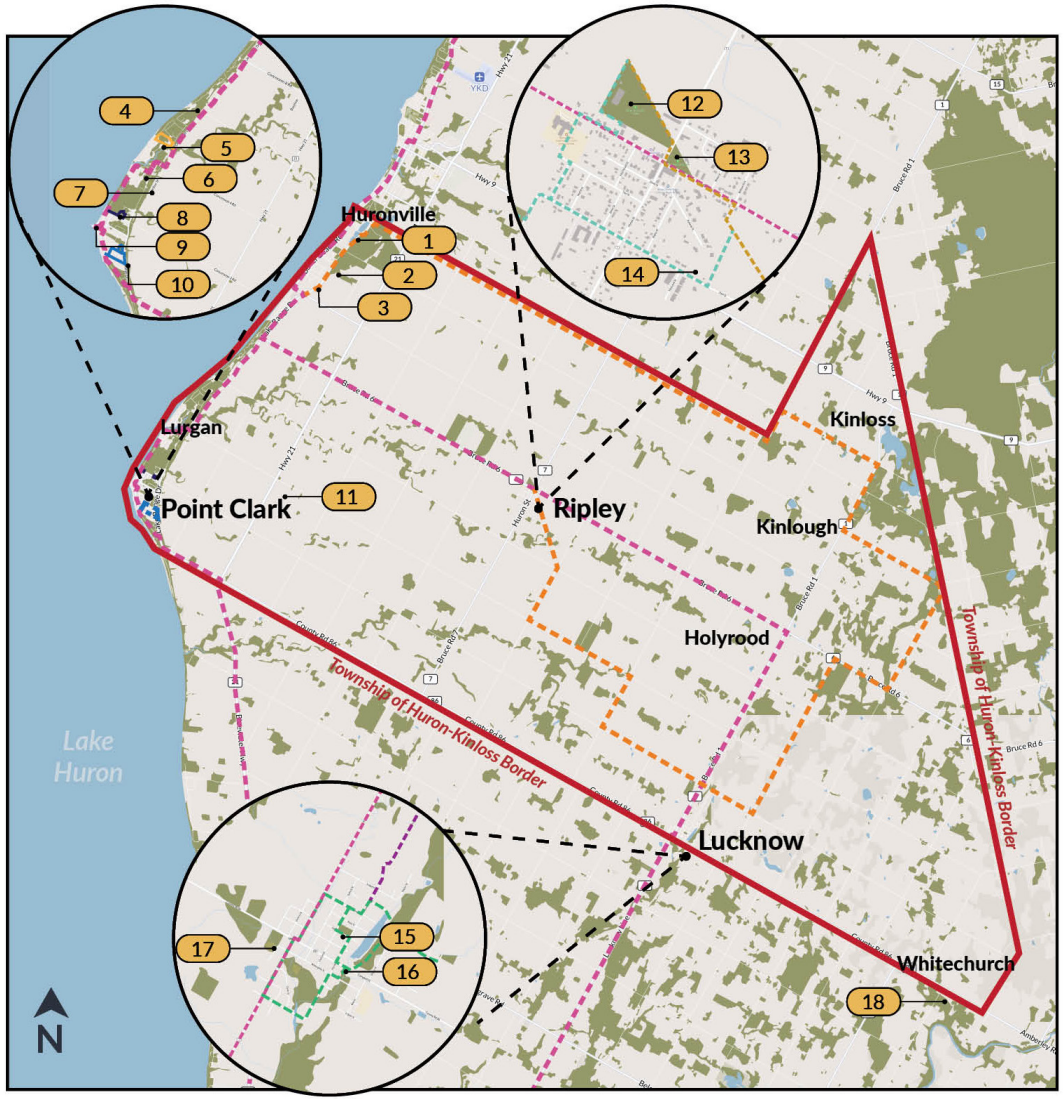
Park Sites

1. Huronville Park
2. Kin Bruce Park
3. Heritage Park
4. Pearl Elizabeth Park
5. Langdon Park
6. Lions Park
7. Point Clark Community Centre Park
8. Blue Park
9. Lighthouse Park
10. Attawandaron Park
11. Reids Corner Ball Park
12. Memorial Park
13. Lewis Park
14. Park Street Soccer fields
15. Victoria Park
16. Waterworks Park
17. Kinsmen Park
18. Whitechurch Park



Project Scope

Community Services Department Identified Projects:

1. **Pickleball Court Locations**
   - Location recommendation, and cost estimates

2. **Ripley Dog Park Location**
   - Community feedback, to conceptual design

3. **Lucknow Dog Park Location**
   - Community feedback, to conceptual design

4. **Trails Development Survey**
   - Trail specific questions within the broader community survey

Our Process

Park Visits

- Conducted June 19th to 20th, 2024
- Existing Condition, Inventory & Analysis

In-Person Open Houses

- Lucknow - Wednesday July 17th, 2024 **(4 parks)**
- Ripley - Wednesday, July 31st, 2024 **(4 parks)**
- Point Clark - Saturday, August 17th, 2024 **(10 parks)**
- Heritage Park - Saturday, September 21st, 2024
- Final Hybrid Presentation - Saturday, September 21st, 2024

Online Survey

- Open July 15th, 2024 to August 19th, 2024

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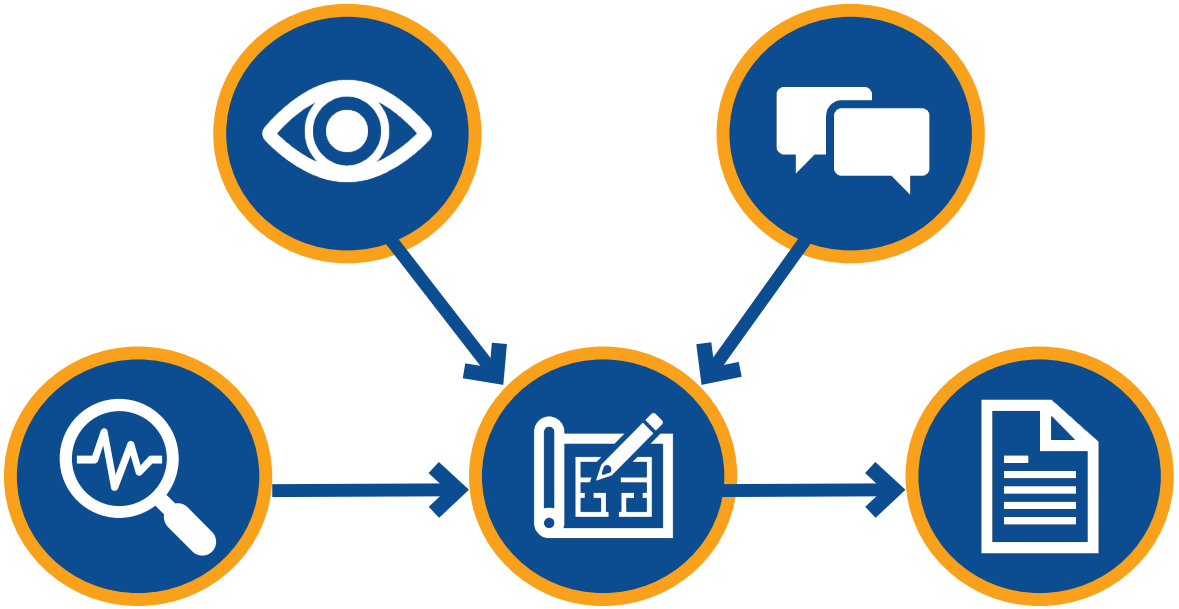
Design Process

What We Saw

- Site Visits

What We Heard

- Open Houses & Survey



Analysis

- S.W.O.T

Design

- 18 Parks

Final Draft Report

- Recommendations

Outcome of Work

- **206** Pages of the Final Draft Report
- **10** Report Sections
- **30** Background Documents Reviewed
- **18** Complete Park Inventory and Analyses
- **18** Conceptual Park Designs + Recommendations
- **11** Comprehensive Information Charts
- **29** Maintenance Standards
- **17** Overall Recommendations

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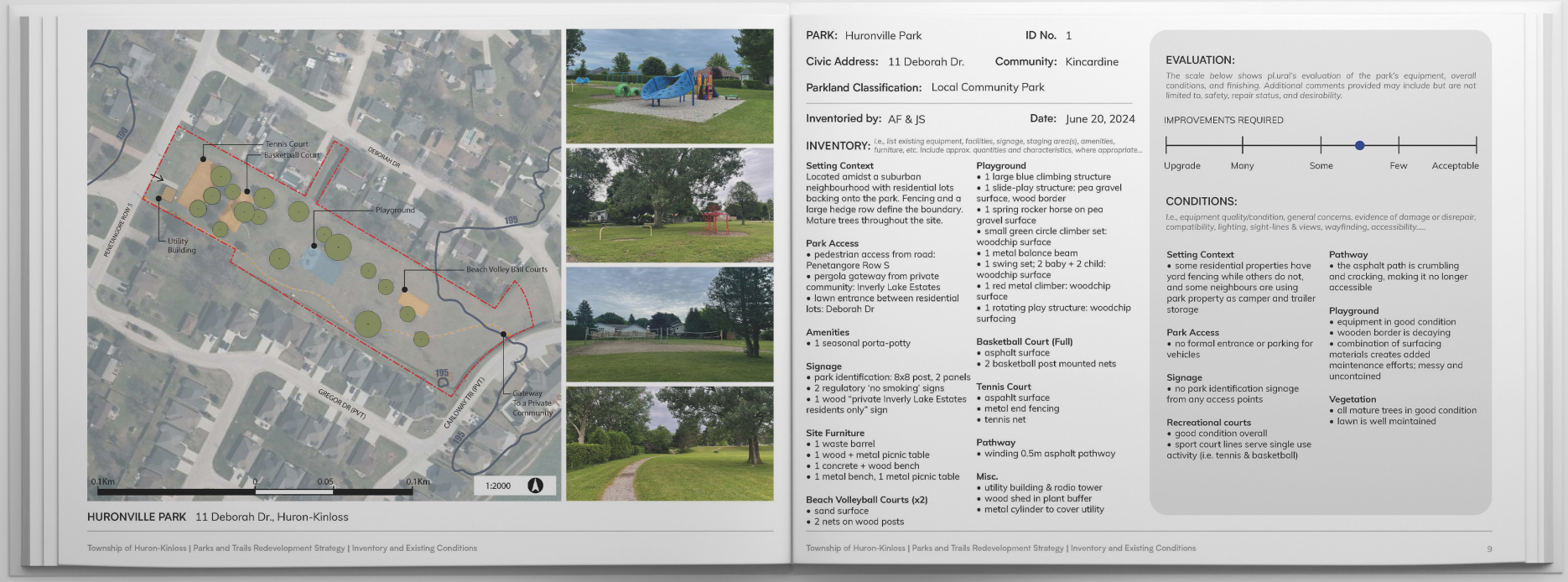
What We Saw

EXAMPLE: Inventory and Existing Conditions Assessment

- What We Saw, conducted for all 18 parks



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What We Heard

Lucknow Open House

- July 17, 2024
- 20 community participants

Ripley Open House

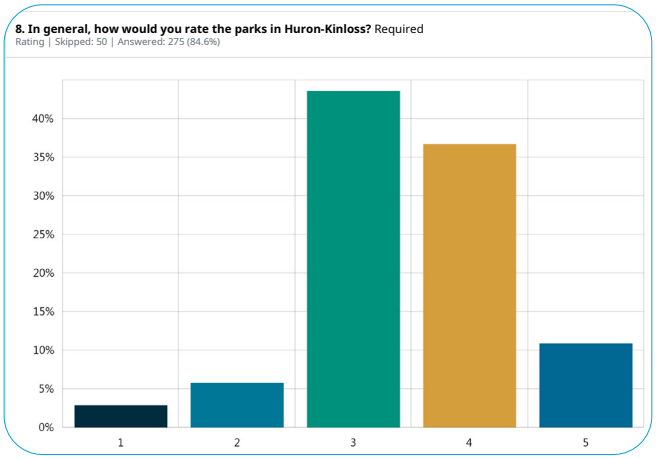
- July 31, 2024
- 7 community participants

Point Clark (the Lakeshore) Open House

- August 17, 2024
- 38 community participants

Heritage Park Open House

- September 21, 2024
- 16 community participants



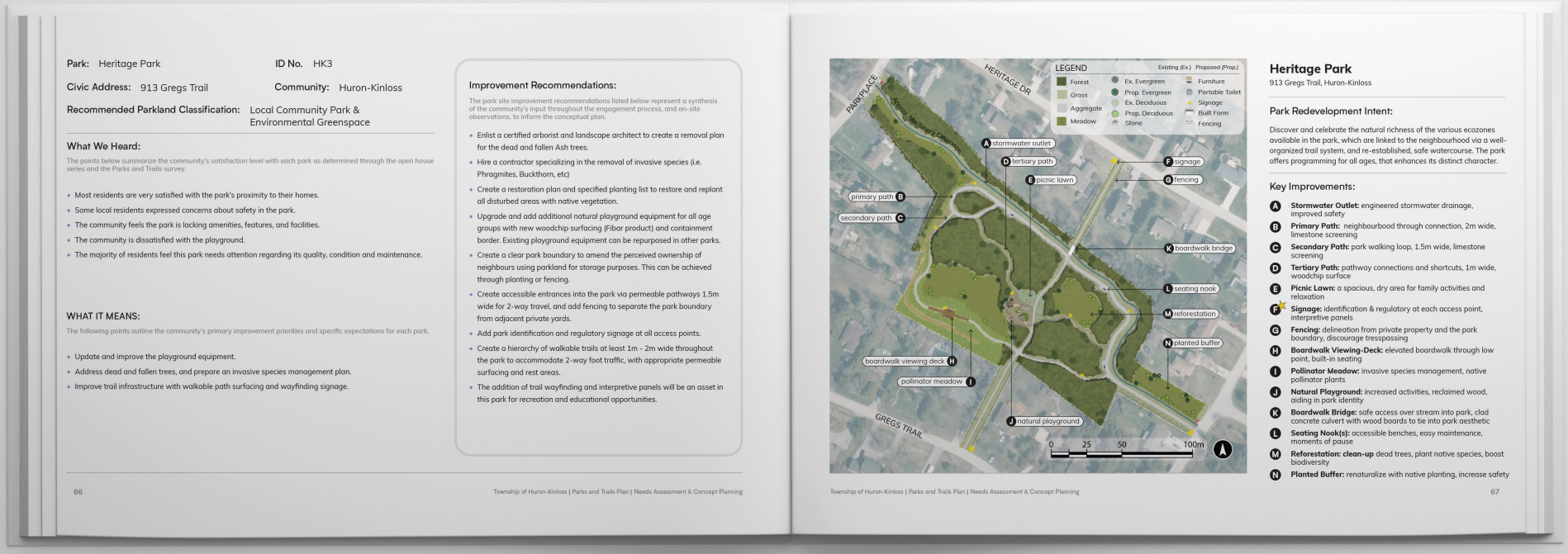
Online Survey

- July 15, 2024 - August 18, 2024
- 325 community responses

Park Concepts | 18 Parks

EXAMPLE: Conceptual Park Designs

- What We Heard, What it Means, Recommendations



Park: Heritage Park **ID No.** HK3

Civic Address: 913 Gregs Trail **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- Most residents are very satisfied with the park's proximity to their homes.
- Some local residents expressed concerns about safety in the park.
- The community feels the park is lacking amenities, features, and facilities.
- The community is dissatisfied with the playground.
- The majority of residents feel this park needs attention regarding its quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Update and improve the playground equipment.
- Address dead and fallen trees, and prepare an invasive species management plan.
- Improve trail infrastructure with walkable path surfacing and wayfinding signage.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Enlist a certified arborist and landscape architect to create a removal plan for the dead and fallen Ash trees.
- Hire a contractor specializing in the removal of invasive species (i.e. Phragmites, Buckthorn, etc)
- Create a restoration plan and specified planting list to restore and replant all disturbed areas with native vegetation.
- Upgrade and add additional natural playground equipment for all age groups with new woodchip surfacing (Fibar product) and containment border. Existing playground equipment can be repurposed in other parks.
- Create a clear park boundary to amend the perceived ownership of neighbours using parkland for storage purposes. This can be achieved through planting or fencing.
- Create accessible entrances into the park via permeable pathways 1.5m wide for 2-way travel, and add fencing to separate the park boundary from adjacent private yards.
- Add park identification and regulatory signage at all access points.
- Create a hierarchy of walkable trails at least 1m - 2m wide throughout the park to accommodate 2-way foot traffic, with appropriate permeable surfacing and rest areas.
- The addition of trail wayfinding and interpretive panels will be an asset in this park for recreation and educational opportunities.

Heritage Park

913 Gregs Trail, Huron-Kinloss

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Discover and celebrate the natural richness of the various ecozones available in the park, which are linked to the neighbourhood via a well-organized trail system, and re-established, safe watercourse. The park offers programming for all ages, that enhances its distinct character.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Stormwater Outlet:** engineered stormwater drainage, improved safety
- **B** **Primary Path:** neighbourbood through connection, 2m wide, limestone screening
- **C** **Secondary Path:** park walking loop, 1.5m wide, limestone screening
- **D** **Tertiary Path:** pathway connections and shortcuts, 1m wide, woodchip surface
- **E** **Picnic Lawn:** a spacious, dry area for family activities and relaxation
- **F** **Signage:** identification & regulatory at each access point, interpretive panels
- **G** **Fencing:** delineation from private property and the park boundary, discourage tresspassing
- **H** **Boardwalk Viewing-Deck:** elevated boardwalk through low point, built-in seating
- **I** **Pollinator Meadow:** invasive species management, native pollinator plants
- **J** **Natural Playground:** increased activities, reclaimed wood, aiding in park identity
- **K** **Boardwalk Bridge:** safe access over stream into park, clad concrete culvert with wood boards to tie into park aesthetic
- **L** **Seating Nook(s):** accessible benches, easy maintenance, moments of pause
- **M** **Reforestation: clean-up** dead trees, plant native species, boost biodiversity
- **N** **Planted Buffer:** renaturalize with native planting, increase safety

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Financial Analysis | 18 Parks

Lakeshore
Preliminary Budget Estimate

*Concept	HK1 | Huronville Park		HK2| Kin Bruce Park		HK3| Heritage Park		HK4| Pearl Elizabeth		HK5| Langdon Park	
Unit Cost Estimate	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total
Removals										
Existing Surfaces, Playground Equipment, Site Furniture, Dead Tree(s) etc. (lump sum) varies		$ 5,000.00		$ 5,000.00		$ 1,000.00		$ 500.00		$ 1,000.00
Signage										
Interpretive Panels/ Info Kiosk (unit) $ 1,500.00		$ -		$ -	6	$ 9,000.00		$ -		$ -
Place Identification Signage (unit) $ 1,500.00	2	$ 3,000.00	2	$ 3,000.00	3	$ 4,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00
Regulatory Signage (unit) $ 500.00		$ -	1	$ 500.00	3	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 500.00		$ -
Vegetation										
Individual Trees (unit) $ 200.00	21	$ 4,200.00	39	$ 7,800.00		$ -	21	$ 4,200.00	9	$ 1,800.00
Naturalized Planting (sq.m.)										
Native Seed Mix, etc $ 5.00	1700	$ 8,500.00		$ -	2100	$ 10,500.00	280	$ 1,400.00		$ -
Naturalized Woodland Planting, etc $ 10.00		$ -		$ -	3500	$ 35,000.00		$ -		$ -
Seed/sod (sq.m.) $ 3.00	750	$ 2,250.00	400	$ 1,200.00	230	$ 690.00	233	$ 699.00	545	$ 1,635.00
Surface Treatments										
Aggregate Staging Area (cu.m.) $ 25.00		$ -	183	$ 4,575.00		$ -		$ -	52	$ 1,300.00
Limestone Screening (cu.m.)										
Walking Paths; 3m wide $ 40.00		$ -		$ -	100	$ 4,000.00		$ -		$ -
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide $ 40.00		$ -	30	$ 1,200.00	66	$ 2,640.00	15	$ 600.00	33	$ 1,320.00
Gathering Area $ 40.00		$ -		$ -	42	$ 1,680.00	7	$ 280.00		$ -
Asphalt (sq.m.)										
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide $ 25.00	563	$ 14,075.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	90	$ 2,250.00
Parking Area $ 25.00	65	$ 1,625.00		$ -	74	$ 1,850.00		$ -		$ -
Woodchip (cu m.)										
(Fibar) Playground Surfacing $ 110.00	16	$ 1,760.00	44	$ 4,840.00	26	$ 2,860.00		$ -	14	$ 1,540.00
Walking Paths; 1m wide $ 30.00		$ -		$ -	16	$ 480.00		$ -		$ -
Parking Painting/ Crosswalk (lin.ft.) $ 2.00	152	$ 304.00		$ -		$ -	230	$ 460.00		$ -
Boardwalk; 2m wide (sq.m.) $ 850.00		$ -		$ -	95	$ 80,750.00		$ -		$ -
Recreational Facilities										
NEW Multi Sport Court; (lump sum) $ 120,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -	0.5	$ 60,000.00
Exisiting Court Upgrades (lump sum) $ 15,000.00	2	$ 30,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	1	$ 30,000.00
Playground Equipment (unit) $ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00	3	$ 60,000.00				$ -
Site Furnishings										
Armour Stone/ Bollards (unit) $ 150.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -	5	$ 750.00
Property Fencing; Chainlink (lin.ft.) $ 30.00		$ -		$ -	985	$ 29,550.00	130	$ 3,900.00		$ -
Other furnishings; benches, pinic tables, bike racks waste receptacles, etc. (lump sum) varies		$ 20,700.00		$ 16,800.00		$ 14,500.00		$ 7,500.00		$ 21,000.00
Estimated Sub-total		$ 90,714.00		$ 64,915.00		$ 260,500.00		$ 21,539.00		$ 124,095.00
** Contingency (10%)		$ 9,071.40		$ 6,491.50		$ 26,050.00		$ 2,153.90		$ 12,409.50
Sub-total		$ 99,785.40		$ 71,406.50		$ 286,550.00		$ 23,692.90		$ 136,504.50
***Consulting Fees: Landscape Architecture (12.5%)		$ 12,473.18		$ 8,925.81		$ 35,818.75		$ 2,961.61		$ 17,063.06
Conservative Estimated Total		**$ 112,258.58**		**$ 80,332.31**		**$ 322,368.75**		**$ 26,654.51**		**$ 153,567.56**

*Concept: Budget estimates reflect preliminary conceptual landscape design. Further design, specifications and construction detailing will inform more accurate budget figures.
** Contingency (10%) re. unforeseen costs associated with inflation, material availablity, un-known site specific conditions, permits, site dewatering if required, etc.
*** Consulting fees based on industry standards (OALA Fee Guide for Landscape Architectural Services, April 2023) using a percentage fee calculation method.

Notes:
Budget estimate does not account for site works (mobilization/demobilization, stormwater engineering, erosion/sediment control, tree hoarding fencing, perimeter fencing).
Each project phase will be subject to site works costs.

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Preliminary Fundraising

Suitability for Capital

Parkland Information					Priority		Capital Types			
ID No.	Park Name	Community	Settlement Area	Recommended Parkland Classification	Year(s)	Priority	Grant Seeking	Capital Budget	Community Campaign	Partnerships
HK3	Heritage Park	Lakeshore North	Heritage Heights	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	Immediate	1	✓	✓	✓	✓
HK9	Lighthouse Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Signature Community Park		2		✓		
HK7	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace		3		✓	✓	✓
HK18	Whitechurch Park	Whitechurch	Village of Whitechurch	Local Community Park	1 - 5 years	4		✓		
HK2	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	Kin Bruce	Regional Multi-Sport Facility		5	✓		✓	✓
HK13	Lewis Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	Signature Community Park		6			✓	
HK14	Park Street Soccer Fields	Ripley	Town of Ripley	Community Recreational Park		7	✓	✓	✓	
HK16	Waterworks Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	Local Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace		8		✓		
HK4	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	Bruce Beach	Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace		9		✓		
HK1	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	Huronville	Local Community Park	5 - 10 years	10			✓	
HK5	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	Blairs Grove	Local Community Park & Open Space		11		✓	✓	
HK11	Reids Corner	Huron-Kinloss	Reid's Corner	Rural Ball Park (all age)		12		✓		✓
HK6	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	Lurgan Beach	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	10 - 15+ years	13		✓		
HK17	Kinsmen Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	Community Ball Park & Environmental Greenspace		14		✓	✓	
HK10	Attawandaron park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Local Community Park		15		✓		
HK12	Memorial Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	Community / Sports Park (all age)		16		✓		
HK8	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Local Community Park		17			✓	
HK15	Victoria Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	Local Community Park		18		✓		

Suitability for Capital

- Grant Seeking
- Capital Budget
- Community Campaign
- Partnerships

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Parkland & Greenspace Ratio

Parkland & Greenspace Ratio Assessment

Parkland Information
(18 Park Sites in the Scope of Work)

ID No.	Park Name	Community	Settlement Area	Size (approx. Hectares)
HK1	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	Huronville	1.5
HK2	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	Kin Bruce	2.2
HK3	Heritage Park	Lakeshore North	Heritage Heights	2.3
HK4	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	Bruce Beach	0.3
HK5	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	Blairs Grove	0.5
HK6	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	Lurgan Beach	0.8
HK7	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	5.5
HK8	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.5
HK9	Lighthouse Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.2
HK10	Attawandaron park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.6
HK11	Reids Corner	Huron-Kinloss	Reid's Corner	1.3
HK12	Memorial Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	6.5
HK13	Lewis Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	0.5
HK14	Park Street Soccer Fields	Ripley	Town of Ripley	2.8
HK15	Victoria Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	0.6
HK16	Waterworks Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	0.4
HK17	Kinsmen Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	1.2
HK18	Whitechurch Park	Whitechurch	Village of Whitechurch	1.1
			***Total Parkland**	**28.8**

Trails & Greenspace Information
(Additional Land Excluded from Scope of Work)

Trails & Greenspace Name	Size (approx. Hectares)
Apple Rail Trail	7.9
Attawandaron Nature Trail	0.6
Blairs Grove Nature Trail	9.1
Deer Run Nature Trail	0.9
Green Acres Trail	4.3
Lewis Trail	3.0
Lighthouse Park	3.7
Tuscanora Nature Trail	1.2
***Total Trails & Greenspace**	**27.7**

Huron-Kinloss Population (2024 estimate): 7,600 residents

Huron-Kinloss Parkland/Greenspace Per Resident Ratio (ha) = 1:0.07

Comparator Municipalities Parkland

Comparator Municipality	Est. Population	Total Parkland (ha)	Parkland Ratio
Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh	6,000	240	1:0.04
Brockton	9,800	48	1:0.005
Kincardine	12,300	123	1:0.01
	****Total Comparator Average Parkland Ratio**		**1:0.02**

Results

Huron-Kinloss maintains a commendable ratio of parkland and greenspace per resident, currently at **1:0.07 ha**. This is significantly higher than the average for comparator municipalities, with a ratio of **1:0.02 ha**.

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Maintenance Standards

8 | Maintenance Standards

Preamble

The Township of Huron-Kinloss Maintenance Standards

The Township of Huron-Kinloss has many parks and recreation facilities for the enjoyment and usage by residents, visitors and tourists alike. To ensure all amenities are utilized to their full potential, it is important for them to be maintained and serviced in such a manner, so they are safe, accessible and fully operational. A clear and through understanding of the maintenance required to operate these facilities is vital to guarantee they fulfill the needs and requirements of the Township.

The following Service and Maintenance Standards should be adopted by the Township and implemented in all areas. These standards should be adhered to, not only by Township maintenance staff, but all user-group maintenance, contractors or volunteer groups. This is important to ensure all maintenance within the Township follows the same guidelines, regardless of who performs the servicing and maintenance tasks.

These guidelines are developed in such a way ensure all facilities are safe, in good repair, accessible and operationally sound.

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Surplus Land Identification

Surplus Identification

A township-wide scan of available parkland and greenspace was conducted. Underutilized areas within existing 18 parks, called 'surplus lots' and existing road right-of-ways, were identified for future redevelopment and repurpose considerations.

Parkland and Greenspace

- **A** **Huronville Park:** surplus lot
- **B** **Kin Bruce Park:** available parkland
- **C** **Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace:** surplus lot
- **D** **Langdon Park:** right-of-way
- **E** **Lions Park:** surplus lot
- **F** **Point Clark Community Centre Park:** surplus lot
- **G** **Blue Park:** surplus lot

The Lakeshore Settlement Area

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Surplus Land Considerations

Parkland & Greenspace Future Considerations

Parkland / Greenspace Information					Assessment				Recommendation		
Lot ID.	Lot Location	Community	Lot Size (approx. Hectares)	Recommended Parkland Classification	Opportunities	Strengths	Weaknesses	Barriers / Threats	Redevelopment / Repurpose	Rationale	Remarks & Actions
A	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	0.07	Local Community Park	Possible location for a residential lot.	Desirable neighbourhood location. The space is unprogrammed and underutilized as parkland.	Smaller sized lot in comparison to neighbouring properties. Utilities would need to be extended to service the lot. Proximity to private estate park access.	Community pushback. Ensure through access into park, further impeding lot size.	**yes**	Redevelopment is possible but not ideal based on the assessment weaknesses and barriers/threats.	1. Consider selling the lot to a property developer. 2. Hire a consultant to conduct a land value assessment. 3. Reinvest earnings into Huron-Kinloss Parks.
B	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	2.2	Regional\ Municipal Multi-Sport Facility	Large enough space to accommodate an indoor/ outdoor sports facility.	Large mature-healthy trees on site to be utilized.	The park is a low point which could require extra attention to stormwater management.	Lack of funding.	**yes**	Appropriate for a regional sports facility and revenue generation. Development would provide all season recreation.	1. Hire a landscape architect to create a concept plan. 2. Advertise and obtain funding through club partnerships and investors.
C	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	0.1	Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace	Potential to expand usable parkland.	Private area with few residential properties. Proximity to the waterfront.	Semi-isolated location. New development would require utility connections.	Heavily vegetated. Contributes to the Natural Heritage System.	**yes / no**	The decision to redevelopment or repurpose this surplus lot should be left to a council decision.	Provides valuable habitat for wildlife in connection to the Natural Heritage System.
D	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	0.31	Local Community Park & Open Space	Neighbourhood through connection and recreational trail.	Existing Road Right-of-way. The space is unprogrammed and underutilized as parkland.			**yes**	This space is appropriate for redevelopment to connect of the neighbourhood, and enhance the parkland. It is wide enough to accommodate a 1.5m trail while maintaining a buffer space as not to impede on the backyards of the private residences.	1. Hire a landscape architect to create construction drawing and specifications set.
E	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	0.07	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	Ideal through connection between Lions Park and the Point Clark Community Centre.	Proximity to the Point Clark Community Centre.	Long and narrow parcel, approx. (163m long, 4.5m wide). Would have to cross Lake-Range Drive.	Part of the Natural Heritage System. Close in proximity to private residential lots.	**no**	Redevelopment or repurpose is not permitted under the Natural Heritage System.	Proposing a through connection between parks has been a contentious issue, especially the topic of tree removal.
F	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	0.65	Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace	Possible park expansion, or surplus lot.	Convenient location next to the Point Clark Community Centre.	Adjacent to the dog park. Next to a busy road (Lake-Range Drive)	Part of the Natural Heritage System	**no**	Redevelopment or repurpose is not permitted under the Natural Heritage System.	Tree removal is a contentious issue.
G	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	0.18	Local Community Park	Possible surplus lot could be zoned as residential, as all surrounding property is residential.	The adjacent lot (302 Huron Road) is zoned as residential. Large enough lot size to accommodate a private residence. The lot has already been disturbed to remove dead Ash trees. The surplus would still allow a vegetated buffer between the park and potential lot.	Utilities would need to be extended to service the lot. Currently a naturally vegetated area.	Community pushback.	**yes**	Redevelopment is appropriate.	1. Consider selling the lot to a property developer. 2. Hire a consultant to conduct a land value assessment. 3. Reinvest earnings into Huron-Kinloss Parks.

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Identified Project Findings

1

Pickleball Court Locations

- Community push back for Pickleball at Lions Park
- Staff met with the Pickleball volunteers - determined there is capacity at the Point Clark Community Centre as per the updated design concept.

2

Ripley Dog Park Location

- Park Street Soccer Fields is the most suitable and desirable location

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Lucknow Dog Park Location

- The community does not perceive the need for a facility

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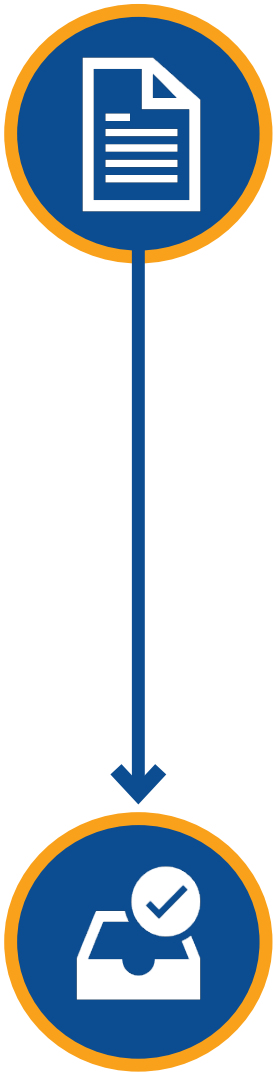
Trails Development Survey

- The survey responses determined that minor signage and a naturalistic trail is preferred

Final Deliverable



Parks and Trails Plan - Final Draft Report

- Section 1: Preliminary Research
- Section 2: Inventory & Assessment
- Section 3: Community Engagement
- Section 4: Needs Assessment & Concept Planning
- Section 5: Capital Planning & Prioritization
- Section 6: Financial Analysis & Fundraising Policy
- Section 7: Parkland & Greenspace Ratio Assessment
- Section 8: Maintenance Standards
- Section 9: Direction for Surplus Parkland/ Greenspace
- Section 10: Overall Recommendations

Completion

- November, 2024

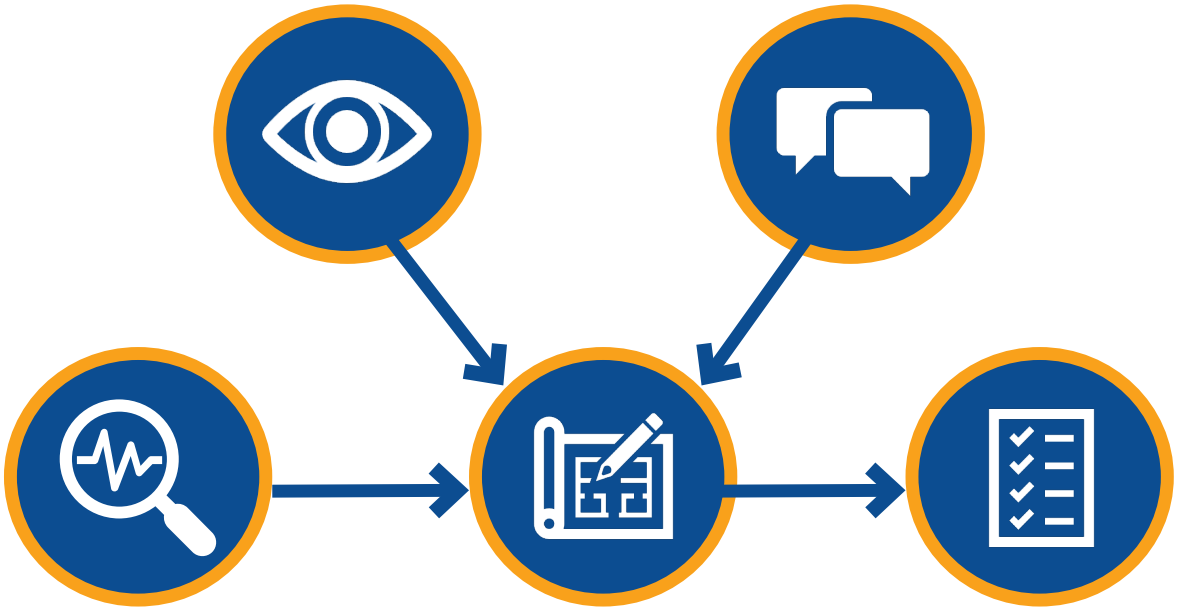
In Summary

What We Saw

- Site Visits

What We Heard

- Open Houses & Survey



Analysis

- S.W.O.T

Design

- 18 Park Concepts

Project Outcomes

- Final Draft Report
- Proposed Park Concepts
- Recommendations
- Capital Planning

Thank You!

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Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

Report Title: Telecommunication Antenna Structure ON8439 Lower Langside
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: BLD-2024-12-24**
Department: Building and Planning **File Number:** C11 BLD 24
Prepared By: Michele Barr, Deputy CBO
Attachments: None

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receive for information Report BLD-2024-12-24 prepared by Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official;

AND FURTHER provide a statement of concurrence to Xplore Inc. in support of the installation of a free standing 45metre tall lite duty self support type tower structure (ON8439) at CON 6 PT LOT 29 Township of Huron-Kinloss in accordance with the governing regulations set out by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISCD)

AND FURTHER THAT Council is aware that the jurisdiction for approval of the noted facility rests strictly with ISED Canada, and that the Township's role is one of a commenting body to ISED Canada and the Applicant

Background:

Xplore Inc. is proposing to construct and install a free standing 45 metre tall lite duty self support type communication facility. The proposed installation provides an opportunity to accommodate future technologies and support multiple co-location opportunities. Although the Federal Government, through Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada is responsible for the final regulatory decision to approve the location of the tower, the proponent is required to notify the Township of the project.

As part of the proponent completing the regulatory requirements under ISED Canada, a statement of concurrence is requested as a response that the Township acknowledges the project and, in their opinion, has satisfied the conditions under ISED Canada (consultation and circulation) and concurs with the project.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Xplore Inc. has requested a statement of concurrence from the Township of Huron-Kinloss for the installation of a free standing 45-metre lite duty self support type

tower structure. The subject property is zoned Agricultural Rural (AG4) and Environmental Protected (EP), is located approximately 500 m north of the Bruce Road 6 and Wolfe Street intersection known as 1575 Bruce Road 6. The property is approximately 37.7 acres and legally known as CON 6 PT LOT 29 Township of Huron-Kinloss.

The intent of the proposed tower is to strengthen the telecommunication network to better support increased demands for consumer connectivity, the digital economy, and health and safety measures in the community. As demand for telecommunications services continues to grow, more network infrastructure is required to keep pace with this demand.

The tower design type will support future technologies as well as equipment for multiple future co-location services and is consistent with the typical structures installed in rural areas and ensures minimal visual impact.

The proposed tower will include a walk in radio equipment shelter on a concrete pad enclosed in a fenced area. (site plan attached)

A notice Package was circulated to the required property owners and the Township, at the same time notice was advertised in the three local newspapers inviting public comment. The Justification Report was circulated to staff for review and comment. It was noted that the location of the tower was on a county road therefore entrance permits were required and approved by the County.

There were no public comments received by FB CONNECT, in care of Xplore Inc., or the Township Office within the 30-day commenting period concluding November 6th, 2024.

Financial Impacts:

Application fee as per the Consolidated Rates and Fees Bylaw

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☒Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Build Community Capacity

Respectfully Submitted By:
Michele Barr, Deputy CBO

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

FB CONNECT
A FORBES BROS COMPANY

Planning Justification Report

Xplore Inc. Telecommunication Site: ON8439 Lower Langside

Sarah Duncan, Government Relations

9/12/2024

Xplore Inc. justification for a proposal to erect a 45.0m tall self-support style communications structure and related equipment at 1575 Bruce Road 6, Teeswater, ON

1.0 Introduction

FB Connect has been retained by Xplore Inc. (Xplore) with respect to a proposal to build a new freestanding communications base station facility on the lands identified as 1575 Bruce Road 6, Teeswater. The purpose of this report is to provide analysis and justification in support of the proposed facility and to assist the land-use authority in providing comments on the proposed development.

2.0 Background

A continual growth in demand for wireless products and their associated services has created a need for increased wireless network infrastructure. Mobile phones and other wireless devices cannot operate without the necessary infrastructure, which is made up of transmitting and receiving antenna sites located on support structures, commonly referred to as "cell towers".

New infrastructure requirements are determined by monitoring the wireless network and identifying areas with weak or insufficient coverage. Xplore network planners isolate the areas requiring improvements and conduct coverage studies to determine the ideal co-ordinates for a new antenna base station. Real estate investigations determine feasible locations for new sites. New locations include existing towers (colocation), tall buildings or other feasible structures and of course new free-standing support structures.

3.0 Proposal

Xplore has proposed a new free standing 45.0m tall lite duty self support type communication facility (ON8439). The proposal supports enhanced wireless voice & data coverage and capacity for the Lower Langside area as well as the surrounding areas around Bruce Road 6 and Kinloss Culross/Wolfe Street.

3.1 Location

Xplore's proposed location is on property described as 1575 Bruce Road 6, Teeswater. The proposed facility would be located approximately 500m north of the Bruce Road 6 and Wolfe Street intersection (Figure 1 & 2).

The tower is proposed to be located on the western edge of the subject property and has the geographic coordinates:

Latitude: **43.990959°**
Longitude: **-81.386227°**

Figure 1 – Area Map

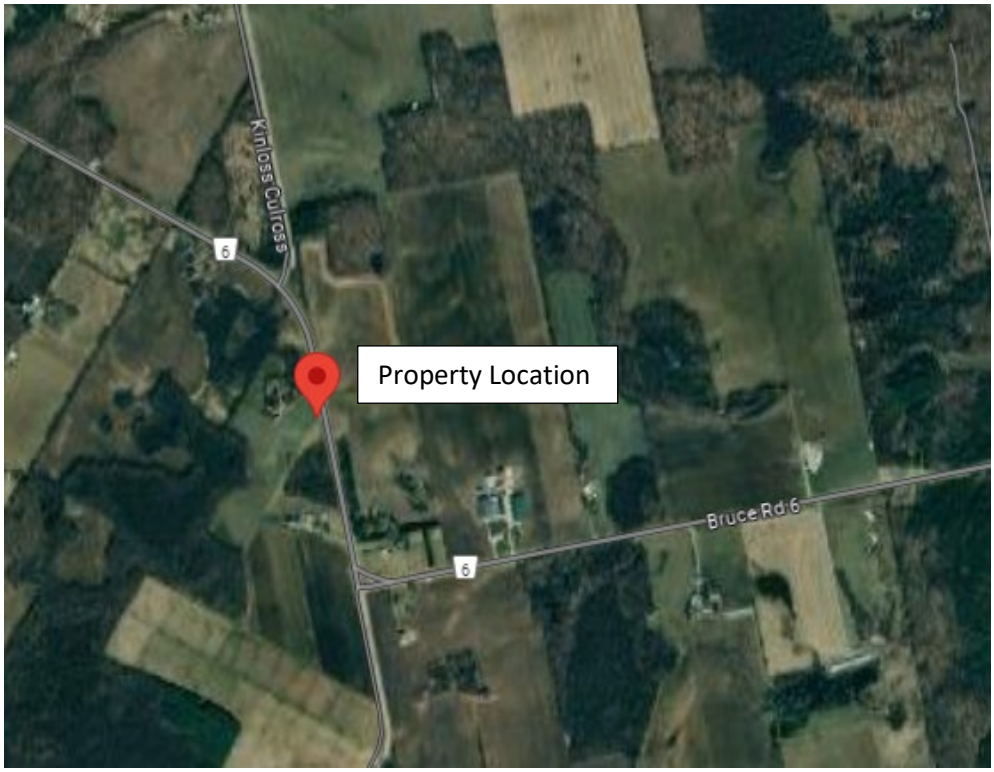


Figure 2 – Tower Location

3.2 Design

Xplore has proposed a 45.0m tall lite duty self support style structure within a 3m x 3m area, transmitting and receiving antennas, and radio equipment (see Figure 3).

The tower height allows the antenna equipment to propagate wireless signals over top of obstacles (trees, buildings, varying topography) and maintain line of sight connections to other Xplore facilities in the network.

The proposed installation provides an opportunity to accommodate future technologies as well as potential co-location with other licensed carriers, thus limiting the number of new tower structures required in the area.

Figure 3 –Tower Elevation

4.0 Rationale

The selection of a wireless communications site works similarly to fitting a piece into a puzzle. In this case, the puzzle is a complex radio network. Client demand, radio frequency engineering principles, local topography and land use opportunities working in concert with one another direct the geography of Xplore sites.

In identifying a potential tower location and design, Xplore Inc. examined the local area, assessed the visibility of the structure and considered possible tower designs. Xplore evaluated the best location for a new facility using the following criteria;

4.1 Technical Requirements

The performance of a wireless network is dependent on the geographical location of its equipment, height of its antennas, line of sight requirements, the demand customers place on the network, as well as proximity to the network users. In expanding its wireless network, Xplore is seeking to improve service for areas near Lower Langside.

Xplore can achieve enhanced coverage and capacity with the proposed facility ON8439.

4.2 Evaluation of Existing Structures

Co-location and rooftop deployment are the first locations considered in achieving new coverage objectives. In order for site sharing to be considered technically feasible, existing telecommunication sites and other tall structures must be located within the search area prescribed by Xplore network planners and engineers. These locations must also provide adequate deployment height and structural capacity to hold additional equipment.

Site sharing investigations revealed that there are no existing facilities within 500m of Xplore's proposed location.

4.3 Land-use Consideration

The site is located in a rural area on agricultural lands. The tower site will be tucked as close to the property line to minimize any disruption to agricultural operations.

Given the coverage objectives of this site we feel it is the best possible location. The proposed facility will enhance coverage for surrounding area while maintaining a significant setback to any residential uses as well as avoiding sensitive environmental areas.

5.0 Review of Development Plan

5.1 Municipal Consultation Process

Xplore is regulated and licensed by Industry Canada to provide inter-provincial wireless voice and data services. As a federal undertaking, Xplore is required by Industry Canada to consult with land-use authorities in siting new mobile base station locations.

The consultation process established under Industry Canada's authority is intended to provide the local land-use authorities an opportunity to address land-use concerns while respecting the federal government's exclusive jurisdiction in the siting and operation of wireless voice and data systems.

As the provisions of the Ontario Planning Act and other municipal by-laws and regulations do not apply to federal undertakings, wireless communication facilities are not required to obtain municipal permits of any kind. Xplore is required to follow established and documented telecommunication protocols or processes set forth by land-use authorities.

5.2 Public Consultation

In accordance with Industry Canada procedures, public consultation is required for most new telecommunication facility proposals. Per Industry Canada's guidelines default public consultation is conducted via written notification to property owners within three times (3x) the height of the tower measured from the base or outer most point of the tower. Depending on the height of the proposed facility a public notice in a locally circulated newspaper may also be warranted.

Both forms of notice must contain basic information about the proposal (location, design etc.) as well as contact information for the proponent and a thirty (30) day window to submit comments or questions to the proponent.

Public consultation requirements may vary where an established local policy or protocol is in effect.

5.3 Federal Requirements

In addition to the requirements for consultation with municipal authorities and the public, Xplore must also fulfill other important obligations including the following:

Impact Assessment Act (IAA) formerly Canadian Environmental Assessment Act

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada ("ISED" formerly Industry Canada) requires that the installation and modification of antenna systems be done in a manner that complies with appropriate environmental legislation. This includes the Impact Assessment Act, 2019 (IAA), where the

antenna system is incidental to a physical activity or project designated under IAA, or is located on federal lands.

Xplore attests that the radio antenna system as proposed for this site is not located within federal lands or forms part of or incidental to projects that are designated by the Regulations Designating Physical Activities or otherwise designated by the Minister of the Environment as requiring an environmental assessment. In accordance with the Impact Assessment Act, this installation is excluded from assessment.

For additional detailed information, please consult the Impact Assessment Act at: https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/I-2.75/

Transport Canada's Aeronautical Obstruction Marking Requirements

Aerodrome safety is under the exclusive jurisdiction of NAV Canada and Transport Canada. An important obligation of wireless proponents is to comply with Transport Canada / NAV Canada aeronautical safety requirements. Transport Canada performs an assessment of the proposal with respect to the potential hazard to air navigation and notifies Xplore of any painting and/or lighting requirements for the antenna system. Xplore does not anticipate that the proposed installation will require any painting or lighting and has submitted the necessary applications to the appropriate parties to obtain the required approvals.

For additional information, please see the Transport Canada website at:
http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/civilaviation/regserv/cars/part6-standards-standards621-3808.htm

Health Canada's Safety Code 6 Compliance

Health Canada is responsible for research and investigation to determine and promulgate health protection limits for exposure to radio-frequency (RF) electromagnetic energy. Accordingly, Health Canada has developed a guideline entitled "Limits of Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields in the Frequency Range from 3Khz to 300Ghz – Safety Code 6".
The exposure limits specified in Safety Code 6 are established by reviewing all peer-reviewed scientific research in the area of human health and RF exposure. Included in this review are hundreds of studies conducted over the past 50 years.

Radiocommunication, including technical aspects related to broadcasting, is under the responsibility of the Ministry of Industry (Industry Canada) which has the power to establish standards, rules, policies and procedures. Industry Canada, under this authority has adopted Safety Code 6 for the protection of the general public. With this adoption, Industry Canada requires all proponents and operators to ensure that their installations comply with Safety Code 6 at all times, including any changes to the code and including any combined effects from other installations in the nearby radio environment.

Xplore attests that the radio antenna system described will comply with Health Canada's Safety Code 6 limits, as may be amended from time to time, for the protection of the general public including any combined effects of additional carrier co-locations and nearby installations within the local radio environment.

Engineering Practices

Xplore attests that the radio antenna system as proposed for this site will be constructed in compliance with the National Building Code and the Canadian Standards Association and comply with good engineering practices including structural adequacy.

6.0 Summary and Conclusion

As communities continue to grow to depend on wireless products and their services, it will be necessary to improve network coverage and quality. Improving network coverage and quality is achieved by increasing mobile base station infrastructure to fill coverage gaps and increase capacity for current and future wireless users.

In response to the demand for high quality wireless services in Ontario and specifically in the area of Lower Langside, Xplore has proposed a communications site that achieves the technical requirements of the network while maintaining a significant setback to any residential land uses.

I look forward to working with the municipality in providing enhanced wireless services to the community. Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me at 587.894.0773 or by email at sduncan@forbesbrosltd.ca

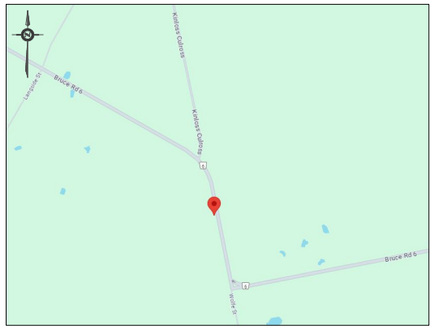
Sincerely,

Sarah Duncan

Sarah Duncan, Government Relations
FB Connect
482 South Service Road East, Unit 130
Oakville, ON L6J 2X6

SITE DATA	EXISTING	PROPOSED
PROPERTY AREA	±14.5ha	
AREA LEASED ACCESS AND HYDRO/FIBER CONNECTION (PART 1) COMPOUND (PART 2) TOTAL		 90 sq.m. 221 sq.m. 311 sq.m.
UNITS		1 PROPOSED RADIO EQUIPMENT SHELTER 1 PROPOSED STEEL SELF SUPPORT TOWER
HEIGHT OF TOWER		45m
SETBACKS		
PROPOSED STEEL SELF SUPPORT TOWER FRONT (BRUCE COUNTY ROAD No. 6) SIDE (SOUTH)		 ±8 m ±8 m
PROPOSED RADIO EQUIPMENT SHELTER FRONT (BRUCE COUNTY ROAD No. 6) SIDE (SOUTH)		 ±11 m ±8 m

KEY PLAN (NOT TO SCALE)



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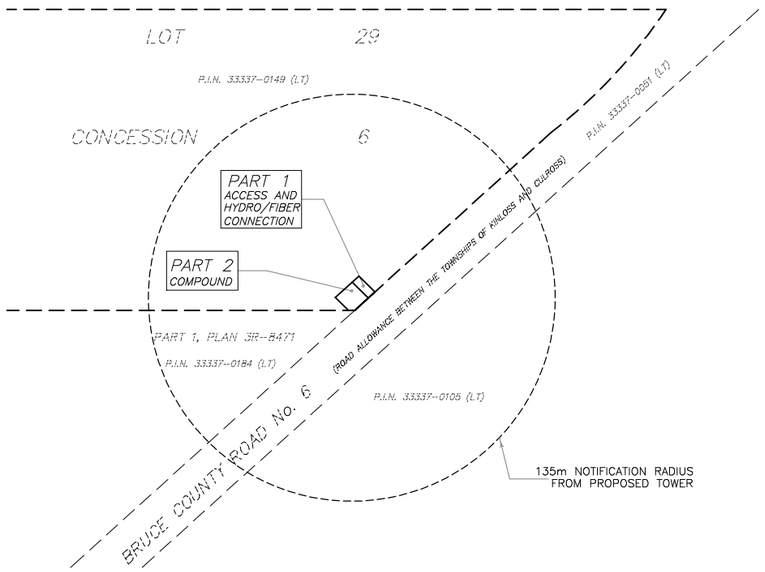

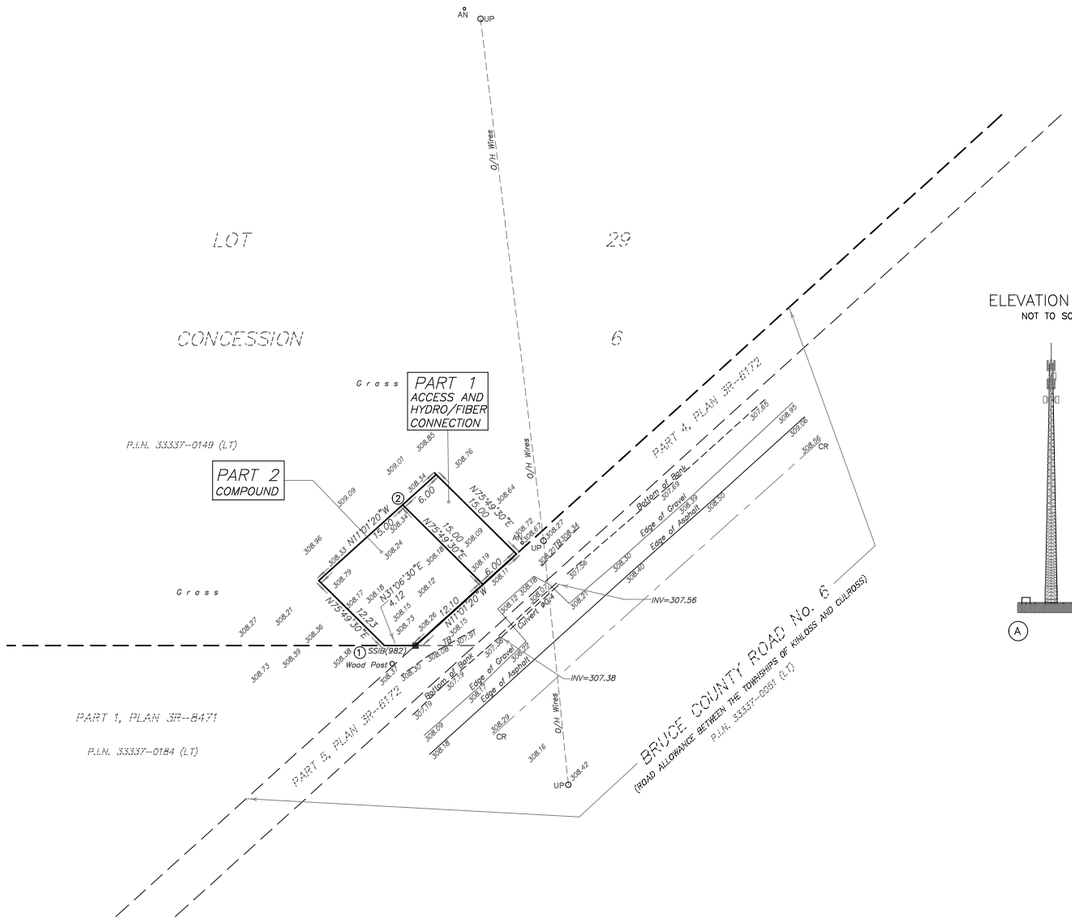

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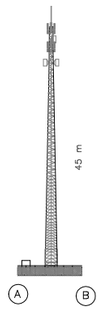

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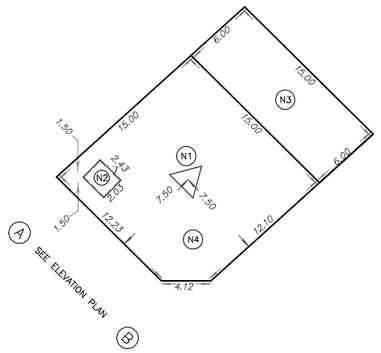

NOTES

(N1) PROPOSED STEEL SELF SUPPORT TOWER.
PAINT COLOUR SUBJECT TO NAV CANADA REQUIREMENTS.
ANTENNA NUMBER AND LOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED.
FOUNDATION DESIGN PENDING SOIL REPORT.

(N2) PROPOSED WALK IN RADIO EQUIPMENT SHELTER ON REINFORCED CONCRETE SLAB.

(N3) PROPOSED ACCESS WAY AND HYDRO/FIBER OPTIC CONNECTION.

(N4) REMOVE EXISTING TOPSOIL, PROOF ROLL SUBGRADE AND PLACE 300 mm GRANULAR A ACROSS COMPOUND AREA. MATCH INTO EXISTING GRADES ADJACENT TO THE COMPOUND. PROVIDE POSITIVE DRAINAGE AWAY FROM THE TOWER, SHELTERS AND HYDRO PAD TOWARDS THE NATURAL SLOPE OF THE SITE. REINSTATE ALL DISTURBED AREAS.

LEGEND

■	DENOTES	SURVEY MONUMENT FOUND
SSIB	"	SHORT STANDARD IRON BAR
PIN	"	PROPERTY IDENTIFIER NUMBER
962	"	HARRY R. WHALE, O.L.S.
AN	"	ANCHOR
TB	"	TOP OF BANK
UP	"	UTILITY POLE
CR	"	CENTERLINE
O/H	"	OVERHEAD
INV	"	INVERT
ø	"	DIAMETER

SITE PLAN

PROPOSED
TELECOMMUNICATION INSTALLATION
1575 BRUCE ROAD 6

PART OF LOT 29
CONCESSION 6
TOWNSHIP OF HURON-KINLOSS
COUNTY OF BRUCE

SCALE 1 : 400

10 0 10 20 30 40 metres

ALEX MARTON LTD.
ONTARIO LAND SURVEYORS

METRIC

DISTANCES AND COORDINATES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN ARE IN METRES AND CAN BE CONVERTED TO FEET BY DIVIDING BY 0.3048.

SCHEDULE

PART	LOT	CONCESSION	P.I.N.	AREA sq.m
1	PART OF 29	6	33337-0149 (LT)	90
2				221

INTEGRATION NOTE

BEARINGS SHOWN ARE GRID BEARINGS AND ARE DERIVED FROM OBSERVED REFERENCE POINTS (ORP'S) 1 AND 2 BY REAL TIME NETWORK OBSERVATIONS, UTM ZONE 17, NAD 83 (CSRS) (2010.0 EPOCH).

DISTANCES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN ARE GROUND DISTANCES AND CAN BE CONVERTED TO GRID DISTANCES BY MULTIPLYING BY THE COMBINED SCALE FACTOR OF 0.999569.

INTEGRATION DATA

OBSERVED REFERENCE POINTS (ORP's) DERIVED FROM GPS REAL TIME NETWORK OBSERVATIONS AND ARE REFERRED TO UTM ZONE 17, NAD 83 (CSRS) (2010.0). COORDINATE VALUES ARE TO URBAN ACCURACY PER SECTION 14 (2) OF O. REG 216/10

POINT ID	NORTHING	EASTING
ORP 1	4870940.26	469037.41
ORP 2	4870948.47	469020.55

COORDINATES CANNOT, IN THEMSELVES, BE USED TO RE-ESTABLISH CORNERS OR BOUNDARIES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN.

ELEVATION NOTE

ELEVATIONS SHOWN HEREON ARE GEODETIC AND ARE DERIVED FROM GPS OBSERVATIONS USING REAL TIME NETWORK OBSERVATIONS.

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE

I CERTIFY THAT:
1. THE SURVEY WAS COMPLETED ON THE 15TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2024.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2024
DATE

A. MARTON
ONTARIO LAND SURVEYOR

AMENDMENTS		
No.	DESCRIPTION	DATE
1.	CONPOUND AND ACCESS WAY REVISED.	30.09.2024

Xplore

LATITUDE N43°59'27.5" 43.990975
LONGITUDE W81°23'10.5" -81.386235
ELEVATION 308.2

SITE NAME: LOWER LANGSIDE (ON8439)

ALEX MARTON LIMITED
ONTARIO LAND SURVEYORS
160 APPLEWOOD CRESCENT, UNIT 8,
CONCORD, ONTARIO, L4K 4H2
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PARTY CHIEF : H.Z.	FILE NAME: 2024-143(ON8439).DWG
DRAWN : Z.Y.	PLOT SCALE: 1:400
CHECKED : A.M.	PROJECT No. 2024-143

Staff Report

Report Title: Building Statistics October, November 2024
Date: Dec. 3, 2024 **Report Number: BLD-2024-12-23**
Department: Building & Planning **File Number:** C11 BLDG 24
Prepared By: Brett Pollock, Chief Building Official
Attachments: BM Ross Septic Report – October 2024

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole receives for information Report BLD-2024-12-23, prepared by Brett Pollock, Chief Building Official.

Background:

This is a monthly report updating building activity within the Township.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Permits issued between October 1st 2024 and November 30th, 2024 as follows:

Permit Type	Permits Issued	Construction Value	Residential Units Added
New Residential dwelling	5	$3,080,000	5
Demolition	1	$10,000	
Residential Addition/Renovation	3	$212,500	
Accessory Structure	5	$191,000	
Sewage System	10	$222,000	
Industrial	0	0	
Agricultural Building - Other	3	$290,000	

Agricultural Building - Livestock	0	0	
Pool (Fence)	0	0	
Miscellaneous (Decks, tents, solar panels etc)	3	$12,000	
Total	**31**	**$4,019,000**	**5**

	2024 Year to Date	**2023 Year to date**
Value of Construction	$30,468,825	$39,707,436
Number of Permits	186	246

Financial Impacts:

2024 Permit Fees collected to date are $204,787.75

Performance Measurement:

Key performance statistics are provided in the body of the report.

Strategic Area:

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☒ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Performance Measurement

Respectfully Submitted By:
Brett Pollock, Chief Building Official

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

B. M. ROSS AND ASSOCIATES LIMITED
Engineers and Planners
62 North Street, Goderich, ON N7A 2T4
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Septic Program Summary – October/November 2024

Month	Regular Inspections	New/Replacement Inspections (Part 8)
January	0	5
February	0	0
March	0	4
April	7	1
May	73	2
June	81	2
July	68	3
August	57	4
September	56	8
October	59	8
November	6	4
TOTAL	**407**	**41**

*includes completed and currently scheduled appointments to the last day of 2024 season Nov 8/24

B.M. Ross prepared and sent out total of 398 letters to landowners due for a 2024 inspection (permanent residences, WHPA's & seasonal residences*) in the last week of April. Inspections began almost immediately, as calls/requests were received in anticipation of the program start date.

Reminder letters sent in August and September to landowners prompted a number appointments to be made for to the ending date of the program this year, November 8th. Due to the participation, there were few reminder calls made this fall but we did contact some landowners who had specifically requested a late season inspection.

We have completed approximately 90% of the inspections that were due in 2024 for the permanent and seasonal properties and all the WHPA properties are in compliance this year.

The fall often shows an increase in Part 8 lot inspections and installations and this year has been no different. New or replacement systems will continue to be installed and inspected as long as the weather remains favorable.

**Permanent residence* – property owners with a mailing address the same as property address
WHPA – properties located within Wellhead Protection Area, these properties received inspections every 5 years
Seasonal residence – property owners with a mailing address that is not the same as the property location
Past Due – properties that were not inspected in Cycle 2

Staff Report

Report Title: 2025 Building Permit Fees Review
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: BLD-2024-12-25**
Department: Building and Planning **File Number:** C11
Prepared By: Brett Pollock, Manager of Building and Planning/CBO
Attachments: 2025 Draft Proposed Building Permit Fees

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLD-2024-12-25 prepared by Brett Pollock, Manager of Building and Planning/CBO;

AND FURTHER approves amending the building fees as outlined in the report;

AND FURTHER THAT a public meeting be held in accordance with the Building Code Act and notice of the public meeting be provided in accordance with the Act;

AND FURTHER authorizes a by-law be brought back amending the fees following the public meeting.

Background:

The intent of building permit fees is to ensure that the cost of administering and enforcing the Act does not exceed the anticipated reasonable costs. As a result, fees are reviewed by staff regularly with adjustments proposed to Council as required. The last adjustments to building permit fees were made in 2022 and 2023 however only slight adjustments have been made.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

A review of the current fees and reserve has been completed and comparison made with both the Township of ACW and Municipality of Kincardine. The proposed fees are consistent with both ACW and Kincardine and when considering the future growth, the needs of the community and the goal to improve the service level it was determined the current fees be increased as indicted in the attached table.

Financial Impacts:

A result of the proposed increases is shown below for your information.

1800 SF Bungalow with unfinished basement and 600 SF attached garage

Proposed - $4168 Current - $2710

6400 SF farm building without livestock

Proposed - $1920 Current - $1280

10,000 SF livestock facility – no liquid manure storage

Proposed - $3500 Current - $2500

Performance Measurement:

The revenue generated from the proposed increases would bring the Township closer to covering costs of current and future expenditures.

Strategic Area:

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☒ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☒Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☒ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Commit to financial health and sustainability

Respectfully Submitted By:
Brett Pollock, Manager of Building and Planning/CBO

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Schedule "B" to By-Law No. 2024-xx
Building, Plumbing and Septic Fees

	Class of Permit	*2024 Fee*	*2025 Fee Proposed*	*Comment*
1	**Single Family Residential and Additions** (excluding garage and unfinished basements)	$0.85 per sq/ft	$0.85 per sq/ft	no change
2	**Multi Residential**	$0.85 per sq/ft	$0.85 per sq/ft	no change
3	**Accessory Buildings – Residential** (including attached garage)	$0.45 per sq/ft	$0.50 per sq/ft	change proposed
4	**Unfinished Basement**	$0.45 per sq/ft	$0.85 per sq/ft	change proposed
5	**Crawl spaces and other foundations** (excluding unfinshed and finished basments)	$0.45 per sq/ft	$0.45 per sq/ft	No Change. Previously listed with unfinished basement
6	**Decks, Balconies and Porches**	$0.25 per sq/ft	$0.50 per sq/ft	change proposed
7	**Commercial, Industrial or Institutional** (all floors)	$0.70 per sq/ft	$0.85 per sq/ft	change proposed
8	**Farm Buildings – Livestock Housing**	$0.25 per sq/ft	$0.35 per sq/ft	change proposed
9	**Farm Buildings – Other than Livestock Housing**	$0.20 per sq/ft	$0.30 per sq/ft	change proposed
10	**Manure – Storage Facility**	$0.20 per sq/ft incl area under livestock housing Minimum $200.00	$0.25 per sq/ft incl area under livestock housing	change proposed
11	**Bunker and Tower Silos**	$200.00	$300.00	change proposed
12	**Steel Granaries** (each)	$100.00 less than 315 sq/ft $200.00 greater than 315 sq/ft	$300.00	Change proposed
13	**Swimming Pools**	$100.00	$200.00	Change proposed
14	**All Renovations**	$75.00 plus $10.00 per $1000.00 construction costs	$11.00 per $1000.00 construction costs	Change proposed
15	**Occupancy Permit**	$100.00	$100.00	No change
16	**Change of Occupancy Permit**	$100.00	$300.00	Change proposed
17	**Demolition Permit**	$75.00	$200.00	Change proposed
18	**Minimum Permit Fee**	$75.00	$300.00	Change proposed
19	**Construction started without a Permit**	Double regular costs	Double regular costs	No change
	Plumbing Permit	Inspections and Permits included in Building Fees	See Plumbing Fees	Change proposed. See new Plumbing fees section.
20	**Temporary Structure Permit** (including tents, seasonal greenhouses on commercial properties, etc.)	$100.00	$200.00	Change proposed
21	**New Mobile Homes, Park Model Trailers**	$0.75 per sq/ft	$0.85 per sq/ft	Change proposed
	Engineering Review **Intensive Livestock Facilities and Manure Storage Facilities**	$950.00	See Engineer Review	Change proposed. See engineer review.
22	**Tarp Covered Structures**	$0.15 per sq/ft	To be charged the fee based on the type building.	Change proposed. Fee to be determined by the building type same as all other types of construction.
23	**Sign Permit**		$200.00	New fee
24	**Sign By-law Exemption**		$150.00	
25	**Wind Turbines**	$20.00 per $1000.00 of actual value of construction of footings and foundation	$26.00 per $1000.00 of actual value of construction of footings and foundation	Change proposed
26	**Consulting/Engineering Review Deposit** **Installation of Utilities on Township Road Allowances** Major Minor	 $5,000.00 $1,000.00	 $5,000.00 $1,000.00	No change to amount. Change made to text to provide clarification.
	Sewage System			
27	**Class 2, 3, 4, or 5 new or replacement system**	$750.00	$750.00	No change
28	**Class 4 or 5 tank replacement**	$400.00	$400.00	No change
29	**Class 4 Leaching Bed Repair**	$400.00	$400.00	No change
30	**Sewage System Demolition Permit**	$125.00	$200.00	Change proposed
31	**Building Alternation/Change of Use***	$200.00	$200.00	No change
	Plumbing Permit Fees			
32	**Plumbing permit base fee**		$200.00	New fee
33	**Fixture unit rate ($6.00 per fixture unit)**		$6.00	New fee
34	**Sewer/Water Connection (for first 100 feet)**		$130.00	New fee
35	**Sewer/Water Connection for each 100 feet after**		$7.00 per 100 feet	New fee
36	**Storm Sewer Connection (for first 100 feet)**		$130.00	New fee
37	**Storm Sewer Connection for each 100 feet after**		$3.50 per 100 feet	New fee
38	**Alterations without addition of fixtures**		$8.00	New fee

39	**Catch basins / manholes inspection (each)**		$11.00	New fee
40	**Inspection of testable backflow prevention devices (per unit)**		$78.00	New fee
41	**Rainwater leader piping inspection (per foot)**		$0.60	New fee
42	**Roof drains inspection (per drain)**		$11.00	New fee
43	**Fire / water service inspection (first 100 feet)**		$130.00	New fee
44	**Fire / water service inspection for each 100 feet after**		$2.00	New fee
45	**Property Inquiry/File Search (incl. copies of permits/applications)**	$175.00	$175.00	No change
46	**Alternative Solution Application Review**		$300 plus actual cost	New fee
47	**Renewable Energy Application Review**		$300 plus actual cost	New fee
48	**Copy of Permit/Application**	$35.00	$35.00	No change
49	**Transfer of Permit**	$75.00	$125.00	Change proposed
50	**Renewal of Permit**	$50.00	$50.00	No change
51	**Additonal review of approved plans**	$50.00	$150.00	Change proposed
52	**Any building construction, renovation or repair not listed above**		$11.00 per $1000.00 construction costs	New fee
53	**Additional/ Miscellaneous Inspections/Failed Inspections** (discretionary)	$75.00	$100.00	Change proposed

Notes:

*A $200 credit shall be applied to a new sewage permit application in cases where a building alternation appraisal has required a new or altered sewage system be installed.

Refunds

- A minimum of $215 shall be retained for any application that is withdrawn.
- An additional $125 shall be retained if a site visit was completed.
- No fee is refundable after a permit has been issued.

Staff Report

Report Title: Municipal By-Law Enforcement Status Report November 2024
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: BLE-2024-12-16**
Department: By-Law Enforcement **File Number:** C11 BLE 24
Prepared By: Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer
Attachments: N/A

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLE-2024-12-16, as prepared by Heather Falconer, Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer.

Background:

To update Council on November occurrences involving Municipal By-Law Enforcement.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

November 2024 Data Chart		
Complaints	**Number of Calls for Service**	**Calls To Date**
Animal Control	7	59
Property Maintenance	6	77
Parking Violations	1	17
Beach Violations	0	7
Feeding Wildlife and Feral Animals	0	0
By-Laws Not Listed Above	2	67
Other complaints not by-law related but of public interest	1	20

Total Complaints	17	247

Year to Date Issuance of Provincial Offence Certificate & Property Maintenance Order

2024	Issued	Pending Resolution	Resolved
Provincial Offence Certificate	0	0	3
Property Maintenance Order	0	5	30

Animal Control

There were seven complaints regarding dogs running at large this month. Owners who could be identified through their dogs Huron-Kinloss dog tag received education verbally and was then follow-up with a written notice.

One dog whose owners could not be identified was brought to the Township Pound without incident. No owner has come forward and the dog has been accepted into an adoption program.

Two brown female cocker spaniels' dogs were found by residents at the side of the road. Due to the dogs condition the residents took them into their own vet who scanned them for an identification chip and tattoo, none were found. The location of the dogs was not provided. The residents called to ensure that no calls were received for the lost dogs and to let the Township know of the occurrence.

Property Maintenance

Of the six property maintenance complaints, four pertained to dead trees in residential areas that are at risk of falling causing damage to adjacent properties.

The two other concerns were debris accumulation in yards. Once concerns are confirmed by inspection, property owners are notified and issued compliance dates.

Sign By-law

A complaint came forward regarding the amount of business advertisement signs that have accumulated on the road allowances and hydro poles along the lakeshore area. The complainant stated they will be requesting the hydro company remove the advertisements from their poles when they are working in the area. Staff will increase education to the public on permittable locations for both home business and commercial business signs. A list of alternative ways to legally advertise within the Township will also be provided. Notices will be sent to non-compliant businesses soon.

Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program

There have been five investigations regarding the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program since August. By-law Enforcement is appointed as the Municipal Livestock Investigator to complete onsite investigations when livestock have been allegedly injured or killed by a wildlife predator. Along with the investigation, the application form is filled out and submitted for review and approval. At this time last year, there were only two investigations had occurred.

Financial Impacts:

There is no financial impact currently.

Strategic Area:

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☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Facilitate Community Well Being

Respectfully Submitted By:
Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

Report Title: Fire and Emergency Services November 2024
Date: Dec. 3, 2024 **Report Number: FIR-2024-12-30**
Department: Fire and Emergency Services **File Number:** C11 FIR 24
Prepared By: Jeff Bradley Fire Chief
Attachments: None

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-12-30 prepared by Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief.

Background:

During the month, the following Fire and Emergency Services administrative tasks have been initiated, are on-going and/or have been completed.

1. All general administrative tasks with the day-to-day operations of the Fire Department for the months have been completed.

2. The monthly activities for the Ripley-Huron and Lucknow & District Fire Stations are detailed below in the discussion section.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

1. Fire Department Emergency Responses:
   Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0

Incident Type:	September Totals:
Fire - Structure	0
Fire – Mutual Aid	0
Fire – Outdoor - Grass	0
Fire - Vehicle	0
Motor Vehicle Collision	0
Industrial/ Agricultural Incident	0
Medical Assist	4
General Fire Alarm	1
Public Hazard - Wires	0
Public Hazard – CO/Gas	0
Open Air Burning Complaint	3
Water Rescue	0
Total Responses:	8

Lucknow & District Station # 16-0

Incident Type:	September

	Totals:
Fire - Structure	0
Fire – Mutual Aid	0
Fire – Outdoor- Grass	1
Fire - Vehicle	2
Motor Vehicle Collisions	1
Medical Assist	9
Public Hazard - Wires	1
Public Hazard – CO/Gas	0
General Fire Alarm	1
Open Air Burning Complaint	1
Total Responses:	16

2.Fire Department Training/Meeting Sessions:

Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0

Session Type:	September Totals:
General/Officer/JHSC Meetings	1
Fire Practice	2
Additional Training	0
Recruit Firefighter Training	0
Vehicle/Station/PPE Inspections	2

Lucknow & District Station # 16-0

Session Type:	September Totals:
General/Officer/JHSC Meetings	2
Fire Practice	2
Additional Training	0
Recruit Firefighter Training	0
Vehicle/Station/PPE Inspections	2

3.Fire Department Non-Emergency Activities:

Ripley-Huron and Lucknow Stations Combined

Activity Type:	September Totals:
Fire Inspections (Incl. Follow Ups)	3
Fire Investigations	0
Open Air Burn By-law Investigation	5
Fire Permits Issued	3
Fire Prevention Activity/Plan Review	2
Pre-Incident Planning Activity	0
Public Education: In person/social media	11
Smoke/CO Program Activity	11
Community Event Participation	0

JHSC – Monthly Facility Inspection	1

Additional activity:

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- Ripley's new fire apparatus (Pumper Truck) is scheduled to be finished production at the build factory Dec 1. After the fire pump and quality testing is completed, the apparatus will be arriving in Brampton on Dec 9th, 2024. For its final inspection and delivery.

Financial Impacts:

N/A

Performance Measurement:

Statistics included in body of report.

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Strive for continuous improvement and increased efficiency

Respectfully Submitted By:
Jeff Bradley Fire Chief

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Emergency Management and Health and Safety November 2024 Summary
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: FIR-2024-12-32**
Department: Fire & Emergency Services **File Number:** C11 FIR 24
Prepared By: Mel Moulton, Emergency Services and Health & Safety Coordinator CEMC
Attachments: none

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-12-32 prepared by Mel Moulton, Emergency Services/ Health & Safety Coordinator-CEMC.

Background:

This report provides an update of Emergency Management and Health and Safety activities.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Emergency Management

The Community Emergency Management Program Committee met during November to review the Municipal Emergency Response Plan, Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment, Critical Infrastructure List and discuss updates from various members.

Bruce Sector CEMC's were hosted by Hydro One in Listowel for a Powering Preparedness workshop. The workshop aimed to improve response and communication with municipalities and Hydro One during emergencies.

Health and Safety

Chief Bradley completed simulated fire extinguisher training with municipal staff during November tailgate meetings.

Georgian Bay Fire & Safety completed annual testing of fire alarms, extinguishers and emergency lighting at all municipal facilities.

The Joint Health and Safety Committee welcomed Claude Wiggermann as a worker representative for public works.

Financial Impacts:

To comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, as well as Regulations under the Act, and other Acts, and to keep workers safe on the job, health and safety is an ongoing expense included in the operating budget.

Performance Measurement:

None

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Strive for continuous improvement and increased efficiency

Respectfully Submitted By:
Mel Moulton, Emergency Services and Health & Safety Coordinator CEMC

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Sutton Municipal Drain Improvement Request

Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: DRA-2024-12-06**

Department: Drains **File Number:** C11

Prepared By: Ken McCallum

Attachments: None

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report Number DRAIN 2024-12-06 prepared by Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent;

AND accepts the request made to Improve the Sutton Municipal Drain to provide sufficient depth for underdrainage in Lot 9, Concession 12, Kinloss Ward;

AND FURTHER that following the required notice period, that Headway Engineering Limited be appointed to undertake the project, if available.

Background:

A request for Drain Major Improvements was received on November 26, 2024 under Section 78 (1.1) of the Drainage Act. The request is to improve the Sutton Drain to provide a new outlet to permit drainage of approximately 26 acres of farmlands.

This is a reasonable request for an improvement to better utilize the agricultural lands on the property.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

In September 2024, municipal staff were contacted by the landowner of Lot 9, Concession 12, Kinloss Ward with concerns regarding the Sutton Municipal Drain. The landowner had engaged a private contractor to install systematic tile drainage on their property.

Upon investigation, it was determined that the existing outlet did not meet the current minimum depth standards required for tile installation, leaving approximately 26 acres of land undrainable. To address this issue, the outlet requires additional depth of approximately two feet to meet modern standards.

The outlet for the Sutton Municipal Drain was initially constructed under the provisions of the Drainage Act as part of the Black Creek Municipal Drain, specifically Branch 'K' of the Guest Branch, governed by By-Law 5-1932.

The Sutton Municipal Drain itself was constructed under By-Law 11-1956, based on a report authored by James A. Howes. This report detailed the construction of a Main

Drain and one Branch Drain, referred to as the 'A' Drain. However, no report, plan, or profile is currently available in the municipal files for this project.

In 2021, Council appointed Headway Engineering to prepare a report under Section #78 of the Drainage Act. This was in response to a request to relocate the drain to accommodate proposed severances. At the time, no additional improvements were identified by stakeholders, and as a result, no further recommendations were included in the report.

Staff recommend that the Request be accepted. Following the legislated notification period, Staff recommend that Council appoint Headway Engineering to undertake the requested project, due to their existing familiarity with the drainage in this area.

Financial Impacts:

The Township will be responsible for any assessments to municipal lands and roads as determined by the engineer. Residents within the watershed will be responsible for the remainder of the project costs as allocated in the assessment schedules.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Strive for continuous improvement and increased efficiency

Respectfully Submitted By:
Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Municipal Drain Status Update December 2024
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: DRA-2024-12-07**
Department: Drainage **File Number:** C11 DRA 24
Prepared By: Ken McCallum
Attachments: None

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report DRAIN-2024-12-07 prepared by Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent.

Background:

Municipal Drainage projects are in various stages of completion. This report is to provide the Committee with an update on each drain in progress.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Previous update provided in Report DRA-2024-11-05(previous report).

Capital Works

Hamilton Municipal Drain:

K. Smart & Associates Limited are appointed under Section 78 of the Drainage Act to make improvements to the Hamilton Municipal Drain. Notifications have been sent for a December 12 meeting with landowners, prior to the final report presentation to Council at the January meeting.

Gaunt-Laidlaw Municipal Drain

The Engineer's report was referred to the Engineer by Council for changes to the design and report. The Engineer has been delayed in scheduling a landowner meeting to review the revised report, due to the unavailability of one of the landowners.

The report will be finalized for Council consideration at a public meeting early in the new year.

Vandiepenbeek Municipal Drain

A CCV camera inspection occurred prior to the release of 60-day statutory holdback. This inspection has identified several areas of concern that the Project Engineer is having rectified. Significant financial holdbacks have been retained to cover any costs to remedy issues. Municipal staff will continue to work with the project

Engineer to address any outstanding concerns identified by landowners during the one year construction warranty period.

Black Creek Municipal Drain

A meeting with impacted landowners to review scope of work is being scheduled and most likely to result in the new year.

Others

There has been no change to the status since the last report with respect to the following ongoing capital drain projects: Park Street & Railway Street Municipal Drains, Bruce Beach Drain Phase 1 & 2, Clark Creek Municipal Drain and Thompson Lamont Deyell Municipal Drain, Pennell Municipal Drain, Jantzi Municipal Drain and Kempton Municipal Drain.

Maintenance Works

Stewart Municipal Drain

A request has been made for a clean out downstream of Concession A, Pt. Lot 60, Parcel ID (9-121-01). While some work has been completed, Staff have identified concerns with the existing drain, that is impairing functionality of the drain. Preliminary surveys have determined a difference between existing conditions, and the built requirements of the approved Drainage report.

Reavie Municipal Drain

Approvals have been obtained for a requested cleanout and work is currently being conducted.

Carrick Municipal Drain

A failure within the Carrick Municipal Tile drain has identified required repairs as noted in previous report. Staff are waiting on permit approvals and expect work to be completed in 2025.

A. McDonald Municipal Drain

Work as noted in the previous report, has been completed and Staff are working to assess the incurred costs to upstream landowners in accordance with the last revised assessment schedule governing the drain.

Kincardine-Kinloss Municipal Drain.

Maintenance work has been completed, however further work is required commencing from the Kincardine-Kinloss Townline upstream to Hwy 9, which is within Conservation Authority Regulated wetlands. Staff are working on obtaining approvals to compete the work with DFO and SVCA.

Pollard Municipal Drain

The drain has failed within the road allowance of Statter's Lake Ave as previously reported. Staff are still awaiting locates to complete the work.

Hamilton Municipal Drain

Beavers continue to be trapped within the drain. Staff are awaiting further information from the trapper to proceed with the removal of the dams.

McDonald Bushell Municipal Drain

The work is now complete as outlined in report DRA 2024-10-04. Staff are working to assess the incurred costs to upstream landowners in accordance with the last revised assessment schedule governing the drain.

Financial Impacts:

The cost of constructing, maintaining and/or repairing municipal drains is assessed to all the landowners within the drain watershed depicted in the last engineer's report as outlined in the *Drainage Act, 1990*. The Township is responsible for any Assessments to all Municipal lands and roads as determined by the engineer.

The Township's Drainage Superintendent duties are provided through a shared services agreement with the Municipality of Huron-East. The Township of Huron-Kinloss would typically have two days each week of availability for the Drainage Superintendent to perform the duties assigned

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Protect, promote and restore our natural environment

Respectfully Submitted By:
Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Community Support Policy
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: TRE-2024-12-68**
Department: Treasury **File Number:** C11 TRE 24
Prepared By: Christine Heinisch, Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer
Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole receives Report TRE-2024-12-68 prepared by Christine Heinisch, Treasurer;

AND FURTHER that the appropriate by-law be brought forward to adopt the Community Support Policy attached.

Background:

The Township of Huron-Kinloss supports community groups through in-kind and financial support each year through the budget process and requests to Council. These requests are received at different times throughout the year and close to the event time.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

The process of allocating funds and supporting local community groups and events has been previously done as a request or delegation to Council, along with a set standard amount to organizations that are by way of a letter to the Treasurer each year, then approved during the budget process. Staff would like to adopt the attached policy in order to have clear guidelines for all community groups/organizations in order to have a consistent and transparent process of supporting events in our community. The policy outlines the application process; and the staff involved in determining the eligibility of the applications. Staff would then bring forward eligible applications for Council approval.

Financial Impacts:

Funds to be allocated will be determined each year during the budget deliberation process.

Performance Measurement:

Funds allocated for Community programs benefit the Township and its residents.

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Facilitate Community Well Being

Respectfully Submitted By:
Christine Heinisch, Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Policy

Section: 2.0 Finance/Treasury

Policy: Community Donation Policy

By-Law: Click here to enter text.

Date: 2 December 2024 Revision: Click here to enter text.

Coverage:

This policy applies to community organizations that operate and/or provide programs in the Township of Huron-Kinloss and for its residents.

Policy Statement:

The Township of Huron-Kinloss is committed to supporting various community organizations and other entities in the Township. They provide important programs, activities, services and events to residents of the township. Support through both in-kind and/or financial means, enables those community organizations to fundraise, leverage other funding and support their various volunteer contributions.

Legislative Authority:

Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 Section 107(1)

Contents:

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish eligibility requirements and expectations, as well as the application and review process related to providing grant assistance to community organizations. The policy is intended to provide consistency and fairness in the disposition of requests for assistance.

Types of support available through the community grant process include:

- Financial support
- Township staff support
- Supply of Township equipment
- Supply of Township materials

Eligibility

Community grants are available to not-for-profits and community groups that have volunteer-based management structure and membership. The organizations must demonstrate efficient use of resources, sound business practices, self-reliance and the development of volunteer knowledge and skills. Organizations must have demonstrated support from some source other than public funds.

The membership of the Community Group must not be restricted by race, creed, colour, marital status, sex, religious or political affiliation and should represent a broad base of community support.

Political or religious action groups shall not be considered for funding assistance.

Preference will be given to services that align with the Township's strategic plan and to groups that are based in the township.

Nothing in this policy prevents Council from making grants to entities at times and for purposes outside the scope of this policy.

All grant requests will be assessed in terms of:

1. Benefit to the community
2. Proportion and segment of the community benefiting
3. Organization's financial need

Program Guidelines

All grant requests shall be submitted and directed to the Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer, on or before October 31st to be considered during the budget process for the upcoming calendar year. Applications received after the deadline may be considered provided that there are uncommitted approved budget funds available for community grants.

Under normal circumstances, only one request per organization is to be considered per year.

In-kind support for festivals and events shall be requested through the Special Events application process not through the Community Grant application. Special event in-kind support will be provided at staff's discretion.

Funds granted under this program are not transferable between projects or groups without prior Council approval and must be used for the specific purposes outlined in the application.

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In the event that the project does not go forward, the grant recipient shall return to the Township those funds granted for the proposed project.

Community grant requests will not automatically be considered in subsequent years. A new submission must be filed for each year in which a grant is requested, and funding approved for one year will not be an indication of future year approval.

The grant shall not be the primary source of funding for the project or organization. Grants will be supplementary to main sources of funding.

The Township of Huron-Kinloss, through its grant process, will not contribute to outstanding deficits.

Organizations receiving financial and/or in-kind grants shall acknowledge the Township's contribution through all printed material and other promotional means. The Township's logo is available from the Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk's office.

Funding Review Requests

All requests will be considered having regard for the Township's current budget allocation except where exceptional circumstances exist, as approved by Council.

Incomplete requests will not be considered.

The Township will dedicate a team to review completed applications prior to submission to Council. The Review Team will consist of the Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk and the CAO.

The Review Team will provide a recommendation to Council based on the evaluation of the application.

Council is the approving authority.

Funding approvals may be subject to additional conditions as imposed by Council.

The applicants will be notified of Council's decision once the Township's budget has been approved.

Accountability

Applicants awarded a grant will be held accountable for the expenditure of the funds in accordance with the stated objectives/plans.

Community Grant recipients may be requested to provide a report to Council within 90 days following completion of the event/project providing the following information:

- Certify that funds were spent on activities described in the grant application
- Provide a brief report on the success of the project or cause/event

Grants in future years will be reviewed based on past demonstrated fiscal responsibility of the applicants.

Additional financial reports from applicants may be requested at the Township's discretion.

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Staff Report

Report Title: 2025 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Budget
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: TRE-2024-12-69**
Department: Treasury **File Number:** C11 TRE 24
Prepared By: Christine Heinisch, Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer
Attachments: 2025 Draft SVCA Budget Circulation

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report TRE-2024-12-69 prepared by Christine Heinisch, Treasurer.

Background:

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority has provided the 2025 draft budget for review.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

The budget will be considered for approval at the next meeting of the Authority. The draft budget provides for a total municipal levy increase of $463,864 over the 2024 budget.

Financial Impacts:

When both the assessment increase and general levy increase are considered, the Township of Huron-Kinloss' share of the proposed levy is $154,952; and increase of $26,242 or 20.4% over 2024.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Protect, promote and restore our natural environment

Respectfully Submitted By:
Christine Heinisch, Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

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November 25, 2024

Dear Municipal Council Members,

Enclosed is the 2025 Draft Budget for Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA). The draft aligns with SVCA's programs and services inventory, and the requirements of the Conservation Authorities Act. It highlights key priorities such as natural hazard management, investing in capital assets, and ensuring compliance with legislative mandates.

This draft proposes an overall municipal levy increase of $463,864 from the 2024 allocation. Please refer to page 2, to view the cost apportionment calculation for your specific municipality.

The adjustments in this budget primarily reflect SVCA Board-approved directives regarding the salary review and pay policy to align the Authority with current industry practices. In addition, significant reductions were undertaken in operational costs across the Administration, Environmental Planning & Regulations, Flood Forecasting & Warning, and Water Resources Management sectors. Capital expenditures within the Motor Pool budget have also been reduced to minimize the impact on the municipal levy for this year.

The development fee freeze imposed by the province in 2022 is expected to continue into 2025. However, should any changes to this freeze occur, SVCA may revisit the 2025 budget to ensure alignment with updated legislation. Additionally, a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) may be applied to maintain operational sustainability.

At the next meeting of the SVCA Board of Directors, they will discuss final approval of the 2025 draft budget. While this draft budget is intended for circulation amongst watershed councils, it's important to clarify that, through the Conservation Authorities Act, there's no need for a by-law or motion.

SVCA remains committed to working collaboratively with its municipal partners to protect and enhance our shared watershed. We welcome the opportunity to present the draft budget to your respective councils upon request.

Sincerely,

Erik Downing, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority

Encl: 2025 Draft SVCA Budget
Cc: Authority Members, SVCA (via e-mail)

2025 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Budget

Category of Program or Service – Summary	Levy	Self Generated	Reserves	Cost Apportioning	Special Levy	Other
Category 1: Mandatory Programs and Services	$2,785,664	$1,153,576	$290,205	$0	$250,502	$253,950
Category 2: Non-mandated program or service delivered to municipality through an agreement	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Category 3: Programs and services are cost-apportioned with municipalities	$0	$1,298,200	$449,200	$111,113	$0	$0
TOTAL	**$2,785,664**	**$2,451,776**	**$739,405**	**$111,113**	**$250,502**	**$253,950**
TOTAL 2025 BUDGET	**$6,592,410**					

2025 Budget by Municipality

Municipality	2024 Levy	2025 Levy	Levy $ Change	Assessment % Change	Levy % Change	2025 Cost Apportioning
Municipality of Arran-Elderslie	$57,817	$69,251	$11,434	2.07%	17.71%	$2,762
Municipality of Brockton	$199,326	$239,920	$40,594	2.57%	17.80%	$9,570
Township of Chatsworth	$68,978	$81,860	$12,882	1.13%	17.55%	$3,265
Municipality of Grey Highlands	$100,110	$119,901	$19,791	2.06%	17.71%	$4,783
Town of Hanover	$150,613	$179,831	$29,218	1.75%	17.65%	$7,173
Township of Howick	$6,216	$7,356	$1,140	0.84%	17.49%	$293
Township of Huron-Kinloss	$128,710	$154,952	$26,242	2.59%	17.80%	$6,181
Municipality of Kincardine	$404,192	$480,746	$76,554	1.35%	17.59%	$19,176
Town of Minto	$63,151	$77,038	$13,887	3.95%	18.04%	$3,073
Municipality of Morris-Turnberry	$4,425	$5,201	$776	0.16%	17.37%	$207
Town of Saugeen Shores	$490,290	$594,050	$103,760	3.25%	17.91%	$23,695
Municipality of South Bruce	$113,252	$134,147	$20,895	0.94%	17.51%	$5,351
Township of Southgate	$165,185	$202,843	$37,658	4.64%	18.16%	$8,091
Township of Wellington North	$91,182	$109,253	$18,071	2.10%	17.72%	$4,358
Municipality of West Grey	$278,353	$329,317	$50,964	2.36%	15.94%	$13,136
TOTAL	**$2,321,800**	**$2,785,664**	**$463,864**	**2.12%**	**17.60%**	**$111,114**

Staff Report

Report Title: Ripley Medical Centre Agreement with Dr. Shyu
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CS-2024-12-48**
Department: Community Services **File Number:** C11 CS 24
Prepared By: Mike Fair
Attachments: Dr Shyu Agreement

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives Report CS-2024-12-48 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER authorizes a by-law come forward.

Background:

The renovations are complete at the Ripley Medical Centre. Dr Shyu has utilized and paid rent for the space at the medical Centre for many years. Dr. Shyu's agreement is expired. Dr Shyu has requested to use the space starting in January.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Dr Shyu and Township staff have reviewed the attached agreement. The occupancy agreement term is one year. The annual rate is $1000 plus HST for twenty-four days on the weekends only. Staff recommends that a by-law be brought forward to enter into the agreement.

Financial Impacts:

The agreement provides additional revenue for the facility.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Facilitate Community Well Being

Respectfully Submitted By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Services
Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") made the 18th day of November 2024.

BETWEEN:

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HURON-KINLOSS
(THE "**TOWNSHIP**")

-and-

DR SHYU
("**DR SHYU**")

WHEREAS the Township is the registered owner of the premises and land known for municipal purposes as Lot 75, Plan 177, 18 Tain St., Ripley, Ontario.

AND WHEREAS, the Township and DR SHYU have agreed that the DR SHYU may use the portion of the premises shown on and more particularly described as the "**Medical Centre**" in Schedule "B" attached to this Agreement (the "**Premises**"), for the purpose, during the time period, and on the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of $2.00, the mutual covenants, terms, and conditions set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Premise

a) The Township hereby grants DR SHYU permission to occupy and use the Premises on Saturday and/or Sunday, during the Term (as defined below) for the purpose of providing medical services.
b) DR SHYU shall also be permitted to use the Staff Room identified on Appendix B in common with the first-floor tenant, which is currently, the "Ripley Family Y Childcare".

c) DR SHYU hereby acknowledges that other medical service providers use the medical centre and that **only the exam rooms are available for use by Dr Shyu, and further that other offices including reception office are not to be used.**

d) DR SHYU agrees to provide a schedule of the dates that they will be using the Premises ("**DR SHYU Schedule**") to the Township by e-mail to mmcclinchey@huronkinloss.com.

e) The Township acknowledges that DR SHYU Schedule is subject to reasonable changes due to weather, holidays and scheduling, etc. and will make an attempt to avoid scheduling conflicts for maintenance and other uses.

2. Term

a) The term of this Agreement shall be One (1) year commencing on the 1st of January 2025 and terminating on the 31st of December 2025 (the "**Term**").

b) DR SHYU shall have the right to extend the term of this Agreement (the "**Extension Option**") for a further period up to One (1) year upon the said terms and conditions as herein contained, save and except as to the rent that shall be negotiated between DR SHYU and the Township.

3. Rent

a) DR SHYU shall pay to the Township a fixed annual fee of $1000.00 (Plus $130.00 HST) in equal monthly installments of $94.17 (the "**Rent**"), in advance, commencing on the first day of each month during the Term. The rent is based on twenty (20) days per year. The rental payment may be paid in one lump sum of $1130.00 HST included in January of each year.

b) The Township and DR SHYU agree that HST is added to the Rent and included in the payment.

4. Insurance

a) DR SHYU shall, at DR SHYU's sole cost and expense, obtain and keep in force during the Term of this Agreement a policy of commercial general liability insurance satisfactory to the Township acting reasonably and underwritten by an insurer licensed to conduct business in the Province of Ontario. The policy shall provide coverage for bodily injury, property damage, and personal injury and

shall include but is not limited to:

I. A limit of liability of not less than $5,000,000 per occurrence.
II. Add the Township of Huron-Kinloss as additional insured with respect to the operations of the Named Insured.
III. The policy shall contain a provision for cross-liability and severability of interest in respect of the Named Insured.
IV. Non-owned automobile coverage with a limit of not less than $2,000,000 and shall include contractual non-owned coverage (SEF 96).
V. Products and completed operations coverage.
VI. Broad form property damage.
VII. Contractual liability.
VIII. Work performed on behalf of the Named Insured by sub-contractors.
IX. The policy shall provide 30 days prior notice of cancellation.

5. Utilities

a) The Township is responsible for the supply of and payment for heating and air conditioning, electricity, water, and sewage expenses for the Premises.

b) DR SHYU acknowledges that telephone and internet use is not permitted on the Premises.

6. Township's Obligations

a) At its expense, and subject to any obligations of DR SHYU pursuant to this Agreement, the Township shall keep the Premises, building structure and systems, and the Property in good repair and condition.

b) The Township covenants to provide at its own expense pest control and landscaping.

c) The Township will provide snow removal for the sidewalks and parking lot. Snow removal for the entrance to the premises will be conducted once daily, before 9:00 AM.

d) The Township of Huron-Kinloss Community Services Department shall provide cleaning services to the Premises on a once-per-week basis, consistent with the

standards applied to other municipal facilities. These services will utilize regular cleaning supplies and are not intended to meet any specific medical or healthcare sanitation requirements.

e) DR SHYU acknowledges that any exam rooms used must be cleaned / sanitized at end of day, using supplies provided by Dr SHYU.

f) The Township shall keep the Premises and stairways, corridors, entrances, washrooms, and other common areas of the building and the parking lot in a state of good repair and maintenance consistent with other Township facilities.

g) The Township shall ensure all access doors are working properly.

h) The Township shall be responsible for all capital expenditures in respect of the Premises as reasonably deemed necessary by the Township, including but not limited to, HVAC, flooring, exterior steel and doors.

i) The Township shall respond to and repair all deficiencies in the Premises, building or property in a timely manner.

j) The Township will maintain an inventory of equipment, furnishings and décor within the Premises that is owned by the Township of Huron-Kinloss (the "**Township Property"). DR SHYU is** responsible for the replacement of any such items as a result of damage or negligence by DR SHYU.

k) The Township will obtain and keep in force during the Term of this Agreement a policy or policies of all risks property insurance in accordance with the Township's practice for other Township properties of a similar nature.

l) The Township will ensure that DR SHYU, its employees and invitees shall have free parking on a first come first serve basis at the Premises.

7. DR SHYU's Obligations

DR SHYU agrees as follows:

a) The Township endeavours to ensure suitability of the premise that it is leasing to DR SHYU. If a deficiency in the Premises, building or property comes to the attention of DR SHYU, then DR SHYU will notify the Township immediately in

order to enable the Township to rectify the deficiency. The parties agree that continued use by DR SHYU shall absolve the Township from any property damage or bodily injury which may occur as a direct result of its activities.

b) DR SHYU covenants to provide, at its own expense, any additional snow removal or salting required for the entrance to the Premises during days that it is occupying the Premises, beyond what is provided by the Township in clause 6 (c), but in no event shall DR SHYU be liable to the Township, other occupants of the building, or visitors and invitees to the Premises, for same.

c) DR SHYU shall at all times exercise due care and diligence in the use of the Township Property. Any items damaged by DR SHYU, beyond reasonable wear and tear, shall be replaced by DR SHYU with a product of similar size, quality and capability.

d) DR SHYU hereby acknowledges that the Township shall not be held responsible, in any manner, for DR SHYU's equipment while being in the Premise; However, DR SHYU is not permitted to use any equipment without the consent of Kincardine Family Health Team KFHT and is responsible to exercise due care and diligence should permission be granted in writing by the KFHT.

e) DR SHYU shall not do or suffer any waste or damage, disfiguration or injury to the Premises, nor permit or suffer any overloading of the floors, roof deck, walls or any other part of the Premises, and shall not use or permit to be used any part of the Premises for any illegal or unlawful purpose or any dangerous, noxious or offensive trade or business, and shall not cause or permit and nuisance in at or on the Premises.

f) DR SHYU covenants to keep the Premises in a clean and orderly state during its use, consistent with the general standards applicable to buildings of a similar nature in the vicinity of the Premises. **DR SHYU is responsible to remove any garbage, waste or recycling at the end of each day used**. The Township will make best efforts to ensure that Third Party Users of the Premises keep the Premises in a clean and orderly state during their use, and in no instance shall DR SHYU be responsible or liable for the actions or inactions of the Third-Party Users in this regard.

8. Inspection and Repair on Notice

a) The Township, its servants, agents and contractors shall be entitled to enter upon

the Premises at anytime, without notice, for the purpose of making emergency repairs, and during normal business hours on reasonable prior written notice, for the purpose of having access to under floor ducts or to the access panels to mechanical shafts (which DR SHYU agrees not to obstruct). The Township, its servants, agents and contractors may, at any time, and from time to time, on reasonable prior written notice, enter upon the Premises to remove any article or remedy any condition which, in the opinion of the Township, would likely lead to the cancellation of any policy of insurance.

b) The Township will take reasonable precautions and attempt to schedule such work outside of DR SHYU Schedule so as not to unreasonably interfere with the operation of DR SHYU's business and to minimize interference with DR SHYU's use and enjoyment of the Premises.

9. Alterations

a) DR SHYU will not make or erect in or to the Premises any installations, alterations, additions or partitions without first submitting drawings and specifications to the Township and obtaining the Township's prior written consent which the Township will not unreasonably withhold.

10. Mutual Indemnification

a) DR SHYU and the Township shall indemnify and hold harmless the other, from the date of this Agreement, against all liabilities, costs, fines, suits, claims, demands or actions of any kind for which the other may become liable for any reason, including any breach, violation or non-performance by the other party of their obligations in this Agreement, or any injury, death or damage to property, occasioned to or suffered by any person or any property from any act, negligence, or default by the other party or its employees, subcontractors, invitees or agents on the Premises, including any environmental matters that arise as a result of the other party's occupation and use of the Premise.

b) The Township shall not, in any way, be responsible for any liabilities, costs, fines, suits, claims, demands or actions of any kind with respect to the use of the Premises by DR SHYU, except for matters arising from the Township's own negligence or misconduct.

c) DR SHYU shall not, in any way, be responsible for any liabilities, costs, fines, suits, claims, demands or actions of any kind with respect to the use of the Premises by

the Third-Party Users, except for matters arising from DR SHYU's own negligence or misconduct.

11. Early Termination

a) Both the Township and DR SHYU shall each have unilateral right and option (in each of their sole discretion) to terminate this Agreement for any reason whatsoever upon giving notice to the other party in writing of its intentions to terminate at least six (6) months prior to the date upon which such termination is to take effect.

b) In the event this Agreement is terminated the rent hereby reserved shall be apportioned and paid only to the date of termination and no allowance, compensation or payment shall be allowed or made to one party by the other in respect of any improvements, repairs, fixtures and/or alterations made in, to or upon the Premises.

12. General

a) All notices that may be or are required to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and can be sent by email in addition to personal delivery, by facsimile transmission or by mail.

b) Any notice, delivery, payment or tender of money or document to the parties hereunder delivered personally by facsimile or sent by prepaid registered or certified mail or prepaid courier shall be addressed as follows:

To the Township: Township of Huron-Kinloss
Attn: Clerk

21 Queen St. PO Box 130
Ripley N0G 2R0

Email:clerk@huronkinloss.com

To DR SHYU: Dr Shyu
220 Duncan Mill Road Suite #508
North York, ON
M3B 3J5

Email:
Telephone:
Fax:

c) Any such notice, delivery or payment so delivered or sent shall be deemed to have been given or made and received upon delivery of the same if delivered personally or on the fifth (5) business day following the mailing, couriering or faxing of same, as the case may be.

d) This Agreement may be executed by electronic signatures and in any number of counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together will be deemed to constitute one and the same instrument.

e) Governing law is that of the province of Ontario and the laws of Canada applicable therein.

f) No failure or delay by a party hereto in exercising any right, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor will any single or partial exercise preclude any other or further exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder.

g) If any provision of this Agreement is wholly or partially unenforceable for any reason, all other provision of this agreement will continue in full force and effect.

[Signature Page Follows]

In Witness of the foregoing covenants the parties have executed this Agreement.

TOWNSHIP OF HURON-KINLOSS

Per:_____

Name:

Title:

I/we have the authority to bind the corporation

TOWNSHIP OF HURON-KINLOSS

Per:_____

Name:

Title:

I/we have the authority to bind the corporation

DR SHYU

Per:_____

Name:

Title:

I have the authority to bind the corporation

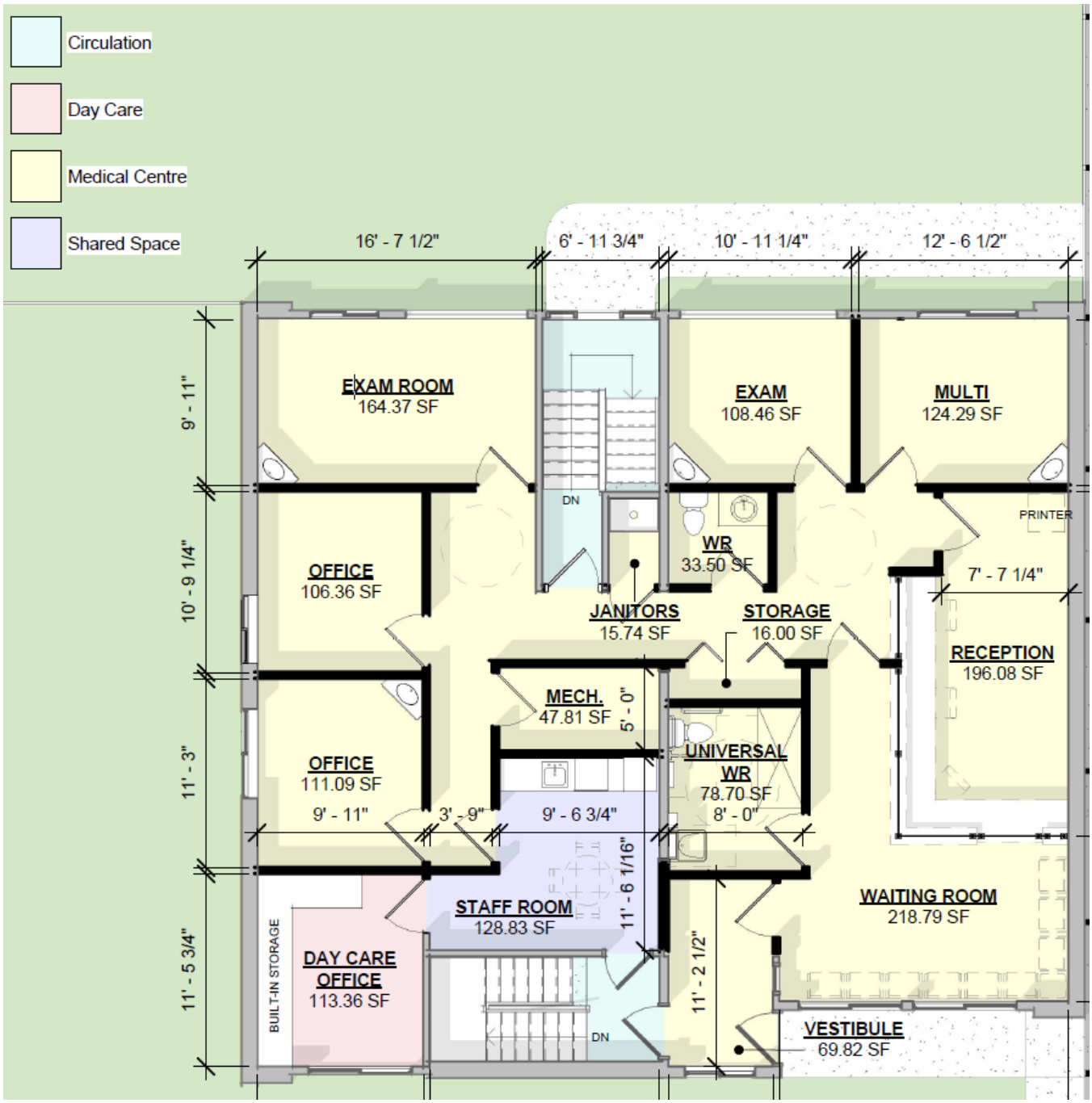
Appendix A

List of Equipment and Furnishings Owned by the Township of Huron-Kinloss.

(To be completed when construction is finished, and the building is furnished).

Appendix B

The Premises



Staff Report

Report Title: Community Services Status Report December 2024
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CS-2024-12-49**
Department: Community Services **File Number:** C11 CS 24
Prepared By: Mike Fair
Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-12-49 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

Background:

Memorial Bench Program

Huron-Kinloss has a memorial bench program. Residents have an opportunity to donate funds for the installation of a bench in Huron-Kinloss parks and trails. The benches are similar however there are two styles of plaques. Standard bench with a phenolic plaque is $2500.00, and Bronze plaque bench is $3500.00. The program is revenue neutral.

Ripley Medical Centre Ribbon Cutting Date

The Ripley Medical Clinic is operating in December. A date for an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony will be set in January, and Council notified then.

Kincardine Recreation Use Agreement

The Kincardine recreation use agreement expires December 31, 2024. The agreement provides Huron-Kinloss residents the opportunity to use the facility, and primarily the pool at standard rates as set out by the Municipality of Kincardine.

Ripley Dog Park Project

The Ripley Dog Park Project is included in the 2024 budget.

Ripley-Huron Community Centre Kitchen Renovation update

The main kitchen was included in the 2024 budget.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Memorial Bench Program

In 2024 four benches were installed. A bench was installed in Lewis Park in memory of John Gamble. Three benches were installed at Lighthouse park in memory of Keith Kelly, Florence Corinne Lewis, and Maithel Lee Wilson. A photo is attached.

Ripley Medical Centre Ribbon Cutting Date

The Ripley Medical Clinic is operating in December. The Ribbon cutting open house will be scheduled in January and date announced then.

Kincardine Recreation Use Agreement

Kincardine staff have provided Huron-Kinloss resident usage data. Staff will bring forward the agreement for consideration after a legal review. We bring this forward for information purposes.

Ripley Dog Park Project

The Ripley Dog Park Project has been delayed until 2025. Staff preferred to delay until the Parks and Trails redevelopment was completed and the site selected. Staff are recommending carrying the funds forward from the 2024 budget into the 2025 budget and initiate meetings to include residents interested in the dog park starting late January.

Ripley-Huron Community Centre Kitchen Renovation

The Kitchen facility was included in the 2024 budget. Staff capacity for this project was limited due to other projects in the 2024. Staff are recommending carrying the funds forward from the 2024 budget into the 2025 budget. Staff are scheduling the renovation for April 2025 for completion.

Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

☒Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Encourage strong communication and community engagement

Respectfully Submitted By:
Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Parks and Facilities Update December 2024
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CS-2024-12-52**
Department: Community Services **File Number: C11 CS 24**
Prepared By: Parks and Facilities Supervisor, Matt McClinchey
Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-12-52 prepared by Matt McClinchey, Parks, and Facilities Supervisor.

Background:

The Community Services Department operates and maintains various facilities, parks, and trails in the Township throughout the calendar year

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Point Clark Community Center

The parquet floor in the upstairs of the Point Clark Community Center has been refinished (see picture). Community Services staff completed refinishing the week of November 15th, 2024. Rentals were cancelled for one week to allow the maintenance.

Lucknow Town Hall

The basement of the Lucknow Town Hall has been painted to give a fresh new look (see picture). Staff would like to extend thanks to Christine Lang who volunteered her time and expertise to the project. New curtains were also added to create privacy during rentals.

Tuscarora Nature Trail

Twenty danger trees were taken down at the Tuscarora Nature Trail in Point Clark. Savage Bros Tree Service removed the tops and left the body wood for nearby neighbours to use. This was included in the 2024 tree cutting budget.

Financial Impacts: Included in 2024 operating budget

Performance Measurement:

Strategic Area:

☒Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure

Respectfully Submitted By: Matt McClinchey, Parks, and Facilities Supervisor

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Summer Student Wages and Leader in Training Program
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CS-2024-12-50**
Department: Community Services **File Number:** C11 CS 24
Prepared By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Services
Attachments: N/A

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CS-2024-12-50 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-law to come forward;

AND FURTHER THAT the Leader in Training program for summer camp program be exempt from the Volunteer Policy.

Background:

Student Wage Rates and Leader in Training Program

Students wages are relative to minimum wage below. In recent years, the feedback upon exit interviews is related to the Township of Huron-Kinloss may not be competitive with surrounding market.

Leader in Training Program for Summer Camp Volunteers

Huron-Kinloss has a Leader in Training position and relies on volunteers that must be age fourteen or older. Other summer camps have Leader in Training positions that have a minimum age of thirteen. The current Huron-Kinloss volunteer policy dictates that volunteers must be fourteen years of age.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Student Wage Rates

Proposal for student wages (Including Administrative Assistant. Park Maintenance, Lighthouse Tour Guides, Tourism Officer, Day Camp Leader, Arena Attendants

2025 Minimum Wage $17.20	Hourly
2025 Current HK Bylaw -Min + $1.00	$18.20
Year 1 proposal-Min + $1.25	$18.45
Year 2 proposal-Min + $1.75	$18.95
Year 3 proposal-Min + $2.25	$19.45

Proposal for Day Camp Coordinator, Lighthouse Coordinator, and GIS student. The Lighthouse Coordinator currently receives $2.00 above minimum wage, and the proposal would align these three positions.

2025 Minimum Wage $17.20	Hourly
2025 Current HK Bylaw -Min + $1.00	$18.20
Year 1 proposal-Min + $2.50	$19.70
Year 2 proposal-Min + $3.25	$20.45
Year 3 proposal-Min + $4.00	$21.20

The proposal above was created after completing some market research with neighbouring municipal student wages. Staff are confident in proposed wage rates, and the rates can sustain any related programs / services. The wage rates do compensate/encourage the returning students and will benefit the supervisory staff with experienced returning students in those programs and services.

Leader in Training Program

The Leader in Training (LIT) program is unpaid and teaches youth volunteers valuable leadership and team building skills. L.I.T's collaborate with Camp Leaders with a goal of emulating the skills demonstrated by camp Leaders, Supervisors and Coordinators. Skills and extensive training that volunteers gain from the L.I.T program aid in the development of youth's communication, leadership, teamwork, conflict resolution, connections, and workplace experience. L.I.Ts are an asset to Summer Day Camp and play a crucial role in camp dynamics.

Staff recommend that the Leader in Training program for Summer Camp be exempt from the Huron-Kinloss Volunteer policy with the age of fourteen reduced to age thirteen.

Financial Impacts:

The financial impacts for most of the students would be similar to that of the inflation rate, and consequently if wage rates directly impact a program, then the registration rates will ensure that the programs run a similar margin from previous years budgets. The total cost increase for the estimated twenty students in multiple departments would increase by $2 100 best case scenario and $11 000.00 is the worse case scenario if all students returning for a third year.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☒ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☒ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Commit to financial health and sustainability

Respectfully Submitted By:
Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Parks and Trails Plan
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CS-2024-12-51**
Department: Community Services **File Number:** C11 CS 24
Prepared By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Services
Attachments: Huron-Kinloss Parks and Trails Plan – Final Draft, Lions Park Neighbourhood Comments

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CS-2024-12-51 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER adopts the Parks and Trails Plan prepared by Pl.ural in principle;

AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate by-law coming forward.

Background:

Since commencing the project in May 2024, it was identified that community engagement would be an important component of the Huron-Kinloss Parks and Trails Plan development process. Working with the Township, an engagement plan composed of four (4) in-person open houses for the Lucknow, Ripley, Lakeshore, and Heritage Park communities, accompanied by an online survey and final hybrid presentation of 18 park conceptual designs.

A series of 'drop-in' style open house events were hosted to inform the community of the ongoing project and offer an opportunity for public input. To help spread the word, a township-prepared communications package included social media posts, mailouts, postcards and direct emails. Project information was posted to the Municipal website and the Have your Say HK website to accommodate seasonal residents and those who could not attend the engagement events.

In-Person Open Houses

- Lucknow - Wednesday July 17th, 2024 (4 parks)
- Ripley - Wednesday, July 31st, 2024 (4 parks)
- Point Clark - Saturday, August 17th, 2024 (10 parks)
- Heritage Park - Saturday, September 21st, 2024

Online Survey

- Open July 15th, 2024, to August 19th, 2024, with 325 respondents

Final Hybrid Presentation to the Public

• Design Concepts for 18 Parks - Saturday, September 21st, 2024. During the September 21st, 2024, meeting the option for pickleball courts being developed at Lions Park was suggested. A special meeting for the Lion's Park neighbourhood was help on November 16th, 2024, to gather feedback.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Staff created a wish list of key outcomes of the Trails and Parks Plan. Plurl Consulting along with Community engagement meetings, and surveys has provided staff with a guide for future decisions for capital investments, asset management, and levels of services. Timelines have been established however they are guidelines and subject to change.

Pickleball Court Location. The Lions Park neighbourhood meeting was held on November 16th, 2024, and responses are attached for your review. The result is that Lions Park is not a good location for pickleball courts. Staff have since met with the Pickleball volunteers and determined that there is capacity at the Point Clark Community Centre as per the updated design concept in the Parks and Trails Plan. The proposed courts are sheltered, further away from residents, and Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority has provided preliminary neutral comments. Staff is preparing grant applications for the project.

In conclusion staff is pleased with the outcomes of the Trails and Parks Plan and if Council has no further concerns, then staff recommend the plan be brought forward to the December 2024 Council meeting for approval.

Financial Impacts:

There are significant impacts for key projects in the next twenty years. Staff will continue to research grant opportunities and community partnerships, while providing solid capital planning and operating budgets to meet the needs of Parks and Trails in Huron-Kinloss.

Performance Measurement:

Completion of Parks and Trails Redevelopment Strategy

Strategic Area:

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☒ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☒ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Encourage strong communication and community engagement
Manage assets and infrastructure

Respectfully Submitted By:
Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 10, 2024 11:46 AM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Input for Lion's Park

Hello Mike,

Thank-you for your letter October 28, 2024 regarding the proposed upgrades to the Lion's park. I live 2 doors down from the proposed pickle ball courts.

I completely agree that this park needs an upgrade...in particular the playground equipment is outdated and doesn't make good use of the space.

I have a couple questions about the pickle ball courts though. What do you plan to do about the noise that these courts will create? As I'm sure you are aware pickle ball has a very distinctive sound. How do you plan to create enough of a barrier around the 6 courts so that the people with properties close by won't have to hear it day and night. I personally can hear it when the tennis court is used for pickle ball. I can't imagine how much louder it will be when there are 6 courts if some very creative measures are not taken. I completely understand that there is a growing need in the community for improved amenities but not at the expense of the peace and tranquility of the current residents.

I struggle to understand why the proposed 6 courts can not be located at the community center. There is already a natural sound barrier created by the trees. Would it not be cheaper to locate the courts where people are already gathering?

I am unable to attend the meeting November 16th, but I hope you will consider my opinion and speak to the issues I have raised.

I look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Sincerely,
[redacted]
Sent from my Galaxy

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 7, 2024 11:16 AM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Pickle ball courts Alfred St

Hi Mike,
My name is [redacted] and I live at [redacted] I wanted to express my opposition to the proposed pickleball courts at Lion's Park.
Right now that space is used for soccer and baseball games, flying kites, and tag, among other things. Having an open, natural space is so important for kids to explore and play in as well as for families to congregate. We have used that space for a summer games championship in the past as well. This loss of space would impact many of us in the community.
In addition to the loss of the space would be the problematic addition of noise and traffic. This is a safe space for kids and animals, that would change with more traffic. The noise would disrupt the peace of the area and the well-being of nearby neighbours.
The community centre is a better space for the courts away from close neighbours and with parking space and expected traffic.
Thank you for hearing my concerns.

Sincerely,
[redacted]
Sent from my iPhone

From: [redacted]>
Sent: November 6, 2024 3:29 PM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: RE: Pickleball Proposal Inquiry

Thank you Mike, I did receive this letter in the mail. What I was looking for was how did pl.url arrived at the decision to recommend Lions park over the other locations?
Was a needs assessment conducted, environmental impact study, noise study and traffic safety completed?
Is the community centre no longer available? It seems like an ideal location, with room to expand and ample parking.
It just feels like I am late to the process when in fact, someone directly across should have been engaged from the beginning.
I will be attending the meeting on Nov. 16th.

From: [redacted]>
Sent: November 5, 2024 4:05 PM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Cc: [redacted]>
Subject: Pickle ball courts

Hi Mike, haven't see you since our issues with Saugeen Valley and cleaning out the drainage ditch that runs through our property. That was resolved and they dropped further financial remuneration from us and the lot abutting Lions Park has been sold. Haven't heard if any development is happening there but I would guess addition of pickle ball courts in Lions Park would not enhance development opportunities.
We weren't very keen on an earlier proposal for a dog park in the designated area but financially supported it in any case as we thought that would be a bearable positive for the neighbourhood. Well that got stopped through I hear a neighbourhood input.
Now there is proposal for a pickleball court. Occasional dog barking was one thing seeing as we have four but the noise coming from a pickle ball court would be irritating at best. We don't appreciate the noise now coming from the tennis court when they occasionally swap it out for pickleball. To have 6 courts up an against our orchard garden property would be offensive. And why 6? I have watched the main group play at the Community Centre every warm week day and they seem quite content but of course would always push for something more permanent. I think they use up to five courts at a time but most usually only 3 or less. Then of course there would be the traffic and parking issues on Alfred St. Troublesome and potentially dangerous for the neighbourhood.
Well in closing I have signed the circulating petition and most probably will be at the meeting though I am not a fan of that sort of public participation.
Take care and give my regards to Becky
[redacted]
Sent from my iPad

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 5, 2024 3:49 PM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: [redacted]

November 5, 2024

Mike Farr

Director of Community Services
Township of Huron-Kinloss
mfair@huronkinloss.com

Dear Mike,

Thank you for taking the time this morning to discuss our concerns regarding the proposed changes to the Lion's Park. [redacted] live directly across from the Lion's Park and have enjoyed the amenities offered there in the 6 years that we have had our year round cottage in Point Clark. We are opposed to the proposed changes and hope that you will take into account our concerns prior to implementing any of the additional courts in our quiet area.

We are concerned about the increased noise that the courts would create. We have a single use Tennis/Pickleball court presently which although, at times can be noisy, we have enjoyed using that amenity. We are happy to have that court. We have experienced the noise of one pickleball court and we are very concerned of that increasing with the proposed 6 courts. We would experience a lack of peace with the ongoing games throughout the day, every day.

We are concerned with the increased traffic that would occur with the additional courts. We often have our grandchildren with us and have always enjoyed the safe area. The increased traffic would most certainly negatively affect us and the safety of our young ones.

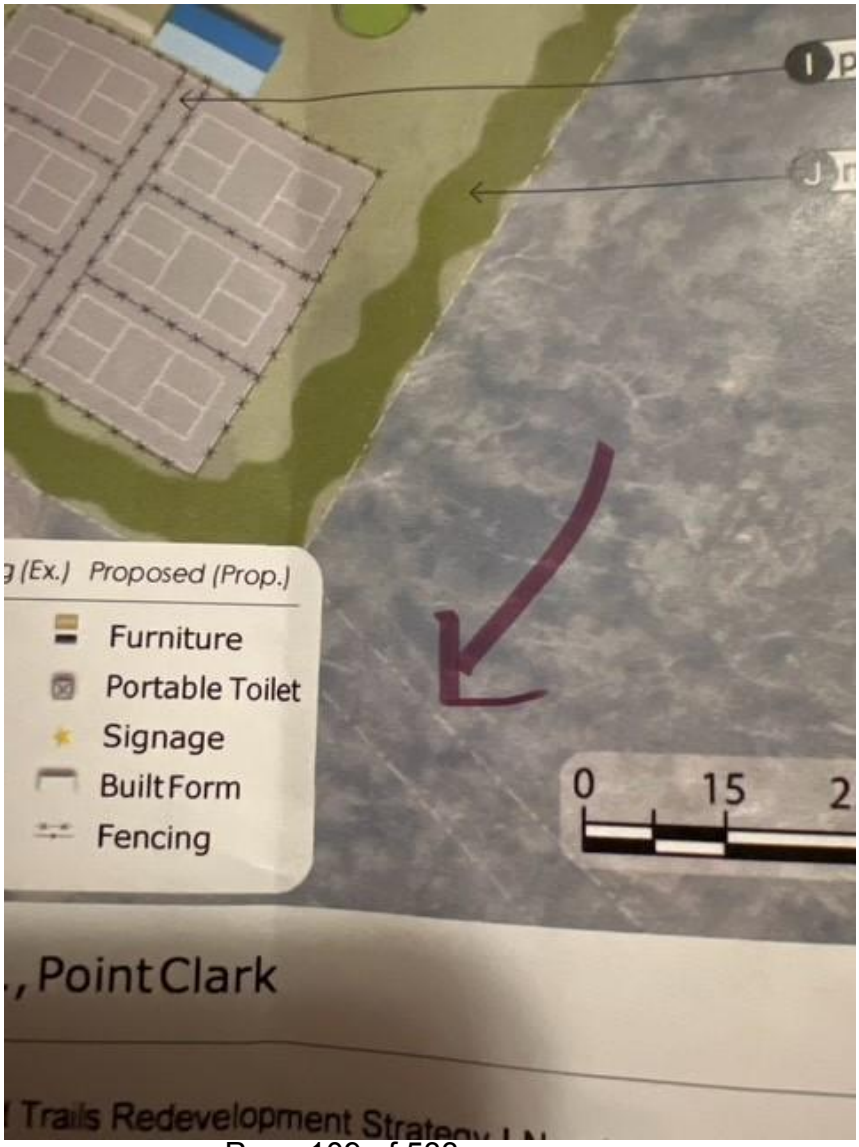
Thank you for giving us the opportunity to share our concerns about this proposal. We ask that you consider our concerns and opposition regarding the proposal and look for an alternate location away from the residential areas in Point Clark.

Sincerely,
[redacted]
Sent from my iPhone

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 4, 2024 6:17 PM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Lions Park Plans

Hi Mike,
We own a cottage on Alfred and won't be able to make the meeting on Saturday. I'm going to let others voice concerns over traffic and noise as I'm sure that will come up, but this would be nice to have so close.
My actual request is if it is possible to put a path out back of the park to join access to the baseball diamond and dog park on Lake Range. Currently we walk down Alfred to the end then up Lake Range which when I'm with my kids does not feel very safe, especially in the peak of summer. I noticed earlier this year that there is a section of land that this path could be created on and thought it would be both safer as well as establish more direct route to join the two community spaces.
I'm not sure if there is a form or something I should fill out, if so, please let me know.
Have a great week,

[redacted]



From: [redacted]
Date: November 4, 2024 at 11:48:04 AM EST
To: mfair@huronkinloss.com, [redacted]
Subject: Lions Park redevelopment

Atten: Mike Fair

I regret that I am unable to attend the meeting regarding the redevelopment of Lions Park on November 16 th. As a property owner on Alfred Street this project will impact me in a variety of ways.
The need for additional adult facilities in Point Clarke is an issue difficult to ascertain. I'm sure this proposal looked at the entire community's needs. Not those who speak the loudest. Do we need to have another large community development or could or should the Community Centre be redesigned. This would have minimal impact on area residential properties. Other areas of Point Clark proper which are suitable or underutilized may give the community the additional recreational activities in a more user friendly environment . Improved and expanded trails give more value for the money. It appears to me that this potential development changes the culture of a small lakeside community to a larger urban philosophy. Bigger in this case is not better. Larger facilities with maximum adult participation may and probably will require extra monitoring. This could become a contentious issue. At this point the Lions Park area is a safe place for young children. Present Pickleball participants share the courts quite nicely Let's leave it that way
Regards

[redacted]
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 8, 2024 2:51 PM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Lions Park proposal

Good afternoon

I would like to add an additional comment to my previous letter.

I wonder where the basketball court and the baseball field would be located ?

Sincerely [redacted]

Voicemail left Monday, November 4, 2024. Resident on Alfred Street not opposed to the 6-court project, but the neighbours are strongly against the proposal.

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 13, 2024 7:15 PM
To: info@huronkinloss.com
Subject: Proposed pickle ball courts

Hello,

Please forward this email to the appropriate person.

I was visiting Point Clark this week and was surprised to see a letter our neighbour received about pickle ball courts possibly going into Lion's Park, when we, as tax payers, had not received one.

Before a decision is made regarding this proposal I would like you to consider what this green space is used for. In the north end of Point Clark that is the only green space available for kids to kick a soccer ball, play football, hit golf balls, and play a game of scrub baseball. When families use the pavilion for reunions or get togethers the space is used for the same things.

It may look like that large green space is not regularly used but on days during the summer when it is not a "good beach day" children and families use the park for many of the activities already mentioned.

My concern is that once you pave over this green space it is gone and the park usage is limited. Pickle ball courts are not used by everyone, but the park as it stands now can be.

My other concern is the noise created by playing pickle ball and the nuisance to neighbours. Six courts seem to be a lot.

I would like to appeal to you to throughly investigate this before making a decision. Pickle ball is currently very popular, but will it be in ten years time? Where will the children of the area have a green space to play? Once you take it away we will never get it back. Please think of the future and the children.

Sincerely,
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 16, 2024 11:15 AM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Pickleball courts location

Thank you for the very informative and interesting meeting this morning November 16th, 2024.

Both my husband and myself are strongly against the development at Lions park!

But, both my husband and myself do agree with changes to the community center to accommodate the pickleball group.

Regards,

[redacted]

[redacted]

From: [redacted]>
Sent: November 16, 2024 8:39 PM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Pickleball at the Point Clark Community Center

Dear Mr. Fair,

Please know that the undersigned was in attendance today at the Point Clark Community Center with respect to the meeting for the intended and potential pickleball courts at Lion's Park.

In an age of what appears to be a growing distrust of government, and one another, the initial lack of transparency of the September meeting seemingly encourages people to draw an adverse inference. What was proposed today seemed to me to be a foregone conclusion that did not meet the threshold for the necessary discussion of this propsal.

As it stands the Community Center is a much more appropriate area to create any such additional pickleball courts, if such is even "necessary" at all and would require far less in the way of additional development, traffic controls and amenities. Also, should the pickleball group favour to force the community to accept their presence in Lion's Park it would no doubt likely result in more than an occasional imposition on the residents of the local community.

I submit that it should be patently evident to all concerned that the Community Center is the most viable location, as it already has a paved surface, bathroom facilities, parking, as well as other amenities conducive to the proposed additional pickleball courts. Also, you should be taking into account that any additional noise from the playing of pickleball would be more acceptable and more easily dealt with given the Community Center's large area, lack of immediate neighbors and the ease of access for vehicles.

Why Lion's Park was even considered astounds me as well as other residents of the Point Clark area. In addition, if one were to consider that there are approximately 60 pickleball association members and that proposed courts in full use would entail that approximately 24 of the 60 pickleball players in the area would need to attend at the same time, even the additional parking required for such an endeavor would create more problematic traffic in the community. This would

likely supersede the number of parking spots allocated in the drawings provided today. This is even before we even address the concerns stemming from the ongoing nuisance of the sounds that are seminal to pickleball. Forcing a quiet community to accept up to 24 people either driving cars or bicycles and then engaging in what is best described as a nuisance, as far as the sound is concerned, would likely result in a high degree of animosity.

Community endeavors of this nature are best confined to community centers, so as not to be heard in the backyards of the neighbours of the adjacent, and surrounding homes that encircle Lion's Park.

Further, the exclusivity of the use of these intended courts solely for the pickleball association is also another facet that is deeply concerning. So it seems that they pay no heed to the fact that they are eliminating a green space, taking away a play area for children, and imposing this nuisance on their neighbours, all for their "exclusive use." It astounds me that this was ever proposed.

In short, as you likely ascertained, I am not in favor of any such change to the current use of Lion's Park, for the intended and apparently exclusive use of a large portion of the stated park to the benefit a very small group of pickleball enthusiasts

Regards,

Resident of [redacted]

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 23, 2024 2:18 PM
To: Mike Fair <mfair@huronkinloss.com>
Cc: Elyse Dewar <edewar@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Re: Comments regarding the proposed pickleball site

Hi Mike - thanks again for holding the community consultation last Saturday regarding the pickle ball courts.I wanted to follow up as per the request by the pickleballers to express my support for the **Point Clark Community Centre** to be the preferred location of any new permanent or temporary pickleball courts. The PCCC seems like the ideal spot given the amenities such as parking, washrooms, a kitchen, etc (even though at this time only three permanent courts can be created). I would also support a multi-year plan that looks to reconfigure the parking, septic system, etc. to create an additional three courts at the Point Clark Community Centre.

I hope this is helpful and please feel free to add this comment to the summary report for Council

Warm regards

[redacted]

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Parks and Trails Plan

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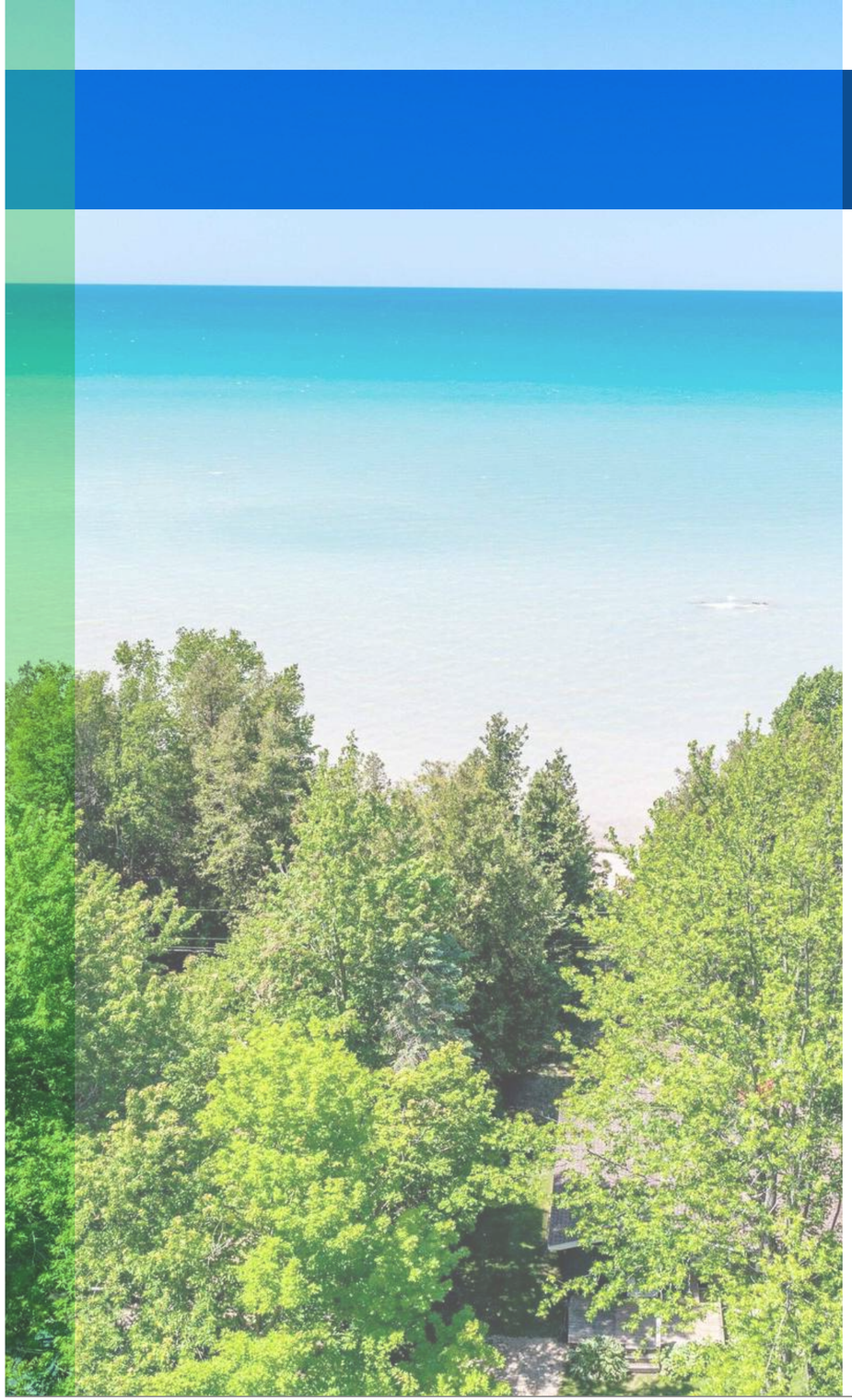

Executive Summary & Overview

The Project

The Township of Huron-Kinloss hired the team at pl.ural, to develop a Parks & Trails Plan. This strategic document was built on the input, findings and recommendations of the Township's Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2022). Within this Parks and Trails Plan is information that will help guide long-term use, the potential rearrangement of existing amenities, the development of new park infrastructure, and capital planning for 18 key park sites across the Township.

This project is an important step toward the realization of the Master Plan. Acting on identified initiatives related to the natural environment, built-form, natural environment, and asset management, this strategy will guide tangible changes in parks throughout the Township.

Highlights

Outcomes of the project include an inventory of park assets (i.e., based on 18 key project sites), site observation and evaluation of existing conditions, a complete summarization of all community engagement events, and recommendations on upgrades, rearrangements, and/or new infrastructure and amenities in years to come.

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Section 1 | Preliminary Research

Provided in this section is a summary of the *Parks and Recreation Master Plan* (2022) and other relevant documents that will help inform the report recommendations.

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Regulatory

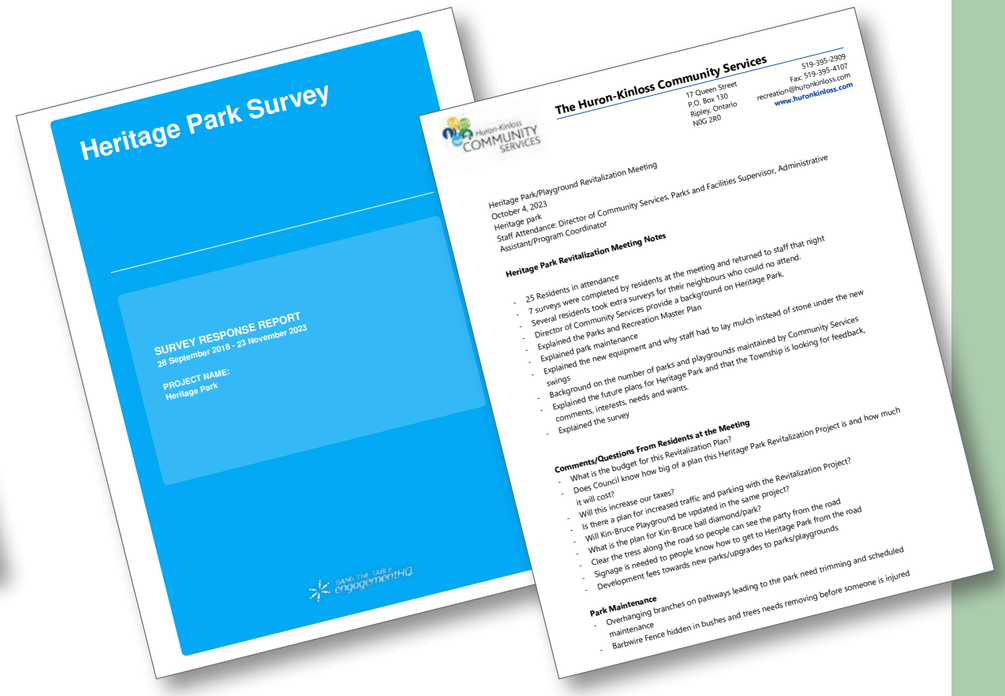
The Parks and Trails Plan is subject to regulations as outlined by the Township of Huron-Kinloss, the Province of Ontario, and other regulatory agencies, such as the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority and the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority. Documents outlining this framework include:

- Growth and Servicing Master Plan (Township of Huron-Kinloss, January 2020)
- Huron Kinloss Official Plan (Township of Huron-Kinloss, August 2016)
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan (Township of Huron-Kinloss, December 2022)
- Policies For The Administration Of Section 28 Of The Conservation Authorities Act And Ontario Regulation 41/24 (Mailtland Valley Conservation Authority, April 2024)
- Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Environmental Planning and Regulations Policies Manual (Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority, October 2018).

Prior Engagement

As part of Heritage Park revitalization and stormwater management plans, the Township engaged the community through an online survey and an in-person meeting held in the park. The data collected will help guide the development of this park in the Parks and Trails Plan. Reviewed documents include:

- Heritage Park/Playground Revitalization Meeting Notes (Huron-Kinloss Community Services, October 2023)
- Heritage Park Survey (Township of Huron-Kinloss, November 2023)



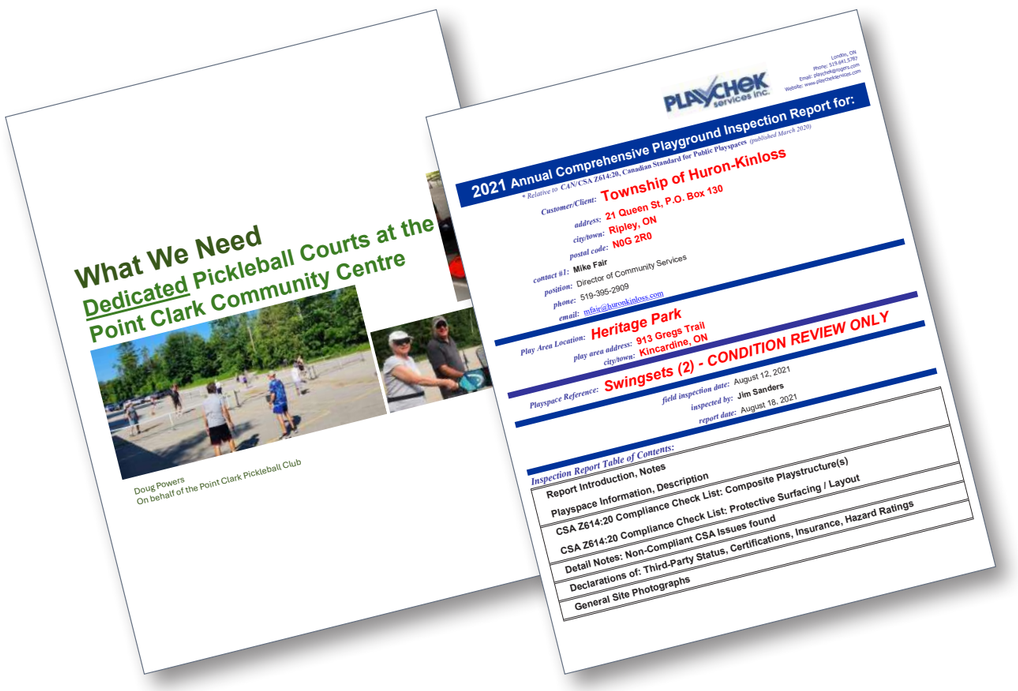
Other Guidance and Advocacy

Several additional planning documents have been composed to help guide the Township of Huron-Kinloss actions pertaining to the future of the Parks and Trails Plan, including:

Draft Policies

Policies to consider to assist in the enhancement and redevelopment of parks in Huron-Kinloss:

- Beach Access Policy (Township of Huron-Kinloss, January 2022)
- Municipal Parkland, Walk/way Access, Green space Fencing Policy (Township of Huron-Kinloss, December 2021)



Proposals & Presentations

- What We Need - Council Presentation (Point Clark Pickleball Club, July 2024)

Reports

Pickleball Court Council Report (Township of Huron-Kinloss, December 2023)

Playcheck Inspection Reports (Playcheck Services Inc., 2021, 2023);

- 2021 Playchek Inspection report - Huronville Park
- 2021 Playchek element review only - Kin Bruce Park
- 2021 Playchek element review only - Heritage Park
- 2021 Playchek Inspection report - Langdon Park
- 2021 Playchek Inspection report - Point Clark Ball Park
- 2021 Playchek Inspection report - Pine River Ball Park [a.k.a. Reids Corner Ball Park]
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Blue Park
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Lighthouse Park
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Attawandaron Park
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Memorial Park
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Lewis Park
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Victoria Park
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Kinsmen Park
- 2023 Playchek Inspection report - Whitechurch Park

Comparator Asset Data

Available parks and recreation, and facilities documents from Municipalities similar in size, population and geographical context were reviewed to benchmark performances and standards:

- Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan (January 2023)
- Municipality of Brockton Recreation Master Services and Facilities Plan (March 2023)
- Municipality of Kincardine Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan (March 2024)

National Frameworks

Guiding documents for public recreation in Canada have been referenced throughout the development of the Huron-Kinloss Parks and Trails Plan:

- A Framework for Recreation in Canada - 2015 - Pathways to Wellbeing. (Canadian Parks and Recreation Association/Interprovincial Sport and Recreation Council , February 2015)
- A Framework for Recreation in Canada Paths to Wellbeing: Municipal Audit Tool (Canadian Parks and Recreation Association, May 2018)

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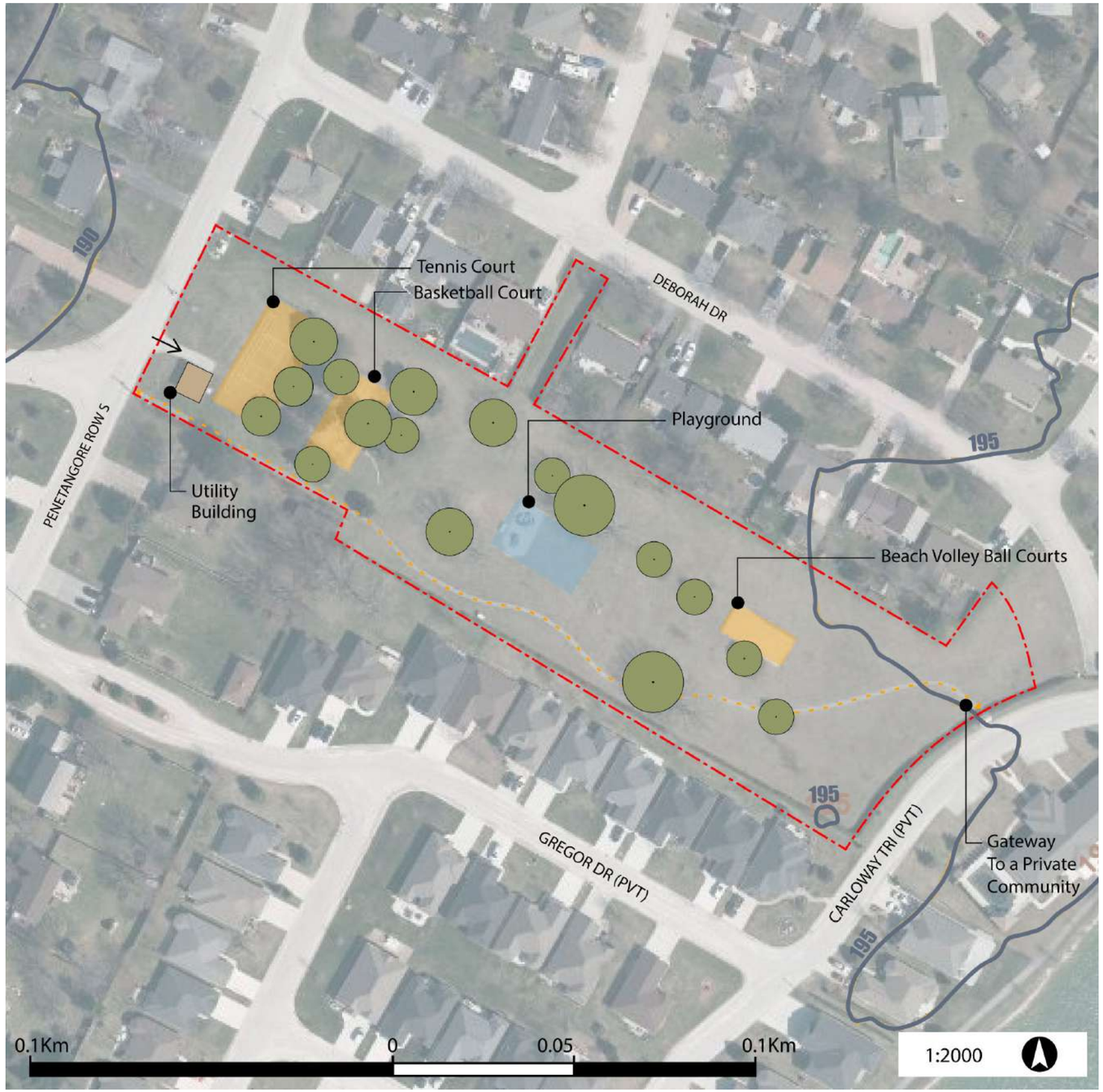
Section 2 | Inventory & Assessment

This section includes a comprehensive inventory and assessment of the 18 existing park sites, amenities, and facilities in the Huron-Kinloss communities of Lakeshore, Ripley, and Lucknow.



Huronville Park 11 Deborah Drive, Huron-Kinloss

Park: Huronville Park **ID No.** HK1

Civic Address: 11 Deborah Drive **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 20, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

I.e., list existing equipment, facilities, signage, staging area(s), amenities, furniture, etc. Include approx. quantities and characteristics, where appropriate.....

Setting Context
Located amidst a suburban neighbourhood with residential lots backing onto the park. Fencing and a large hedge row define the boundary. Mature trees throughout the site.

Park Access
- pedestrian access from road: Penetangore Row S
- pergola gateway from private community: Inverly Lake Estates
- lawn entrance between residential lots: Deborah Dr

Amenities
- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Signage
- park identification: 8x8 post, 2 panels
- 2 regulatory 'no smoking' signs
- 1 wood sign: "private Inverly Lake Estates residents only"

Site Furniture
- 1 waste barrel
- 1 wood + metal picnic table
- 1 concrete + wood bench
- 1 metal bench, 1 metal picnic table

Pathway
- winding 0.5m asphalt pathway

Beach Volleyball Courts (x2)
- sand surface
- 2 nets on wood posts

Playground
- 1 large blue climbing structure
- 1 slide-play structure: pea gravel surface, wood border
- 1 spring rocker horse on pea gravel surface
- small green circle climber set: woodchip surface
- 1 metal balance beam
- 1 swing set; 2 baby + 2 child: woodchip surface
- 1 red metal climber: woodchip surface
- 1 rotating play structure: woodchip surfacing

Basketball Court (Full)
- asphalt surface
- 2 basketball post mounted nets

Tennis Court
- aspahlt surface
- metal end fencing
- tennis net

Misc.
- utility building & radio tower
- wood shed in plant buffer
- metal cylinder to cover utility

Evaluation:

The scale below shows pl.ural's evaluation of the park's equipment, overall conditions, and finishing. Additional comments may include but are not limited to, safety, desirability, repair, etc.

Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Setting Context
- some residential properties have yard fencing while others do not, and some neighbours are using park property as camper and trailer storage

Park Access
- no formal entrance or parking for vehicles

Signage
- no park identification signage from any access points

Recreational courts
- good condition overall
- sport court lines serve single use activity (i.e. tennis & basketball)

Pathway
- the asphalt path is crumbling and cracking, making it no longer accessible
- Playground
- equipment in good condition
- wooden border is decaying
- combination of surfacing materials creates added maintenance efforts; messy and uncontained

Vegetation
- all mature trees in good condition
- lawn is well maintained

Kin Bruce Park 920 Lake Range Drive, Huron-Kinloss

Park: Kin Bruce Park **ID No.** HK2

Civic Address: 920 Lake Range Drive **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 20, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

I.e., list existing equipment, facilities, signage, staging area(s), amenities, furniture, etc. Include approx. quantities and characteristics, where appropriate.....

Setting Context

The park is in a rather isolated area. 2 elevated roads run along the southern side of the park. 4 residential lots back onto the park along the west and a vegetative buffer to the north.

Park Access

- 1 vehicular entry and exit
- large aggregate surface for parking; grass growing through aggregate

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Signage

- 1 Township parental supervision sign: metal post mounted

Baseball Diamond

- full metal perimeter fencing
- player benches
- aggregate home plate
- lawn surface
- 1 municipal green storage box

Playground

- surface: pea gravel, wood border
- 1 slide-play structure
- 1 small swing set: 1 baby + 1 child swing
- 1 large swingset: 4 child swings

Site Furniture

- 2 waste barrels

Vegetation

- maintained lawn
- evenly planted tree border along Lake Range Drive
- mature tree border near residential backyards yards
- naturalized succession by playground
- Morning glory growing in playground surface

Misc.

- large soil mounds
- 1 storm surge overflow drain
- 2 overhead utility poles near playground

Evaluation:

The scale below shows pl.ural's evaluation of the park's equipment, overall conditions, and finishing. Additional comments may include but are not limited to, safety, desirability, repair, etc.

Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Park Access & Staging Area

- no established vehicular entry and exits
- no designated pedestrian access points

Signage

- no park identification sign
- Township parental supervision sign is in poor visible location

Baseball Diamond

- back catcher fencing showing age
- perimeter fencing in good condition

Pathways

- no accessible pedestrian pathways

Playground

- play structure and old swing set is tired and outdated
- surface material is messy and containment border is decaying

Vegetation

- invasive Morning glory growing in the playground surfacing poses a poison risk to children and pets
- the park lawn is somewhat maintained but could be improved
- the planted trees along Lake Range Drive are in poor health

Worth Noting: Kin Bruce is an appropriate location for future development

Heritage Park 913 Gregs Trail, Huron-Kinloss

Park: Heritage Park **ID No.** HK3

Civic Address: 913 Gregs Trail **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 20, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

I.e., list existing equipment, facilities, signage, staging area(s), amenities, furniture, etc. Include approx. quantities and characteristics, where appropriate.....

Setting Context

This forested park is nestled amidst a suburban neighbourhood with lush greenery completely encompassing the park.

Park Access

- 3 pedestrian entry points
- lawn surface
- Amenities
- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Signage

- 1 civic address sign
- 2 regulatory no smoking signs
- 1 Township bylaw sign on pole
- 1 Township bylaw sign on tree

Site Furniture

- 1 metal bench
- 1 waste barrel

Playground

- 1 swing set: 2 baby + 2 child
- 1 metal climbing structure
- 1 slide -play structure
- surface: mix of pea gravel and wood chip, wood border

Trails

- some mulch surfacing
- pedestrian placed trail markers nailed to trees
- make shift bridges from residential backyards over the storm ditch
- multiple backyard access points serving multiple residential houses
- 1 perceived access at dead end as lawn is maintained

Vegetation

- maintained lawn
- naturalized vegetation: cedar forest + wetland + Meadow
- Phragmites (invasive)
- Buckthorn (invasive)
- Goutweed / Ground Elder (invasive)
- Poison Ivy

Misc.

- large stormwater overflow ditch with skid-bridges to residential backyards

Evaluation:

The scale below shows pl.ural's evaluation of the park's equipment, overall conditions, and finishing. Additional comments may include but are not limited to, safety, desirability, repair, etc.

Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Setting Context

- some residents are using park property for storage (i.e. garden sheds and wood piles)

Park Access

- no formal accessible entry pathways for pedestrians
- Gregs Trail access has flooding and drainage issues
- entry fencing at Gregs Trail is in need of repair and or replacement

Signage

- absent park identification signage from any access points
- trail wayfinding would be an asset

Playground

- equipment in good condition
- wooden border is decaying

Storm Ditch

- erosion of ditch is extremely hazardous and may pose a drowning hazard

Trails

- trails surfacing has rotted away

Vegetation

- several invasive species found on site (i.e. Phragmites, Goutweed, Buckthorn)
- standing dead (windblown) tree zone

Worth Noting: BMROSS has been hired for a stormwater management plan

Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace 153 Gordon Street North, Huron-Kinloss

Park: Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace **ID No.** HK4

Civic Address: 153 Gordon St. N **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Parkland Classification 2022: Open Space

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 19, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

I.e., list existing equipment, facilities, signage, staging area(s), amenities, furniture, etc. Include approx. quantities and characteristics, where appropriate.....

Setting Context

Located on a small corner lot beside a residential property, Gordon St N runs along the northwest side and Concession 6 W to the northeast. Forested vegetation covers half the site.

Park Access & Staging Area

- access from road
- parking down Concession 6 W for lake access

Signage

- 1 large rock with park plaque

Perimeter Fencing

- Cedar post and chain

Pollinator Garden

- surface: natural woodchip
- plant ID tags
- project sign: metal post + panel

Vegetation

- 6 young Honey locusts
- evenly spaced young Cedar row
- several established trees between private residence and park
- dense forested vegetation
- maintained lawn

Evaluation:

The scale below shows pl.ural's evaluation of the park's equipment, overall conditions, and finishing. Additional comments may include but are not limited to, safety, desirability, repair, etc.

Improvements Required:

N/A

Upgrade | Many | Some | Few | Acceptable

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Setting Context

- opportunity to extend beach access and or neighbourhood trail connection
- perceived ownership of neighbouring property: this space does not feel public
- no pedestrian access or walkways on site

Park Access & Staging Area

- no staging area dedicated for the site, however the beach access accommodates several vehicles

Signage

- visible park identification signage and address needed

Fencing

- Cedar and chain fence is showing age and decay in numerous spots

Vegetation

- Cedar hedge will make physical and visual barrier as they mature, leading to low visibility and safety concerns on site in the future

Worth Noting: This is the only public park space serving Bruce Beach.

Langdon Park 12 North Street, Huron-Kinloss

Park: Langdon Park **ID No.** HK5

Civic Address: 12 North Street **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 20, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

I.e., list existing equipment, facilities, signage, staging area(s), amenities, furniture, etc. Include approx. quantities and characteristics, where appropriate.....

Setting Context
Situated in a suburban neighbourhood with an adjacent road right-of-way extending beside the park. Mature trees line the park boundary.

Park Access & Staging Area
- surface: aggregate
- vehicular and pedestrian access off road

Amenities
- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Signage
- park sign: mounted on court fence
- regulatory sign: mounted on court fence

Site Furniture
- 2 picnic tables: wood + metal
- 1 metal mounted table: checkerboard top
- 1 waste barrel

Playground
- 1 swing set; 2 baby + 2 child
- swingset surface: woodchip
- 1 slide-play structure with woodchip surface

Basketball Court (Full)
- asphalt surface
- 2 post mounted nets
- 1 wooden bench

Tennis Court
- asphalt surface
- tennis net
- 4 wood benches
- metal chain-link end fencing

Vegetation
- maintained lawn
- several young pine trees

Misc.
- 1 pollinator garden with post mounted signage
- 1 tractor tire garden

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Park Access & Staging Area
- unestablished vehicular and pedestrian park entrance
- undefined parking area
- staging area is at the low point of the site, therefore the park slopes up, making inaccessible on foot

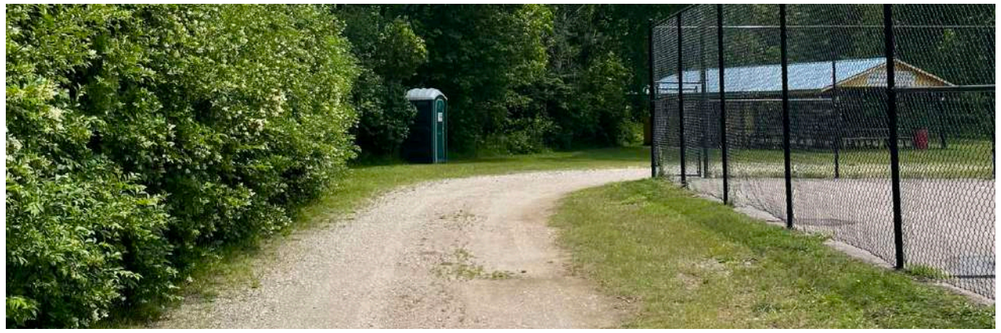
Signage
- in need of a formal park identification sign
- Township parental supervision sign is in poor visible location

Tennis and Basketball Courts
- new court lines are needed
- wood benches around courts are decaying

Playground
- good condition overall

Vegetation
- mature trees in good health

Misc.
- underutilized road right-of-way



Lions Park 530 Alfred Street, Point Clark

Park: Lions Park **ID No.** HK6

Civic Address: 530 Alfred Street **Community:** Point Clark

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 20, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

This linear park is situated in a spacious residential neighbourhood. Alfred Street running along the west side, while the other three sides are surrounded by succession planting and mature trees.

Park Access & Staging Area

- 1 main access lane way: aggregate
- 4-6 car staging surface: aggregate
- 1 secondary access lane way: lawn

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet
- 1 outdoor cooking grill: mounted

Signage

- 1 municipal liability sign: wood post & panel

Site Furniture

- 2 benches: metal
- 3 memorial benches: metal
- 1 concrete block (by grill)
- 2 backless benches: wood

Playground

- woodchip surface
- 1 swing set: 2 baby + 2 child
- 2 spring rockers: 1 bee, 1 ladybug
- 1 climbing handle structure: metal
- 1 slide-play structure

Pavilion

- concrete pad, wood post & beam, metal roof
- several no smoking regulatory signs
- 4 picnic tables: wood
- 3 red 12-seater picnic tables: wood
- 1 electrical hookup
- 1 waste barrel
- utility room/storage room

Vegetation

- maintained open lawn

Evaluation:

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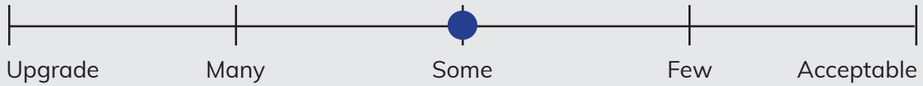
Improvements Required:



Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area

- a vehicular entrance is not clearly establish
- no separation between pedestrian and vehicular space

Signage

- no formal park identification sign
- Township parental supervision sign is in poor visible location - nowhere near the playground and can be easily over-looked amongst vegetation

Site Furniture

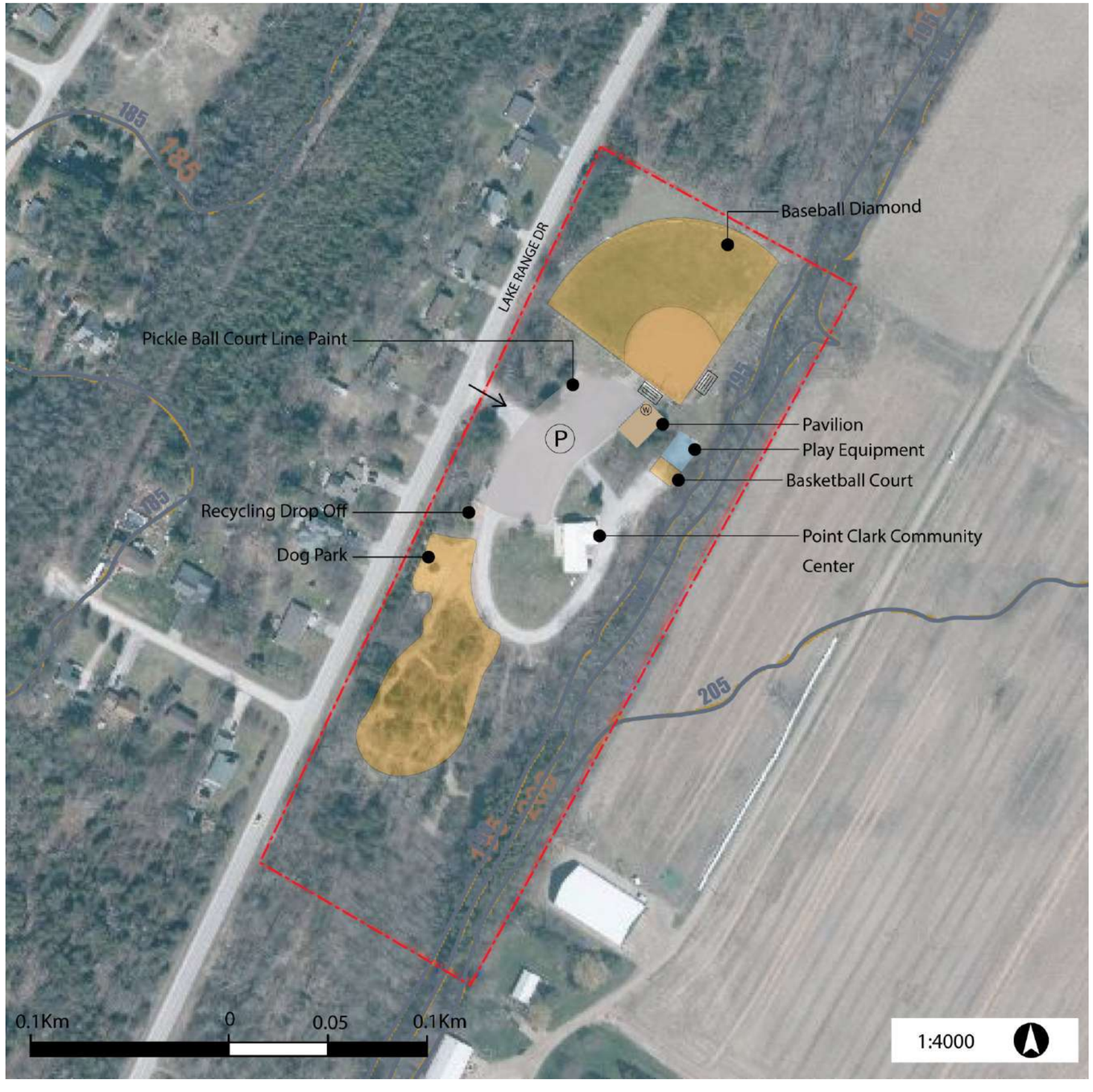
- 2 backless wood benches in a state of disrepair, located in brush

Playground

- wood chip surfacing appears worn down, messy and uncontained
- 3 red picnic tables in disrepair: paint chipping/ vandalism

Vegetation

- hidden space in the center of brush poses a safety issue due to lack of visibility



Point Clark Community Centre Park 344 Lake Range Drive Drive, Point Clark

Park: Point Clark Comm. Centre Park **ID No.** HK7

Civic Address: 344 Lake Range Drive **Community:** Point Clark

Parkland Classification 2022: Community Sports Park (youth + adults)

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 20, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

Located in the northern end of Point Clark amongst lush greenery with a community center, various sports facilities and amenities.

Park Access & Staging Area

- surface: asphalt with parking paint & pickleball court lines

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet
- 3 recycling dumpsters
- 1 cloth donation bin

Site Furniture

- 2 recycling receptacle
- 2 waste barrels
- 1 bike rack

Baseball Diamond

- surface: clay & sod
- chain-link perimeter fencing
- 2 metal bleachers on concrete pads
- field lighting
- 1 equipment bin
- 2 covered player benches: metal
- 1 batting cage: concrete posts + netting

Playground

- surface: pea gravel & wood border
- 1 slide play-slide structure
- 1 swing set: 1 child + 1 baby
- 1 bee spring rocker

Pavilion

- concrete pad, wood post& beams, metal roof & siding
- several no smoking regulatory signs
- 10 picnic tables: wood + metal
- 7 electrical hookups
- concession room

Basketball Court (Full)

- concrete surface
- 2 post mounted basketball nets

Dog Park

- designated parking area
- fencing: aluminum chain link
- regulatory signage
- naturalized planting
- surface: woodchip
- 2m wide perimeter walking trail + interior dog tails
- dog waste bag dispenser

Community Centre

- 2 bike racks
- foundation garden

Vegetation

- maintained lawn, 1 rock swale
- several young planted trees

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area

- good condition, with ample parking

Amenities

- recycling drop off area could undergo beautification

Baseball Diamond

- discarded pallets on fence add physical and visual clutter

Playground

- decaying wood border
- absent pedestrian pathways make this space inaccessible

Pavilion

- interior lighting in need of repair
- picnic tables looking tired and worn down

Basketball Court

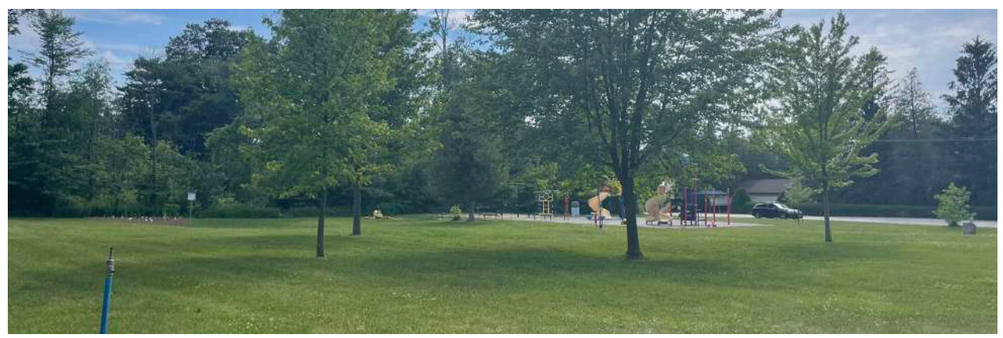
- a desire line to the basketball court from the pavilion is on a very steep and inaccessible slope
- concrete surfacing needs repairs; shifting slabs raise tripping hazards

Dog Park

- dog waste bag dispenser is empty

Community Centre

- foundation garden wood base is falling apart; some boards have severe rot



Blue Park 304 Huron Road, Point Clark

Park: Blue Park **ID No.** HK8

Civic Address: 304 Huron Road **Community:** Point Clark

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 19, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

In a spacious neighbourhood on a corner lot, with a road spanning the west and north direction. 2 residential backyards located to the east, and natural vegetation to the south.

Park Access & Staging Area

- pedestrian access from the street

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet
- 1 water hookup (near road)

Signage

- 1 information Kiosk
- 1 pre-cast monument with park plaque

Site Furniture

- 2 benches: metal (different styles) on concrete pads
- 1 picnic table: wood + metal
- 1 waste barrel with lid

Playground

- 1 metal climbing structure
- 2 slide-play structures
- slide-play structure surfacing: pea gravel, wood border
- 1 swing set: 2 child + 2 baby swings
- swingset surface: woodchip
- 1 sandbox
- 1 mounted play table & chairs
- 1 car spring-rocker
- 1 stand-alone monkey bars

Pollinator Garden

- surface: natural woodchip
- plant ID tags
- project sign: metal post + panel

Vegetation

- naturalized border to one side
- maintained open lawn
- hedge border to give adjacent neighbors privacy
- 2 young planted trees
- several trees on site: organically spaced

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area

- no formal entrance or staging environment

Signage

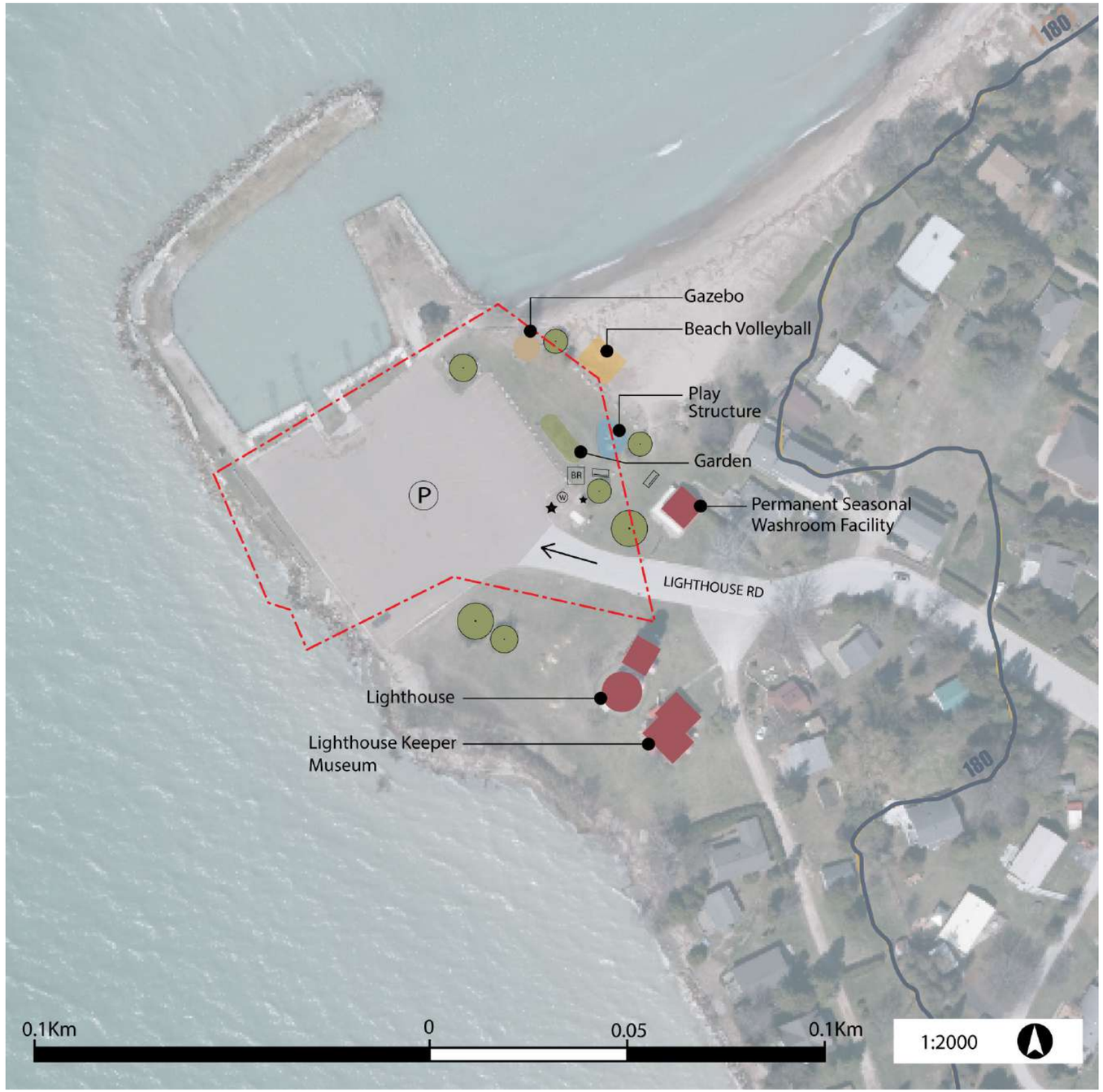
- absent formal park identification sign
- information kiosk is in an awkward location

Site Furniture

- site furniture lacks uniformed style

Playground

- combination of surfacing materials creates added maintenance efforts; messy and uncontained



Lighthouse Park 526 Lighthouse Road, Point Clark

Park: Lighthouse Park **ID No.** HK9

Civic Address: 526 Lighthouse Road **Community:** Point Clark

Parkland Classification 2022: Community Urban Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 19, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

This park overlooks Lake Ontario, has a beach to the north side, seasonal homes to the east, the lighthouse to the south and a parking lot west.

Park Access & Staging Area

- vehicular and pedestrian access from Lighthouse Road
- parking surface: paved asphalt with paint markings

Amenities

- 5 bike racks & repair station
- 1 large waste receptacle: waste + recycle
- 1 permanent beach washroom facility

Signage

- 1 information Kiosk
- 1 pre-cast monument with park plaque
- 1 municipal 'No Household Garbage' sign by large waste bin: post mounted

Site Furniture

- 2 metal benches
- 2 wood benches
- 1 picnic table
- 3 memorial benches: concrete + wood
- 1 large waste bin with hinged lid: green plastic and composite

Playground

- black rubber surface
- 1 slide-play structure

Gazebo

- concrete pad, wood posts & beams, shingled roof
- built-in wood benches

Memorial Garden

- large bermed garden with mulch

Vegetation

- maintained lawn
- several healthy mature trees

Misc.

- several large boulders placed at the park boundary

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area

- the park boundary is uncertain and there is some perceived ownership with the neighbouring property owners
- beach access is not well defined

Amenities

- all in good condition

Signage

- adequate signage, however the beach assess sign is placed in a low-visible area

Site Furniture

- 2 wooden benches in disrepair
- picnic table in disrepair

Playground

- rubber surface chipping into small pieces, weeds growing through surface
- play equipment dated, but in good condition

Gazebo

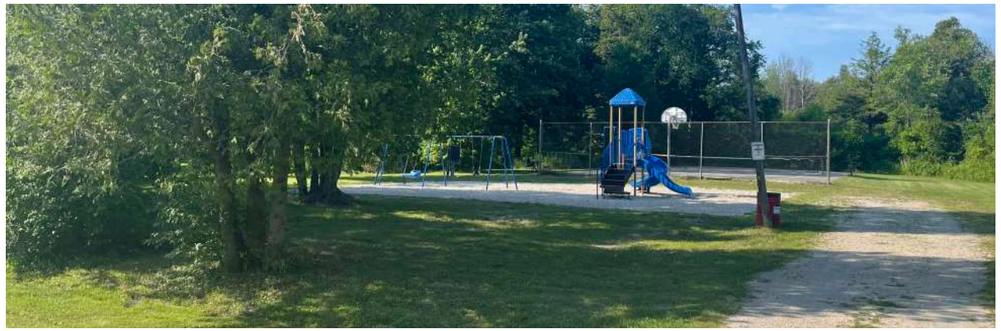
- the roof is looking worn down

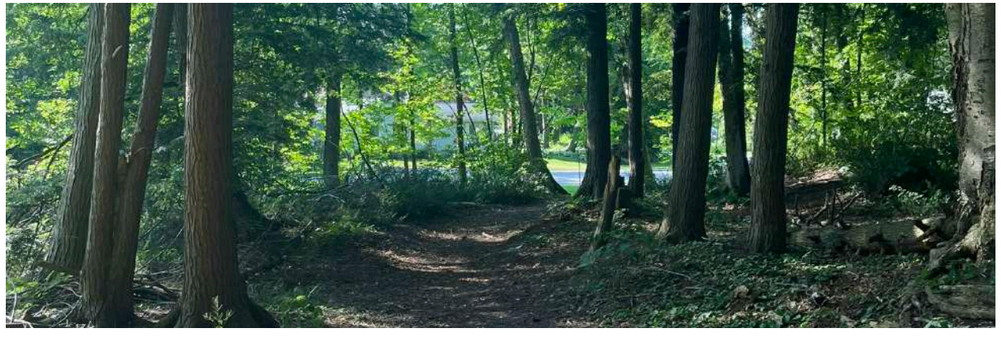
Memorial Garden

- well maintained, and all plants in good health

Vegetation

- trees healthy and in good condition
- lawn is well maintained





Attawandaron Park 502 Attawandaron Road, Point Clark

Park: Attawandaron Park **ID No.** HK10

Civic Address: 502 Attawandaron Rd. **Community:** Point Clark

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
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Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

In a private location with mature vegetation on three sides, with a neighbouring private residential property to the west.

Park Access & Staging Area

- surface: aggregate + lawn
- 1 pedestrian-created trail connecting to adjacent street

Signage

- 2 regulatory signs: mounted to hydro post

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Site Furniture

- 1 waste barrel
- 1 picnic table: wood + metal

Playground

- surface: pea gravel, wood border
- 1 slide-play structure
- 1 swing set: 1 accessible + 1 child + 1 baby

Multi-Sport Court

- surface: asphalt with painted court markings
- 1 basketball net: post mounted
- aluminum chain-link fencing: north & south ends of court
- tennis net

Vegetation

- maintained lawn
- naturalized vegetation on all sides of park

Misc.

- utility box mounted to 2 wood posts

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area

- the lawn and vehicular staging area is undefined
- unaccessible forest path

Signage

- needs park identification sign

Site Furniture

- picnic table in disrepair

Playground

- surfacing messy and uncontained
- equipment in good condition

Multi-Sport Court

- painted court markings serve single activity: asphalt in good condition
- aluminum chain-link fencing showing age

Misc.

- exposed utility box is both a visual and safety concern

Reids Corner Ball Park 2876 Concession Road 4, Ripley

Park: Reids Corner Ball Park **ID No.** HK11

Civic Address: 2876 Concession Rd 4 **Community:** Ripley

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

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Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

Set in a rural location, this park sits amongst farm fields north a private residence east, a concession road south and highway west.

Park Access & Staging Area

- surface: aggregate + lawn

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet
- Site Furniture
- 1 waste barrel

Playground

- 1 small slide-play structure
- pea gravel surface

Baseball Diamond

- surface: clay + sod, field markings
- aluminum perimeter fence
- dugouts + player benches
- 2 bleachers
- 1 equipment storage bin

Vegetation

- maintained lawn
- naturalized vegetation buffer
- 3 young planted trees

Misc.

- 1 small maintenance shed
- cedar post fence between the park site and the neighbourign residence

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Park Access & Staging Area

- lane way entry/exit is difficult to pull out of as vehicles are passing at high speeds
- vehicular space is undefined

Signage

- absent park identification sign

Baseball Diamond

- bleachers are in a state of disrepair
- fencing and clay surface in good condition

Playground

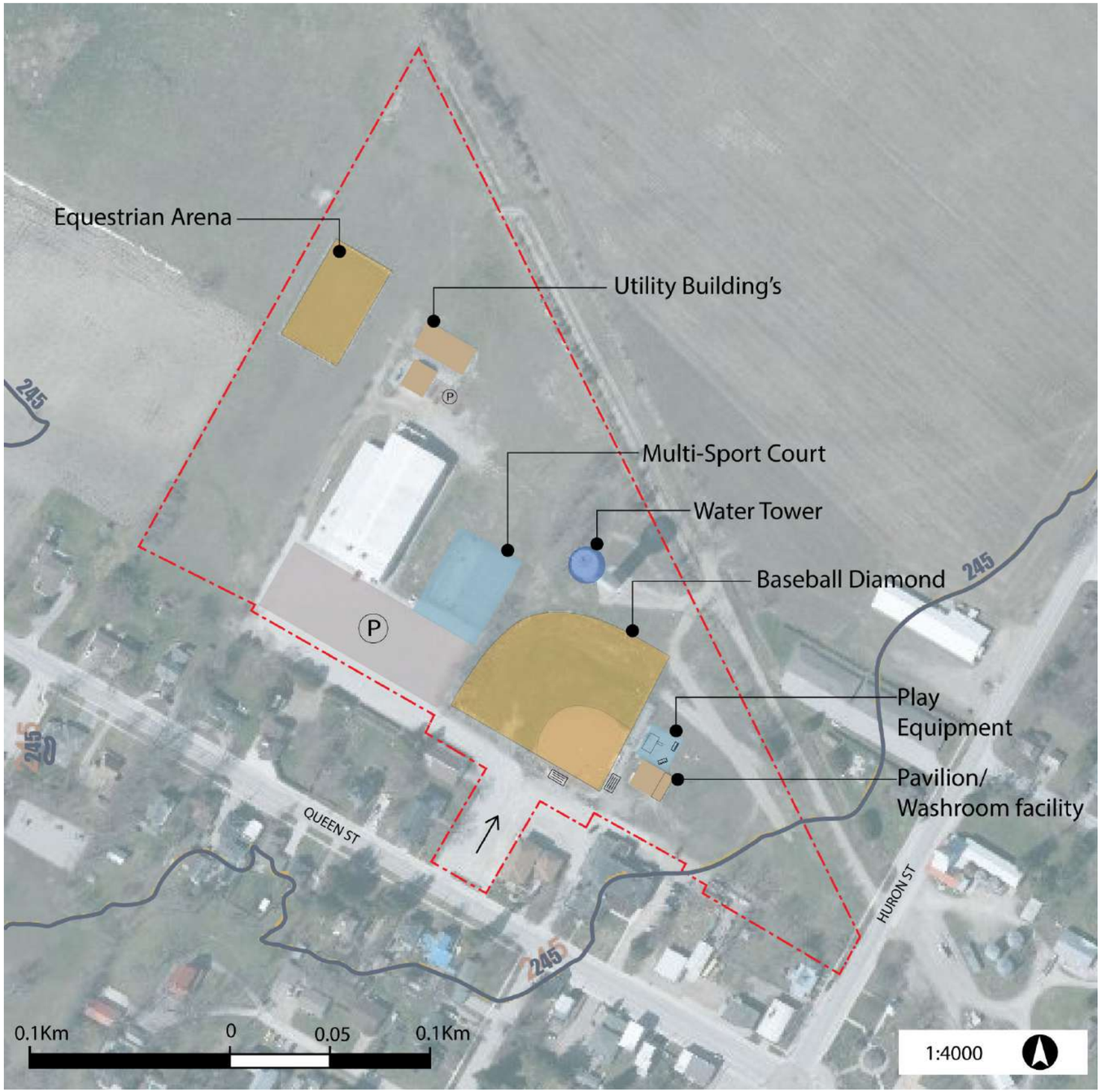
- surfacing messy and uncontained
- equipment is tired and outdated

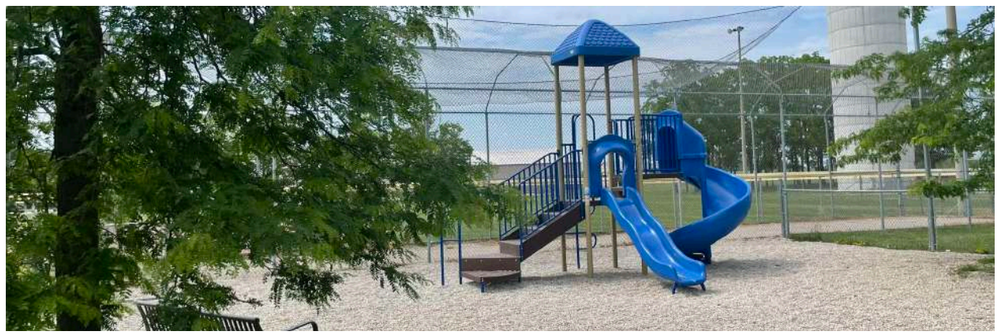
Vegetation

- 1 dead standing tree near municipal storage shed
- 3 young trees in good condition
- lawn is well maintained

Misc.

- maintenance shed is in disrepair; equipment is fully exposed
- discarded pallets are left on site as litter





Memorial Park 17 Queen Street, Ripley

Park: Memorial Park

ID No. HK12

Date: June 19, 2024

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Civic Address: 17 Queen Street

Community: Ripley

Parkland Classification 2022: Community Sports Park (youth + adult)

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory: I.e., list existing equipment, facilities, signage, staging area(s), amenities, furniture, etc. Include approx. quantities and characteristics, where appropriate.....

Setting Context

This large park is encompassed by the municipal building, the Ripley Huron Community Centre, Ripley Walk, several businesses and private residential properties.

Park Access & Staging Area

- main parking surface: asphalt
- secondary parking surface: aggregate

Signage

- entry gateway: brick pillars, decorative aluminum

Amenities

- 1 dog waste bag dispenser
- water connection
- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Site Furniture

- 1 waste barrel
- 1 waste receptacle: recycle + waste
- 1 bike rack
- 1 picnic table: wood + metal

Baseball Diamond

- surface: clay + sod, field markings
- perimeter chain-link fence: aluminum
- 2 dugouts + player benches
- 2 bleachers: aluminum, concrete pad
- stadium lighting: concrete posts
- 1 equipment box
- batting cage: chain-link aluminum

Playground

- pea gravel surface
- perimeter fence: chain-link aluminum
- 1 slide-play structure
- 1 bench: metal
- 1 regulatory 'no smoking' sign: fence mounted
- 1 swing set: 1 baby + 1 child + 1 accessible swing
- 2 honey locusts: within fenced area

Pavilion

- concession room
- concrete pad, wood post & beams, metal roof, board & batten façade
- 6 picnic tables
- permanent washrooms: male + female
- 1 water connection

Multi-Sport Court & Tennis Court

- surface: asphalt, court markings
- 4m fencing end caps: aluminum chain-link
- 1 basketball net
- 2 hockey net: movable
- 2 skateboard ramps
- 1 tennis net
- 1 light: pole mounted

Tractor Pull

- 5 bleachers
- aggregate surface

Vegetation

- maintained open lawn
- mature tree border

Community Centre

- surface: asphalt + painted parking lines
- 1 clothing donation box
- children's play area: fenced in with modular metal fencing

Municipal Equipment Facility

- 1 enclosed facility with garage door
- 1 open port: concrete pad, wood post & beams, metal roof, board & batten façade

Misc.

- exposed electrical meters: post mounted
- concrete block barrier
- elevated green locked-box
- 1 equipment shed
- large row of reserve bleaches: wood + metal
- Ripley water tower

Ripley Walk

- surface: aggregate
- maintained lawn
- evenly-spaced planted trees
- new neighbourhood development connection

Park: Memorial Park

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area
- main parking: undefined between community centre use and municipal building use
- secondary parking: perceived ownership from adjacent residence

Signage
- entry gateway is not within the park boundary

Amenities
- dog waste bag dispenser needs refill: is lost mounted with electrical meters

Site Furniture
- good condition overall

Baseball Diamond
- good condition overall

Playground
- surfacing messy and uncontained
- equipment in good condition

Pavilion
- good condition overall
- picnic tables wood in disrepair

Multi-Sport Court & Tennis Court
- acceptable condition overall
- backless wood observer benches showing age

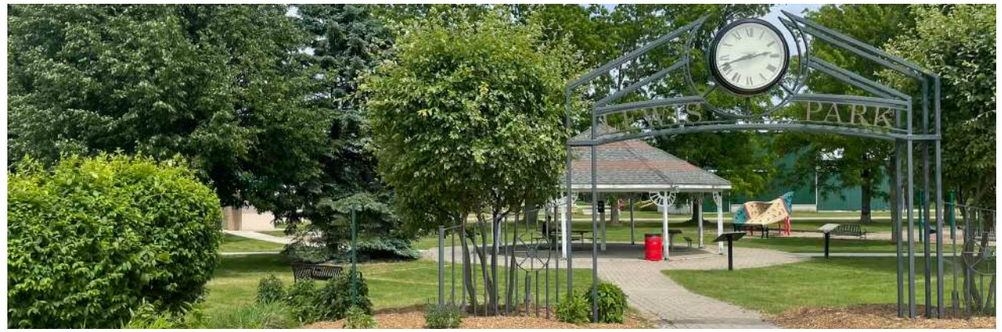
Tractor Pull
- wood on bleachers is showing age

Vegetation
- well maintained lawn
- all trees in good health

Community Centre
- temporary child area fencing showing age

Misc.
- exposed electrical meters in high traffic area
- electrical posts not standardized
- elevated green locked box in disrepair

Ripley Walk
- appears to be a maintenance access route: no separation from vehicular and pedestrian use



Lewis Park 90 Huron Street, Ripley

Park: Lewis Park

ID No. HK13

Date: June 19, 2024

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Civic Address: 90 Huron Street

Community: Ripley

Parkland Classification 2022: Community Urban Park

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

In the heart of Ripley on a corner lot, Lewis Park has Queen Street running south, Huron Street running west and private properties/ residents to the north and east.

Park Access & Staging Area

- on street parking surface: asphalt
- 1 main pedestrian entrance; gateway on corner: metal structure with clock + foundation garden
- 2 secondary pedestrian access points from sidewalk

Amenities

- 7 bike racks: Ripley branded
- 1 circular metal bike rack on a circular concrete pad
- 1 bicycle repair station
- 1 waste receptacle
- 1 water fountain
- permanent seasonal washroom facility: separated male & female

Signage

- 2 interpretive signs
- 1 park identification
- 1 information kiosk
- Great Lakes Waterfront Trail map
- Lions International monument: pre-cast concrete
- 1 surveillance regulatory sign: mounted in gazebo
- 1 municipal parental supervision notice: metal panel, metal post
- 2 posts for hanging signage: black metal posts with decorative armatures

Perimeter Fencing

- bollard & chain: metal, black

Walkways

- corner plaza: unit paving
- 2m wide unit paving path into park
- 1.5m concrete walkways in park

Site Furniture

- 2 picnic tables: wood + metal, mounted to circular concrete pads
- 1 checker board table: mounted
- 4 backed-benches: black metal, concrete base
- 1 MADD sponsored bench: granite on concrete pad

Gazebo

- concrete pad, wood posts & beams, shingle roof, decorative wood detailing, painted white
- connecting walkways: unit paving, donor recognition
- 2 electrical hookups
- 1 dog waste bag dispenser: post mounted
- 1 waste barrel
- 2 picnic tables: wood + metal

Playground

- surface: woodchip, wood border
- climbing structure
- swing set: 1 accessible + 1 baby + 2 child swings
- 1 slide-play structure
- 1 rock climbing structure
- 1 spring table
- 1 elevated steering wheel
- 2 elevate interactive activities: under the sea & xylophone

Sandbox

- containment border: wood
- 2 play diggers
- 1 elevated sand table

Splashpad

- 1 utility building
- surface: concrete
- 1 tipping bucket structure: 3 buckets
- 1 splashpad activation post
- several ground jets
- fencing: black aluminum
- armor stone border
- perimeter garden: woodchip surface

Vegetation

- maintained lawn
- mature Black walnut tree border
- several intentionally planted trees

Misc

- exposed utility box on concrete base
- 3 site electrical hookups: 4x4 post mounted
- 3 engraved armourstone: Queen street pedestrian access
- 1 flag pole: metal, white

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area
- ample and organized on-street parking

Amenities
- water fountain out of order

Signage
- information kiosk is obstructed by vegetative overgrowth and in an inaccessible location
- secondary pedestrian entrance signs need a signage panel

Perimeter Fencing
- good condition

Walkway
- good condition

Site Furniture
- mounted picnic tables wood top showing age
- site furniture is disconnected with the variety of bench styles and waste receptacles

Gazebo
- tired and needs repair
- 2 electrical hookups in the gazebo are exposed
- 1 dog waste bag dispenser is empty and needs to be refilled

Playground
- all equipment is in good condition
- woodchip surface needs a top up as the chips are worn down in some areas
- wood containment border is rotting and splintering

Sandbox
- all equipment is in good condition

Splashpad
- all equipment is in good condition and functional

Vegetation
- all trees in good condition
- gardens are well maintained

Misc
- electrical posts shifting or falling
- no flag on flag pole

Worth Noting

The Gazebo posts and roof were replaced in September, as part of the 2024 Capital Plan.

Updated invenotry includes: concrete pad, steel posts & beams, replaced roof, new decorative detailing

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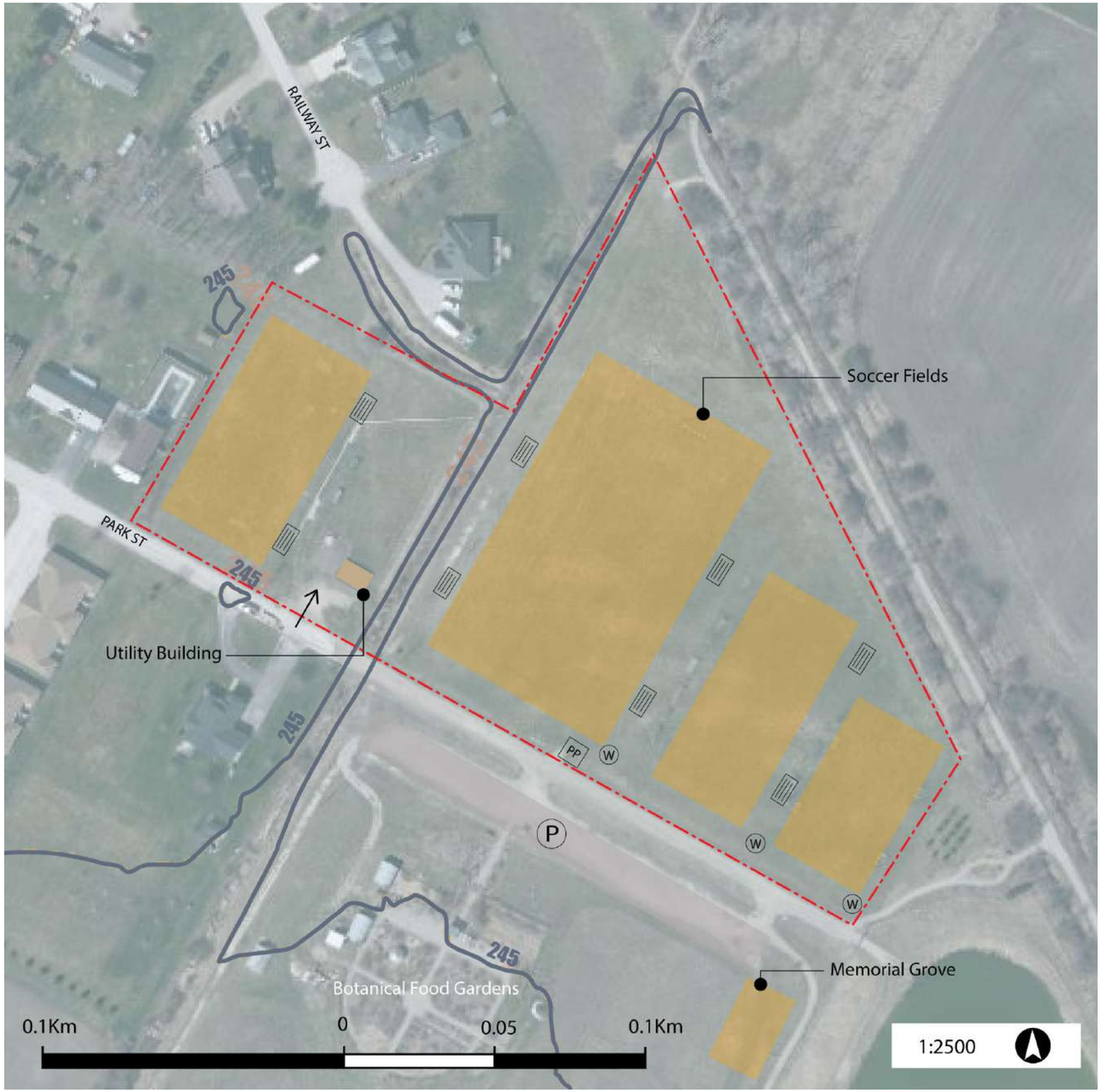

Park Street Soccer Fields 59 Park Street, Ripley

Park: Park Street Soccer Fields **ID No.** HK14

Civic Address: 59 Park Street **Community:** Ripley

Parkland Classification 2022: Sports Park (children)

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
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Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

This site is located on the southeast end of Ripley's settlement boundary. Residential property is found to the north and west, the Bruce botanical gardens to the south, and the Apple Rail Trail to the east.

Park Access & Staging Area

- vehicular access via Park St.
- parking in front of the Bruce Botanical Food Gardens: aggregate surface

Signage

- 1 park ID sign
- 1 soccer field map /sponsor sign
- Field number ID: post mounted

Amenities

- 2 seasonal portable toilets

Soccer Fields

- 6 minor soccer fields
- all fields are provided with goal posts
- painted field lines

Site Furniture

- 3 waste barrels
- 2 bike racks

Vegetation

- maintained lawn: painted field markings
- several mature shade trees

Misc.

- 1utility building

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Park Access & Staging Area

- ample parking for field users at the botanical gardens

Signage

- field map and sponsor sign in a state of disrepair

Soccer Fields

- goal posts showing age: paint chipping

Site Furniture

- in good condition

Vegetation

- lawn is well maintained
- trees in good condition

Victoria Park 533 Hamiltion Street, Lucknow

Park: Victoria Park **ID No.** HK15

Civic Address: 533 Hamilton Street **Community:** Lucknow

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 19, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

This park is encompassed by suburban residential homes to serve to local community, and sits adjacent to the Lucknow Lawn Bowling facility.

Park Access & Staging Area

- approx. 7-8 car parking: asphalt, no painted lines
- pedestrian access from sidewalk
- asphalt pathway through centre of park to all amenities and utility building: approx. 2m wide

Signage

- 1 interpretive panel: 4x4 post mounted

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Site Furniture

- 1 bike rack
- 1 waste receptacle
- 5 benches: composite
- 1 picnic bench: composite

Playground

- surface: pea gravel, wood border
- 1 swing set: 2 child + 1 baby + 1 accessible swing
- 1 sand pit
- 2 slide-play structures

Multi-Sport Court

- 2 multi-sport courts
- surface: coloured rubber
- perimeter fence: chain-link, aluminum
- 1 basketball net
- court lighting
- 1 accessible asphalt pathway at only court entrance

Vegetation

- foundational garden along multi-sport court
- maintained lawn

Misc.

- 1 utility building
- 4 banner poles

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

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Park Access & Staging Area

- disorganized parking, no painted lines

Signage

- absent park ID sign

Site Furniture

- all composite furniture in disrepair, due to vandalism and warping

Playground

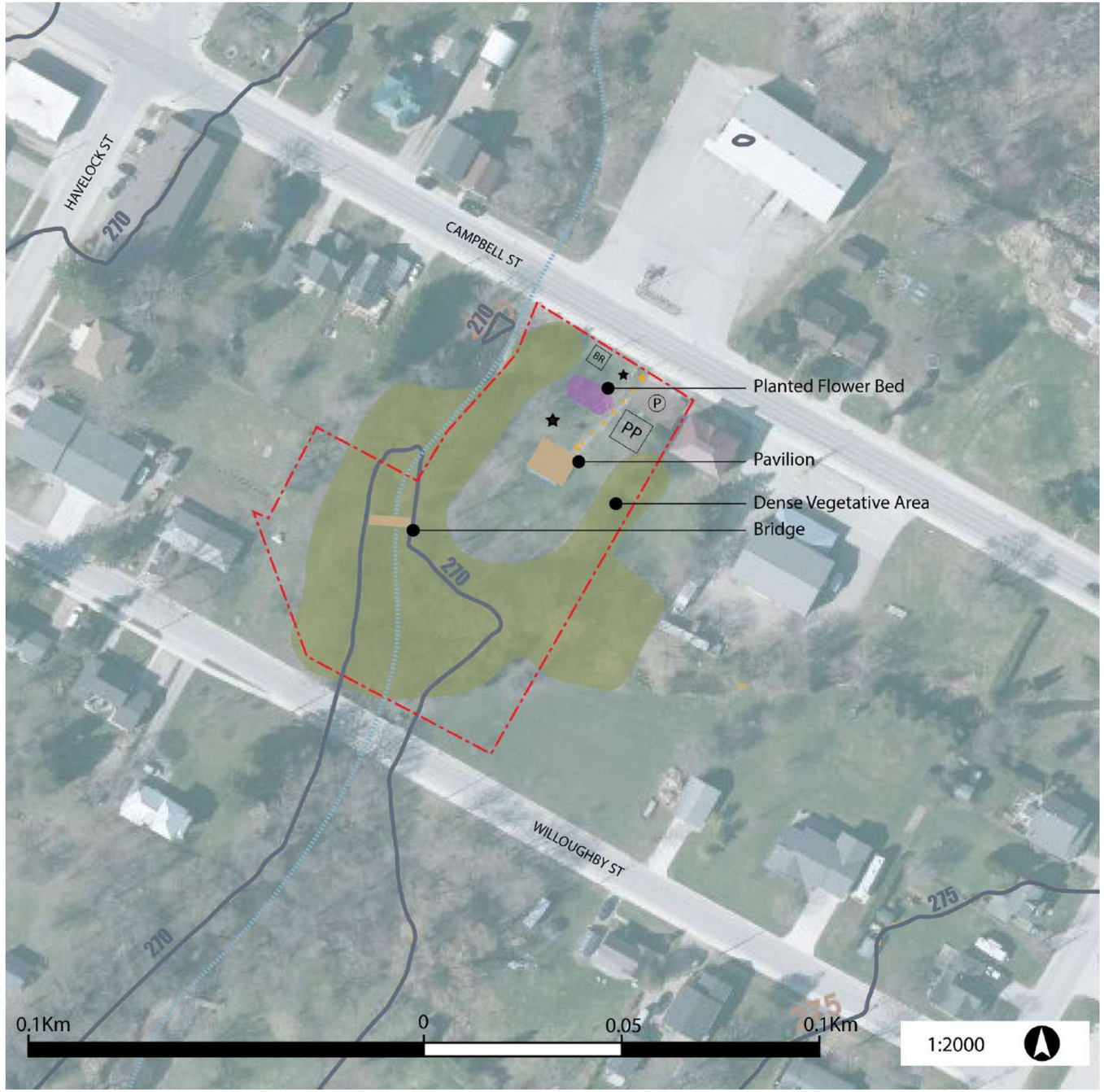
- define border around play structures to keep surfacing contained
- equipment in good condition

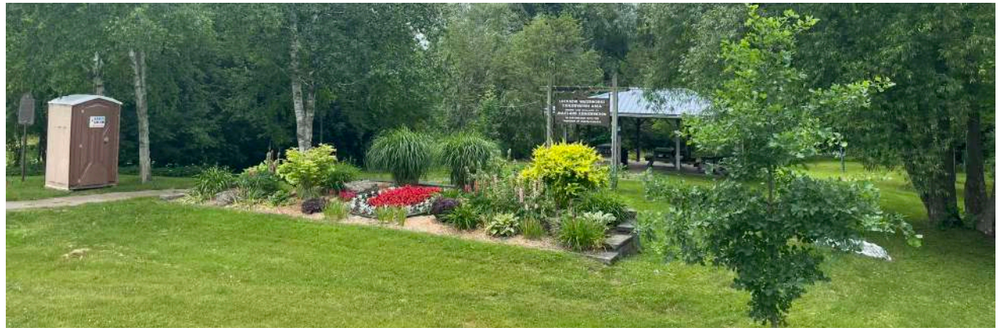
Multi-Sport Court

- accessible entrance needs to be repaired due to settling and shifting
- fencing, rubber surface and equipment in good condition
- Vegetation
- lawn & gardens well maintained
- 1 tree in poor condition near multi-sport court

Misc.

- banner poles missing flags: 1 banner pole needs repair
- lighting in the lawn bowling area is dated





Waterworks Park 476 Campbell Street, Lucknow

Park: Waterworks Park **ID No.** HK16

Civic Address: 476 Campbell Street **Community:** Lucknow

Parkland Classification 2022: Community Urban Parkette

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Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context
Located directly off Campbell Street with a few adjacent residential properties. Natural vegetation surrounds the park on 3 sides, with a stream running along the west side. Connection to the Lucknow.

Park Access & Staging Area
- parking area surface: aggregate
- 6x6 post & chain fencing defines the parking area
- 1 hose attachment (water access)

Amenities
- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Signage
- park identification sign (vehicular)
- 1 historic plaque
- 2 interpretive signs: post mounted
- 1 large wooden sign inside the park

Horticultural Society Garden
- new stone border

Pathways
- concrete slab walkway
- 1 desire line to bridge

Electrical - (9 hookups total)
- 2 in pavilion
- 1 on garden
- 1 on large park sign
- 5 mounted on 4x4 posts

Lighting
- LED rope lighting strung throughout trees in the park, and around sign

Pavilion
- concrete pad, wood post & beams, metal roof
- 4 composite picnic tables
- 1 waste receptacle
- 1 mounted bike rake
- 1 dog waste bag dispenser

Play Equipment
- 1 metal swing set: no swings

Trails
- 1 walking bridge over the stream: wood tread just replaced

Vegetation
- naturalized border
- many mature, healthy trees
- 1 memorial tree & plaque

Evaluation:

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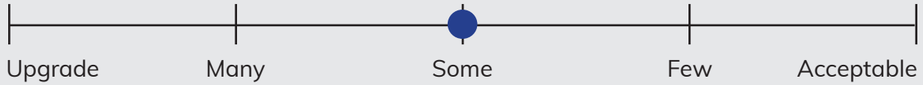

Conditions:

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Setting Context
- some residential properties have yard fencing while others do not

Park Access & Staging Area
- fence showing signs of age

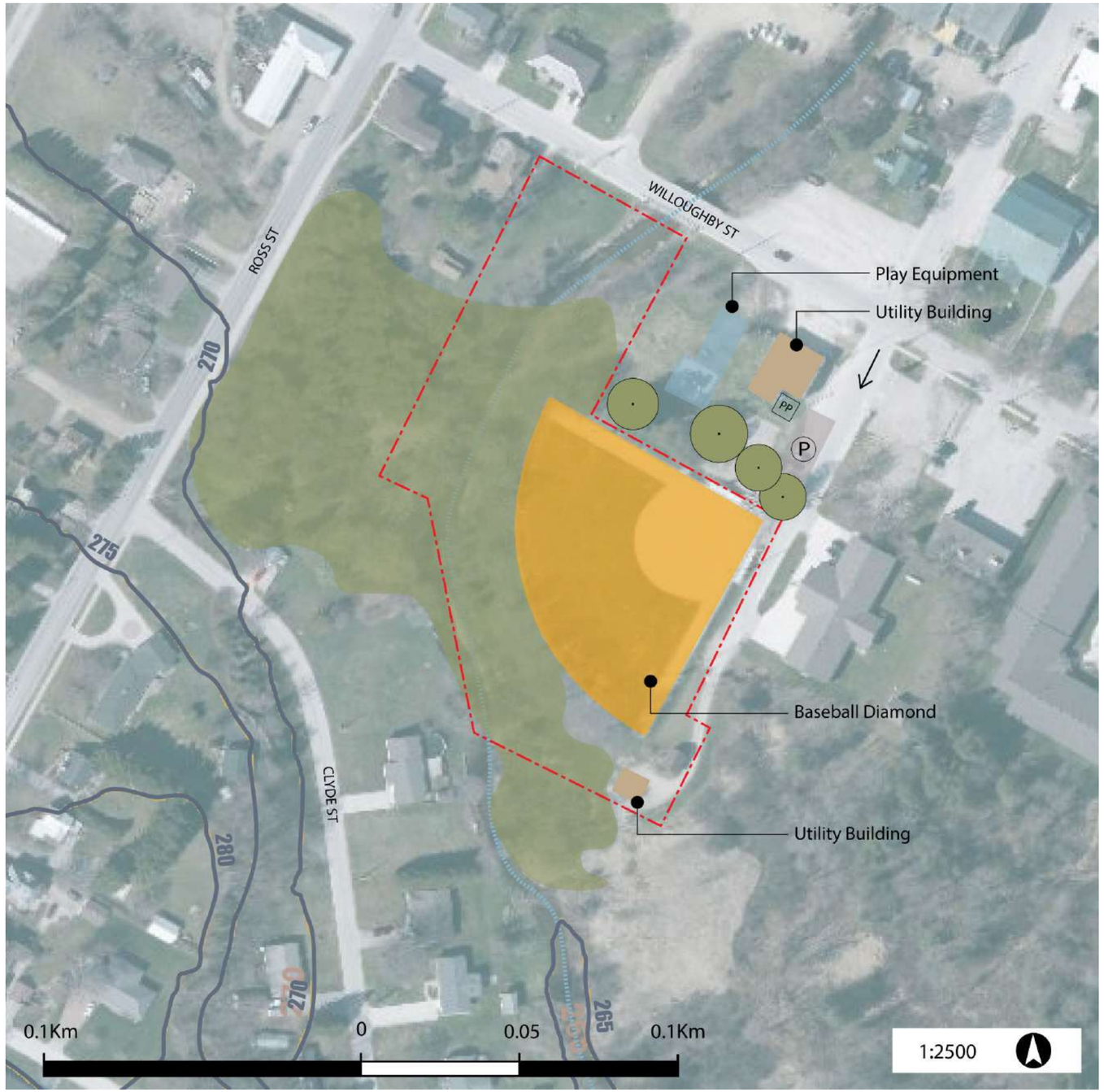
Amenities
- the portable toilet is located in a highly visible area, almost becoming a focal feature entering the park

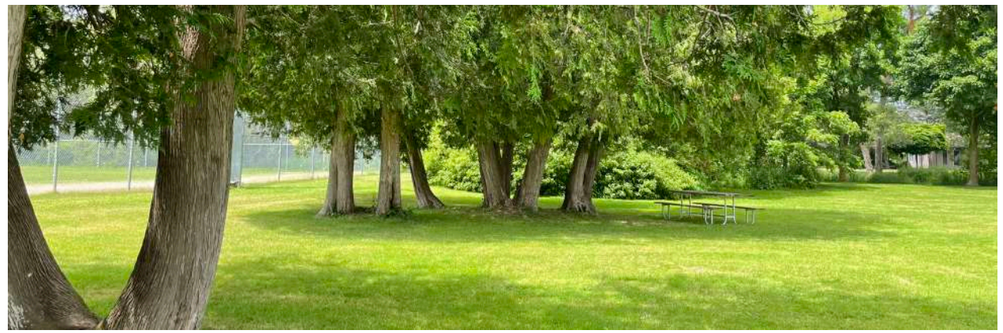
Pathways
- concrete slab walkway in disrepair and not accessible
- there is no formal path from the bridge to the park

Pavilion
- the pavilion has seen some updates, but is tired overall – may need continued maintenance, or replacement in 2-5 years
- broken and vandalized picnic tables

Play Equipment
- swing structure in a state of disrepair

Trails
- trails lack surfacing
- bridge in good condition





Kinsmen Park 596 Inglis Street, Lucknow

Park: Kinsmen Park **ID No.** HK17

Civic Address: 596 Inglis Street **Community:** Lucknow

Parkland Classification 2022: Community Sports Park (youth + adult)

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 19, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

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Setting Context

The park is situated on a dead-end road, bordered by a retirement home on one side and a naturalized creek on the other side.

Park Access & Staging Area

- 6-7 vehicles parking: asphalt, no parking paint

Amenities

- 1 seasonal portable toilet
- 1 dog waste bag dispenser

Signage

- Park ID sign (vehicular oriented)
- 1 regulatory “no parking beyond this point” sign
- 2 regulatory “no smoking” signs

Site Furniture

- 2 benches: metal + composite
- 1 picnic table: metal + wood
- 2 waste barels
- 1 donor bench: pre-cast concrete

Baseball Diamond

- chain-link perimeter fence: aluminum 4m in height
- limestone surface: painted lines
- stadium lighting
- 2 covered player benches: concrete pads
- 2 bleachers: wood + metal
- 1 equipment storage bin

Play Equipment

- 1 slide-play structure
- slide-play structure surface: pea gravel, wood border
- swing set: 2 child + 2 baby swings
- swing set surface: pea gravel

Trails

- mowed lawn along stream

Vegetation

- several mature multi-stemmed cedars
- mature tree border: maples
- naturalized buffer between park and stream
- maintained lawn
- 1 young newly planted tree

Misc.

- 1 - 4x4 post mounted ‘exhaust pipe’
- 1 untility box: wood

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Park Access & Staging Area

- parking is disorganization and the capacity is not optimized

Amenities

- the portable toilet is slightly hidden and perceived for adjacent business
- dog waste bag dispenser is empty and needs refill

Signage

- identification sign is showing age: information is covered by cedar branches and hidden behind parked vehicles

Site Furniture

- 2 benches in disrepair
- picnic table wood is showing distress
- 1 donor bench is showing signs of vandalism and distress

Baseball Diamond

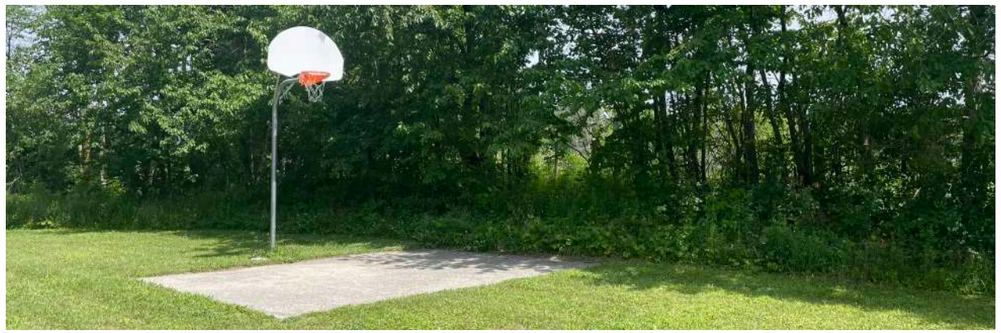
- well maintained overall
- perimeter fencing is showing rust
- lighting is tired and structures are in disrepair

Play Equipment

- surfacing is messy and uncontained
- play equipment in good condition

Misc.

- wood utility box on stadium light fixture is in disrepair and falling apart: poses functional and safety concern



Whitechurch Park 166 Bruce Road 86, Lucknow

Park: Whitechurch Park **ID No.** HK18

Civic Address: 166 Bruce Road 86 **Community:** Lucknow

Parkland Classification 2022: Local Community Park

Date: *All inventory reflects the time of inspection.
June 19, 2024

Inventoried by: AF & JS

Inventory:

I.e., list existing equipment, facilities, signage, staging area(s), amenities, furniture, etc. Include approx. quantities and characteristics, where appropriate.....

Setting Context
Situated behind residential lots with an adjacent farm field, capped by vegetation at each end.

Park Access & Staging Area
- sidewalk ends at entry lane
- 1 access lane: aggregate + lawn
- parking area: lawn

Amenities
- 1 seasonal portable toilet

Signage
- 1 regulatory: “no Atvs or dirt bikes”

Fencing
- new perimeter fence approx.1.4m in height
- circular cedar posts with wire
- farm field access gate via park

Baseball Diamond
- new fencing
- 1 set of bleachers: wood + metal
- mowed lawn surface with no field markings

Pavilion
- concrete pad, wood post & beams, metal roof, new façade
- 10 new picnic tables: wood + metal
- 1 memorial plaque
- 1 waste barrel

Playground
- surface: pea gravel, wood border
- 1 tire play structure (4 tires)
- 1 slide play structure
- 1 climbing structure
- 1 swing set: 3 child + 1 baby swing
- 1 old sandpit

Basketball Net
- 1 basketball net with small concrete pad

Vegetation
- around playground: 2 young Sugar maples + 1 young Norway maple
- along perimeter fence: 3 prominent mature Pines
- natural succession& mature trees

Misc.
- 1 large woodchip mound

Evaluation:

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Improvements Required:

Conditions:

I.e., equipment quality, general concerns, evidence of damage or disrepair, lighting, sight-lines, wayfinding, accessibility, etc.....

Setting Context
- some residential properties have yard fencing while others do not

Park Access & Staging Area
- establish park entrance: amend perceived ownership of entry lane
- pedestrian sidewalk ends abruptly at lane
- no defined parking boundary to separate vehicles from pedestrian use

Signage
- park identification signage and address needed

Fencing
- good condition

Baseball Diamond
- define field markings
- bleachers to be replaced in the next 1 -2 years

Pavilion & Basketball Net
- good condition overall

Playground
- equipment in good condition
- wooden border needs replacement as it is decaying
- revive or remove sandpit

Vegetation
- invasive Morning glory growing in the playground surfacing poses a poison risk to children and pets

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Parkland Classification System

Parkland Information					**Parks & Rec Masterplan** (2022)	pl.ural **Recommendations**					
ID No.	**Park Name**	**Community**	**Settlement Area**	**Size** (approx. Hectares)	**Existing Parkland Classification**	**Recommended Parkland Classification**	**Classification Change**	**Park Description**	**Intended Park Users**	**Rationale**	**Notes**
HK1	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	Huronville	1.5	Local Community Park	-	no	Suburban Community Park	Local Community	-	-
HK2	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	Kin Bruce	2.2	Local Community Park	Regional Multi-Sport Facility	**yes**	Community Park / Open Space	Local Community	Opportunity for future development of the site to meet growing community needs.	Opportunity for revenue generation.
HK3	Heritage Park	Lakeshore North	Heritage Heights	2.3	Local Community Park	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	**yes**	Community Park / Naturalized Greenspace	Local Community	Classification will change after the BMRoss SWM Plan, and appropriate park programming.	Designate areas of the site for amenities and features and areas to be left as natural space.
HK4	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	Bruce Beach	0.3	Open Space	Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace	**yes**	Parkette / Open Space	Broader Community	Redevelopment would intend the park be utilized as a gateway or connection space to the beach, serving both the local community and visitors. The park is adjacent to the	-
HK5	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	Blairs Grove	0.5	Local Community Park	Local Community Park & Open Space	no	Community Park	Local Community	The existing road right-of-way beside the park is appropriate for a neighbourhood connection.	-
HK6	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	Lurgan Beach	0.8	Local Community Park	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	**yes**	Community Park	Broader Community	A section of the park contributes to the Natural Heritage System	-
HK7	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	5.5	Community / Sports Park (all age)	Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace	**yes**	Community Park / Sports Park	Broader Community	A section of the park contributes to the Natural Heritage System	-
HK8	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.5	Local Community Park	-	no	Community Park	Local Community		-
HK9	Lighthouse Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.2	Community Urban Park	Signature Community Park	**yes**	Signature Waterfront Park	Broader Community + Guests	This park is used both by the local community and visitors seeking the lighthouse museum, and is not in an urban setting.	Close proximity to tourist attraction (lighthouse and museum)
HK10	Attawandaron park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.6	Local Community Park	-	no	Community Park	Local Community		-
HK11	Reids Corner	Huron-Kinloss	Reid's Corner	1.3	Sports Park (children)	Rural Ball Park (all age)	**yes**	Rural Ball Park	Broader Community	Located in a rural setting only accessible by vehicle, and to serve a single sport.	This park serves baseball tournaments for all ages.
HK12	Memorial Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	6.5	Community / Sports Park (all age)	-	no	Community Sports Park / Events Ground	Broader Community		-
HK13	Lewis Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	0.5	Community Urban Park	Signature Community Park	**yes**	Signature Park	Broader Community + Guests	This park may be located in proximity to Ripley's downtown, but does not fit the criteria for an urbanized setting.	-
HK14	Park Street Soccer Fields	Ripley	Town of Ripley	2.8	Sports Park (children)	Community Recreational Park	**yes**	Community Sport Park	Broader Community	Upon redevelopment, this park will be able to serve the broader community with additional features and amenities beside sports (i.e., a dog park, and trail connections)	This park can serve both adult and children sports (i.e., soccer, rugby, football, etc.)
HK15	Victoria Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	0.6	Local Community Park	-	no	Signature / Suburban Community Park	Local Community		-
HK16	Waterworks Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	0.4	Community Urban Parkette	Local Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace	**yes**	Naturalized Community Park/ Greenspace	Local Community	Erosion concerns with an active creek running through the park, some bank stabilization may be required (consult Maitland Conservation Authority).	Designate a portion of the site for amenities, features, and trail linkages and a portion to be left as natural space.
HK17	Kinsmen Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	1.2	Community / Sports Park (all age)	Community Ball Park & Environmental Greenspace	**yes**	Community Ball Park/ Naturalized Greenspace	Broader Community	This park serves a single sport for the broader community, and provides amenities and features for the local community.	Designate a portion of the site for amenities and features and a portion to be left as natural space.
HK18	Whitechurch Park	Whitechurch	Village of Whitechur	1.1	Local Community Park	-	no	Community Park	Local Community		

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Section 3 | Community Engagement

A series of community open houses were held in the communities of Lucknow, Ripley and Point Clark (Lakeshore). A summary from each consultation, has been summarized in this section.

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3 | Community Engagement

Overview

Since commencing the project, it was identified that community engagement would be an important component of the Huron-Kinloss Parks and Trails Plan development process. Working with the Township, an engagement plan composed of four (4) in-person open houses for the Lucknow, Ripley, Lakeshore, and Heritage Park communities, accompanied by an online survey and final hybrid presentation of 18 park conceptual designs.

A series of 'drop-in' style open house events were hosted to inform the community of the ongoing project and offer an opportunity for public input. To help spread the word, a township-prepared communications package included social media posts, mailouts, postcards and direct emails. Project information was posted to the Municipal website and the Have your Say HK website to accommodate seasonal residents and those who could not attend the engagement events.

In-Person Open Houses

- Lucknow - Wednesday July 17th, 2024 (4 parks)
- Ripley - Wednesday, July 31st, 2024 (4 parks)
- Point Clark - Saturday, August 17th, 2024 (10 parks)
- Heritage Park - Saturday, September 21st, 2024

Online Survey

- Open July 15th, 2024 to August 19th, 2024

Final Hybrid Presentation

- Design Concepts for 18 Parks - Saturday, September 21st, 2024

Lucknow Open House

The first open house took place at the Lucknow Community Centre on the evening of July 17, 2024, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm, and saw the participation of 20 community members. Primarily intended to introduce the project to the community, participants were invited to learn about the project process and the project sites in their community. The come-and-go session featured several informational panels, municipal project team staff, and members of the consulting team readily available to answer questions as needed. In addition, participants had the option to complete a physical comment card and were also encouraged to take part in the dotmocracy exercises regarding parks and trails in Lucknow.

Lucknow Emerging Themes

Parks

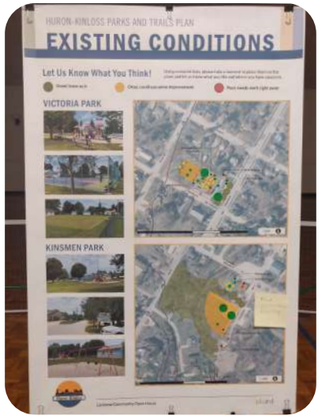
- Seating in all parks (Whitechurch, Waterworks, Victoria and Kinsmen)should be replaced

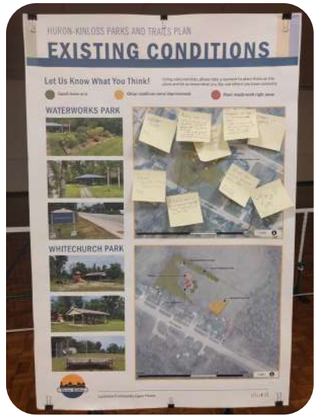
Trails

- Strong support for ATV trail development in Lucknow
- Improve safety on existing walking trails

Dog Parks

- “There is no need for a dog park in Lucknow” was the most popular option; however, of the 2 proposed sites, more participants chose the soccer field location over Kinsmen park as a result of safety and flooding concerns.





Ripley Open House

The Ripley community open house was held on July 31, 2024, at the Ripley-Huron Community Centre from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Seven community members visited the Centre to provide feedback about the project's parks. The open house format stayed consistent with that of the Lucknow community open house but also included the chance to give feedback on all the community parks as needed.

Ripley Emerging Themes

Parks

- Ripley needs more parks to attract permanent residents
- Retired people express volunteer interest in maintaining parks

Trails

- Great Lakes Waterfront Trail needs safe routes off 80 km/hr roads

Pickleball

- Some Ripley residents feel underserved concerning pickleball

Dog Parks

- Open house participants did not see a need for a dog park in Ripley, however, of the two proposed locations, the Park Street Soccer Fields was deemed the most appropriate location

Point Clark Open House

The Point Clark community open house took place at the Point Clark Community Centre on Saturday, August 17, 2024, from 9:00 am to 10:30 am. Thirty-eight community members attended the event to share their feedback regarding the Lakeshore's parks. The open house followed the same format as the Lucknow and Ripley community open houses, providing an opportunity for participants to give feedback on all the community parks as they felt was necessary.

The Lakeshore Emerging Themes

Parks

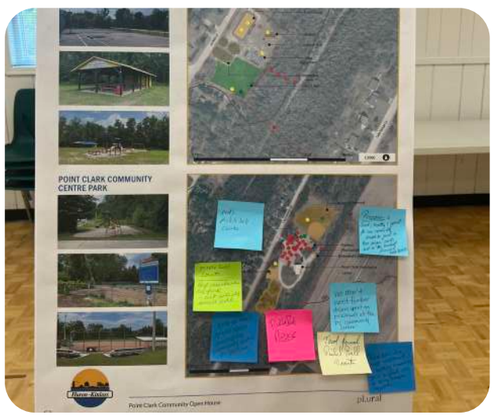
- Some attendees expressed a desire to update the playground equipment in the parks, as the current equipment is outdated and worn out

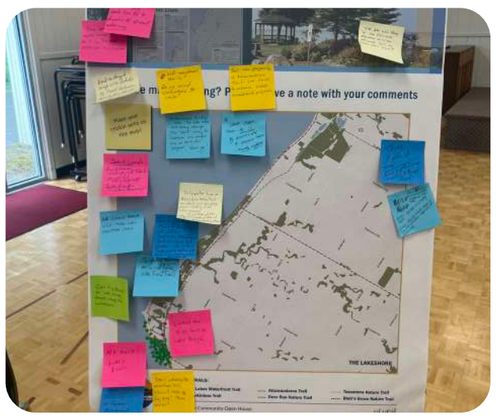
Trails

- Expressed concern for tree loss along the lakeshore
- Invest in new walking trails away from private property
- Desire to leave trails on the lakefront as is, and avoid trail development in front of private cottages
- Trail identification, interpretation, and wayfinding would be an asset and help both residents and visitors navigate the township: Blair's Grove Nature Trail was specifically mentioned a number of times
- Preserve shoreline ecosystems
- Consider a Golf cart pilot with reduced road speed limits in the summer.

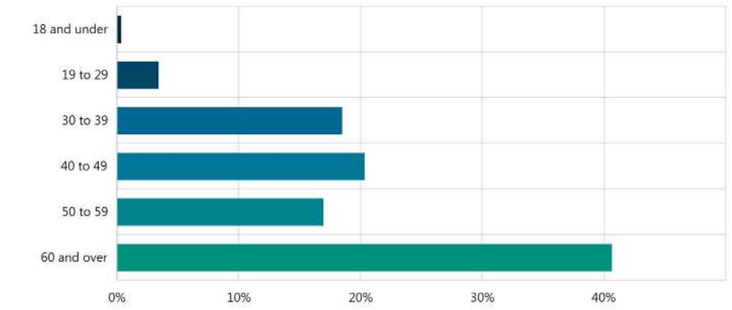
Pickleball

- There is a strong push for a permanent pickleball facility featuring 6-8 courts at the Point Clark Community Centre

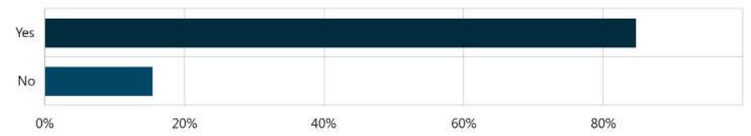




1. What age group do you belong to? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)

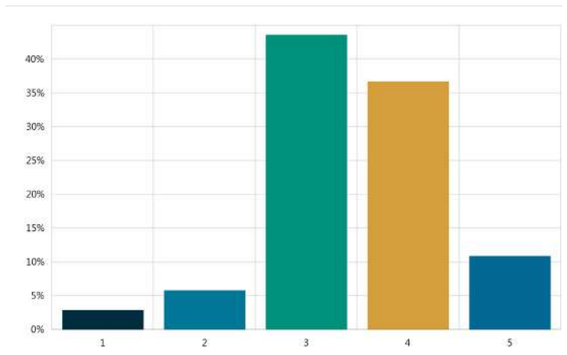


5. Do you visit or use any parks in Huron-Kinloss? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	84.62%	275
No	15.38%	50
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

8. In general, how would you rate the parks in Huron-Kinloss? Required
Rating | Skipped: 50 | Answered: 275 (84.6%)



Online Survey

Between July 15, 2024, and August 18, 2024, members of the Huron-Kinloss community were invited to provide feedback on the condition of parks and trails through an online survey. A total of 325 responses were received, with participants having the chance to answer 70 questions. The survey began with demographic inquiries and then allowed respondents to share park-specific feedback. Additionally, trail-related questions were included to assess the community's wants and needs for future trail development within the Township. All findings have been compiled in this report.

Written Responses Emerging Themes

Parks

- Playground equipment is aging and needs rejuvenation
- Shaded areas around the playgrounds would help keep visitors cool and comfortable in the summer months
- Appreciation for the clean and well-kept portable toilets in the parks
- Strong advocacy for permanent pickleball courts on the Lakeshore

Trails

- Safe and designated bike lanes throughout the township would be an asset, especially along Lake Range Drive
- Invest in more walking trail infrastructure
- Desire for designated motorized vehicle trail infrastructure, separate from other trail users to avoid conflicts

Heritage Park Open House

On the morning of Saturday, September 21, 2024, an in-person open house took place in Heritage Park from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. At this self-serve open house, local residents were invited to learn about the park's current conditions, opportunities and limitations and view the proposed park design on 7 display panels. A total of 16 community members signed in for the event, and several others also attended intermittently. The event fostered an open and transparent dialogue between participants, township staff, and consultants. It provided a platform to address questions, concerns, and communicate the anticipated stormwater management and restoration work needed on site and the possibility of securing grant funding for the completion of related work.

Heritage Park Emerging Themes

Amenities & Features

- Keep the mowed trail on the west side of the park intact to offer more direct pathways.
- Questions surrounding the suitability of an on-site portable toilet as locals go to their homes.
- Is it possible to accommodate a dog park?
- Several residents had concerns regarding the unauthorized use of motorized vehicles in the park and ways to enforce prohibiting use.
- In the proposed playground, make sure to accommodate activities for small children.

Maintenance & Restoration

- A dog waste bag dispenser with designated waste receptacles would be an asset to keeping the park clean of litter.
- Inquiries into the restoration plan and plant species list, including possible volunteer opportunities.
- Inquiries into the protocols and responsibility for invasive species removal and subsequent restoration efforts.
- Ensure appropriate setbacks from houses and private property are maintained.
- Partner with local organizations; Owen Sound Field Naturalists

Final Hybrid Presentation

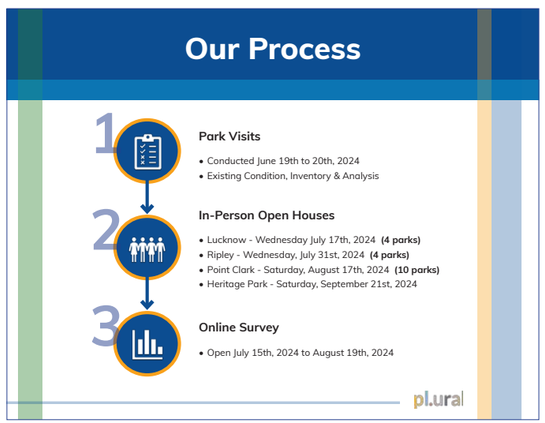
The 18-park proposed conceptual designs were presented to the community in a hybrid format during the final presentation on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. Participants had the option to join the presentation online via Zoom or attend in person at the Ripley-Huron Community Centre Social Room. At least 26 community members attended in person, while 10 participated virtually. Concluding the presentation, time was allocated to a question period where participants could voice their questions, comments and concerns.

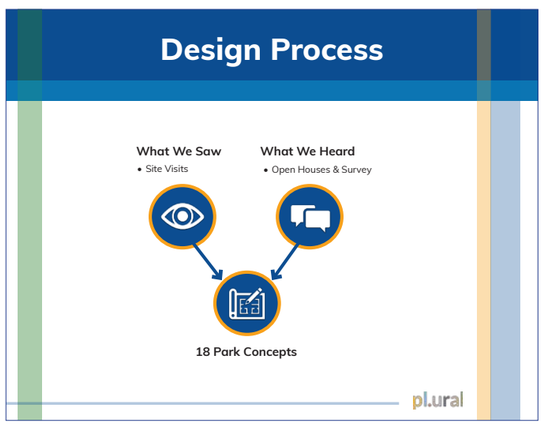
18 Parks Comments

- The pickleball club reiterated the importance of having at least 8 pickleball courts in one location to accommodate their needs.
- It was vocalized that although the Kin Bruce ball diamond is not used by organized leagues, the community utilizes it regularly on nice weekends for informal and family games.
- If the Township refurbished the Kin Bruce Ball diamond, there would be an opportunity to rent it out to leagues as an additional revenue stream.
- The question was asked about which park needs the most immediate attention. Due to the current stormwater runoff project in Heritage Park, and the potential for grant funding to be awarded in January 2025, Heritage Park is a top priority for the township.
- Natural Heritage and the preservation of natural untouched green space should not be forgotten in the context of this project and the redevelopment of Township parks. Tree coverage and natural habitat are important to a healthy community.
- Lighting in Parks and along trails should be considered to improve safety in the community.
- There was expressed appreciation for accessibility improvements to accommodate the aging community and different opportunities proposed to get around in the township parks.

Other Comments

- There is a gap in wayfinding throughout the Township (i.e., trails, destinations, popular attractions).
- Guiding Principles should be included in the final report to demonstrate why certain decisions were made.
- A community member wondered what the process was to prioritize parks. The process and rationale for prioritizing park improvements will be outlined in this report.





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Section 4 | Needs Assessment & Concept Planning

An inventory and existing conditions assessment along with community feedback, informed park needs, which have been developed into high-level conceptual designs for 18 park sites.

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4 | Needs Assessment & Concept Planning

Introduction

Within Section 4, three subsections have been offered for each of the 18 parks in the Township and reflect on what the community offered through surveying and open house sessions, what this information means in terms of improvement and development expectations, and include the subsequent suggested design recommendations to accommodate these. For each park, the three subsections include:

What We Heard

The points provided in the respective park's subsection summarizes the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

What It Means

The subsection includes points outlining points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

Design Recommendations

The design recommendations listed in the respective park's subsection represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process and on-site observations to inform the conceptual plan.

Park: Huronville Park **ID No.** HK1

Civic Address: 11 Deborah Drive **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The local residents greatly value the park's closeness to their homes and gave it high satisfaction ratings for accessibility and safety.
- Park playability needs minimal improvement.
- The community is dissatisfied with the amenities and features on-site.
- Overall, the community would like to see improvements made to the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

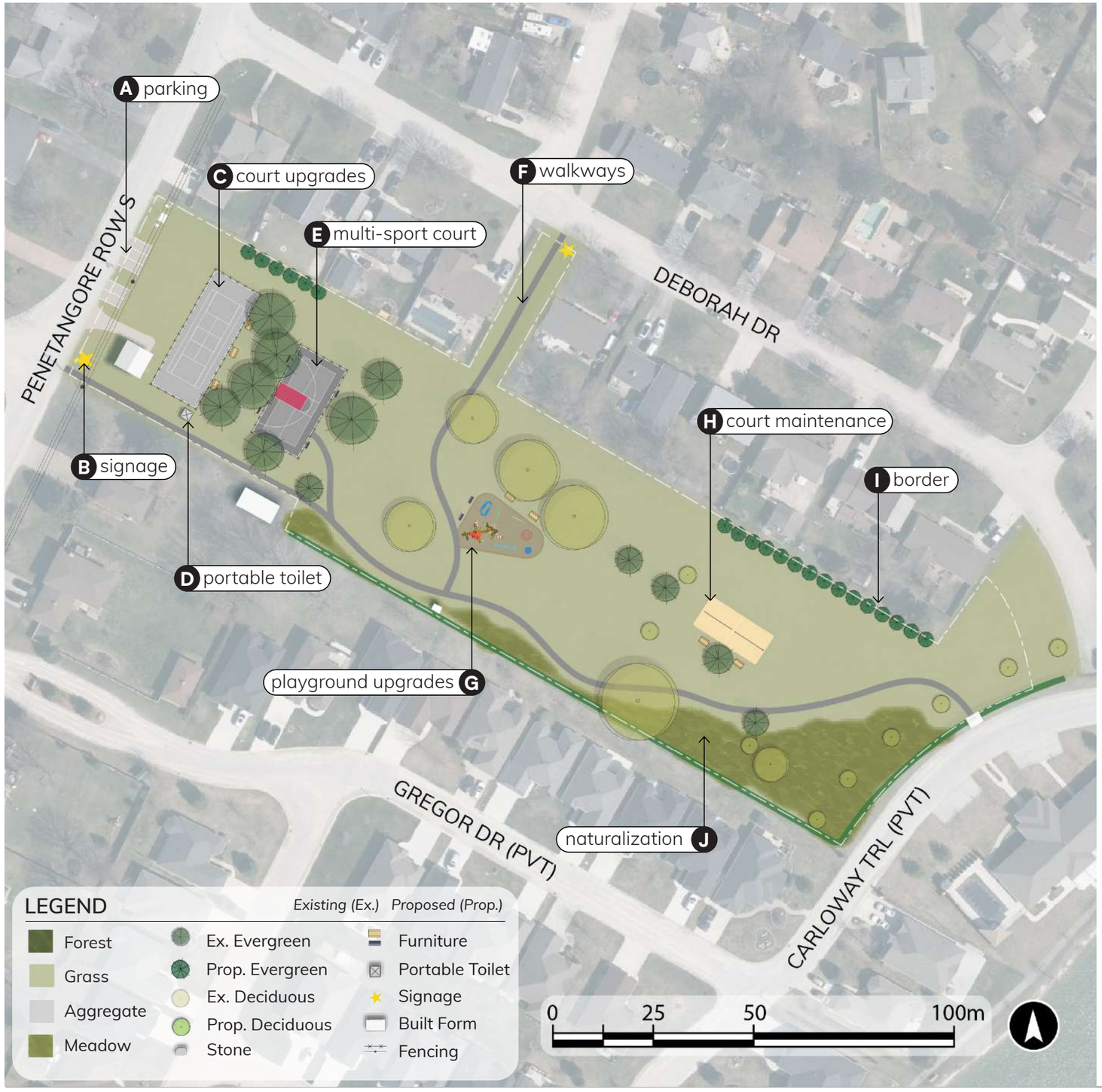
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- There is a strong desire for a multi-sport court(s) on-site to boost playability, and improve the types of amenities that are offered.
- The community feels that maintenance and landscaping could be more intentional in the park i.e., naturalized vs maintained.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Amend perceived ownership, i.e., property ownership and regulatory signage or heighten spatial definition of the park through perimeter tree planting or fencing, as some residents use park property as camper and trailer storage.
- Create a small formal parking area for 3-5 vehicles with at least 2 accessible parking stalls.
- Place an on-street park identification sign at the main access point that can serve both pedestrian and vehicular traffic.
- Upgrade the existing tennis and basketball courts to include multi-sport activity and perimeter fencing 4m tall.
- Replace the existing walkway with a new asphalt walkway 1.5m for 2-way travel.
- Provide a portable toilet near the sports courts, within proximity to the road for ease of maintenance.
- Playground surfacing needs to be replaced with woodchips (Fibar product), as per best practice standards, and the decaying wooden border needs to be replaced; consolidate the playground surface area.
- Upgrade the aging slide-play structure and replace it with a comparable product for the 5-12 age range.
- Refill volleyball courts with new sand and monitor weed growth.
- Create intentional vegetative areas to be left in a natural state to reduce and ease maintenance efforts, and boost pollinator activity.



Huronville Park

920 Lake Range Drive, Huron-Kinloss

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Functionality meets elevated amenities with the addition of parking, accessible walking paths, sport courts and playground upgrades to meet community need.

Key Improvements:

A **Parking:** 2 accessible spaces, 3 standard spaces easy access to sport courts

B **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at each access point

C **Court Upgrades:** freshly painted lines for tennis and pickleball, perimeter fencing 4m

D **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access

E **Multi-Sport Court:** upgrades to existing court, perimeter fencing 4m high

F **Walkways:** neighbourbood through connection, 2m wide, asphalt

G **Playground Upgrades:** some new equipment, woodchip surface, seating

H **Court Maintenance:** new sand, defined outline and game markings

I **Border:** fencing or planting, aids in privacy and defines park boundary

J **Naturalization:** boosts habitat and biodiversity, eases maintenance efforts

Park: Kin Bruce Park **ID No.** HK2

Civic Address: 920 Lake Range Drive **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Recommended Parkland Classification: Regional Multi-Sport Facility

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The playground is tired and needs to be updated.
- There is a strong desire for a multi-sport court(s) in the park which could be implemented in the future as needs increase.
- The community feels this park is under-maintained, and the landscaping efforts can be improved.

WHAT IT MEANS:

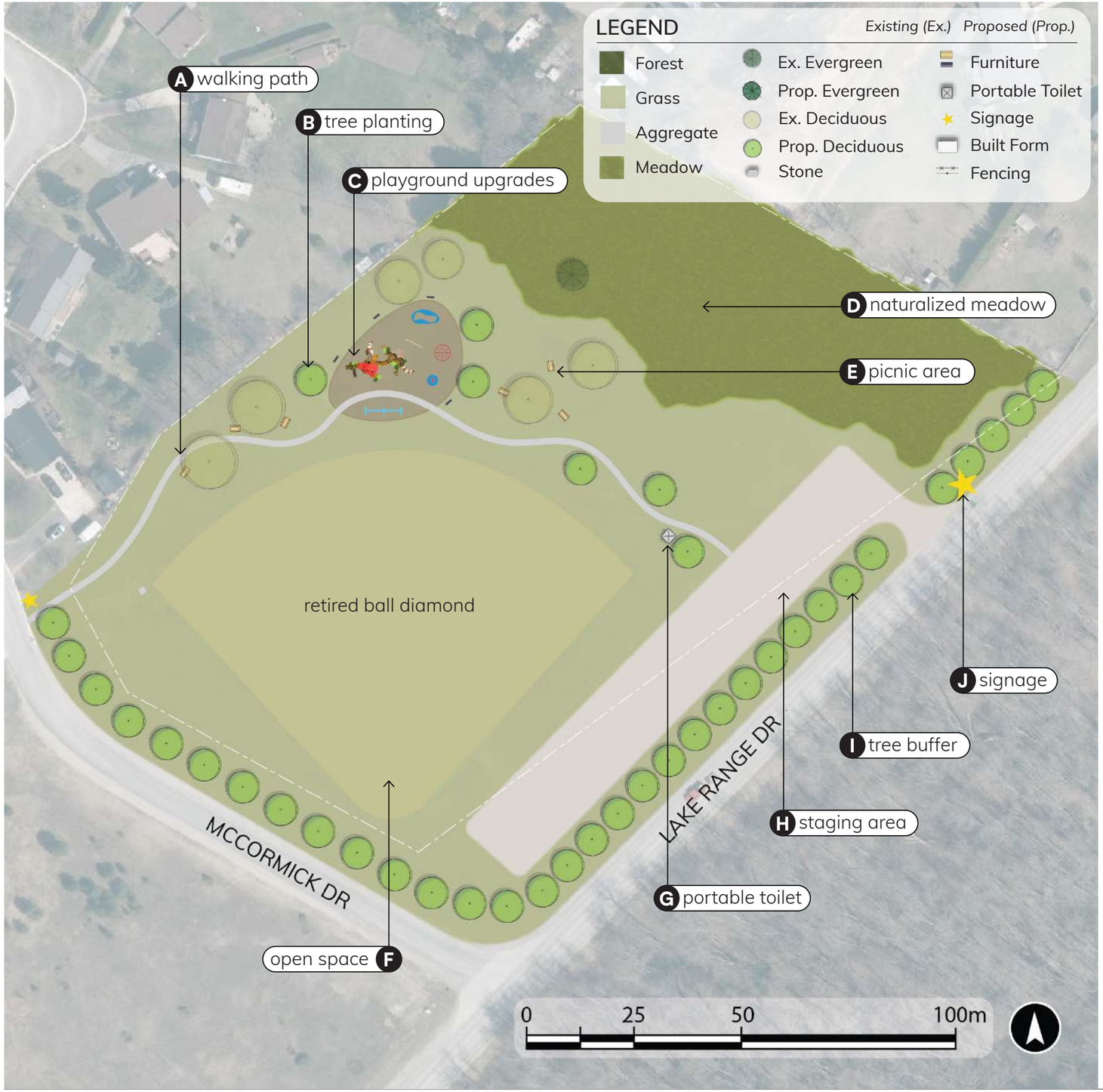
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- The playground is tired and needs to be updated.
- There is a strong desire for a multi-sport court(s) in the park which could be implemented in the future as needs increase.
- The community feels this park is under-maintained, and the landscaping efforts can be improved.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Establish both vehicular and pedestrian entrances into the park, and create a defined parking area with new aggregate to separate vehicular and pedestrian space.
- Place an off-road park identification sign at the main vehicular access point.
- Retire the underutilized baseball field and keep it as a maintained open lawn for future development.
- Add an accessible pathway connection from the adjacent neighbourhood to the playground and parking lot; 1.5m wide limestone screening for 2-way travel.
- The playground slide-play structure and larger swingset are tired and outdated and will require replacement. Add equipment that can service the infant-toddler (6-23 months) and school-age children (5-12 yr).
- Replace pea-gravel surfacing with woodchip (Fibar product) as per best practice, and remove invasive Morning glory from surfacing.
- Replace the young and dying tree buffer along Lake Range Drive with more hardy trees for both a physical and visual buffer from the road.



Kin Bruce Park

920 Lake Range Drive, Huron-Kinloss

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Revitalizing an underutilized location through improved programming and amenities, while also allowing the space for future development to accommodate the evolving needs of the community.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Walking Path:** park loop and access to amenities, 1m wide, limestone screening
- **B** **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months
- **C** **Playground Upgrades:** new equipment, woodchip surface and boundary, seating
- **D** **Naturalized Meadow:** connections and shortcuts, 1m wide, woodchip surface
- **E** **Picnic Areas(s):** areas for family activities and relaxation
- **F** **Open Space:** freely programmable space, leaves opportunity for future development
- **G** **Portable Toilet:** located more centrally on site, accessible, seasonal , easily accessed
- **H** **Staging Area:** defined area separates vehicle and pedestrian space, aggregate
- **I** **Tree Buffer:** offers site cooling in warm months and road safety
- **J** **Signage:** identification & regulatory information at each access point

Park: Heritage Park

ID No. HK3

Civic Address: 913 Gregs Trail

Community: Huron-Kinloss

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- Most residents are very satisfied with the park's proximity to their homes.
- Some local residents expressed concerns about safety in the park.
- The community feels the park is lacking amenities, features, and facilities.
- The community is dissatisfied with the playground.
- The majority of residents feel this park needs attention regarding its quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Update and improve the playground equipment.
- Address dead and fallen trees, and prepare an invasive species management plan.
- Improve trail infrastructure with walkable path surfacing and wayfinding signage.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Enlist a certified arborist and landscape architect to create a removal plan for the dead and fallen Ash trees.
- Hire a contractor specializing in the removal of invasive species (i.e. Phragmites, Buckthorn, etc)
- Create a restoration plan and specified planting list to restore and replant all disturbed areas with native vegetation.
- Upgrade and add additional natural playground equipment for all age groups with new woodchip surfacing (Fibar product) and containment border. Existing playground equipment can be repurposed in other parks.
- Create a clear park boundary to amend the perceived ownership of neighbours using parkland for storage purposes. This can be achieved through planting or fencing.
- Create accessible entrances into the park via permeable pathways 1.5m wide for 2-way travel, and add fencing to separate the park boundary from adjacent private yards.
- Add park identification and regulatory signage at all access points.
- Create a hierarchy of walkable trails at least 1m - 2m wide throughout the park to accommodate 2-way foot traffic, with appropriate permeable surfacing and rest areas.
- The addition of trail wayfinding and interpretive panels will be an asset in this park for recreation and educational opportunities.

Heritage Park

913 Gregs Trail, Huron-Kinloss

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Discover and celebrate the natural richness of the various ecozones available in the park, which are linked to the neighbourhood via a well-organized trail system, and re-established, safe watercourse. The park offers programming for all ages, that enhances its distinct character.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Stormwater Outlet:** engineered stormwater drainage, improved safety
- **B** **Primary Path:** neighbourbood through connection, 2m wide, limestone screening
- **C** **Secondary Path:** park walking loop, 1.5m wide, limestone screening
- **D** **Tertiary Path:** pathway connections and shortcuts, 1m wide, woodchip surface
- **E** **Picnic Lawn:** a spacious, dry area for family activities and relaxation
- **F** **Signage:** identification & regulatory at each access point, interpretive panels
- **G** **Fencing:** delineation from private property and the park boundary, discourage tresspassing
- **H** **Boardwalk Viewing-Deck:** elevated boardwalk through low point, built-in seating
- **I** **Pollinator Meadow:** invasive species management, native pollinator plants
- **J** **Natural Playground:** increased activities, reclaimed wood, aiding in park identity
- **K** **Boardwalk Bridge:** safe access over stream into park, clad concrete culvert with wood boards to tie into park aesthetic
- **L** **Seating Nook(s):** accessible benches, easy maintenance, moments of pause
- **M** **Reforestation: clean-up** dead trees, plant native species, boost biodiversity
- **N** **Planted Buffer:** renaturalize with native planting, increase safety

Park: Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace **ID No.** HK4

Civic Address: 153 Gordon Street N. **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Recommended Parkland Classification: Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community felt very satisfied with the park's accessibility and safety on site.
- The community feels the site is lacking amenities, features, and facilities, which leads to minimal playability.
- The community feels as though this park is quite isolated.
- There are some requests to improve the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

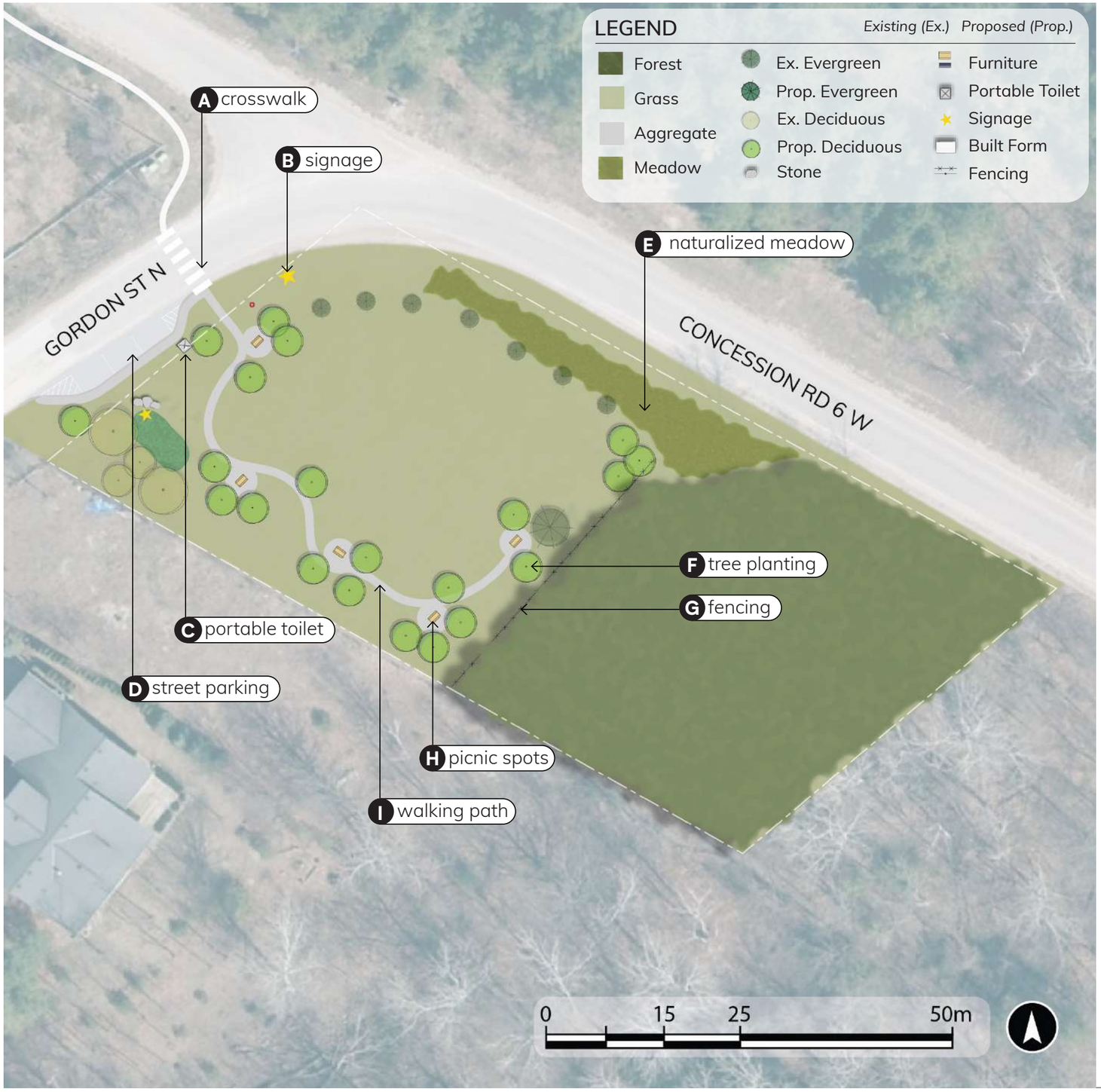
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Local residents desire park infrastructure development and other park amenities for children and adults.
- This park location has the opportunity to act as a connection between trails and beach access.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Designate a location for a portable toilet close to the road for ease of maintenance.
- Create a vehicular parking area for 3-4 cars with a park identification sign, as most residents drive to this park.
- Improve connection to the beach and nearby trails with a walking path off the road and a crosswalk on Gordon Street North.
- Define natural vegetation vs park play space to reduce maintenance efforts and buffer the road.
- Discourage access into the vegetated brush area (located to the east) with fencing or dense planting.
- Improve pedestrian access on site by adding a 1m wide limestone screening pathway to accommodate 2-way foot traffic.
- Maintain the existing cedar border hedge as a low hedge for visibility into the site.
- Create a series of picnic spots with several native deciduous trees to give beach-goers a shaded break from the sun.



Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace

153 Gordon Street North., Huron-Kinloss

Park Redevelopment Intent:

The enhancement of this area establishes a crucial link between the community and the beach. The parkette creates a warm and inviting atmosphere, with the safe pedestrian pathway attracting visitors through to the picnic spots for a shaded rest.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Crosswalk:** pedestrian safety from park and beach, vice versa, 1.5m wide aggregate path
- **B** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access points
- **C** **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access from the parking spaces
- **D** **Street Parking:** 1 accessible spaces, 2 standard spaces, frees up beach parking
- **E** **Naturalized Meadow:** road buffer for safety and eases maintenance efforts
- **F** **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months
- **G** **Fencing:** durable metal chain link, 4-5ft high, keeps overgrown vegetation at bay
- **H** **Picnic Spots:** space for family activities, gatherings and relaxation
- **I** **Walking Path:** park access to picnic spots, 1m wide, limestone screening
- **J** **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months

Park: Langdon Park **ID No.** HK5

Civic Address: 12 North Street **Community:** Huron-Kinloss

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park & Open Space

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- Overall, the community seems to be satisfied with the state of this park.

WHAT IT MEANS:

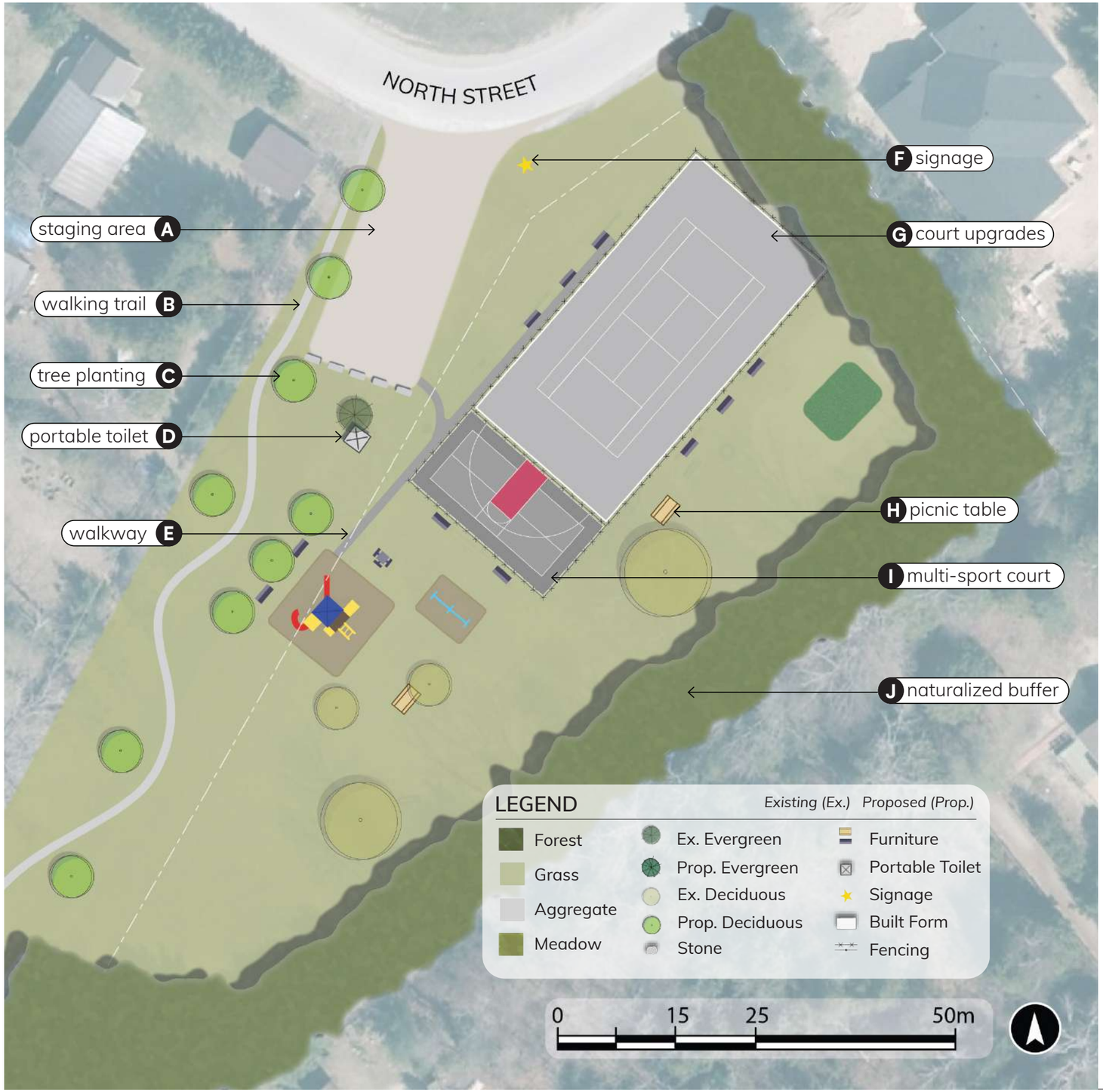
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- No significant action is required based on community needs and desires.
- Observation showed the need for additional shade on site.
- The vehicular staging area for parking could be better defined to separate vehicular and pedestrian space.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Plant several native deciduous trees around the playground to offer shade in the summer.
- Define the vehicular parking area with new aggregate and a border design/ physical barrier.
- An off-road park identification sign near the park entrance would be an asset.
- Sports court lines have faded and should be repainted on the existing tennis court to include multi-sport lines.
- Benches with arms and backrests are needed for accessibility to replace old decaying wood benches on site around the courts.
- Turn the underutilized road right-of-way into a trail connection to link the neighbourhood.
- Create an accessible pathway from the staging area to amenities and features.



Langdon Park

12 North Street, Huron-Kinloss

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Minor enhancements to the park aims to create a space that residents will want to spend more time in. The addition of the walking trail will help foster a more connected community.

Key Improvements:

A **Staging Area:** defined area separates vehicle and pedestrian space, aggregate

B **Walking Trail:** neighbourhood link, limestone screening, 1.5m wide

C **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months

D **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access

E **Walkway:** aids in accessibility to all amenities, 1m wide asphalt

F **Signage: identification** and regulatory information at main access

G **Court** Upgrades: new painted court lines, full perimeter fence 4m high, benches

H **Picnic Table:** offers a place to gather and relax, moveable, wood and metal

I **Multi-sport Court:** upgrades to exisiting court, half size court, perimeter fence 4m

J **Naturalized Buffer:** enhanced natural buffer with additional native planting, eases maintenance efforts

Park: Lions Park

ID No. HK6

Civic Address: 530 Alfred Street

Community: Point Clark

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community is happy with how close the park is to their homes and its ease of access and safety.
- Overall, the community feels there could be slight improvement to the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Create a landscape maintenance plan for the park i.e., areas of naturalization vs maintenance efforts.
- Shade and cool-down areas are lacking around the playground.
- Residents feel the open space can be better utilized in this park.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Define the vehicular entrance and parking area to separate pedestrian and vehicular space with aggregate surface and bollards or planting for circulation control.
- In need of a formal park identification sign at the main vehicular entrance.
- Plant several native deciduous trees around the playground to offer shade in the summer.
- Upgrade the playground by adding woodchip surfacing (Fibar product) and consolidating the area into one space with a containment border.
- Create intentional vegetative areas to be left in a natural state to reduce and ease maintenance efforts. Re-naturalize vegetative buffers to define playable space from natural areas and block park noise for adjacent neighbours.
- Offer programming of the open lawn space with a Jr. sized soccer field and nets. Creates purposeful space for recreational activity.
- The community desires a bike rack on-site in a visible location.
- Remove the two backless wooden benches located in the brush.
- Refurbish the outdoor grilling area and create additional seating opportunities.

Lions Park

530 Alfred Street, Point Clark

Park Redevelopment Intent:

The focus is to improve what exists by providing upgraded amenities and implementing new programming in the available space. The intention of the park redevelopment is to respond to, and address growing community recreational needs.

Key Improvements:

A **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access

B **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months

C **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access, serves all park amenities

D **Renaturalization:** native vegetation, road buffer, eases maintenance efforts, safety

E **Staging Area:** defined area separates vehicle and pedestrian space, aggregate

F **Bike Rack:** space for 4 bicycles, centrally located, durable metal, serves the whole park

G **Gathering Space:** refurbished outdoor grill, picnic tables, tree for shade, opportunity for gathering, picnics and events

H **Playground Upgrades:** maintain equipment, woodchip surface and border, seating

I **Naturalized Border:** boosts habitat and biodiversity, eases maintenance efforts

J **Programmed Space:** Jr sized sports field for leisurely play, maintained lawn, netting, open green space for activity

Park: Point Clark Community Centre Park **ID No.** HK7

Civic Address: 344 Lake Range Drive **Community:** Point Clark

Recommended Parkland Classification: Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community is quite pleased with the proximity of the park to their homes.
- The community is dissatisfied with the amenities and features on-site.
- Overall, the community feels the park's quality, condition and maintenance could use some enhancement.
- The community strongly advocated for additional pickle-ball facilities, with a few members suggesting this wasn't the appropriate location for these.

WHAT IT MEANS:

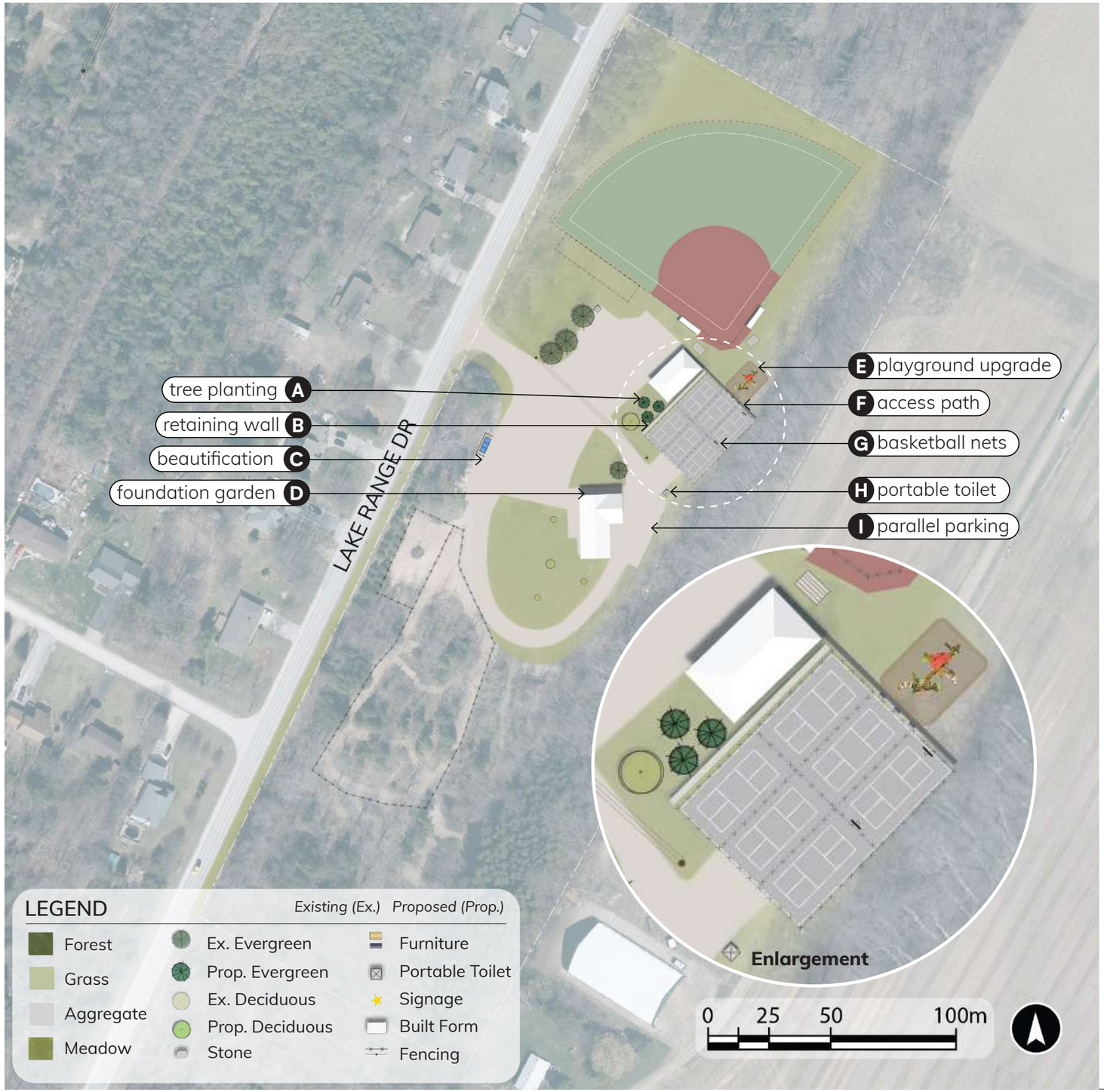
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- The community desires the installation of formal multi-sport courts or pickleball courts in an accessible location.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Establish 6 permanent pickleball courts with perimeter fencing and a designated portable washroom unit (toilet and handwashing station).
- Install a retaining wall to accommodate the pickleball courts at a higher elevation. Replace trees removed with new planting.
- The recycling drop-off area could undergo beautification with decorative fencing.
- Relocate the playground and upgrade pea gravel to woodchip (Fibar product) as per best practice standard and replace wood border.
- Replace the outdated playground equipment with activities for the 5-12 age group.
- Remove the basketball court, and relocate the basketball nets to a pickleball court - to serve as a new basketball court.
- Establish a pedestrian pathway from the pavilion to the playground and pickleball courts for accessibility, 1.5m wide to accommodate 2-way traffic.
- Replace the wood border on the Community Centre's foundational garden with a more durable product (i.e. stone).
- Create more accessible parking near the community center's main entrance to replace those lost by the pickleball courts development.



Point Clark Community Centre Park

344 Lake Range Drive, Point Clark

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Recreation is given priority to meet the needs of the community and the diverse park users while also allowing room for evolving needs and future development.

Key Improvements:

A **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months, replaces trees removed

B **Retaining Wall:** retains grade for the development of pickleball courts on an area with higher elevation

C **Beautification:** decorative fencing to mask the dumpsters, create visual order

D **Foundation Garden:** replace the rotting wood with stone, safety

E **Playground Upgrade:** relocation, new equipment, woodchip surface and border, seating

F **Access Path:** aids in accessibility to amenities on sloped area, 1m wide asphalt

G **Basketball Nets:** 2 basketball nets installed in the pickleball courts to accommodate additional use

H **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access, services pickleball

I **Parallel Parking:** accessible parallel parking stalls, to replace stalls previously located in new pickleball courts

Park: Blue Park **ID No.** HK8

Civic Address: 304 Huron Road **Community:** Point Clark

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- Residents are quite satisfied with the safety and playability of the park.
- Local residents expressed some concern with the park's on-site accessibility.
- The community feels the amenities and features on-site could use some enhancing.
- Overall, the community is content with the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

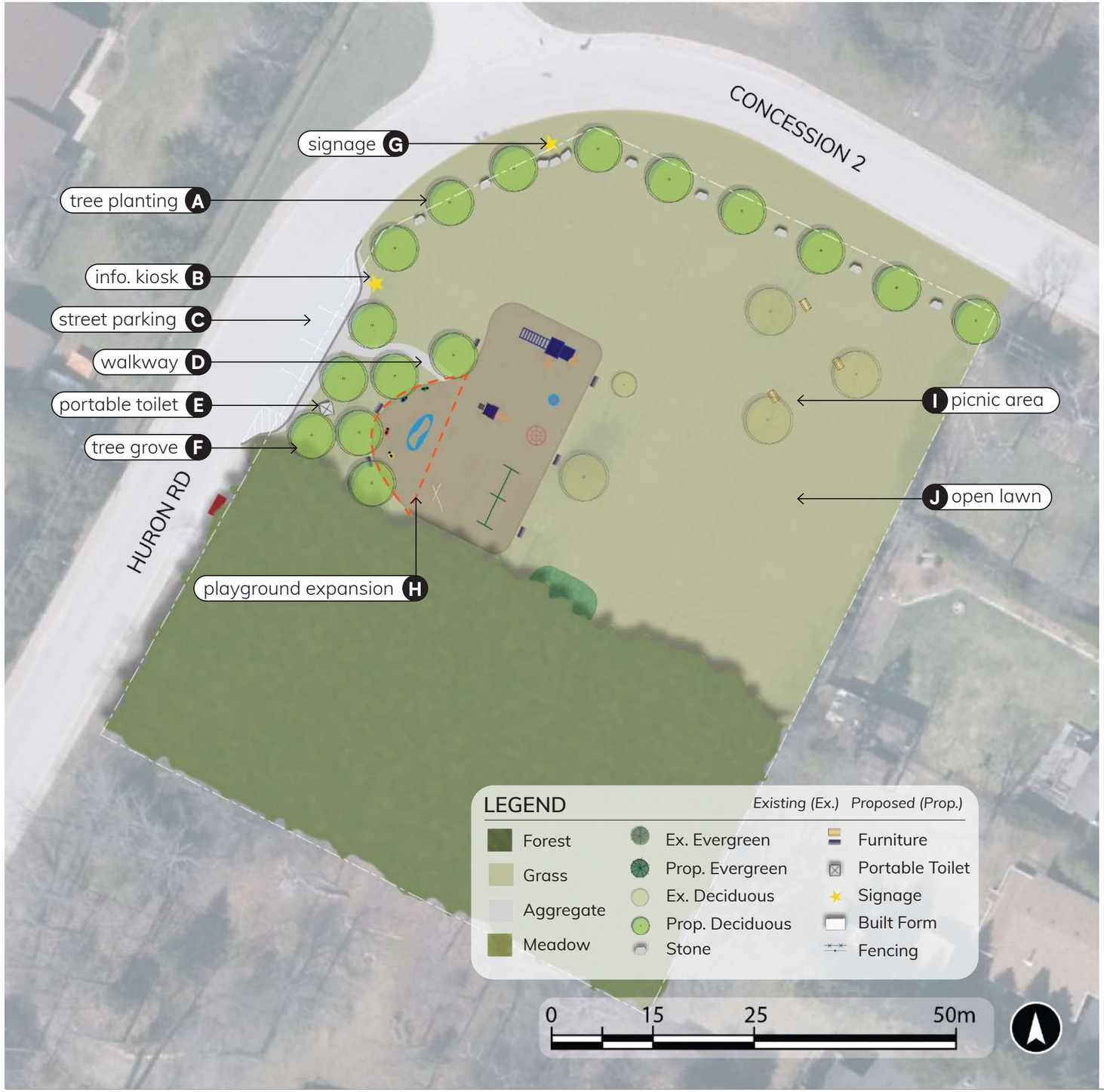
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- The community desires diversified playground equipment for all ages.
- Expressed desire for additional sports programming on-site.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Design a formal on-street staging area close to the mailboxes (i.e. possible parallel parking to accommodate four vehicles, mailbox layby, signage and a waste receptacle).
- Place a park identification sign close to the road, and relocate the information Kiosk close to the staging environment.
- Replace the playground pea gravel surface with woodchips (Fibar product) as per best practice standard with new containment border.
- Expand the playground area to add diversified playground equipment that accommodates a broader age range (i.e., activities for 5-12 yr olds and 13+).
- Replace existing benches with consistent styles; old benches may be re-purposed elsewhere.
- Create areas for families to gather in the shade with picnic tables.
- Boost site safety and security from vehicular traffic with native deciduous tree planting.
- A park identification sign located on the corner would be an asset.



Blue Park

304 Huron Road, Point Clark

Park Redevelopment Intent:

The park aims to serve as a local neighbourhood hub, providing a unified and enhanced space for leisure and recreational activity. Easy access to amenities ensures that the neighbourhood can fully enjoy the park's offerings, from children's play-groups to family picnics.

Key Improvements:

A **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months, border

B **Information Kiosk:** relocated to a more accessible and visible location

C **Street Parking:** 4 large spaces, can serve as lay-by for mailboxes

D **Walkway:** accessibility park entry, 1.5m wide, asphalt

E **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access

F **Tree Grove:** deciduous tree species, offers shade to playground in warm months

G **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access point

H **Playground Expansion:** consolidate area with woodchip, add new play equipment

I **Picnic Area:** space for family activities, gatherings and relaxation in shade

J **Open Lawn:** sunny maintained lawn for numerous activities

Park: Lighthouse Park **ID No.** HK9

Civic Address: 526 Lighthouse Road **Community:** Point Clark

Recommended Parkland Classification: Signature Community Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- Overall, the community is happy with how close the park is to their homes, its accessibility, and its playability.
- The community feels the site's amenities and features could be enhanced.
- There is general contentment with the park's quality, condition and maintenance.
- Some residents have expressed concern with safety in the park in proximity to moving vehicles.

WHAT IT MEANS:

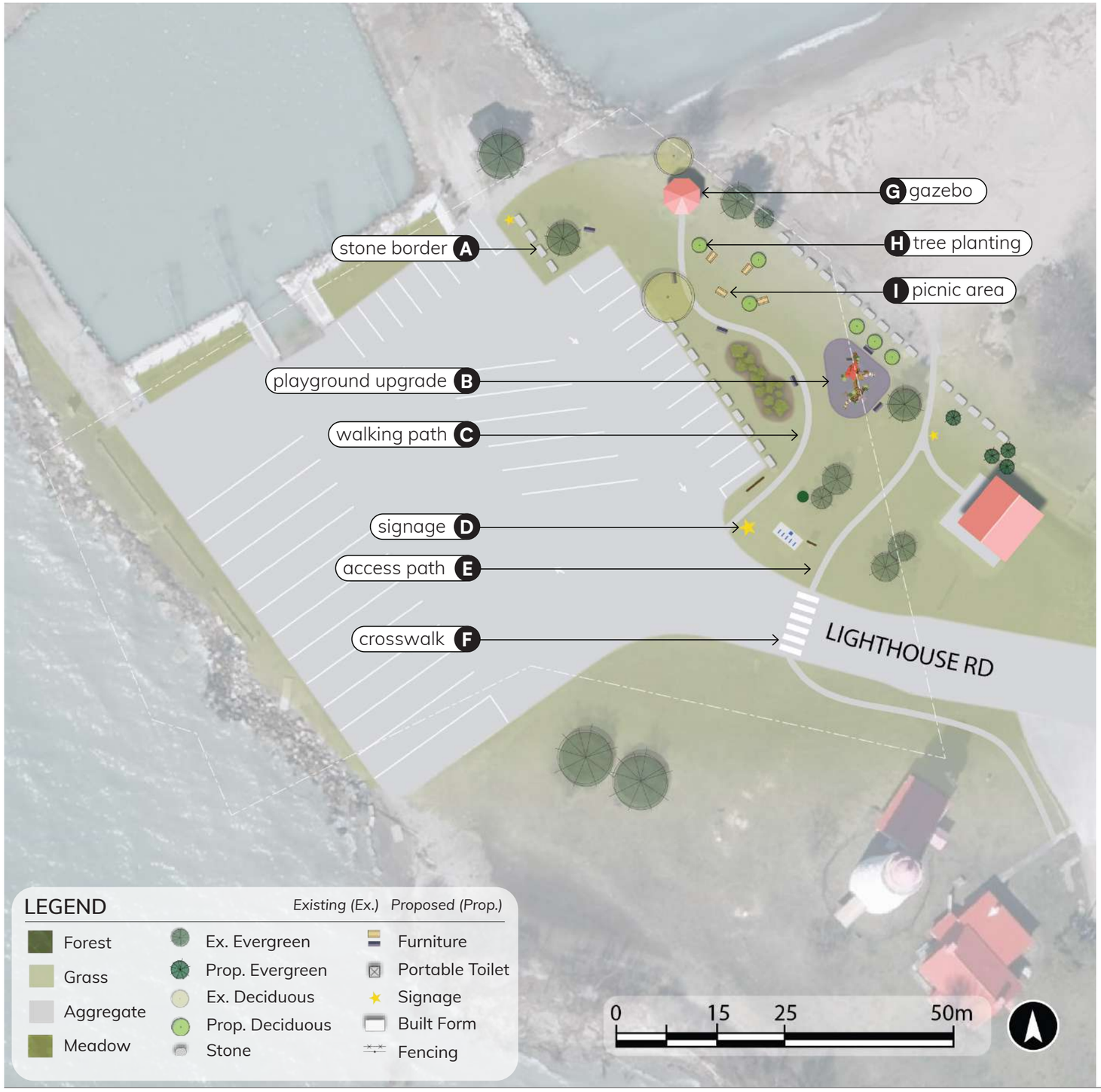
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- There is some desire to improve the park's aesthetic landscaping.
- Residents feel as though there are not enough activities on site for all ages.
- Safety could be improved on-site with the adjacency to a large parking lot.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Define the beach access pathway with 1.5m limestone screening and relocate the beach access sign to a visible location near the permanent washroom.
- Replace the rubber surfacing in the playground and add a border.
- Replace the tired existing gazebo with a more durable, open and airy product.
- Replace the wood on the benches and picnic tables, or replace them with a more durable product. Offer a designated spot for picnic tables.
- Create a safe pedestrian crossing from the park to the lighthouse green space on the opposite side of Lighthouse Road.
- A park identification sign located at the park's boundary would be an asset; placed away from other signage to prevent clutter.
- The addition of several planted deciduous trees will offer shade in the summer months.
- Replacing or reorganizing the existing stone border will help define and organize the park better.



Lighthouse Park

526 Lighthouse Road, Point Clark

Park Redevelopment Intent:

This park acts as the gateway to the beach. Carefully planned pathways to and from the park, emphasizing pedestrian access and safety, result in a vibrant lakefront feature that offers chances for both leisurely activity and relaxation.

Key Improvements:

A **Stone Border:** reorganize existing stone border, define boundary

B **Playground Upgrade:** update equipment, new rubber surface, border, seating

C **Walking Path:** meandering limestone screening, 1.5m wide

D **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access points

E **Access Path:** accessible path, 1.5m wide, limestone screening

F **Crosswalk:** pedestrian safety from park and beach to lighthouse grounds

G **Gazebo:** new gazebo with seating and character to match lighthouse

H **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months

I **Picnic Area:** space for family activities, gatherings and relaxation

Park: Attawandaron Park **ID No.** HK10

Civic Address: 502 Attawandaron Road **Community:** Point Clark

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community was pleased with the park's proximity to their homes and on-site accessibility.
- A few residents have vocalized their worries regarding safety in the park.
- The community feels site amenities and features could be enhanced.
- There is some improvement to be made with the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

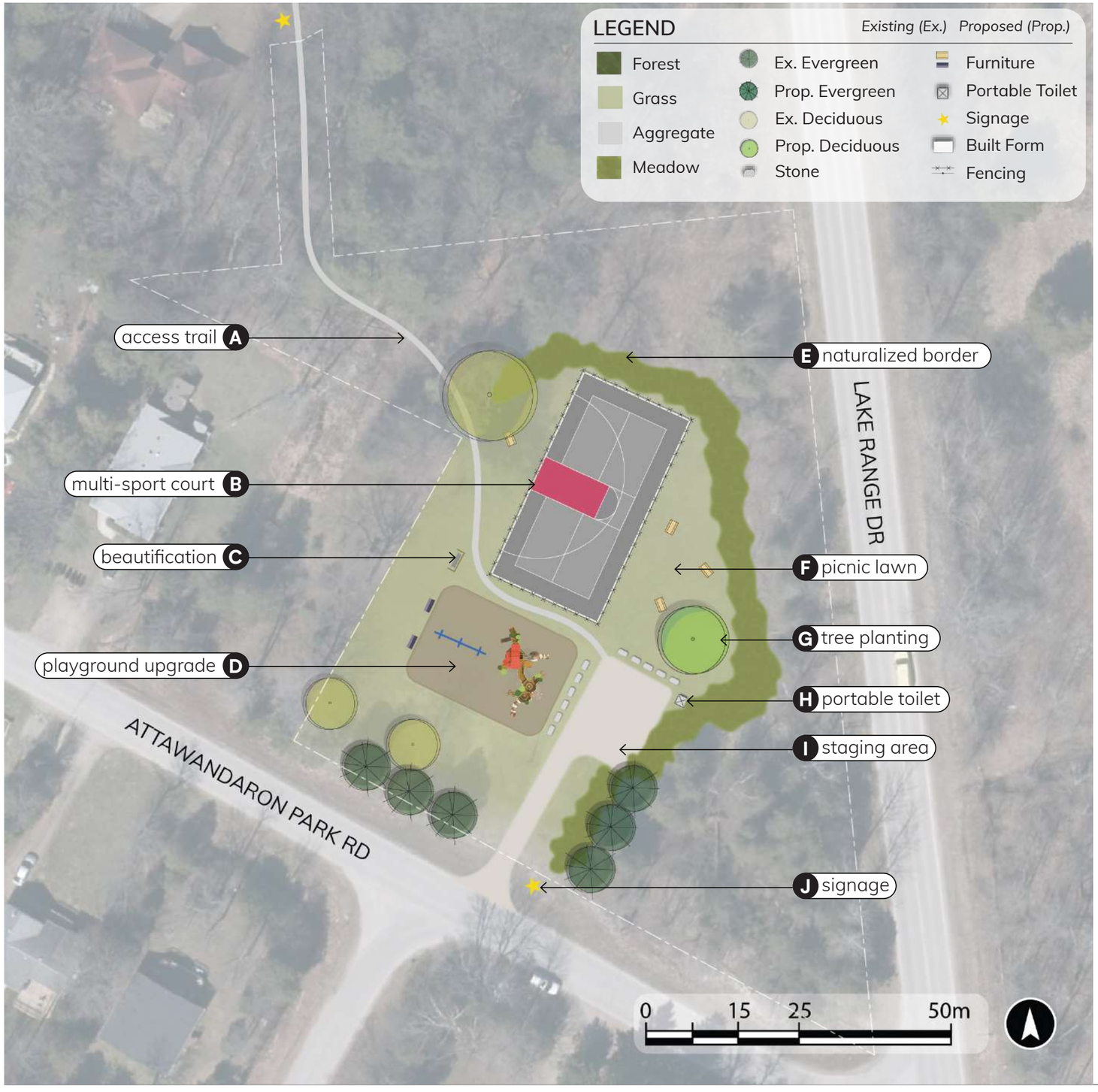
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- The community would like to see improved maintenance and landscaping in the park.
- The community believes that the current park facilities do not meet the needs of all age groups, and they feel that the existing amenities should be upgraded to enhance their functionality.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Upgrade the tennis court to a multi-sport court with resurfacing and multi-sport lines, including full 4m tall perimeter fencing.
- Define and separate the vehicular staging area from the open lawn with fresh aggregate for parking and bollards (i.e., landscape boulders, planting, etc.) for circulation control.
- Formalize the forest trail for safety and accessibility with a 1m wide aggregate surface.
- Add a park identification sign at the vehicular entrance.
- Upgrade the playground surfacing to woodchip (Fibar product) as per best practice standard, including a containment border.
- Replace the tired slide-play structure with activities for 5-12 year olds.
- Screen the exposed utility box for both visual aesthetics and safety with planting and/or a physical enclosure.
- Replace the wood on the site picnic table, or seek replacement with a more durable product.
- Add additional seating opportunities in the picnic lawn with the addition of a newly planted shade tree.



Attawandaron Park

502 Attawandaron Road, Point Clark

Park Redevelopment Intent:

The safety and security of the park have been enhanced through the establishment of a designated trail, a well-defined staging area, and secure fencing around the sports court.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Access Trail:** formalized neighbourhood link, limestone screening 1m wide
- **B** **Multi-Sport Court:** upgrade existing court, perimeter fence 4m high
- **C** **Beautification:** decorative screen to mask utilities, create visual order, safety
- **D** **Playground Upgrade:** updated equipment, woodchip surface and border, seating
- **E** **Naturalized Border:** boosts habitat and biodiversity, eases maintenance efforts
- **F** **Picnic Lawn:** space for family activities, observation and relaxation
- **G** **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months
- **H** **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access
- **I** **Staging Area:** defined parking space, aggregate, stone bollards
- **J** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access points

Park: Reids Corner Ball Park **ID No.** HK11

Civic Address: 2876 Concession Road 4. **Community:** Ripley

Recommended Parkland Classification: Rural Ball Park (all ages)

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community was somewhat content with how close the park was to their homes.
- Local residents feel the site's amenities, features, and facilities, could be upgraded to increase playability.
- The community feels as though this park could use some safety enhancements.
- The community could see improvement to the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

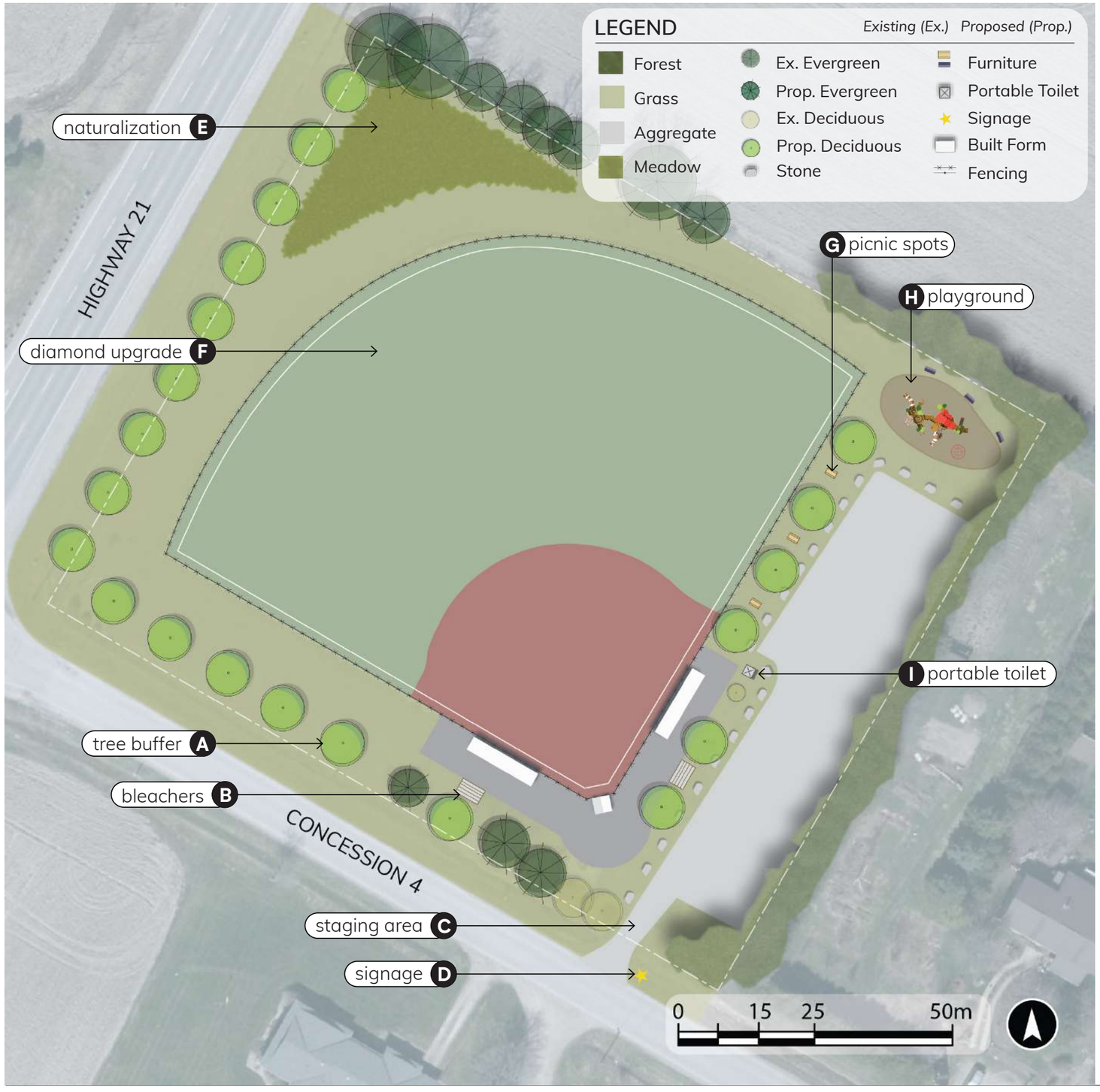
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Include additional programming and activities on-site for a wide range of ages.
- Improve safety with proximity to a main highway and busy concession road for both vehicular traffic and pedestrians.
- Landscaping needs to be addressed.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Introduce traffic calming measures at the park entrance (i.e. reduce road speeds, seasonal speed bumps, etc.)
- Add a vehicular-oriented park identification sign near the entrance.
- Define vehicular parking with fresh aggregate to accommodate 30-50 vehicles and introduce bollards to separate the pedestrian space and create circulation control.
- Replace the baseball diamond bleachers, and add a means of shade through deciduous tree planting.
- Relocate the playground to the park's east side and surface with woodchip (Fibar product) as per best practice standard, including a containment border.
- Install playground equipment for children aged 5-12 years, (consider repurposing Heritage Park play equipment here).
- Remove the dead standing tree on site posing a safety concern.
- Replace and relocate the municipal storage shed closer to the ball diamond.
- Plant trees or naturalized vegetation along Highway 21 to define the park's spatial (boundaries) and to act as a physical barrier and highway noise barrier.



Reids Corner Ball Park

2876 Concession Road 4, Ripley

Park Redevelopment Intent:

The vision for this rural sports park is to enhance user experience and unify amenities. Priority was given to vehicular and pedestrian safety to create a secure and enjoyable environment.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Tree Buffer:** offers site cooling in warm months and road safety
- **B** **Bleachers:** observational seating, durable metal, trees for shade
- **C** **Staging Area:** defined parking space, aggregate, stone bollards, 30-50 cars
- **D** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access on Concession Road 4
- **E** **Naturalization:** boosts habitat and biodiversity, eases maintenance efforts
- **F** **Diamond Upgrades:** fencing repair, shed, covered player benches, field resurfacing
- **G** **Picnic Spots:** space for family activities, observation and relaxation
- **H** **Playground:** play equipment for a broad age range, woodchip and border, seating
- **I** **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access

Park: 17 Queen St. **ID No.** HK12

Civic Address: 17 Queen Street **Community:** Ripley

Recommended Parkland Classification: Community / Sports Park (all ages)

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- Overall, the community feels satisfied with the state of the park.

WHAT IT MEANS:

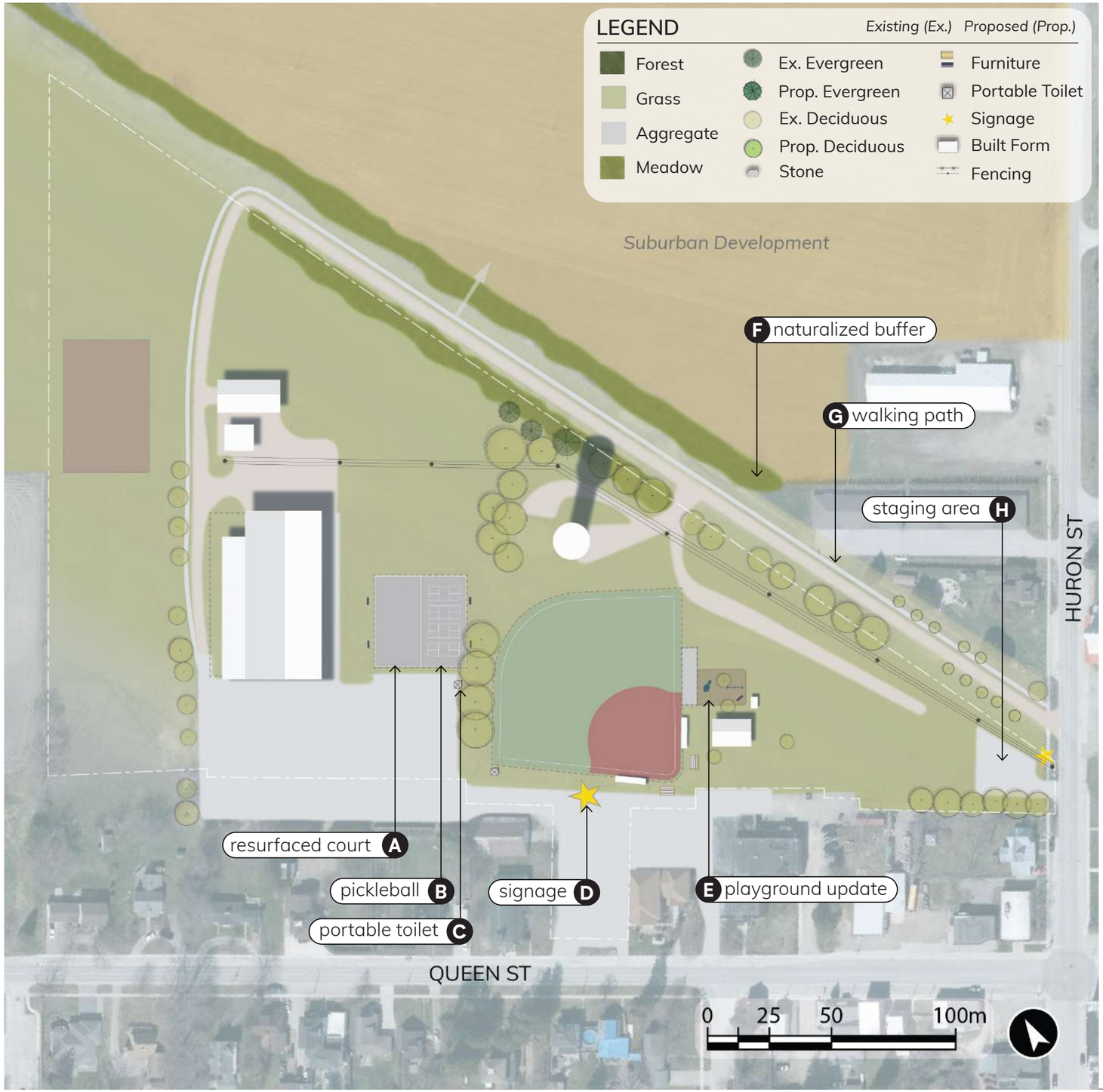
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- No immediate action is required; however, the park's condition should be regularly reassessed as staffing becomes available.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Place a park identification sign on the park property in the following sequence from the entrance gateway onto the park property; this will officially identify arrival at the park.
- The dog waste bag dispenser should be post-mounted separately from other items in a visible area near the open lawn and Ripley Walk.
- Replace the playground pea gravel with woodchip (Fibar product) as per best practice standard with containment border; eliminating the chain link fence.
- Resurface the picnic tables in the pavilion with new wood or a new durable product.
- Repair the elevated municipal locker box at the baseball diamond.
- Replace the multi-sport court wooden benches with a more durable product.
- Standardize electrical posts and enclose exposed electrical meters.
- Establish a dedicated 1.5m wide aggregate pedestrian path on Ripley Walk, as it also serves as a route for municipal maintenance vehicles.
- Resurface the existing courts; 1 for flexible activities such as a skatepark, soccer, etc., and the other for multiple recreational activities such as tennis, pickleball and basketball.



Memorial Park

17 Queen Street, Ripley

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Refining the existing elements to establish a tidy and orderly environment while maintaining its current practicality, function, and character and accommodating neighbourhood connection.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Resurfaced Court:** large court for a variety of activities, perimeter fence 4m high
- **B** **Pickleball:** resurfaced with painted court lines, perimeter fence 4m high
- **C** **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access, servicing courts
- **D** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access
- **E** **Playground Update:** new woodchip surfacing, remove chain link fencing
- **F** **Naturalized Buffer:** boosts habitat and biodiversity, eases maintenance, privacy
- **G** **Walking Path:** designated pedestrian space, limestone screening, 1.5m wide
- **H** **Staging Area:** defined overflow parking, aggregate

Park: Lewis Park **ID No.** HK13

Civic Address: 90 Huron Street **Community:** Ripley

Recommended Parkland Classification: Signature Community Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The park's quality, condition and maintenance could use some attention.
- The community feels like there is little activity for a broad age range, and the splash pad could be improved to accommodate more activities.

WHAT IT MEANS:

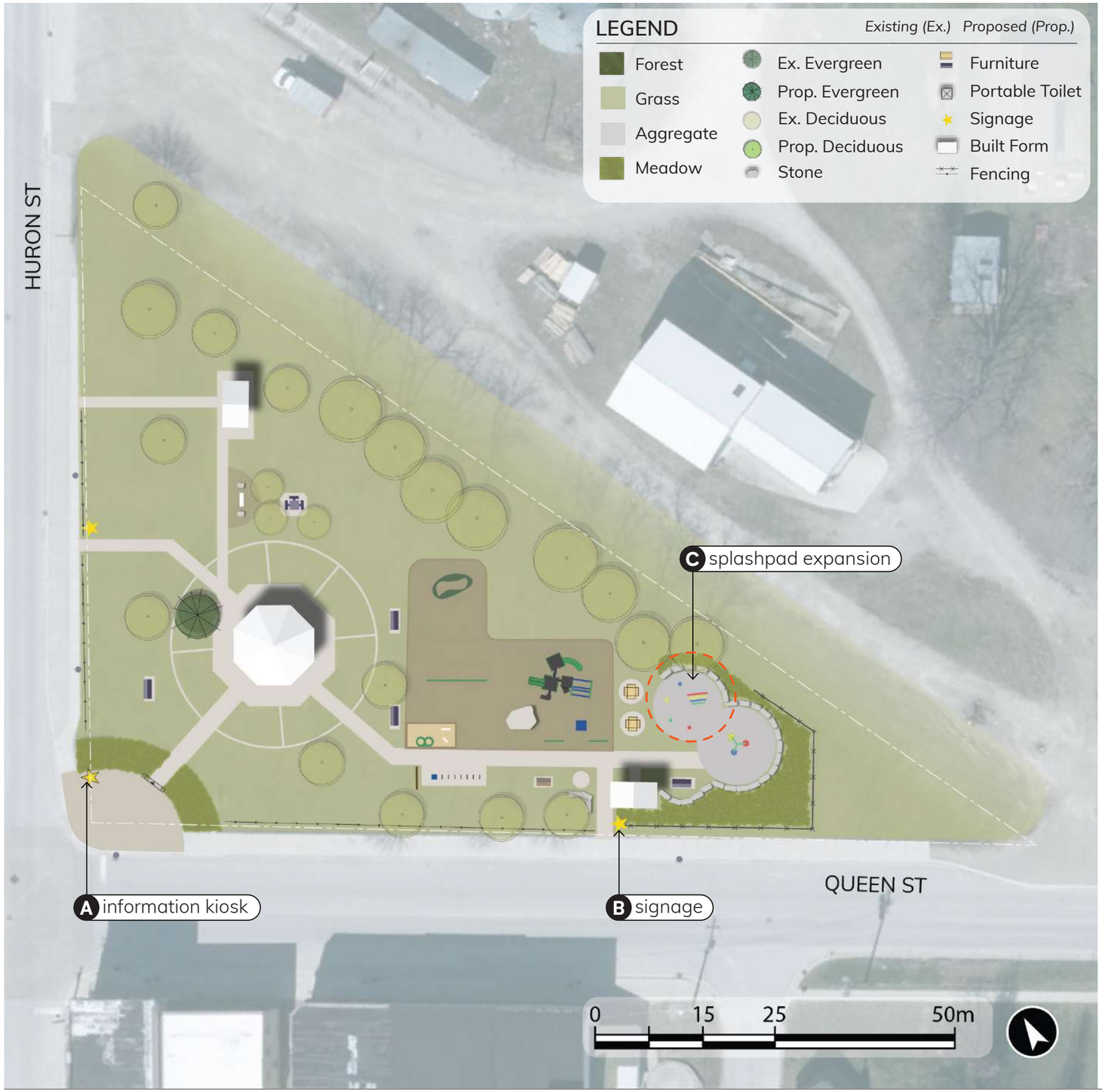
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- In terms of proximity to home, the community was satisfied overall, with accessibility and playability rating as the next most satisfied items.
- The community has expressed a desire to expand and diversify playground activities.
- Improve landscaping and maintenance in the park to manage vegetative overgrowth.
- The community feels like the splash pad could be improved to accommodate more activities.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Expand the splash pad area into the grass to include a few more waterplay activities.
- Replenish the woodchip surfacing (Fibar product) in the playground and replace the containment border.
- Add another playground activity for ages 5-12 and expand the woodchip surface to include it.
- Relocate the information kiosk to a more accessible location in front of the feature garden.
- Replace the wood on the mounted picnic tables or with a more durable product.
- Replace the existing gazebo structure and enclose electrical hookups for safety.
- Add a flag to the flagpole.
- Standardize electrical hookups on site to a 6x6 post to prevent shifting and falling.
- Existing signposts at the secondary park entrances are missing panels.



Lewis Park

90 Huron Street, Ripley

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Revamping Ripley's iconic park to accommodate a growing demand for more play areas, and guaranteeing a sustainable park experience through continuous maintenance and upkeep for long-lasting enjoyment.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Information Kiosk:** relocated to a more accessible and visual location
- **B** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at pedestrian access points
- **C** **Splashpad Expansion:** integrated design with added splash pad equipment, concrete surface, perimeter garden and armourstone

Park: Park Street Soccer Fields **ID No.** HK14

Civic Address: 59 Park Street **Community:** Ripley

Recommended Parkland Classification: Community Recreational Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community felt very satisfied with the proximity to home, and playability was closely followed.
- Overall, the community feels this park could accommodate more amenities and features.
- The community has expressed safety concerns in proximity to the road.
- Local residents feel the park's on-site accessibility could be improved.
- Of two identified locations for a dog park in Ripley, this site was the deemed the most appropriate.

WHAT IT MEANS:

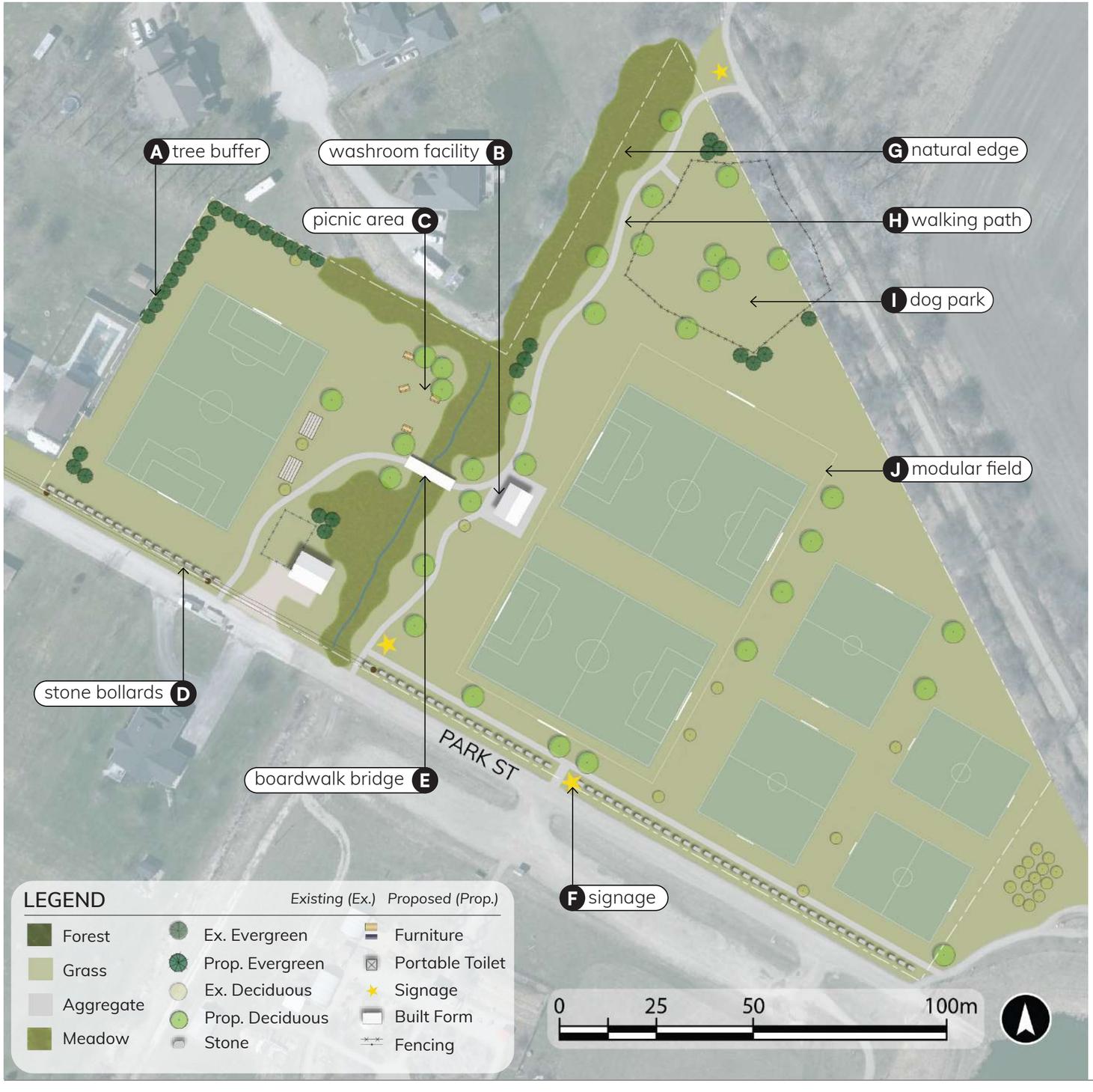
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Enhance accessibility on-site to soccer fields and amenities such as washrooms.
- Install additional programmatic features beyond soccer fields; the community has expressed a desire for a dog park.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Install a permanent and accessible washroom facility with a potable water hookup centralized on-site but not too far away from maintenance access and utility hookups.
- Design a dog park facility near the walking trails and away from other amenities to avoid user conflicts.
- Provide circulation control (e.g., bollards, landscape boulders, planting, etc.) along Park Street to separate vehicles from the parking space.
- Replace the field map and sponsor sign to help visitors better identify their field destination. Additional signage on-site may offer trail wayfinding, regulatory and emergency information.
- Opportunity to place accessible aggregate pathways 1.5m wide to accommodate 2-way foot traffic and enhance the existing trail system.
- Plant additional deciduous trees on site for player and observer shade.
- Include an evergreen tree buffer to define the park boundary and offer privacy to neighbours.
- Renaturalize some of the parkland to ease maintenance efforts and offer visual interest and habitat space in warmer months.
- Goal posts showing age: needs refurbishment or replacement in 2-5 years.
- Connect the site via boardwalk over the drainage ditch. This also offers visitors a purposeful site feature.



Park Street Soccer Fields

59 Park Street, Ripley

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Introducing new programming to an existing sports park in order to improve recreational opportunities, enhance site comfort, and promote naturalization. These additions aim to foster community engagement and active lifestyles.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Tree Buffer:** evergreen species, neighbouring privacy, physical buffer
- **B** **Washroom Facility:** space activities, gathering, observation and relaxation
- **C** **Picnic Area:** space for family activities, observation and relaxation
- **D** **Stone Bollards:** road security and safety, intentional and controlled circulation
- **E** **Boardwalk Bridge:** wooden boardwalk over drainage ditch, connect the site
- **F** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at each access point
- **G** **Natural Edge:** boosts habitat and biodiversity, eases maintenance efforts
- **H** **Walking Path:** increased trail network, accessibility, 1.5m limestone screening
- **I** **Dog Park:** perimeter fencing, native trees for shade, maintained lawn for visibility
- **J** **Modular Field:** 2 Jr fields can become an adult field, relocate bleachers

Park: Victoria Park **ID No.** HK15

Civic Address: 533 Hamilton Street **Community:** Lucknow

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community appreciates the park's accessibility, safety, and proximity, to home.
- The community feels content with the amenities and features on-site.
- There is general ease with the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

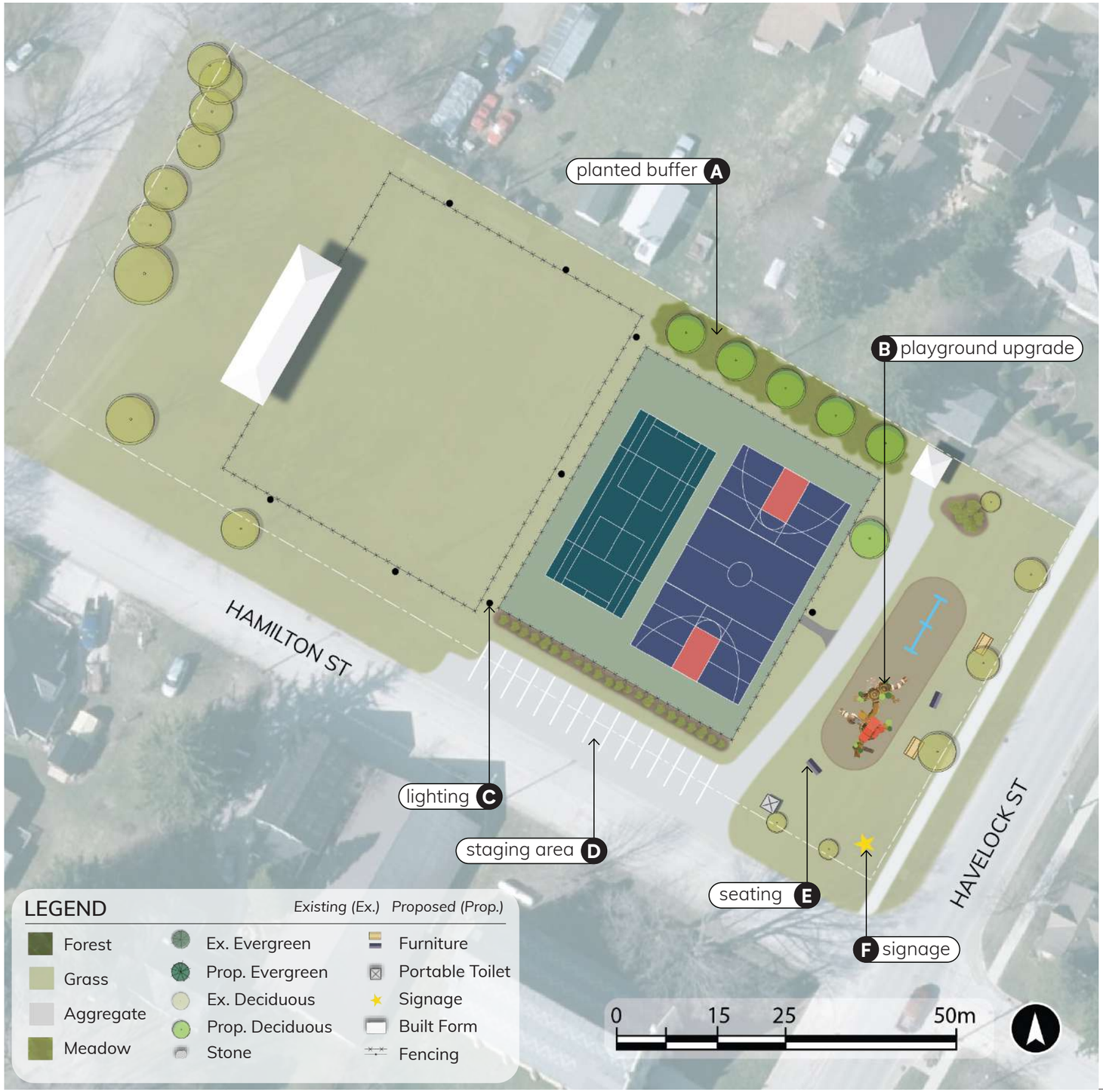
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- The community desires lighting improvements for park use at night.
- Residents feel the park could use some garden maintenance and general cleanup.
- Some residents have expressed upgrades to playground equipment to diversify activities for children.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Optimize parking organization and capacity with painted lines in the paved staging area, which may include a waste receptacle and regulatory signage.
- Place a park identification sign visible from Havelock Street.
- Replace all composite site furniture with a more durable product.
- Replace the pea gravel surface in the playground with woodchips (Fibar product) as per best practice standard and accompanying containment border.
- Upgrade outdated playground equipment to accommodate more activities for infants to toddlers and children 5-12 years old.
- Remove a tree in poor health near the multi-sport court and replace it with a new native deciduous tree.
- Plant more trees around the multi-sport court for shade, which acts as a planted buffer for neighbouring privacy.
- Banner poles could use flags for an approachable presence: 1 banner pole needs repair as a bar is missing.
- Update lawn bowling lighting and lighting near the multi-sport court.



Victoria Park

533 Hamilton Street, Lucknow

Park Redevelopment Intent:

Introducing new programming to an existing sports park in order to improve recreational opportunities, enhance site comfort, and promote naturalization. These additions aim to foster community engagement and active lifestyles.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Planted Buffer:** native trees and vegetation, eases maintenance efforts, privacy
- **B** **Playground Upgrade:** new equipment, broader ages, diverse activities, woodchip
- **C** **Lighting:** new lighting for park use at night around the multi-sport court, safety and security
- **D** **Staging Area:** defined parking with painted lines, organization, space optimization
- **E** **Seating:** durable site furniture, mounted benches and picnic tables
- **F** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at the main access point

Park: Waterworks Park **ID No.** HK16

Civic Address: 476 Campbell Street **Community:** Lucknow

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- This community rated this park high in satisfaction regarding proximity to home.
- The community feels amenities and features could be improved on site.
- There are some opinions about enhancing the park's quality, condition and maintenance.
- There is some vocalized concern with safety in the park at night and around the creek.

WHAT IT MEANS:

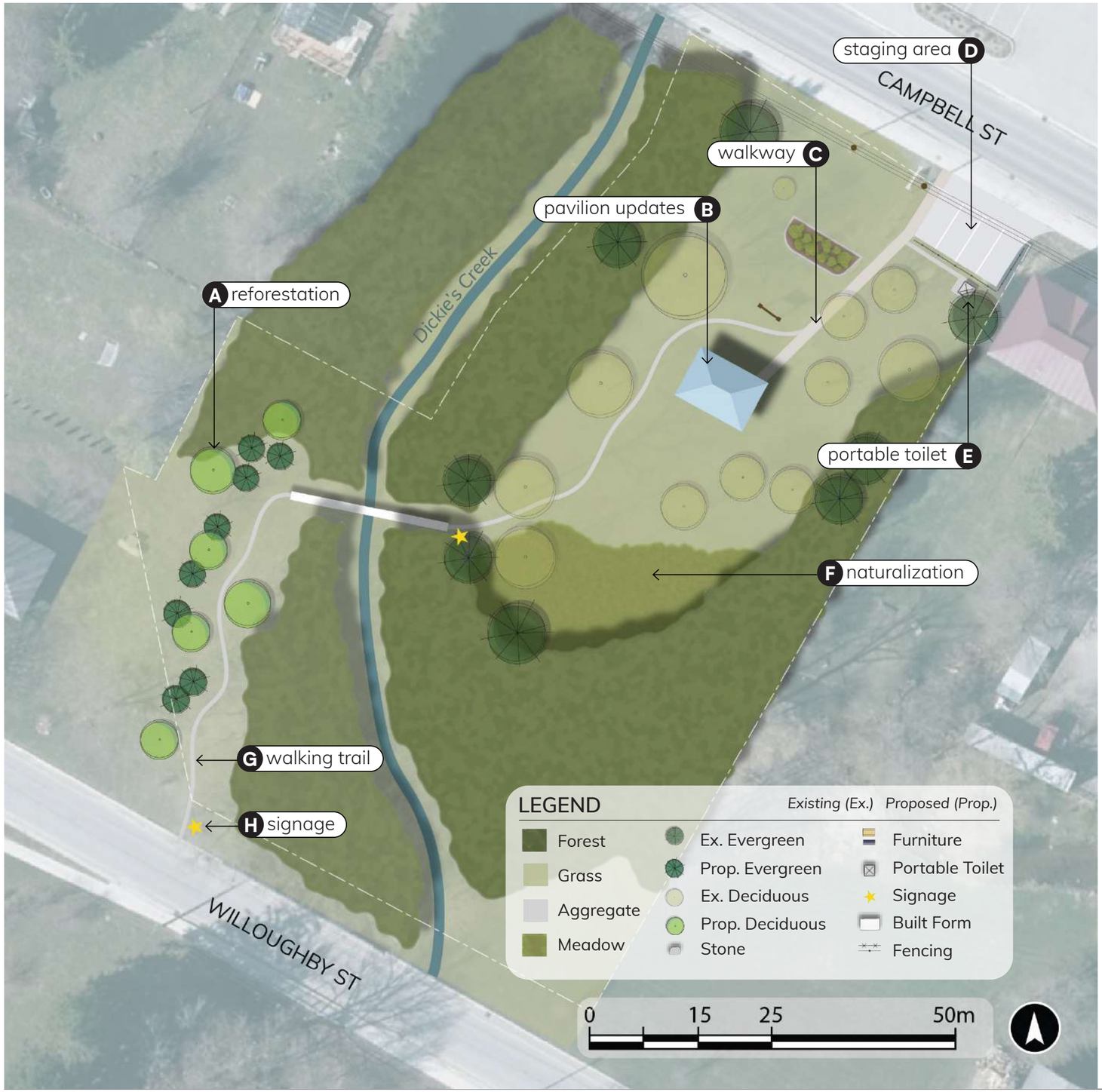
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Improved trail infrastructure and connection to the Lucknow Greenway Trail.
- Improved lighting for safety at night.
- The community feel the landscaping and maintenance efforts could be improved
- The park could include more amenities and activities.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Amend perceived ownership: define the Lucknow Community Greenway path of travel with an aggregate surface 1.5m wide to accommodate 2-way foot traffic, and add physical barriers through planting, etc., and signage to direct trail users.
- Replace the old fencing in the vehicular staging area.
- Relocate the portable toilet off to the side and closer to the staging area so it is not a focal feature entering the park; consider a designated concrete slab to situate it.
- Replace the concrete slab walkway to the pavilion with a permeable walkway 1.5m wide; consider accessible unit paving.
- Replace the picnic tables in the pavilion due to disrepair and vandalism.
- Remove the dilapidated swing set.
- Hire a landscape architect to create a water management plan to prevent erosion of Dickie's Creek. Bio-engineering may achieve this (i.e., planting, sandbags, natural stone, etc.).
- Update and repair the pavilion as needed.
- Mount all electrical hookups to a 6x6 post with a secure cover for safety.



Waterworks Park

476 Campbell Street, Lucknow

Park Redevelopment Intent:

The new concept for Waterworks Park thrives on the existing footprint, focusing on increased connectivity through newly developed trail infrastructure and improved circulation, as well as thoroughly planted spaces and a nature-immersing bridge.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Reforestation:** native tree species, neighbouring privacy, bank stabilization
- **B** **Pavilion Updates:** replace furniture, cover electrical outlets, general maintenance
- **C** **Walkway:** permeable unit paving, accessibility, 1.5m wide, direct walkway leads from parking to pavilion
- **D** **Staging Area:** paved surface, 3 standard spaces, 1 accessible, new fencing 1m high
- **E** **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access, designated location
- **F** **Naturalization:** native vegetation, buffer, eases maintenance efforts
- **G** **Walking Trail:** neighbourhood link, limestone screening 1.5m wide
- **H** **Signage:** identification, regulatory, mapping information at each access

Park: Kinsmen Park **ID No.** HK17

Civic Address: 596 Inglis Street **Community:** Lucknow

Recommended Parkland Classification: Community Ball Park & Environmental Greenspace

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The community is very satisfied with the proximity of the park to their homes, as well as safety and accessibility on site.
- Generally, the community feel the site's existing amenities and features, lead to a lack of playability.
- The community expressed they would like to see some improvement to the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

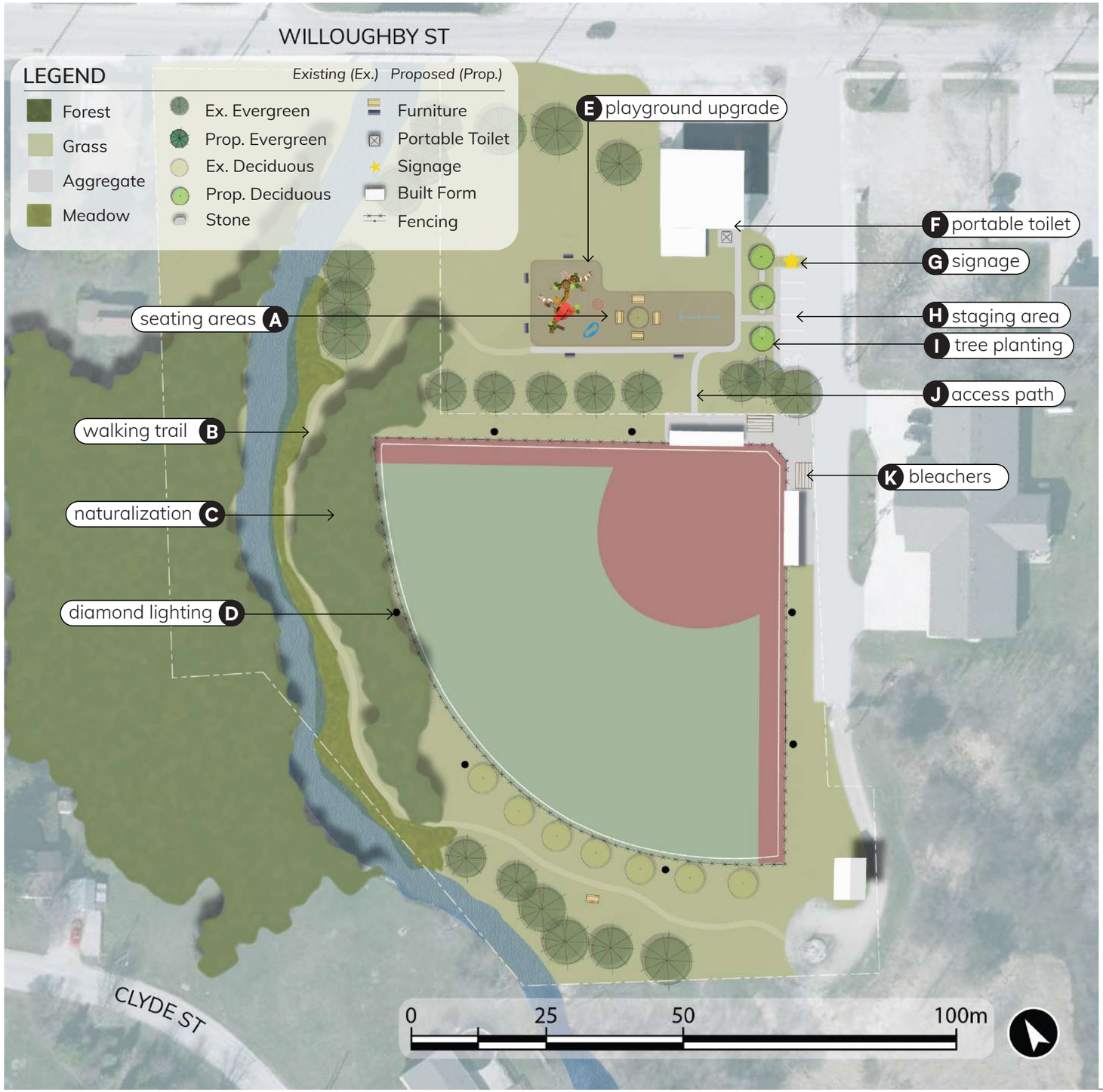
The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Invest in accessible trail infrastructure around the park.
- Improve overall landscaping and maintenance efforts in the park.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Optimize the staging area with parking organization, enough drop-off space, capacity with painted lines, waste receptacle and regulatory signage.
- Replace and relocate the park identification sign in front of parked vehicles and away from cedar trees.
- Expand the playground to accommodate upgraded playground equipment for all ages, including an accessible permeable pathway 1.5m wide.
- Resurface the playground with woodchips (Fibar product) as per best practice standard with containment border.
- Establish a location for the portable toilet with a concrete or aggregate pad close to the road for ease of maintenance.
- The dog waste bag dispenser should be removed from the tree and post mounting for best practice and better visibility.
- Replace benches with a more durable product and replace donor bench in disrepair.
- Upgrade baseball diamond lighting and utility box.
- The risk of flooding in this area does not make formal trail infrastructure appropriate for the space, however a mowed 1m wide walking path near the creek will control pedestrian circulation while the surrounding area can be left to naturalize.



Kinsmen Park

596 Inglis Street, Lucknow

Park Redevelopment Intent:

From nature walks by the creek to community sporting events the new vision for the park builds on strengthening the current foundation while providing new life through fresh plantings, improved amenities, and increased circulation.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Seating Areas:** picnic tables, and benches, provide opportunity for rest
- **B** **Walking Trail:** 1m wide mowed lawn pathway, controlled circulation
- **C** **Naturalization:** native vegetation, enhanced buffer, eases maintenance efforts, safety
- **D** **Diamond Lighting:** new lighting for baseball diamond (*to be complete by others)
- **E** **Playground Upgrade:** new play equipment for broad age range, new woodchip surface
- **F** **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access, designated location
- **G** **Signage:** identification and regulatory information at main access
- **H** **Staging Area:** defined parking lines, 6 standard spaces, 1 accessible space
- **I** **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months
- **J** **Access Path:** accessible path, 1.5m wide, limestone screening to amenities
- **K** **Bleachers: observational** seating, durable metal, trees for shade

Park: Whitechurch Park **ID No.** HK18

Civic Address: 166 Bruce Road 86 **Community:** Lucknow

Recommended Parkland Classification: Local Community Park

What We Heard:

The points below summarize the community's satisfaction level with each park as determined through the open house series and the Parks and Trails survey.

- The park's location and nearness to residential houses effectively benefit the community.
- There are some requests to improve the park's quality, condition and maintenance.

WHAT IT MEANS:

The following points outline the community's primary improvement priorities and specific expectations for each park.

- Improve overall landscaping and maintenance efforts in the park and quality of features.

Improvement Recommendations:

The park site improvement recommendations listed below represent a synthesis of the community's input throughout the engagement process, and on-site observations, to inform the conceptual plan.

- Define the park entrance with an off-road vehicle-oriented identification sign at the park entrance.
- Extend the abruptly ended sidewalk into the park for safe and accessible pedestrian access.
- Amend perceived ownership: i.e., property ownership, regulatory signage, or heightened spatial definition of the park through perimeter tree planting or fencing. a) some residents are using park property as camper and trailer storage, b) some residents have been using park property to ex-pand their backyard by clearing natural vegetation.
- Define vehicular parking area with fresh aggregate and circulation control (e.g., bollards, land-scape boulders, planting, etc.) to separate space.
- Resurface the playground with woodchips (Fibar product) as per best practice standard with a containment border and eliminate invasive Morning glory.
- Update outdated playground equipment (i.e. the tire play structure) with new play structures for 5-12-year-olds and 13+.
- Establish the baseball diamond with surfacing and perimeter fencing, and replace the old bleachers with a durable product.
- The addition of a limestone screening walking path 1m wide will offer increased recreation on-site.
- Plant multiple deciduous shade trees on site to offer shade and cooling in summer months.

Whitechurch Park

166 Bruce Road 86, Lucknow

Park Redevelopment Intent:

The new concept for Whitechurch Park redefines this park from boundaries to amenities. It introduces accessible amenities that promote community gathering, activity, and sport while enhancing ecological value.

Key Improvements:

- **A** **Reforestation:** plant native trees, boost habitat and biodiversity, discourage clear cutting or mowing natural vegetation
- **B** **Playground Upgrade:** some new play equipment, woodchip surface and border
- **C** **Informal Diamond:** mowed lawn, maintained surfacing, field markings
- **D** **Border:** chain link fence or planting, aids in privacy and defines park boundary
- **E** **Staging Area:** separates vehicle and pedestrian space, aggregate, stone bollards
- **F** **Sidewalk:** expended public and pedestrian access into park, welcomes visitors into the site, encourages exploration
- **G** **Benches:** durable metal, moveable, provides opportunity for rest along the walking path
- **H** **Tree Planting:** native deciduous species, offers shade in warm months
- **I** **Walking Path:** park loop and access to amenities, 1m wide, limestone screening
- **J** **Portable Toilet:** seasonal, accessible, easy maintenance access from staging area
- **K** **Signage: identification** and regulatory information at main access

Community Services Department Identified Projects

The Township of Huron-Kinloss Community Services Department identified four (4) potential sub-projects that were considered in the development of each park concept. These sub-projects included a:

- Pickleball Court Location
- Lucknow Dog Park Location
- Ripley Dog Park Location
- Trail Development Survey

Pickleball Court Locations

The increasing popularity of pickleball in the Huron-Kinloss community has led to a growing demand for dedicated pickleball facilities. A thorough assessment of parks within the project scope was conducted to identify suitable locations for permanent pickleball facilities while minimizing potential conflicts with existing programmed spaces within the parks. Recommendations may be found on the Pickleball Courts Location Considerations chart.

Ripley Dog Park Location

The Township proposed two park locations in Ripley for the implementation of a dog park; the first at Memorial Park and the second at the Park Street Soccer Fields. Based on data from the survey, feedback from the public open house, and professional assessment, it was concluded that the Park Street Soccer Fields is the most suitable and desirable location (refer to the Park Street Soccer Fields concept).

Lucknow Dog Park Location

Two park locations within Lucknow were proposed by the Township for the establishment of a dog park: Kinsmen Park and the Kinsmen Soccer Field. After receiving feedback from all community engagement, it was determined that the community does not perceive the need for a facility.

Trail Development Survey

In order to initiate the future improvement and expansion of trails in Huron-Kinloss, trail-specific questions were incorporated into the Parks and Trails community survey. This was completed to equip township staff with the essential information needed to assess user needs, preferences, and current deficiencies in the trail system. The survey data is available in the appendices. Notably, the community expressed their desire to keep the Lighthouse trail naturalistic and for casual use with limited signage. The intent is to allow public use on public lands, while keeping the integrity and protection of adjacent private properties in mind.

Considerations for Signage & Wayfinding

A coordinated signage system should be developed, to welcome, orient, inform, educate, and direct trail users. Property entrances (i.e., staging environments) identified, and staging environments should be outfitted with appropriate information to equip visitors, and satisfy risk management policies. This may include, but is not limited to, code of conduct, guidelines for use, waiver sign, trail mapping, emergency information, and design parameters as prescribed under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA).

On the trail, wayfinding signage, such as trail markers and mapping may also be used, to ensure visitors remain on Township trails and are able to make informed decisions and navigate the network appropriately. In areas of unique natural or cultural heritage, interpretive signage can be used as an interactive educational component.

Temporary signage, often used to convey trail closures, is another important component of a coordinated signage system.

Design Considerations

The Township is advised to work with a qualified consultant, to develop a coordinated signage system specific to municipal trails, responding to risk management policies, municipal goals, and the needs of trail users. Design considerations should include, graphics and legibility (e.g., contrast, text size, use of universal symbols, visibility, etc.), content (e.g., code of conduct, mapping, etc.), locations (e.g., sign situation, distance from trail tread, responding to varied topography, snow build up, etc.), dimensioning (e.g., overall size, height, etc.), and maintenance.

AODA Technical Requirements, Trail Signage & Related Media

The Design of Public Spaces Standards — also referred to as Accessibility Standards for the Built Environment, referenced in the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation, under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA) — speak to accessible trail standards. Beyond physical design parameters, technical requirements also speak to signage. A recreational trail must have signage at each trail head, that provides the following information:

- The length of the trail.
- The type of surface of which the trail is constructed.
- The average and the minimum trail width.
- The average and maximum running slope and cross slope.
- The location of amenities, where provided.

Additionally, signage text must have a high tonal contrast with its background (i.e., assist with visual recognition) and include characters that use a sans serif font.

Where other media, such as park websites or brochures, are used by the Municipality to provide information about the recreational trail, beyond advertising, notice or promotion, the media must provide the same information (i.e., listed above).

Pickleball Court Location Considerations

Point Clark Pickleball Club Criteria:	Budget Estimate Unit Price:	
Pickleball courts (x6)	$	225,000.00
Shade pavilion (x1)	$	10,000.00
Perimeter fencing (x6)	$	80,000.00
Paved Parking Area	$	160,000.00
Seasonal washroom facility (x2)	$	4,000.00
Site Furniture (i.e., benches, picnic tables, waste receptacle(s) as needed)	$	20,000.00

Site Removals	$	50,000.00
***Concept Estimated Subtotal:**	**$**	**549,000.00**
**Contingency (10%)	$	54,900.00
Sub-Total	$	603,900.00
*** Consulting Fees: Landscape Architecture (12.5%)	$	75,487.50
**** Consulting Fees: Engineering/ Installation (8%)	$	48,312.00
Estimated Total:	**$**	**782,599.50**

Proposed Parkland Information					Assessment				Recommendation		
Park ID.	**Park Location**	**Community**	**Civic Address**	**Available Space** (approx. m²)	**Opportunities**	**Strengths**	**Weaknesses**	**Barriers / Threats**	**Meets all Pickleball Club Criteria**	**Rationale**	**Actions**
HK2	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	920 Lake Range Drive, Huron-Kinloss	5500	Large enough space to accommodate an indoor/ outdoor sports facility with 6-8 pickleball courts.	Large mature-healthy trees on site to be utilized. Ample parking space, without impeding other park uses.	The park is a low point which could require extra attention to stormwater management. Users would have to drive to the location.	Lack of funding.	**yes**	This site is appropriate for a 6 court pickleball facility as it is offers enough development space, and is currently unprogrammed and underutilized. Opportunity for Township revenue generation.	1. Gauge community support 2. Seek funding and partnership opportunities. 3. Consult with landscape architects and engineers.
HK6	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	530 Alfred Street, Point Clark	1600	Underutilized parkland space available for 6 pickleball courts.	Proximity to the Point Clark Community Centre. Appropriate space available.	Limited existing parking infrastructure. Additional costs associated with development.	Close in proximity to private residential lots, and may receive community pushback.	**yes**	Development is possible. Consult with the park's neighbouring community before any decision making.	1. Gauge community support (prioritize neighbouring properties) 2. Seek funding and partnership opportunities. 3. Consult with landscape architects and engineers.
HK7	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	344 Lake Range Drive, Point Clark	550	Existing park amenities may be rearranged to accommodate 6 pickleball courts.	Current Pickleball Club organized location.	Additional costs associated with rearranging current park amenities and facilities + retaining wall engineering costs.	The location for 6 courts is at a higher elevation than the parking lot and will require engineering. Tree removal is required.	**yes**	Development in this park is the most appropriate, as it is the Club's current play location.	1. Consult with landscape architects and engineers. 2. Seek funding and partnership opportunities. 2. Develop drawings and specs for a request for proposal to complete work.

* Concept: Budget estimates reflect preliminary conceptual landscape design. Further design, specifications and construction detailing will inform more accurate budget figures.
** Contingency (10%) re. unforeseen costs associated with inflation, material availability, un-known site specific conditions, permits, site dewatering if required, etc.
*** Consulting fees based on industry standards (OALA Fee Guide for Landscape Architectural Services, April 2023) using a percentage fee calculation method.
**** Consulting fees based on industry standards (ACEC Ontario CEO 2020 Fee Guideline) using a percentage fee calculation method.

Notes:
Budget estimate does not account for site works (mobilization/demobilization, stormwater engineering, erosion/sediment control, tree hoarding fencing, perimeter fencing).
Each project phase will be subject to site works costs.

Amenity & Facility Planning Parameters

Amenity & Facility Information					Settlement Area: Existing Availability (✓) Or Absence (x)				Recommendation			
Item	*** Median Comparator Provision**	Huron-Kinloss **Existing Inventory**	Huron-Kinloss **Calculated Provision**	**Best Practice**	**Lucknow**	**Ripley**	**Lakeshore South**	**Lakeshore North**	Huron-Kinloss **Adjusted Provision**	**Desire via Community Engagement** "What We Heard"	**Need**	**Remarks & Actions**
					Huron-Kinloss Population (2024 estimate): 7,600 residents							
Accessible Playground Features	n/a	4	–	To comply with Ontario standards new and upgraded Playground equipment should include at least; - 1 accessible feature (i.e., swing or play structure, etc.) - An accessible ramp into a playspace - Different types of integrated ground-level play components - Engineered wood fibre surfacing	✓	✓	✓	X	–	No desire or concerns we raised during the community engagement process.	**yes**	Ensure newly installed and upgraded playground equipment accommodates accessible features.
Baseball Diamond (lit and unlit)	1 diamond per 2,000 residents	4	3.8	–	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	No comments, desire or concern.	no	The Township currently meets the adjusted provision.
Basketball Court (full)	1 hoop per 6,000 residents	4	1.3	–	✓	✓	X	✓	1	No comments, desire or concern.	no	The Township currently meets the adjusted provision.
Disc Golf	no provision, demand driven	0	n/a	–	X	X	X	X	n/a	No comments, desire or concern.	no	There is no need or desired community interest at this time.
Fitness Park	1 facility per 30,000 residents	0	0	–	X	X	X	X	0	No comments, desire or concern.	no	There is no need based on the variety of existing recreational offerings.
Lawn Bowling	no provision, demand driven	1	n/a	–	✓	X	X	X	n/a	No comments, desire or concern.	no	There is no need or desired community interest for an additional facility at this time.
Multi - Sport Court	n/a	2	–	In order to keep up with demand and increased pressure on recreation facilities, it is important to develop long-term parks and planning solutions that may include repurposing underutilized single-use sports facilities and creating multi-purpose and multi-sport facilities.	✓	X	X	X	–	Strong desire for more multi-sport courts to increase recreational sport opportunity. .	**yes**	Create Multi-Sport courts in Ripley and on the Lakehshore. Utilize existing courts.
Off-Leash Dog Park	1 fenced facility per 10,000 residents	1	0.75	–	X	X	✓	X	1	Desire for an Off-Leash Dog Park in Ripley only.	**yes**	Create an off-leash dog park in Ripley at the Park Street Soccer Fields.
Outdoor Rink	1 outdoor rink per 9,000 residents	1	0.85	–	X	X	X	✓	1	No desire or concerns we raised during the community engagement process.	no	A volunteer group organizes and maintains an ice rink at the Point Clark Community Centre Park, in the outfield of the ball diamond seasonally (weather dependant).
Pavilion/ Gazebo	n/a	6	–	At specialized park facilities (i.e., splash pads, playgrounds with rubber surface, bike parks, dog parks, etc.) immediate shade cover should be prioritized.	✓	✓	✓	X	–	Desire for a pavilion/gazebo structure did no arise in community engagement.	no	The Township currently meets best practice standards.
Pickleball Court	1 pickleball court per 5,000 residents	0	1.5	–	X	X	X	X	2	Strong desire for designated pickleball courts based on community feedback.	**yes**	1. Refer to the Pickleball Location Chart in the Parks and Trails Plan (2024). 2. Create Pickleball on the Lakeshore, and collaborate with the Point Clark Pickleball Club.
Pump Track	no provision, demand driven	0	n/a	–	X	X	X	X	n/a	No desire or concerns we raised during the community engagement process.	no	Consider creating a pump track in the Township as need/desire arise. Alternatively investment in biking trails can be explored.
Rectangular Field (lit and unlit)	1 field per 1,000 residents	8	7.6	–	✓	✓	X	X	8	No desire or concerns we raised during the community engagement process.	no	The Township currently meets the adjusted provision.
Skate Park	1 facility per 12,000 residents	0	0.6	–	X	X	X	X	1	Several comments from the survey and in-person open houses for an all-wheel park in Ripley.	**yes**	1. Install all-wheel park equipment at Memorial Park to meet community desire. 2. Reassess need in 10 years as the population is project at 8,300.
Splash Pad	1 facility per 6,000 residents	1	1.2	–	✓	✓	X	X	1	Few comments from the survey and in-person open houses requested an updated splashpad in Lucknow.	no	A splashpad was installed at the Lucknow and District Sports Complex in 2013.
Tennis Court	1 tennis court per 5,000 residents	6	1.5	–	X	✓	✓	✓	2	No community desire or concerns.	no	The Township currently meets the adjusted provision.
Volleyball Court (sand, in the parks)	no provision, demand driven	2	n/a	–	X	X	✓	✓	n/a	No community desire or concerns.	no	The Township currently meets community need/desire.
Washroom (permanent)	n/a	3	–	Locations for permanent washrooms, should take into account the placement, connectivity to a trail network, and existing or potential amenities that would be enhanced by the addition of restroom facilities as part of the infrastructure.	X	✓	✓	X	–	Strong desire for permanent washrooms in high-traffic, sport use areas.	**yes**	Consider the creation of permanent washrooms in heavy sport use parks (i.e., Park Street Soccer Fields).

* **Median Comparator Provision** is calculated by park and recreation asset data from comparator municipalities; Kincardine, Ashfield Colborne Wawanosh, Brockton

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Section 5 | Capital Planning & Prioritization

To guide enhancement implementation, a prioritized action plan and capital redevelopment standards have been prepared for all 18 parks.

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Capital Redevelopment Standards;

The Capital Redevelopment Standards listing is a guide to prioritize the 18 parks in Huron-Kinloss based on their urgency for attention, to completion within the next 20 years. These parks are organized within four phasing time-frames from those seen as having an immediate need to those being forecasted as far out as 15-20 years. This chart equips Township staff with a strategic framework for addressing park redevelopment and can be utilized for future park projects as they arise.

The Capital Redevelopment Standards are tailored to Huron-Kinloss and cross-referenced with the objectives and actions set by Parks and Recreation Ontario in A Framework for Recreation in Canada (2015) and Pathways to Wellbeing Municipal Audit Tool (2018). A total of nine priorities (P) were created, the following are: Funding or Grants, Community Impact, Inclusivity and Accessibility, Public Safety, Community Engagement, Climate Change Resiliency, Conservation and Sustainability, Quality and Conditions, and Collaboration and Partnership.

P1. Funding or Grants

- Opportunity to apply for, or secure financial assistance to complete projects

P2. Community Impact

- Improve parkland by adding/ encouraging recreational opportunities and enhanced amenities for all ages to reduce inactive behaviour
- May benefit a large number of residents and visitors

P3. Inclusivity and Accessibility

- Support the aging population
- Creating infrastructure allowing access to park features and amenities
- Clear identification and wayfinding
- Activities for all ages and abilities

P4. Public Safety

- (CPTED) Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (i.e., lighting, clear sightlines, defining boundaries, etc.)
- Eliminate and prevent physical harm (i.e., tripping hazards, exposed electrical, dead standing trees, user conflict, etc.).
- Eliminate health hazards (i.e., poisonous or toxic plants, unwanted pests, etc.)
- Enhancing pedestrian and traffic safety when arriving, leaving and on-site

P5. Community Engagement

- What We've Heard; what does the community want, need, support or oppose?

P6. Climate Change Resiliency

- Private property and municipal asset protection (i.e., flood and fire protection measures, erosion control, etc.)
- Increased tree canopy (i.e., reduced impact of heatwaves, etc.)

P7. Conservation and Sustainability

- Access and connection to nature
- Active transportation infrastructure (i.e., trails and bike lanes)
- Preserving or enhancing natural areas (i.e., native planting, naturalized areas, etc.)
- Invasive species removal and management
- Educational opportunity (i.e., interpretive panels, etc.)

P8. Quality and Conditions

- Replace old and tired equipment/materials with new equivalent(s)
- aesthetic value (i.e. weeded gardens, refurbishments, etc.)
- noticeable and intentional improvements

P9. Collaboration and Partnership

- Opportunities to increase parks and recreation capacity (i.e., coordinate with clubs, volunteer organizations, etc.)
- Knowledge exchange and skills share
- Community socialization and connection

Parks Prioritization

Parkland Information						Phasing Plan			
ID No.	Park Name	Community	Settlement Area	Size (approx. Hectares)	Recommended Parkland Classification	Year(s)	Priority	Priority Rationale	Actions
HK3	Heritage Park	Lakeshore North	Heritage Heights	2.3	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	Immediate	1	This park redevelopment contains all categories of the Capital Redevelopment Standards.	1. Apply for upcoming funding/ grants 2. Commence design process upon funding/grants
HK9	Lighthouse Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.2	Signature Community Park		2	P2, P3, P4, P5, P8, P9 + Capital Plan 2024	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK7	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	5.5	Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace		3	Possible P1, (P2 - serving the needs of pickleball only), P5, P9	1. Host Community engagement in the park 2. Seek funding or grant opportunities 3. Collaborate with the Point Clark Pickleball Club - collect financial support
HK18	Whitechurch Park	Whitechurch	Village of Whitechurch	1.1	Local Community Park	1 - 5 years	4	P2, P3, P4, P8	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK2	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	Kin Bruce	2.2	Regional Multi-Sport Facility		5	Priority rank is based on the securement of funding, and would benefit the whole Township, creating all-season, inclusive and accessible recreation.	1. Seek funding or grant opportunities 2. Seek community partnerships 3. Host community engagement in the park
HK13	Lewis Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	0.5	Signature Community Park		6	P2, P5, P8	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK14	Park Street Soccer Fields	Ripley	Town of Ripley	2.8	Community Recreational Park		7	P1, P2, P3, P5, P8, P9	1. Seek funding or grant opportunities 2. Prepare final design 3. Prepare bid/construction documents 4. Procure for implementation
HK16	Waterworks Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	0.4	Local Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace		8	P2, P3, P4, P5, P7, P8, P9	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK4	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	Bruce Beach	0.3	Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace		9	P2, P3, P4, P5, P7	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK1	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	Huronville	1.5	Local Community Park	5 - 10 years	10	P2, P3, P7, P8, P9	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK5	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	Blairs Grove	0.5	Local Community Park & Open Space		11	P2, P3, P4,	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK11	Reids Corner	Huron-Kinloss	Reid's Corner	1.3	Rural Ball Park (all age)		12	P4, P5, P8	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK6	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	Lurgan Beach	0.8	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	10 - 15+ years	13	P3, P6, P8	1. Reassess needs and prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK17	Kinsmen Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	1.2	Community Ball Park & Environmental Greenspace		14	P4, P7, P8	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK10	Attawandaron park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.6	Local Community Park		15	P2, P3	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK12	Memorial Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	6.5	Community / Sports Park (all age)		16	P2, P3	1. Reassess needs and prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK8	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	0.5	Local Community Park		17	P3, P7	1. Reassess needs and prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation
HK15	Victoria Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	0.6	Local Community Park		18	P4, P7	1. Prepare final design 2. Prepare bid/construction documents 3. Procure for implementation

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Section 6 | Financial Analysis & Fundraising Policy

An established fundraising policy and a thorough financial analysis in the form of budgets will help promote community participation, secure financial backing, and ensure the transparent distribution of funds and resources for park redevelopment.

Lakeshore

Preliminary Budget Estimate

	*Concept	HK1 | Huronville Park		HK2| Kin Bruce Park		HK3| Heritage Park		HK4| Pearl Elizabeth		HK5| Langdon Park	
	Unit Cost Estimate	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total
Removals											
Existing Surfaces, Playground Equipment, Site Furniture, Dead Tree(s) etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 5,000.00		$ 5,000.00		$ 1,000.00		$ 500.00		$ 1,000.00
Signage											
Interpretive Panels/ Info Kiosk (unit)	$ 1,500.00		$ -		$ -	6	$ 9,000.00		$ -		$ -
Place Identification Signage (unit)	$ 1,500.00	2	$ 3,000.00	2	$ 3,000.00	3	$ 4,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00
Regulatory Signage (unit)	$ 500.00		$ -	1	$ 500.00	3	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 500.00		$ -
Vegetation											
Individual Trees (unit)	$ 200.00	21	$ 4,200.00	39	$ 7,800.00		$ -	21	$ 4,200.00	9	$ 1,800.00
Naturalized Planting (sq.m.)											
Native Seed Mix, etc	$ 5.00	1700	$ 8,500.00		$ -	2100	$ 10,500.00	280	$ 1,400.00		$ -
Naturalized Woodland Planting, etc	$ 10.00		$ -		$ -	3500	$ 35,000.00		$ -		$ -
Seed/sod (sq.m.)	$ 3.00	750	$ 2,250.00	400	$ 1,200.00	230	$ 690.00	233	$ 699.00	545	$ 1,635.00
Surface Treatments											
Aggregate Staging Area (cu.m.)	$ 25.00		$ -	183	$ 4,575.00		$ -		$ -	52	$ 1,300.00
Limestone Screening (cu.m.)											
Walking Paths; 3m wide	$ 40.00		$ -		$ -	100	$ 4,000.00		$ -		$ -
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide	$ 40.00		$ -	30	$ 1,200.00	66	$ 2,640.00	15	$ 600.00	33	$ 1,320.00
Gathering Area	$ 40.00		$ -		$ -	42	$ 1,680.00	7	$ 280.00		$ -
Asphalt (sq.m.)											
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide	$ 25.00	563	$ 14,075.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	90	$ 2,250.00
Parking Area	$ 25.00	65	$ 1,625.00		$ -	74	$ 1,850.00		$ -		$ -
Woodchip (cu m.)											
(Fibar) Playground Surfacing	$ 110.00	16	$ 1,760.00	44	$ 4,840.00	26	$ 2,860.00		$ -	14	$ 1,540.00
Walking Paths; 1m wide	$ 30.00		$ -		$ -	16	$ 480.00		$ -		$ -
Parking Painting/ Crosswalk (lin.ft.)	$ 2.00	152	$ 304.00		$ -		$ -	230	$ 460.00		$ -
Boardwalk; 2m wide (sq.m.)	$ 850.00		$ -		$ -	95	$ 80,750.00		$ -		$ -
Recreational Facilities											
NEW Multi Sport Court; (lump sum)	$ 120,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -	0.5	$ 60,000.00
Exisiting Court Upgrades (lump sum)	$ 15,000.00	2	$ 30,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	1	$ 30,000.00
Playground Equipment (unit)	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00	3	$ 60,000.00				$ -
Site Furnishings											
Armour Stone/ Bollards (unit)	$ 150.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -	5	$ 750.00
Property Fencing; Chainlink (lin.ft.)	$ 30.00		$ -		$ -	985	$ 29,550.00	130	$ 3,900.00		$ -
Other furnishings; benches, pinic tables, bike racks waste receptacles, etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 20,700.00		$ 16,800.00		$ 14,500.00		$ 7,500.00		$ 21,000.00
Estimated Sub-total			$ 90,714.00		$ 64,915.00		$ 260,500.00		$ 21,539.00		$ 124,095.00
** Contingency (10%)			$ 9,071.40		$ 6,491.50		$ 26,050.00		$ 2,153.90		$ 12,409.50
Sub-total			$ 99,785.40		$ 71,406.50		$ 286,550.00		$ 23,692.90		$ 136,504.50
***Consulting Fees: Landscape Architecture (12.5%)			$ 12,473.18		$ 8,925.81		$ 35,818.75		$ 2,961.61		$ 17,063.06
Conservative Estimated Total			**$ 112,258.58**		**$ 80,332.31**		**$ 322,368.75**		**$ 26,654.51**		**$ 153,567.56**

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Lakeshore

Preliminary Budget Estimate

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Removals											
Existing Surfaces, Playground Equipment, Site Furniture, Dead Tree(s) etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 1,000.00		$ 10,000.00		$ 1,000.00		$ 5,000.00		$ 5,000.00
Signage											
Interpretive Panels/ Info Kiosk (unit)	$ 1,500.00		$ -		$ -	1	$ 1,500.00		$ -	1	$ 1,500.00
Place Identification Signage (unit)	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00		$ -	1	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00
Regulatory Signage (unit)	$ 500.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	2	$ 1,000.00		$ -
Vegetation											
Individual Trees (unit)	$ 200.00	9	$ 1,800.00	3	$ 600.00	16	$ 3,200.00	10	$ 2,000.00	1	$ 200.00
Naturalized Planting (sq.m.)											
Native Seed Mix, etc	$ 5.00	1700	$ 8,500.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	540	$ 2,700.00
Naturalized Woodland Planting, etc	$ 10.00	780	$ 7,800.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -
Planting Beds (lump sum)											
Grading, Soil, Planting, etc	$ 1,000.00		$ -	1	$ 1,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -
Seed/sod (sq.m.)	$ 3.00		$ -		$ -	135	$ 405.00	270	$ 810.00	100	$ 300.00
Surface Treatments											
Aggregate Staging Area (cu.m.)	$ 25.00	70	$ 1,750.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	35	$ 875.00
Limestone Screening (cu.m.)											
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide	$ 40.00		$ -		$ -	6	$ 240.00	25	$ 1,000.00	20	$ 800.00
Asphalt (sq.m.)											
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide	$ 25.00		$ -	45	$ 1,125.00		$ -		$ -		$ -
Parking Area	$ 25.00		$ -	145	$ 3,625.00	74	$ 1,850.00		$ -		$ -
(Fibar) Playground Surfacing	$ 110.00	33	$ 3,630.00	16	$ 1,760.00	38	$ 4,180.00		$ -	32	$ 3,520.00
Concrete (sq.m.)											
Structure Pad	$ 100.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	25	$ 2,500.00		$ -
Raised Curb (lin.ft.)	$ 15.00		$ -		$ -	98	$ 1,470.00				$ -
Parking Painting/ Crosswalk (lin.ft.)	$ 2.00		$ -	78	$ 156.00	55	$ 110.00	158	$ 316.00		$ -
Rubber Playground Surfacing (sq.ft.)	$ 15.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	915	$ 13,725.00		$ -
Recreational Facilities											
NEW Multi Sport Court; (lump sum)	$ 120,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -
Exisiting Court Upgrades (lump sum)	$ 15,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -	1	$ 15,000.00
Playground Equipment (unit)	$ 20,000.00		$ -	1	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00
Site Furnishings											
Gazebo (unit)	$ 5,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	1	$ 5,000.00		$ -
Lighting (lump sum)	$ 50,000.00	0.25	$ 12,500.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -
Armour Stone/ Bollards (unit)	$ 150.00	11	$ 1,650.00		$ -	10	$ 1,500.00	29	$ 4,350.00	11	$ 1,650.00
Property Fencing; Chainlink (lin.ft.)	$ 30.00		$ -		$ -		$ -		$ -	19	$ 570.00
Other furnishings; benches, pinic tables, bike racks waste receptacles, etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 13,500.00		$ 5,100.00		$ 15,700.00		$ 17,200.00		$ 10,400.00
Estimated Sub-total			$ 53,630.00		$ 43,366.00		$ 52,655.00		$ 74,401.00		$ 64,015.00
** Contingency (10%)			$ 5,363.00		$ 4,336.60		$ 5,265.50		$ 7,440.10		$ 6,401.50
Sub-total			$ 58,993.00		$ 47,702.60		$ 57,920.50		$ 81,841.10		$ 70,416.50
***Consulting Fees: Landscape Architecture (12.5%)			$ 7,374.13		$ 5,962.83		$ 7,240.06		$ 10,230.14		$ 8,802.06
****Consulting Fees: Engineering/ Installation (8%)			$ 4,719.44		$ 3,816.21		$ -		$ 6,547.29		$ -
Conservative Estimated Total			**$ 71,086.57**		**$ 57,481.63**		**$ 65,160.56**		**$ 98,618.53**		**$ 79,218.56**

✪ **The Point Clark Community Centre Park concept budget does not include the installation of a pickleball facility; refer to the Pickleball Courts Location Considerations chart for additional pricing.**

*Concept: Budget estimates reflect preliminary conceptual landscape design. Further design, specifications and construction detailing will inform more accurate budget figures.
** Contingency (10%) re. unforeseen costs associated with inflation, material availablity, un-known site specific conditions, permits, site dewatering if required, etc.
*** Consulting fees based on industry standards (OALA Fee Guide for Landscape Architectural Services, April 2023) using a percentage fee calculation method.
****Consulting fees based on industry standards (ACEC Ontario CEO 2020 Fee Guideline) using a percentage fee calculation method.

Notes:

Budget estimate does not account for site works (mobilization/demobilization, stormwater engineering, erosion/sediment control, tree hoarding fencing, perimeter fencing).
Each project phase will be subject to site works costs.

Ripley

Preliminary Budget Estimate

	*Concept	HK11 | Reids Corner		HK12 | Memorial Park		HK13 | Lewis Park		HK14 | Park St. Soccer Fields	
	Unit Cost Estimate	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total
Removals									
Existing Surfaces, Playground Equipment, Site Furniture, Dead Tree(s) etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 5,000.00		$ 1,000.00		$ 1,000.00		$ 5,000.00
Signage									
Interpretive Panels/ Info Kiosk (unit)	$ 1,500.00		$ -	1	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00		$ -
Place Identification Signage (unit)	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00	2	$ 3,000.00	2	$ 3,000.00	3	$ 4,500.00
Regulatory Signage (unit)	$ 500.00	1	$ 500.00	3	$ 1,500.00		$ -	6	$ 3,000.00
Vegetation									
Individual Trees (unit)	$ 200.00	21	$ 4,200.00		$ -		$ -	65	$ 13,000.00
Naturalized Planting (sq.m.)									
Native Seed Mix, etc	$ 5.00	1000	$ 5,000.00	1500	$ 7,500.00		$ -	2500	$ 12,500.00
Planting Beds (sq.m.)									
Grading, Soil, Planting, etc	$ 50.00		$ -		$ -	40	$ 2,000.00		$ -
Seed/sod (sq.m.)	$ 3.00	1180	$ 3,540.00	1178	$ 3,534.00	70	$ 210.00	1750	$ 5,250.00
Surface Treatments									
Aggregate Staging Area (cu.m.)	$ 25.00	220	$ 5,500.00	60	$ 1,500.00		$ -		$ -
Limestone Screening (cu.m.)									
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide	$ 40.00		$ -	95	$ 3,800.00		$ -	67	$ 2,680.00
Gathering Area	$ 40.00	60	$ 2,400.00		$ -		$ -		$ -
Woodchip (cu m.)									
(Fibar) Playground Surfacing	$ 110.00	20	$ 2,200.00	21	$ 2,310.00	10	$ 1,100.00		$ -
Concrete (sq.m.)									
Structure Pad	$ 100.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	80	$ 8,000.00
Boardwalk; 2m wide (sq.m.)	$ 850.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	25	$ 21,250.00
Recreational Facilities									
Baseball Diamond Upgrades; covered player benches, new surfacing, fencing, etc (lump sum)	$ 50,000.00	0.25	$ 12,500.00		$ -		$ -		$ -
Exisiting Court Upgrades (lump sum)	$ 15,000.00		$ -	1	$ 15,000.00		$ -		$ -
Permanent Washroom Facility (lump sum)	$ 100,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	1	$ 100,000.00
Playground Equipment (unit)	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00		$ -	1	$ -		$ -
Splashpad Expansion (lump sum)	$ 50,000.00		$ -		$ -	1	$ 50,000.00		$ -
Dog Park; Fencing, Gates, surfacing (lump sum)	$ 20,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	1	$ 20,000.00
Site Furnishings									
Gazebo (unit)	$ 5,000.00		$ -		$ -	1	$ 5,000.00		$ -
Bleachers (unit)	$ 1,800.00	2	$ 3,600.00		$ -		$ -	2	$ 3,600.00
Armour Stone/ Bollards (unit)	$ 150.00	20	$ 3,000.00		$ -	8	$ 1,200.00	80	$ 12,000.00
Property Fencing; Chainlink (lin.ft.)	$ 30.00		$ -		$ -	25	$ 750.00		$ -
Other furnishings; benches, pinic tables, bike racks waste receptacles, etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 10,000.00		$ 6,800.00		$ 3,400.00		$ 11,000.00
Estimated Sub-total			$ 78,940.00		$ 47,444.00		$ 69,160.00		$ 221,780.00
** Contingency (10%)			$ 7,894.00		$ 4,744.40		$ 6,916.00		$ 22,178.00
Sub-total			$ 86,834.00		$ 52,188.40		$ 76,076.00		$ 243,958.00
***Consulting Fees: Landscape Architecture (12.5%)			$ 10,854.25		$ 6,523.55		$ 9,509.50		$ 30,494.75
****Consulting Fees: Engineering/ Installation (8%)			$ -		$ -		$ 6,086.08		$ -
Conservative Estimated Total			**$ 97,688.25**		**$ 58,711.95**		**$ 91,671.58**		**$ 274,452.75**

*Concept: Budget estimates reflect preliminary conceptual landscape design. Further design, specifications and construction detailing will inform more accurate budget figures.

** Contingency (10%) re. unforeseen costs associated with inflation, material availablity, un-known site specific conditions, permits, site dewatering if required, etc.

*** Consulting fees based on industry standards (OALA Fee Guide for Landscape Architectural Services, April 2023) using a percentage fee calculation method.

****Consulting fees based on industry standards (ACEC Ontario CEO 2020 Fee Guideline) using a percentage fee calculation method.

Notes:

Budget estimate does not account for site works (mobilization/demobilization, erosion/sediment control, tree hoarding fencing, perimeter fencing).
Each project phase will be subject to site works costs.

Lucknow

Preliminary Budget Estimate

	*Concept	HK15 | Victoria Park		HK16 | Waterworks Park		HK17 | Kinsmen Park		HK18 | Whitechurch Park	
	Unit Cost Estimate	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total	Qty	Sub-total
Removals									
Existing Surfaces, Playground Equipment, Site Furniture, Dead Tree(s) etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 1,000.00		$ 1,000.00		$ 5,000.00		$ 5,000.00
Signage									
Interpretive Panels/ Info Kiosk (unit)	$ 1,500.00		$ -	2	$ 3,000.00		$ -		$ -
Place Identification Signage (unit)	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00		$ -	1	$ 1,500.00	1	$ 1,500.00
Regulatory Signage (unit)	$ 500.00	1	$ 500.00	2	$ 1,000.00	2	$ 1,000.00	2	$ 1,000.00
Vegetation									
Individual Trees (unit)	$ 200.00	6	$ 1,200.00	14	$ 2,800.00	3	$ 600.00	15	$ 3,000.00
Naturalized Planting (sq.m.)									
Native Seed Mix, etc	$ 5.00	280	$ 1,400.00	445	$ 2,225.00	380	$ 1,900.00		$ -
Naturalized Woodland Planting, etc	$ 10.00		$ -	450	$ 4,500.00		$ -	850	$ 8,500.00
Seed/sod (sq.m.)	$ 3.00		$ -	83	$ 249.00	203	$ 609.00	607	$ 1,821.00
Surface Treatments									
Aggregate Staging Area (cu.m.)	$ 25.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	143	$ 3,575.00
Limestone Screening (cu.m.)									
Walking Paths; 1.5m wide	$ 40.00		$ -	20	$ 800.00	16	$ 640.00	46	$ 1,840.00
Gathering Area	$ 40.00					19	$ 760.00		$ -
Unit Paving Walking Path 2m wide (sq.m.)	$ 110.00		$ -	77	$ 8,470.00		$ -		$ -
Woodchip (cu m.)									
(Fibar) Playground Surfacing	$ 110.00	23	$ 2,530.00		$ -	34	$ 3,740.00	19	$ 2,090.00
Concrete (sq.m.)									
Sidewalk Extension	$ 100.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	10	$ 1,000.00
Parking Painting (lin.ft.)	$ 2.00	246	$ 492.00	50	$ 100.00	98	$ 196.00		$ -
Recreational Facilities									
Informal Baseball Diamond Upgrades; new limestone surfacing/sod seed, painted lines, etc (lump sum)	$ 5,000.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	1	$ 5,000.00
Amenity Building / Pavilion Upgrades (lump sum)	$ 25,000.00		$ -	1	$ 25,000.00		$ -		$ -
Playground Equipment (unit)	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00		$ -	1	$ 20,000.00	1	$ 20,000.00
Site Furnishings									
Lighting (lump sum)	$ 50,000.00	1	$ 50,000.00		$ -	1	$ -		$ -
Bleachers (unit)	$ 1,800.00		$ -		$ -	2	$ 3,600.00		$ -
Armour Stone/ Bollards (unit)	$ 150.00		$ -		$ -	4	$ 600.00	6	$ 900.00
Property Fencing; Chainlink (lin.ft.)	$ 30.00		$ -		$ -		$ -	305	$ 9,150.00
Other furnishings; benches, pinic tables, bike racks waste receptacles, etc. (lump sum)	varies		$ 7,400.00		$ 8,000.00		$ 15,500.00		$ 10,600.00
Estimated Sub-total			$ 86,022.00		$ 57,144.00		$ 55,645.00		$ 74,976.00
** Contingency (10%)			$ 8,602.20		$ 5,714.40		$ 5,564.50		$ 7,497.60
Sub-total			$ 94,624.20		$ 62,858.40		$ 61,209.50		$ 82,473.60
***Consulting Fees: Landscape Architecture (12.5%)			$ 11,828.03		$ 7,857.30		$ 7,651.19		$ 10,309.20
****Consulting Fees: Engineering/ Installation (8%)			$ 7,569.94		$ -		$ 4,896.76		$ -
Conservative Estimated Total			**$ 114,022.16**		**$ 70,715.70**		**$ 73,757.45**		**$ 92,782.80**

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** Contingency (10%) re. unforeseen costs associated with inflation, material availablity, un-known site specific conditions, permits, site dewatering if required, etc.

*** Consulting fees based on industry standards (OALA Fee Guide for Landscape Architectural Services, April 2023) using a percentage fee calculation method.

****Consulting fees based on industry standards (ACEC Ontario CEO 2020 Fee Guideline) using a percentage fee calculation method.

Notes:

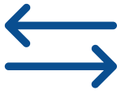
Budget estimate does not account for site works (mobilization/demobilization, stormwater engineering, erosion/sediment control, tree hoarding fencing, perimeter fencing).
Each project phase will be subject to site works costs.

Fundraising Policy

The Township of Huron-Kinloss has various strategies available to obtain capital funds for projects, as detailed below. On the next page, the Suitability for Capital chart specifies the appropriate type of capital for each park.

Government Grants and Funding:

The township should research and apply for government grants as they become available. Once potential grants have been identified, the township should prepare thorough and compelling applications. This process often requires detailed project proposals that outline the scope, objectives, anticipated benefits, stakeholder collaboration and financial needs of the proposed project. It is also advantageous for the Township to keep track of past grants awarded in the area or comparator Municipalities, as this can provide insights into the types of projects that receive funding and the criteria used for selection.



Capital Budget:

Reviewing and reallocating existing budgetary resources towards capital projects can be an effective strategy for municipalities like the Township of Huron-Kinloss to secure necessary funding. This process begins with a comprehensive evaluation of the current budget to identify funds that can be redirected without compromising essential services or programs.

Community Campaign:

While less traditional, municipalities can utilize crowdfunding platforms to raise money for specific community projects. This strategy has proven successful for the implementation of Lewis Park. This approach fosters a sense of ownership and involvement among community members. When residents contribute to a project, they are more likely to take pride in its success and participate in its development and maintenance. This participatory model can strengthen community bonds and enhance civic engagement, as residents see their contributions making a real difference in their local environment.

Public-Private Partnerships (PPP):

Collaborating with private entities can leverage additional funding. In a PPP, the municipality and private sector share the risks and rewards of a project. This may also include collaboration with established clubs within the Township. Clubs often have deep community connections and expertise in organizing recreational activities or events. Collaborating with them can help ensure that the park meets the specific needs and interests of local residents.

Suitability for Capital

Parkland Information					Priority		Capital Types			
ID No.	Park Name	Community	Settlement Area	Recommended Parkland Classification	Year(s)	Priority	Grant Seeking	Capital Budget	Community Campaign	Partnerships
HK3	Heritage Park	Lakeshore North	Heritage Heights	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	Immediate	1	✓	✓	✓	✓
HK9	Lighthouse Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Signature Community Park		2		✓		
HK7	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace		3		✓	✓	✓
HK18	Whitechurch Park	Whitechurch	Village of Whitechurch	Local Community Park	1 - 5 years	4		✓		
HK2	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	Kin Bruce	Regional Multi-Sport Facility		5	✓		✓	✓
HK13	Lewis Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	Signature Community Park		6			✓	
HK14	Park Street Soccer Fields	Ripley	Town of Ripley	Community Recreational Park		7	✓	✓	✓	
HK16	Waterworks Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	Local Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace		8		✓		
HK4	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	Bruce Beach	Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace		9		✓		
HK1	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	Huronville	Local Community Park	5 - 10 years	10			✓	
HK5	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	Blairs Grove	Local Community Park & Open Space		11		✓	✓	
HK11	Reids Corner	Huron-Kinloss	Reid's Corner	Rural Ball Park (all age)		12		✓		✓
HK6	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	Lurgan Beach	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	10 - 15+ years	13		✓		
HK17	Kinsmen Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	Community Ball Park & Environmental Greenspace		14		✓	✓	
HK10	Attawandaron park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Local Community Park		15		✓		
HK12	Memorial Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	Community / Sports Park (all age)		16		✓		
HK8	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	Local Community Park		17			✓	
HK15	Victoria Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	Local Community Park		18		✓		

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Section 7 | Parkland & Greenspace Ratio Assessment

This section outlines the assessment and comparison of the parkland-to-resident ratio with similar municipalities, which will help identify areas for improvement - if any.

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Parkland & Greenspace Ratio Assessment

Parkland Information
(18 Park Sites in the Scope of Work)

ID No.	Park Name	Community	Settlement Area	Size (approx. Hectares)
HK1	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	Huronville	**1.5**
HK2	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	Kin Bruce	**2.2**
HK3	Heritage Park	Lakeshore North	Heritage Heights	**2.3**
HK4	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	Bruce Beach	**0.3**
HK5	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	Blairs Grove	**0.5**
HK6	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	Lurgan Beach	**0.8**
HK7	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	**5.5**
HK8	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	**0.5**
HK9	Lighthouse Park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	**0.2**
HK10	Attawandaron park	Lakeshore South	Point Clark	**0.6**
HK11	Reids Corner	Huron-Kinloss	Reid's Corner	**1.3**
HK12	Memorial Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	**6.5**
HK13	Lewis Park	Ripley	Town of Ripley	**0.5**
HK14	Park Street Soccer Fields	Ripley	Town of Ripley	**2.8**
HK15	Victoria Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	**0.6**
HK16	Waterworks Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	**0.4**
HK17	Kinsmen Park	Lucknow	Village of Lucknow	**1.2**
HK18	Whitechurch Park	Whitechurch	Village of Whitechurch	**1.1**
			***Total Parkland**	**28.8**

Trails & Greenspace Information
(Additional Land Excluded from Scope of Work)

Trails & Greenspace Name	Size (approx. Hectares)
Apple Rail Trail	**7.9**
Attawandaron Nature Trail	**0.6**
Blairs Grove Nature Trail	**9.1**
Deer Run Nature Trail	**0.9**
Green Acres Trail	**4.3**
Lewis Trail	**3.0**
Lighthouse Park	**3.7**
Tuscanora Nature Trail	**1.2**
***Total Trails & Greenspace**	**27.7**

Huron-Kinloss Population (2024 estimate): 7,600 residents

Huron-Kinloss Parkland/Greenspace Per Resident Ratio (ha) = 1:0.07

Comparator Municipalities Parkland

Comparator Municipality	Est. Population	Total Parkland (ha)	Parkland Ratio
Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh	6,000	240	1:0.04
Brockton	9,800	48	1:0.005
Kincardine	12,300	123	1:0.01
****Total Comparator Average Parkland Ratio**			**1:0.02**

Results:

The Parkland and Greenspace Ratio Assessment indicates that the Township of Huron-Kinloss maintains a commendable ratio of parkland and greenspace per resident, currently at 1:0.07 ha. This is significantly higher than the average for comparator municipalities, with a ratio of 1:0.02 ha.

Additionally, if beachfront areas were included in the calculation, Huron-Kinloss would surpass its neighbouring municipalities by a wide margin. As a result, Huron-Kinloss provides its community with ample outdoor and recreational opportunities.

Notes:

* Total Parkland is calculated from the 18 park sites indicated in the scope of work, and includes additional Trails & Greenspace in Huron-Kinloss not included in the scope of work. The total ratio does not include areas of beach front.

** Total Comparator Municipalities Average Parkland Ratio is calculated by park and recreation asset data from comparator Municipalities; Kincardine, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, Brockton.

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Section 8 | Maintenance Standards

Existing maintenance policies have been thoroughly reviewed and cross-referenced with best practices. They have been refined to ensure the upkeep of parks exceeds community expectations.

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8 | Maintenance Standards

Preamble

The Township of Huron-Kinloss Maintenance Standards

The Township of Huron-Kinloss has many parks and recreation facilities for the enjoyment and usage by residents, visitors and tourists alike. To ensure all amenities are utilized to their full potential, it is important for them to be maintained and serviced in such a manner, so they are safe, accessible and fully operational. A clear and through understanding of the maintenance required to operate these facilities is vital to guarantee they fulfill the needs and requirements of the Township.

The following Service and Maintenance Standards should be adopted by the Township and implemented in all areas. These standards should be adhered to, not only by Township maintenance staff, but all user-group maintenance, contractors or volunteer groups. This is important to ensure all maintenance within the Township follows the same guidelines, regardless of who performs the servicing and maintenance tasks.

These guidelines are developed in such a way ensure all facilities are safe, in good repair, accessible and operationally sound.

Monitoring Standard

All standards should adhere to the following “Monitoring Standard.” It is important to keep accurate records of maintenance and repairs and is especially crucial when faced with potential cases of legal dispute.

The following applies to all Service and Maintenance Outlines and should be adhered to for every operational and maintenance activity performed:

Monitoring Standard

- The crew shall be responsible for logging the maintenance activities completed each cycle. Any safety concerns, equipment, structures or seating in disrepair shall be noted and leading professional shall be informed.
- Maintenance logs should be kept for a minimum of five years.

Park & Boulevard Turf / Grounds Maintenance Trim Crew Operations

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned parks, parkland, open spaces, unclassified parkland and where required boulevard and curb turf fronting Township owned parks.

Responsibilities

- Turf maintenance in all neighbourhood parks, community parks and open spaces.
- Where larger/wide area mowers cannot operate.

Timing

- Maintenance Crews shall be deployed on or about the second week of April, weather permitting.
- Bi Weekly: commencing on May 1st (weather dependent) and continuing until June 15th.
- Weekly: June 16th to September 1st.
- From September 2nd to October 10th one maintenance cycle will be completed bi-weekly, unless greater need is determined due to good weather and growing season.
- Parks clean-up (from debris, garbage, litter, graffiti) shall continue from April into mid-May, and then required on an as-needed basis.

Final Appearance

- Priority shall be given to areas of high usage, high visibility and those in dire need of attention.
- Turf height shall be expected to an average height of 60mm.
- Park and turf areas, including flower and shrub bed, sports fields, underneath benches and bleachers shall be kept free from litter and debris.
- All seating, equipment and structures shall be kept in good repair, free from damage, debris and garbage.
- Any clippings debris shall be removed with a backpack blower from non-turf areas (including but not limited to parking lots, curbs, sidewalks, roadways, shrubs and flower beds, baseball infields and hard-court surfaces).
- Wrapped swing chains will be unwrapped as required.
- All trees, fixtures and buildings shall be trimmed around, and these structures shall be kept free of long turf around the base. No bark shall be removed from tree base via trimmer string.
- All park space, entertainment equipment, structures, and seating shall be kept in good accord, righted as required, kept clean of debris, broken glass and other potential safety concerns.

Parks and Trail General Maintenance and Repair

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owed parks and trails. General maintenance and repair schedules are outlined with roles and expectations specific to the Township.

Responsibilities

- Inspection of all park amenities and playground equipment including; benches, bleachers, courts, out buildings, shelters, sports fields and perimeter fencing and park signage.
- Respond immediately to complaints, concerns or public safety hazards.
- Trails shall be inspected for wash-out in the non-winter months, with special consideration after large rainstorms
- Trails will be comprised of screenings and shall be maintained as such; monitoring for erosion, wash-out, fallen trees and other debris, garbage or graffiti.
- Bare sections of trails (those with no defined pathway screenings) which developed over winter, shall be immediately addressed the following spring .
- Inspection reports of parks and trails, and priority findings requiring action shall be presented to supervisor following each monthly inspection.
- Trail and park signs are to be inspected and monitored for maintenance or repair.

Timing

- Inspections of park and trail infrastructure shall take place on a monthly cycle and findings documented on prescribed forms.

Final Appearance

Trails

- Surfaces throughout trails and those in parks shall be monitored monthly or after a large rainstorm, for dangerous conditions including wash-outs, fallen trees, debris, glass, and poor footing through low lying areas that are muddy or wet.
- Areas of trails which require more attention should be addressed and recorded in the log book; these areas should be inspected on a more regular basis.
- Any dangerous surroundings or conditions such as dying trees, poisonous plants, graffiti, or protruding objects shall be identified and logged for future action.
- Pruning and trimming of overhanging trees and vegetation shall be completed each cycle (monthly).
- Trail structures, railings, bridges and culverts shall be inspected; hazardous conditions identified and logged for repair.

Parks

- Any minor repairs on benches, bleachers, trash receptacles shall be completed during inspection and logged.
- If conditions require major repairs, then conditions shall be logged and presented to supervisor.
- Weathered, worn or broken park benches shall be replaced with sanded, smooth-edged boards when required.
- Sports courts are to be thoroughly inspected for damage, broken glass, and other dangerous conditions which are to be removed.
- Any equipment or nets shall be kept in good repair.

Wide Area Mower Operations / Class 1 & 2 Sports Fields and Active Park Land

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned wide operated large turf areas, sports fields and activity park lands.

Responsibilities

- Keep sports turf cut to standards as follows – min 55mm, max 90mm, average 55-60mm.
- Mower blades shall be sharpened, at minimum, every 40 hours of cutting.

Timing

- Twice weekly as required.
- Otherwise weekly or bi-weekly mowing rotations (in heat spells, and period of low growth).
- Wide area mowing should be coordinated with small area mowing and trim crew operations.

Final Appearance

- All turf shall be kept within standard lengths, well groomed with even, level cutting surfaces.
- All turf shall have weeds and other invasive species kept to a minimum.
- All turf shall, to the best of the Township's ability, be maintained to be green and healthy.
- All turf shall be mowed in an overlapping pattern.
- All turf shall be mowed in alternating directions.
- All long turf or in areas with weeds shall be mowed twice.
- All turf shall be picked clear of debris, garbage and litter prior to mowing.

Wide Area Mower Operations Non-Active Parkland

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned wide operated large turf areas of non-active and low usage parkland.

Responsibilities

- Keep turf well maintained and cut within following standards: minimum 55mm, maximum 120mm.
- Standards may vary depending on season and weather conditions.

Timing

- Weekly rotations as required.
- Otherwise bi-weekly mowing rotations (in heat spells, and period of low growth).
- Wide area mowing should be coordinated with small area mowing and trim crew operations, with priority given to sports fields and active parklands.

Final Appearance

- All turf shall be kept uniform in height.
- All turf shall be healthy, however weeds or invasive plant species may be visible.
- All turf mowing cycles shall be adjusted accordingly to needs and season. High growth seasons (May, June, September, October) will require more frequent mowing.
- All turf shall be mowed in an overlapping pattern.
- All long turf or in areas with weeds shall be mowed twice.
- All turf shall be picked clear of debris, garbage and litter prior to mowing.
- Any equipment or nets shall be kept in good repair.

Trail System and Trail Head Major Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owed trail heads and trail systems.

Responsibilities

- Completing major repairs, surface leveling, grading and grooming trails and monitoring to keep in good repair.

Timing

- As-required, determined from monthly inspections; additional maintenance following heavy rainfall; major repairs will be scheduled within the Parks Divisions annual work plan and budget; concerns for public safety will be immediately addressed.
- All trail surfaces shall be groomed once year.
- Vegetation shall be cut and removed from trails at a minimum of twice yearly.

Final Appearance

- Trails should be well groomed with a level footing, free of debris, garbage, dangerous objects and free from wash-out, potholes, ruts, rocks, roots, stumps and overgrown vegetation.
- Wash-out and damage from major rain events shall be immediately addressed.
- Trees, other shrubs and any overgrowth shall be cut and trimmed to maintain 1 meter apron.
- Top dressing shall be applied in low lying areas, and on an as-needed basis during wet, spring months or after heavy rainfall.
- Roots, sticks, and rocks shall be removed from footpath of trail.
- Culverts, swales and ditches shall be cleaned out to ensure correct drainage away from trail system and trail surfaces.

*Sports Field Aerating / Top Dressing / Over Seeding / Sodding

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned sports fields, their aeration, top dressing and over seeding. This section details the standards used to develop and maintain proper sports turf.

Responsibilities

- Fields, general playing areas, any halls or on-site buildings shall be kept in safe, useable, well-maintained condition.

Timing

- Maintenance shall take place through spring, summer and fall months, beginning and ceasing dependent on weather.
- Deep Tine Aerating:
  - Class 1 & 2: soccer and baseball facilities aerated once monthly (May 1 through August 31).
- Core Aerating:
  - Class 1, 2 & 3: soccer and baseball facilities aerated once per annum after the conclusion of the playing season, cores dragged and broken-up.
- Top Dressing:
  - Class 1 & 2: soccer and baseball facilities top dressed once per annum.
- Over seeding:
  - Class 1 & 2: soccer and baseball facilities over seeded once monthly or as required (May 1 through August 31).
- Sod Patching/Repairs:
  - Class 1, 2 & 3: soccer and baseball facilities repaired once per annum after the conclusion of the playing season.

Final Appearance

- All irrigation heads and equipment at grade level shall be pre-located.
- All deep tine and core aeration shall take place in opposing directions.
- All repairs shall be addressed at the end of the playing season in the fall, but prior to the winter season.
- A rate of 1m3 of top dress mix per 100m2 shall be used for top dressing and dragging.
- A rate of 20kg of sports turf mix per 4000m2 shall be used, this shall be applied in two opposing directions.

* NOTE: the following maintenance standards reflect best practice and may be considered by the Township depending on field usage and intensity of usage.

*Turf Fertilization Application / Turf Fertility Management Program

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance all Township owned parks and turf. This section highlights the proper application of turf fertilization and suggests a turf fertility management program.

Responsibilities

- Soil sampling and testing from sports fields.
- Make recommendations in annual report.

Timing

- Class 1 & 2 soccer and baseball fields:
  - Humic acid, soil formulation: applied twice, once in April and once in October.
  - Liquid humic acid application: applied twice, once in June and once in July.
  - Blended fertilizer (Nitrogen, Phosphorous, Potassium as prescribed via soil testing), applied twice; once in spring, and once in fall.
- Class 3 soccer and baseball fields:
  - Blended fertilizer (Nitrogen, Phosphorous, Potassium as prescribed via soil testing), applied once in late spring.

Final Appearance

- Class 1 & 2 soccer and baseball fields shall have thick, lush turf with complete coverage. Weeds may occur but will not be the predominant turf covering.
- Class 3 soccer and baseball fields may appear bare, with incomplete coverage, with weeds.
- Chemical fertilizers shall be applied using the correct fertilizer spreader at the rate prescribed through the soil analysis test.
- Solid form humic acid shall be applied at a rate of 50kg per ha.
- Liquid form humic acid shall be applied at a rate of 10L per ha.

* NOTE: the following maintenance standards reflect best practice and may be considered by the Township depending on field usage and intensity of usage.

Urban Forestry Operations

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned urban forestry locations. This section specifies the maintenance of all trees and provides a general overview of trimming and pruning guidelines.

Responsibilities

- Maintenance, planting, trimming of trees.
- Removal of dead or dangerous trees or limbs.

Timing

- Trees aged 15-25 years, pruned once every half decade.
- Trees aged 26-35 years, pruned once every seven years.
- Trees aged 36 or greater, pruned once every 10 years.
- Other pruning can occur throughout the year as required, and for those trees and branches which impede trails, traffic, pedestrians, or pose a danger.

Final Appearance

- Trees on trails and those in parks and in vicinity of public shall be monitored for broken limbs or dangerous conditions.
- Trees which require more attention should be addressed and recorded in the log book; these trees and in high usage and high visibility areas should be inspected on a more regular basis.
- Any dangerous surroundings or conditions such as dying trees and poisonous plants shall logged for action.
- Pruning and trimming of overhanging trees and vegetation shall be completed each cycle.

Creek Access Parks

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned creek access parks. These standards shall be followed for both Township and non-Township-maintained creek access parks.

Responsibilities

- Inspection of all park amenities and including; benches, bleachers, courts, out buildings, shelters, and perimeter fencing and park signage.
- Respond immediately to complaints, concerns or public safety hazards.

Timing

- Monthly inspection on a year-round basis .

Final Appearance

- Inspections of parks and infrastructure shall take place on a monthly cycle and findings documents on prescribed forms.
- Any minor repairs on benches, bleachers, trash receptacles shall be completed during inspection and logged. If conditions require major repairs, then conditions shall be logged and presented to supervisor.
- Weathered, worn or broken park benches shall be replaced with sanded, smooth-edged boards when required.
- Park signs are to be inspected and monitored for maintenance or repair.
- Inspection reports and priority findings requiring action shall be presented to supervisor following monthly inspection.

Storm Water Management Vegetation Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned and maintained storm water management (SWM) systems and surrounding vegetation.

Responsibilities

- Township staff shall keep storm water management system vegetation in good condition, free from garbage, debris and remaining in a “natural” appearance.
- All trash receptacles near the SWM system shall be emptied regularly.
- SWM ponds shall be kept free from invasive species and overgrown vegetation.

Timing

- Vegetation shall be mowed on two cycles per season, dependent on weather and site conditions:
    1. May to July
    2. August to September

Final Appearance

- A 5-meter track shall be maintained between SWM system and residential areas.
- Invasive species and overgrown vegetation will be mowed to above the SWM system level.
- SWM system shall be kept clean, and free from garbage, debris and graffiti. These items shall be removed and addressed prior to mowing.

Shrub Bed Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned shrub beds, gardens, municipal traffic circles, medians, parks and entry features and wood chip maintenance.

Responsibilities

- Remove invasive, and non-desirable plant features, twigs, leaves, trash, debris and garbage
- Enhance municipal landscape, while adhering to any applicable Urban Design Guidelines
- Beds shall be kept in good visual accord; clean and tidy with no debris or garbage
- Beds shall be kept free of unwanted vegetation and invasive species
- Beds shall display clean wood chip mulch on the surface of the beds
- Beds and surrounding areas shall be kept in clean and visually pleasing condition
    - *If chemical herbicides are not used it is expected to see the appearance of weeds in approximately 7 days

Timing

- Traffic circles and centre medians: two cycles per month from May to September, one cycle per month from October to April, or as per contractor arrangement.
- Parks and Entry Features: one cycle monthly from May to September
- Wood chips: replacement once yearly during July and August and then on an as needed basis.

Final Appearance

- All trash and debris shall be removed from bed
- By hand, all weeds and unwanted roots will be removed from beds
- Wood-mulch surface of beds will be leveled and replenished (to a depth of 6 cm) as required
- Plants and other shrubs shall be pruned and kept in good visual accord and in desired shape
- Weed control products shall be applied (Organic)

Park Garbage Collection/Removal

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper collection and removal of all garbage collected in Township owned park trash receptacles and surrounding areas.

Responsibilities

- Empty trash from receptacles.
- Respond to reports of areas overflowing with trash and debris.
- Loose garbage collection in areas as required.
- Facilitation (set-up, and clean-up) of garbage receptacles during special cultural and sporting events; Santa Claus Parade, etc.

Timing

- Once weekly removal: May 1st to August 31st.
- Once bi-weekly removal: September 1st to April 30th.
- As required: outdoor rinks, lawn bowling, high use locations and special events, emergency pick up.

Final Appearance

- Receptacles shall to be emptied if filled to over 50% capacity.
- Receptacles shall always to be re-lined with standard garbage bags.
- Receptacles shall to be kept clean and free of debris, graffiti, and damage, all of which must be reported to supervisor and logged.
- Spilled or loose garbage and debris shall be removed from immediate surrounding areas, with special attention given prior to turf cutting or trimming.

Garbage Container / Picnic Table / Park Furnishing Distribution & Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned garbage receptacles, picnic tables, park furnishing, sports and equipment storage areas.

Responsibilities

- Distribution and retrieval of all picnic tables, bleachers, and any sports equipment storage receptacles in desired park areas.
- Inspection of equipment, tables, bleachers and other sport equipment over winter months.
- Complete repairs as required or note new equipment required for next season.
- Picnic tables, benches and bleachers will be inspected and have bolts tightened, replace cracked boards with new sanded wood.

Timing

- Distribution of equipment May 1st, weather permitting, removal at end of parks season, October 1st unless otherwise required.
- Paint portable garbage receptacles with fresh paint every two years; permanent receptacles will be touched up with fresh paint as required.
- Park benches shall be repainted with fresh paint once on a three-year rotation.
- Park fixtures; bleachers, certain benches, picnic tables; will be inspected on a once monthly cycle and repaired as required between May and October.
- Park storage equipment, locks and fencing will be inspected once monthly, or as required, to ensure good, safe working condition.
- All equipment throughout May to October season will be spot checked for condition and repair or replaced as required.

Final Appearance

- All park furnishings shall be in good condition and free from defects.
- All park furnishings shall have cracked, broken or rotten boards replaced with sanded and freshly painted boards.
- All park fixtures with rust shall be properly prepped and repainted until deemed necessary for new equipment.
- Garbage receptacles, picnic tables, and park seating and equipment shall be in good repair, with no visible hazards nor rust.
- Minor hazards may be come evident as season progresses and will be addressed as required.

Vandalism / Repairs & Graffiti Removal

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper removal and reporting of all vandalism and graffiti in Township owned parks, buildings, concessions, and other municipal land and property.

Responsibilities

- Notify by-law and local police department to make a vandalism/graffiti occurrence report.
- Staff shall keep all building surfaces, fixtures, equipment, seating and storage units free from vandalism and graffiti.
- Staff to remove graffiti within 24 hours, pending weather conditions
- Staff to correct and repair vandalism within 24 hours, pending weather conditions.

Timing

- Investigations of graffiti immediately or within 24hr as reported or as observed

Final Appearance

- Graffiti shall be removed from surfaces using the appropriate and most efficient method; these may include but are not limited to, soda blasting, sand blasting, power washing, cleaning solutions and power washes.
- Any buildings, surfaces, fixtures, seating, equipment or storage vandalized shall be repair, as required.

Playground Inspection

Minor Maintenance and Repair

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper removal and reporting of all vandalism and graffiti in Township owned parks, buildings, concessions, and other municipal land and property.

Responsibilities

- Playground shall be kept in good repair and follow the current CSA Standards.
- Inspections completed in accordance with industry standards and guidelines.
- At the time of inspections, visual or formal, and as required, parks staff will perform minor maintenance on playground equipment.
- Any complaints, safety concerns or reports from users shall be address immediately.

Timing

- Playgrounds shall be inspected visually once weekly.
- Formal inspections shall occur once per month (excluding months with snow) by a Registered Playground Practitioner, and must include details of each component piece ensuring all is in accordance with industry standards and guidelines; all results and findings are to be documents on a playground check list.
- An annual report must be completed detailing all activities taking place in the year prior.

Final Appearance

- Playgrounds and surrounding areas will be maintained in a safe, useable CSA compliant condition. Any concerns or complaints regarding upkeep of playgrounds and equipment shall be immediately reported to supervisor for record and appropriate resolution.
- Safety surfacing shall be systematically tested with the hand digging method during inspections to ensure proper depth, uniform depth and safety surface in fall protection zones.
- All minor repairs must be completed during inspections and documented in log book. Minor repairs can include; tightening of loose fitting fasteners, nuts and bolts, monitoring surface levels on ground and fall zones
- The removal of graffiti and debris such as broken glass, rocks, foreign and protruding objects will be done during weekly and monthly inspections, and on an as-required basis.
- Any concerns, deficiencies, defects or safety hazards shall be immediately reported to supervisor.
- Any repairs requiring additional equipment or staff shall be reported to supervisor, so repair can take place promptly and public can be made aware.

Playground Inspection

Major Maintenance and Repair

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owed playgrounds, specific to major repairs.

Responsibilities

- Perform scheduled playground repairs
- Monitor and record life cycle of playground components, equipment and safety surfacing.
- Uneven surfaces shall be corrected, filled and leveled, as identified by monthly and annual reports, to be completed in good time.
- Complete major repairs as scheduled and in accordance with CSA Standards for playground safety.
- Materials, playground equipment and components will be systematically added to ensure all playground are in accordance with CSA Standards.
- Major repairs and/or replacements of components will be documents in monthly reporting log (Playground inspection forms).
- All adjustments to playground areas, repairs, adjustments, monitoring, will be documented on the prescribed forms.

Timing

- As required

Final Appearance

- After completion of major repair, scheduled maintenance or replacement of components, playground shall be in safe with no substandard conditions or areas of visual damage, and compliant with CSA Standards.
- Playground surfaces shall be safe and have level distribution throughout playground.
- All components of the playground shall follow CSA Standards.

*Lawn Bowling Green Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owed lawn bowling greens.

Responsibilities

- Maintain the lawn bowling green through mowing and trimming.
- In the fall the lawn bowling green shall be aerated and then top dressed using sand-based materials
- An Integrated Pest Management program shall be implemented at the beginning of each season to ensure healthy, playable turf
- Bowling green maintenance schedule shall be organized around programmed schedules
- Aeration is to take place each fall after the playing season. Aeration cores must be removed from fields and sand-based mixture then applied, allowed to dry, and finally dragged with a mat and light turf equipment to ensure all holes are filled and sand-mixture is well integrated into the green surface. Mow once following using the mower reserved for top dressing operations.
- Irrigation system will be charged, maintained and winterized accordingly and be monitored, maintained and adjusted on an as-need basis according to weather conditions and surface requirements.

Timing

- Green, surrounding turf and hard surface areas shall be thoroughly cleaned once each spring.
- Green mowing shall take place from mid April and continue until the second week of October.
- Green mowing shall be done on alternating days, unless on tournament days on which mowing shall take place on the day of the tournament.
- The turf outside of the green shall be mowed and maintained on a weekly basis, including removal of weeds, blowing or sweeping debris and dust away.
- A spring clean-up of the green and surrounding areas shall be completed to remove all debris, garbage, graffiti, leaves, twigs and assess any areas in need of attention or repair.
- Following the spring clean up, first green cutting will take place in opposing direction from previous cut and not in the direction of play.

Final Appearance

- Turf shall be mowed to a height of 3/16 to 1/4 inch.
- All greens and surrounding areas shall be kept free of garbage, debris and litter, be well groomed, in good repair, and have turf evenly cut.
- The surrounding areas of the green will be kept free and clean of debris, garbage, litter and graffiti, and in good trim condition.
- Seasonal application schedule of fertilizer and pest management

* NOTE: the Lawn Bowling Facility is maintained by the Lucknow Lawn Bowling Club. The Township may share the follow maintenance standard as required.

Sport Court Maintenance and Repair

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owed sport parks including tennis courts, basketball courts, pickle ball, and other hard surface areas used for sport.

Responsibilities

- Keep the sports courts in clean, user-friendly condition, free from debris, garbage and disrepair.
- Any equipment deemed to be part of the sport court, such as nets, will be kept in good repair free from damage, tears, and replaced when maintenance cannot fix damage.
- Any court marking shall be kept visible and immediately fixed if wear of damage has affected the quality of lines.
- Any fencing surrounding the courts shall be kept free of vegetation, and span the entirety of the court, reaching the court floor to prevent balls escaping.
- Any court requiring lighting will have flood lights with a properly functioning timing device to ensure lights are turned on as required at dusk and shut off by 11:00pm during the playing seasons, or as playing season requires. Each lighting unit should be kept in good working condition, free from damage or disrepair.

Timing

- Monthly and as-required inspections of sports courts will take place during the operating season.
- Monthly inspection, maintained from the beginning of the sport season (tennis, basketball, pickle ball, etc.) season, second week of April, until the latter of the end completion of the season or the second week of November, weather dependent.
- Any concerns or complaints shall be immediately addressed by Parks Staff through additional inspections, and completing any repairs or maintenance required.
- All reflector flood lights are to be re-lamped and cleaned on a 5-year cycle.

Final Appearance

- Courts are to be clean, free from visible debris, glass, garbage and graffiti, and kept in safe, useable conditions.
- Nets and other equipment that are in good working condition only, are to be installed at the beginning of the playing season.
- Nets are to be installed to the correct height in the center through winching the sides, in accordance with the standard rule of play (dependent on court and sport).
- Flood lights are to be checked and adjusted as required, timing is to be checked to ensure all lights are operating on the correct schedule, and any non-functioning lights, or those in disrepair shall be documented in the logging manual.
- A supplementary power battery shall be used to replace flood light timer each spring when the sport courts open.

Ball Diamond Infield Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned ball diamonds and ball infields.

Responsibilities

- Maintain surface of infields to be flat and level, free of garbage and debris and in good, useable condition.
- Surrounding field and facility visual inspection to be completed each time team is on-site to ensure entire ball diamond area and near by facilities are in good condition.

Timing

- Lit facilities: maintained once daily and as field bookings require.
- Unlit facilities: maintained once weekly and as field bookings require.
- As required: line marking chalk application: dust suppression.
- Maintenance will start, weather dependent, May 1st and continue until Oct 1st.
- Annual fall restoration:
- Backstop fencing shall be inspected, and repaired as require.
- Re-sodding shall take place as require.
- Removal of lips at edge of infield; playing surfaces to be leveled mechanically or if able, by hand.
- All painted lines shall be periodically restrung to ensure straightness and accuracy.

Final Appearance

- Infield and surrounding facility shall be free from garbage, debris, hazards and graffiti.
- Infield area shall be groomed to an even, level, safe and playable field surface.
- The home plate shall be kept in good condition with level surroundings, no tears or rips, otherwise home plate shall be replaced.
- Warning track shall be kept in good repair, free from garbage and debris, with a level surface. Weeds may be present during May and June and should be removed by hand or with string trimmer.
- Lips at infield edges and base paths must be maintained and minimized as season progresses.
- Pitcher's mound and home plate and surrounding area shall be kept level with no ruts through hand raking.
- Permanent bases shall have anchor sockets cleaned with regular field maintenance and plugs inserted as applicable.
- The field inspections shall be logged and items requiring immediate attention, or those requiring large scale maintenance shall be reported to supervisor.

Soccer / Baseball Field Inspection / Layout / Lining - Line Painting Standards for Soccer and Baseball Fields

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned soccer and baseball fields and their respective inspections, layout and linings.

Responsibilities

- Painting lines on soccer and baseball fields, performing inspections of fields and ensuring no damage, garbage, debris, hazards, or graffiti.
- Reporting items requiring immediate action to supervisor.

Timing

- Begin the second week of April, weather permitting.
- Lit fields: soccer and baseball lines painted once weekly.
- Unlit fields: soccer and baseball lines painted once every 2 weeks.

Final Appearance

- Painted lines shall be highly visible, true to required dimensions, uniform and straight.
- Playing lines shall be kept in good condition, especially during months of high use and high growth (May, June, September).
- Preseason inspection shall include a pre-season cut, layout of lines for the season, ensure square corners, be complete and free of disrepair, and findings logged.
- During each painting session, field inspections shall be logged for record.

Splash Pad Facility Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned splash pads and wading pools.

Responsibilities

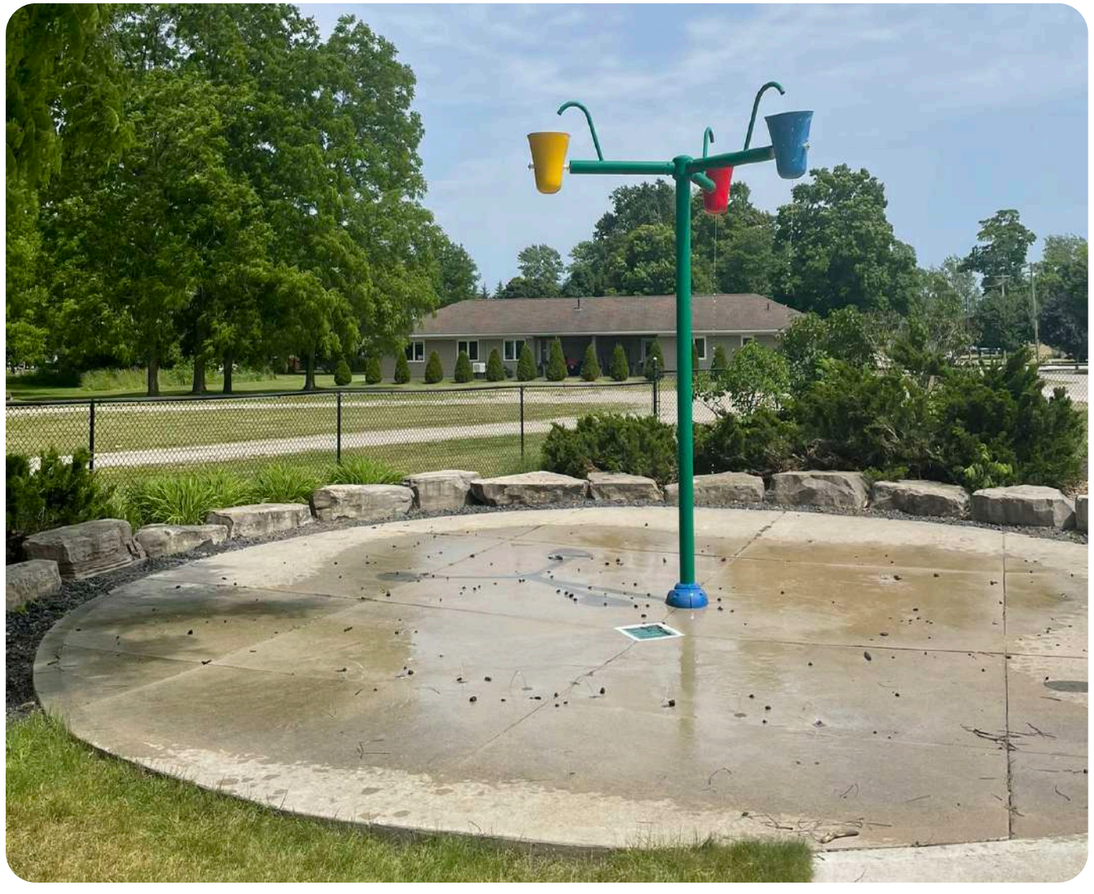
- Township staff are responsible for daily inspections and sanitization of the splashpad in Ripley, and any future splashpad installations.
- Staff shall ensure splash pad(s) are in good working repair, free from graffiti, damage, hazardous materials and garbage.
- Any splash pad(s) in disrepairs shall be immediately addressed and the issue resolved within 24 hours.
- Staff are to complete a bi-weekly power wash, weather permitting.
- All spray heads, spouts and timing devices shall be in good working condition.

Timing

- Weather pending; open daily from June 1st to August 31st, 9am – 9pm.
- Consideration may be given to extending hours during extreme heat.

Final Appearance

- Splash pad(s) and surrounding areas shall be kept in clean, working condition free from garbage, graffiti or damage.
- Splash pad(s) will be inspected and sanitized daily with deep cleaning, power washing occurring bi-weekly (14 days).
- All garbage receptacles near the splash pad shall be emptied.
- All public safety requests will be addressed immediately.
- The Regional Health Department Inspections will be posted in the immediate area of the splash pad for public visibility.



Skate Board/BMX Bike Park Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned skate board and BMX bike parks. These standards are to be followed by both Township and non-Township-maintained parks.

Responsibilities

- Inspections shall occur daily during open season, during which time any damage, garbage, debris, or graffiti shall be addressed.
- Any items in need of repair will have such completed immediately or in a maximum of 48 hours, all other complaints or concerns shall be addressed immediately.
- All surfaces shall be kept free from graffiti, damage, deterioration and safety warnings and signs shall be posted in highly visible areas.
- All turf near the park shall be kept clean and in good condition with no missing turf sections or extra dirt piles.

Timing

- Open from April 1 to November 15th.
- Parks shall be signed as “closed” or warning users of “no maintenance from Nov 16th to March 31st”.

Final Appearance

- All daily inspections shall be logged, and any concerns reported to supervisor immediately.
- All graffiti shall be removed.
- All opening and closing of park shall be posted with appropriate signage in high visibility areas.
- All garbage, debris, and hazardous materials shall be removed from the park during daily inspections.

Park Sport Facility Lighting Equipment Maintenance and Repair

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned sport facility lighting operations. This section includes maintenance standards for both Township and non-Township operated lighting in all sport parks and sport courts.

Responsibilities

- Regular inspections of all sport parks and sport courts.
- Ensure all lights are operational and in good accord.
- Managing public and community group requests for changes in lighting schedules.
- Managing all complaints and special requests that occur.

Timing

- Full inspection for park sports facilities, once yearly before the playing season commences.
- A twice-yearly inspection shall take place for non-park sports facilities, parks and pathways once in the spring and again in the fall.
- Re-lamping and cleaning of metal halide lights shall take place once every five years in accordance with industry standards.
- Re-lamping and cleaning of high pressure sodium lights shall take place as required.
- If a lamp is reported as non-functional, it will be addressed immediately and either have the problem resolved, or the light shall be replaced.

Final Appearance

- Sports field lighting systems shall be operational at the minimum brightness as in agreement with Class 4 North American Standard:
  - Soccer – 200 LUX
  - Baseball Infield – 300 LUX
  - Baseball Outfield – 200 LUX
  - Tennis – 300 LUX
- All equipment shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's design and usage specifications.
- All lighting issues shall be logged and corrected immediately.
- All lighting shall be adjusted throughout the season to turn on one half hour prior to dusk and shut off at 11:00pm promptly.
- All lights, poles, lamps, and other miscellaneous lighting shall be regular inspected, documented and repairs completed as required.
- All lighting complaints must be addressed within 24 hours of the initial complaint.

Park Pathway Lighting Equipment Maintenance and Repair, Including Solar

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned park and trail lighting operations. This section includes maintenance standards for both Township and non-Township operated lighting in all parks and trails.

Responsibilities

- Inspection, replacement and maintenance of park lighting and pathway lights.
- Monitor lighting to ensure in good repair.
- Record lighting and suggest areas in need of additional lighting or those areas in need of repairs.

Timing

- Inspections shall take place twice per annum; in the spring and fall.
- Re-lamping and cleaning shall be completed on an as-required basis for high pressure sodium light fixtures.

Final Appearance

- All lighting fixtures shall be operated to ensure units are in effective working order.
- All deficiencies, damage, or units requiring maintenance or replacement shall be logged and reported to supervisor.
- All lighting shall be adjusted throughout the season to turn on one half hour prior to dusk and shut off at 11:00pm promptly or one half hour after dawn.
- All lights, poles, lamps, and other miscellaneous lighting shall be regularly inspected, documented and repairs completed as required.
- All lighting complaints must be addressed within 24 hours of the initial complaint.
- All repairs requiring contractor work shall be completed at the earliest possible convenience.

Park Signage Maintenance, Installation and Fabrication

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned parks and their respective signage. The standard signage maintenance, installation and fabrication of signs is detailed below.

Responsibilities

- Maintain, monitor and repair park related signs.
- Fabricate and install new signage as required.

Timing

- Monthly visual inspection of all signage.
- As required, maintenance or repairs on existing signs due to vandalism, public notice, or staff request.
- Refinish existing park signs on a 10-year rotation.

Final Appearance

- All signs shall be kept in good repair, straight, clear and easily legible by the public, free of damage, garbage and graffiti.
- All signs shall be repainted or replaced as required, or on the 5-year cycle.
- All sign inventory shall be maintained and logged.
- All signs shall be in accordance with public by-laws and not pose a risk to the public.

Parks Washroom Facility Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned park washroom facilities, these standards are applicable to facilities both maintained, and not maintained, by the Township.

Any park washroom facilities not maintained by the Township (i.e. user group or contractors) have no operational or maintenance expectations.

Responsibilities

- Ensure fully stocked with soap and toilet paper.
- Tournaments or special events will require washrooms to be cleaned twice daily
- All reports of vandalism, graffiti, or complaints will be addressed immediately, or at least within 24-hours

Timing

- Operational 7 days per week; May 1st to August 31st
- Operational as required; September 1st to October 15th
- Washrooms shall be closed from October 16th to April 30th of the following year, and opened on an as-required basis

Final Appearance

- Washrooms shall be kept clean, fully stocked with supplies, neat and in good working condition for use by the public
- Washrooms are to have all floors, toilets, sinks and handles cleaned each morning
- Washrooms shall always have a fully stocked supply of toilet paper and soap, this requires special attention during large sporting events, or special events.
- Washroom complaints shall be addressed immediately, or within 24-hours.

Non-Winter Parking Lot Grooming and Maintenance (Asphalt and Granular Surface)

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned parking lots, both those of asphalt and granular surfaces.

Responsibilities

- Maintain and upkeep well-groomed condition of both granular and asphalt parking lots.
- Keep free from debris, garbage, graffiti and hazardous materials.
- All pot holes and rough areas to be repaired as required.

Timing

- Grade granular parking lots 4+ times during April to November.
- Granular parking lots shall have additional granular materials added as required.
- Spring: Sweep curbs and asphalt parking lots and remove accumulated debris in parking lots.
- As Required: replace parking curbs.
- Yearly: Re-paint parking lines.

Final Appearance

- Parking lots shall be kept in neat, tidy condition.
- Parking lots shall be kept in safe, useable and accessible condition.
- Parking lots shall be kept free of broken glass and debris.
- Parking lots shall have curbs straightened and fastened to the ground with curb pins.

Snow Removal and Winter Maintenance

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township and non-Township operated snow removal and winter maintenance.

Responsibilities

- Removal of snow accumulation on parking lots, and sidewalks in quantities greater then 5cm in the following priority:
    1. Fire Stations
    2. Community Centres, Rec Complexes
    3. Town Hall, Public Library
    4. Township Parking Lots
    5. Parks
    6. Outdoor Skating Rinks
- Salt and/or sand shall be applied as required and on days of freezing rain.
- Routes may be completed twice or more daily schedule, as required by weather conditions.

Timing

- Snow shall be removed within 24 hours of initial snow fall, pending appropriate conditions and temperatures:

Final Appearance

- All snow shall be removed from roadways, paths, sidewalks and parking lots.
- Salt and/or sand shall be applied as required, or other de-icing materials.
- All snow removal activities shall be logged and recorded.

Boarded Outdoor Rinks (with or without Roofs)

This section defines the responsibilities, staff and equipment, timing and outlines the key expectations for the proper maintenance of all Township owned boarded outdoor rinks. These standards should be followed for both Township and non-Township-maintained outdoor rinks.

Responsibilities

- Township staff will maintain, repair and keep outdoor rinks in good, working condition, free from garbage, debris, damage or disrepair.
- Signage will be posted and maintained.
- Rinks will not be staff supervised.
- Rinks shall have a smooth, skateable surface.
- Any bumps, crack or breaks will be repaired during daily inspections.
- Rinks may be maintained by community members through a community engagement program.

Timing

- Daily grooming of rinks will take place from mid-December to mid-February, weather permitting.

Final Appearance

- All rinks shall be inspected daily.
- All garbage, debris, hazardous materials and graffiti will be removed from rink and surround areas.
- All rinks shall be inspected daily, and activities logged.
- All issues shall be reported to supervisor and addressed in a maximum of 48 hours.

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Section 9 | Direction for Surplus Parkland / Greenspace

Recommendations have been made for the development of identified parkland and green spaces to meet community needs.

Surplus Identification

A township-wide scan of available parkland and greenspace was conducted. Underutilized areas within existing 18 parks, called 'surplus lots' and existing road right-of-ways, were identified for future redevelopment and repurpose considerations.

Parkland and Greenspace

A **Huronville Park:**
surplus lot

B **Kin Bruce Park:**
available parkland

C **Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace:**
surplus lot

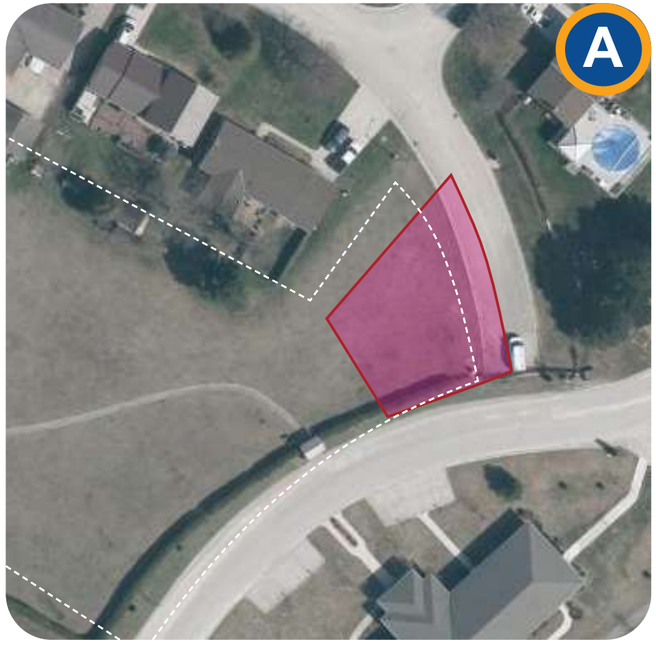
D **Langdon Park:**
right-of-way

E **Lions Park:**
surplus lot

F **Point Clark Community Centre Park:**
surplus lot

G **Blue Park:**
surplus lot

The Lakeshore Settlement Area



HURONVILLE PARK

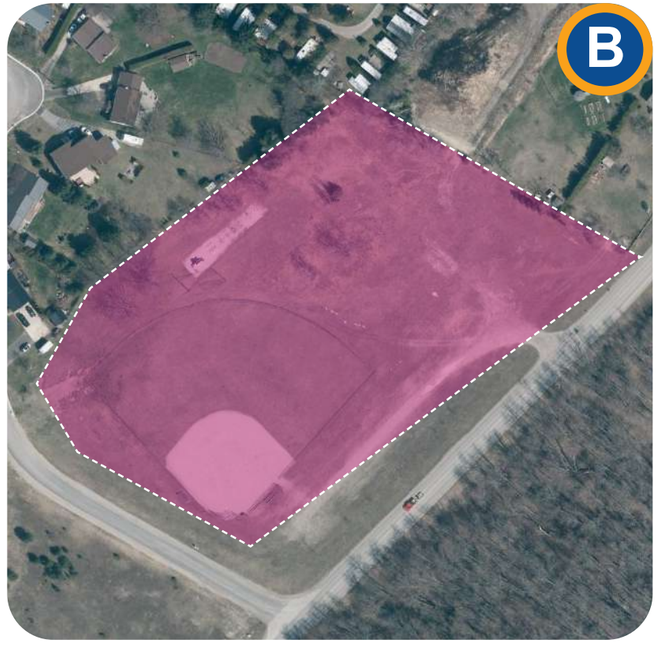
Surplus Lot
Approx 0.07 ha

Recommended Parkland Classification:

Local Community Park

Repurpose / Redevelop:

YES



KIN BRUCE PARK

Available Parkland
Approx 2.2 ha

Recommended Parkland Classification:

Regional/ Municipal Multi-Sport Facility

Repurpose / Redevelop:

YES

PEARL ELIZABETH

Surplus Lot
Approx 0.1 ha

Recommended Parkland Classification:

Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace

Repurpose / Redevelop:

YES/NO

LANGDON PARK

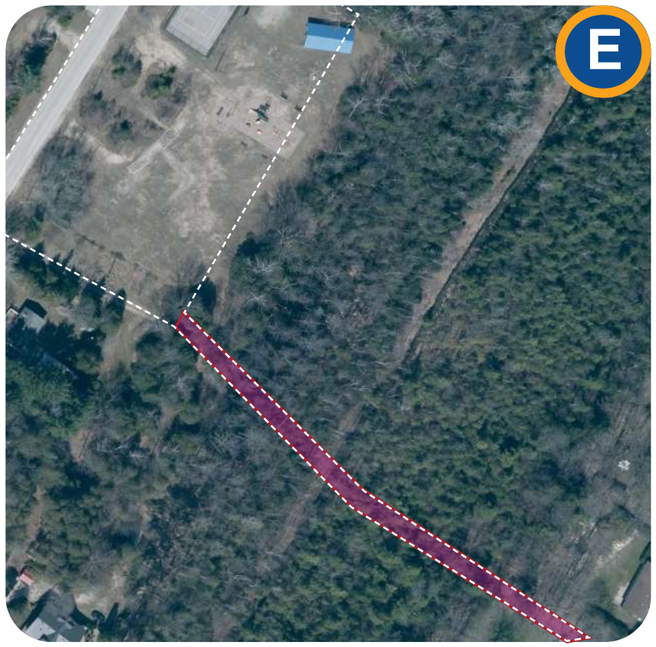
Right-of-Way
Approx 0.31 ha

Recommended Parkland Classification:

Local Community Park & Open Space

Repurpose / Redevelop:

YES



LIONS PARK

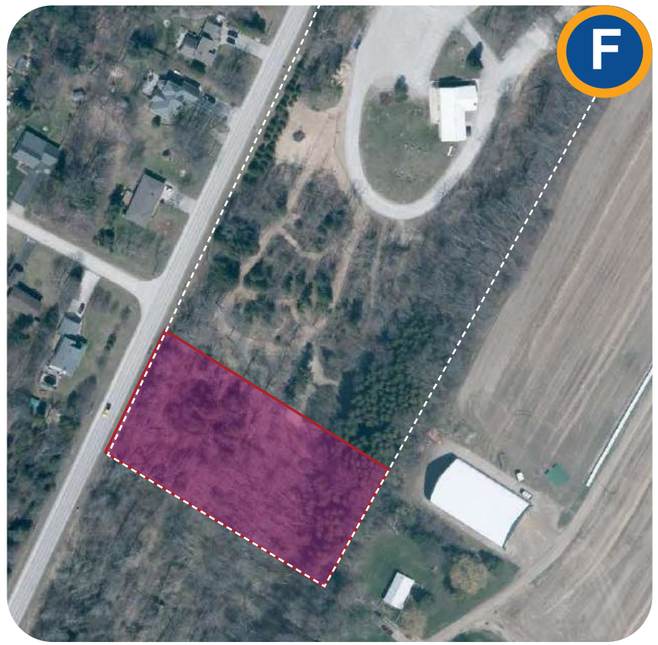
Surplus Lot
Approx 0.07 ha

Recommended Parkland Classification:

Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace

Repurpose / Redevelop:

NO



POINT CLARK COMMUNITY CENTRE PARK

Available Parkland
Approx 0.65 ha

Recommended Parkland Classification:

Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace

Repurpose / Redevelop:

NO

BLUE PARK

Surplus Lot
Approx 0.18 ha

Recommended Parkland Classification:

Local Community Park

Repurpose / Redevelop:

YES

Parkland & Greenspace Future Consideration

Parkland / Greenspace Information					Assessment				Recommendation		
Lot ID.	**Lot Location**	**Community**	**Lot Size** (approx. Hectares)	**Recommended Parkland Classification**	**Opportunities**	**Strengths**	**Weaknesses**	**Barriers / Threats**	**Redevelopment / Repurpose**	**Rationale**	**Remarks & Actions**
A	Huronville Park	Lakeshore North	0.07	Local Community Park	Possible location for a residential lot.	Desirable neighbourhood location. The space is unprogrammed and underutilized as parkland.	Smaller sized lot in comparison to neighbouring properties. Utilities would need to be extended to service the lot. Proximity to private estate park access.	Community pushback. Ensure through access into park, further impeding lot size.	**yes**	Redevelopment is possible but not ideal based on the assessment weaknesses and barriers/threats.	1. Consider selling the lot to a property developer. 2. Hire a consultant to conduct a land value assessment. 3. Reinvest earnings into Huron-Kinloss Parks.
B	Kin Bruce Park	Lakeshore North	2.2	Regional\ Municipal Multi-Sport Facility	Large enough space to accommodate an indoor/ outdoor sports facility.	Large mature-healthy trees on site to be utilized.	The park is a low point which could require extra attention to stormwater management.	Lack of funding.	**yes**	Appropriate for a regional sports facility and revenue generation. Development would provide all season recreation.	1. Hire a landscape architect to create a concept plan. 2. Advertise and obtain funding through club partnerships and investors.
C	Pearl Elizabeth Greenspace	Lakeshore North	0.1	Community Parkette & Environmental Greenspace	Potential to expand usable parkland.	Private area with few residential properties. Proximity to the waterfront.	Semi-isolated location. New development would require utility connections.	Heavily vegetated. Contributes to the Natural Heritage System.	**yes / no**	The decision to redevelopment or repurpose this surplus lot should be left to a council decision.	Provides valuable habitat for wildlife in connection to the Natural Heritage System.
D	Langdon Park	Lakeshore South	0.31	Local Community Park & Open Space	Neighbourhood through connection and recreational trail.	Existing Road Right-of-way. The space is unprogrammed and underutilized as parkland.			**yes**	This space is appropriate for redevelopment to connect of the neighbourhood, and enhance the parkland. It is wide enough to accommodate a 1.5m trail while maintaining a buffer space as not to impede on the backyards of the private residences.	1. Hire a landscape architect to create construction drawing and specifications set.
E	Lions Park	Lakeshore South	0.07	Local Community Park & Environmental Greenspace	Ideal through connection between Lions Park and the Point Clark Community Centre.	Proximity to the Point Clark Community Centre.	Long and narrow parcel, approx. (163m long, 4.5m wide). Would have to cross Lake-Range Drive.	Part of the Natural Heritage System. Close in proximity to private residential lots.	**no**	Redevelopment or repurpose is not permitted under the Natural Heritage System.	Proposing a through connection between parks has been a contentious issue, especially the topic of tree removal.
F	Point Clark Community Centre Park	Lakeshore South	0.65	Community / Sports Park & Environmental Greenspace	Possible park expansion, or surplus lot.	Convenient location next to the Point Clark Community Centre.	Adjacent to the dog park. Next to a busy road (Lake-Range Drive)	Part of the Natural Heritage System	**no**	Redevelopment or repurpose is not permitted under the Natural Heritage System.	Tree removal is a contentious issue.
G	Blue Park	Lakeshore South	0.18	Local Community Park	Possible surplus lot could be zoned as residential, as all surrounding property is residential.	The adjacent lot (302 Huron Road) is zoned as residential. Large enough lot size to accommodate a private residence. The lot has already been disturbed to remove dead Ash trees. The surplus would still allow a vegetated buffer between the park and potential lot.	Utilities would need to be extended to service the lot. Currently a naturally vegetated area.	Community pushback.	**yes**	Redevelopment is appropriate.	1. Consider selling the lot to a property developer. 2. Hire a consultant to conduct a land value assessment. 3. Reinvest earnings into Huron-Kinloss Parks.

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Section 10 | Overall Recommendations

Recommendations have been consolidated into this section to guide the overall redevelopment of the 18 park sites in Huron-Kinloss.

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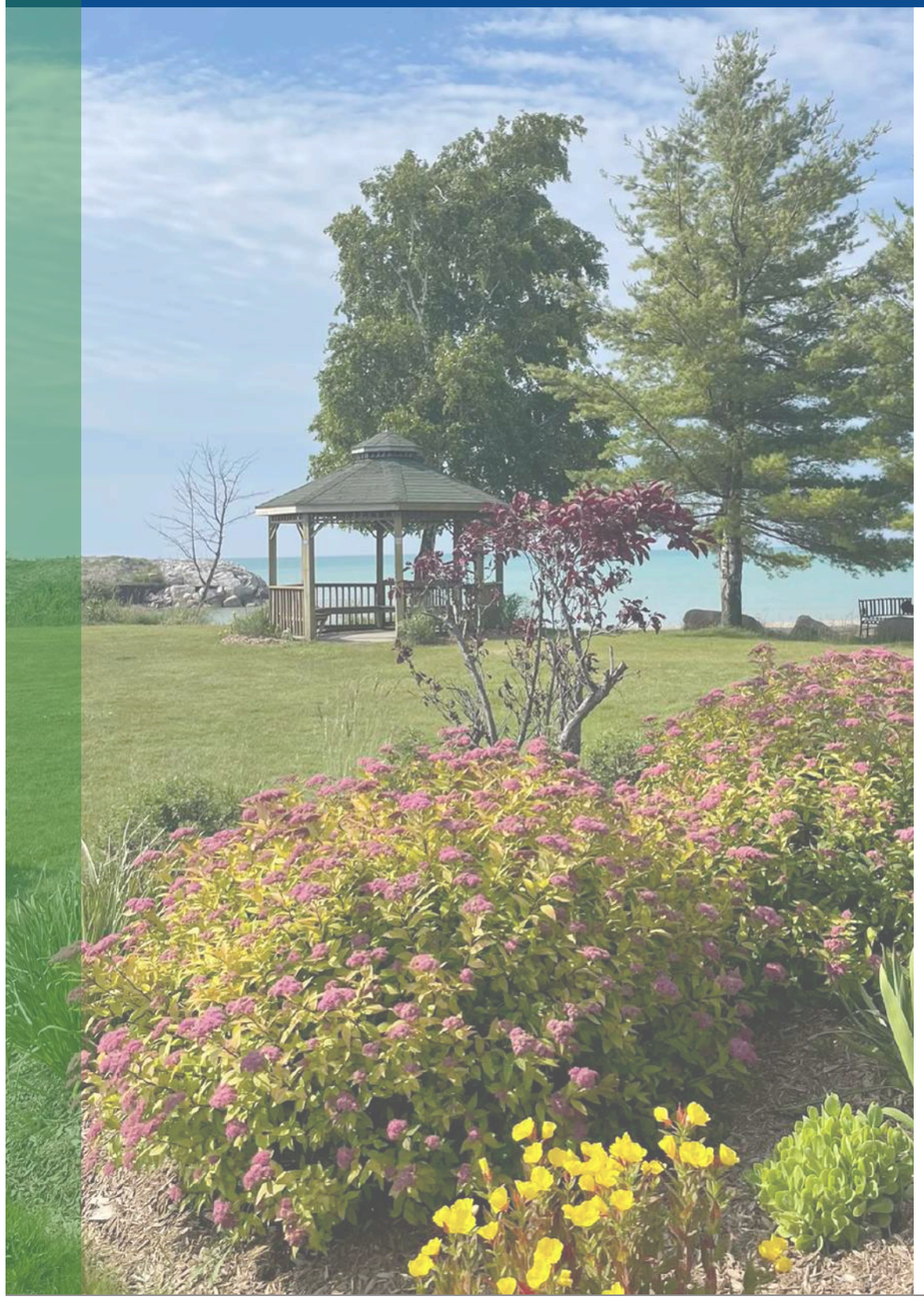
10 | Overall Recommendations



In Summary

This section presents the overall recommendations, which are a synthesis of the findings discussed throughout the entire report and outlined as key takeaways that can be applied across all parks in the Township.

It is suggested that the first category, Future Forward Projects, be pursued as the next actions to enhance and complement the Parks and Trails Plan while also working towards fostering a community that is likely to evolve and transform in the next few years.

The following categories, although tailored to Huron-Kinloss, can be implemented at any time and will continue to remain relevant:

- Engage Your Community
- Prioritize Public Safety
- Support all Transportation
- Enhance the Environment
- Optimize Maintenance

Future Forward Projects

1. Township-Wide Wayfinding

Community parks, trails and facilities can benefit from 'guiding one's way.' Support the implementation of a future-focused and user-friendly navigational system to guide visitors and residents around Huron-Kinloss. A Township-wide wayfinding system will direct visitors to each community's 'downtown' and 'leisure services facilities' to promote economic growth, including navigation to other prominent destinations and attractions from primary transportation routes.

2. Create a Trails Masterplan

Findings from the Parks and Trails online survey indicate a significant need for a thorough trails masterplan within the community. The survey identified shortcomings in trail wayfinding signage as well as inadequate trails catering to various user groups, such as ATV riders compared to walkers and bikers. Importantly, enhancing the trail system across the Township is expected to encourage active transportation and boost tourism in the Township.

3. Multi-Sport Court Assessment

Carry out a comprehensive assessment over several years to gather community input (through surveys, etc.) regarding the shared use of multi-sport courts. The information obtained will highlight both challenges and opportunities. This will help in tracking interest in various court sports and in optimizing the use of these facilities, enabling a decision on whether funds are needed for maintenance and replacements or if resources can be directed to other needs.

Engage Your Community

4. Partner with Community Groups and Clubs

The Township of Huron-Kinloss should seek more partnerships with clubs and community groups for several reasons:

- Clubs often represent specific interests or activities within the community. By partnering with them, Huron-Kinloss can engage residents more effectively and foster a sense of belonging.
- These groups typically have volunteers, expertise, and resources that can benefit Township initiatives. Collaborating allows for shared resources, reducing costs and improving outcomes for community projects.
- Members are often passionate and knowledgeable about their interests, making them key stakeholders in planning and decision-making. They can ensure recreational offerings are relevant and well-attended.
- Clubs can play a role in the ongoing maintenance and care of facilities or programs they use, which can alleviate some responsibilities from Township staff while promoting a sense of ownership among community members (i.e., the Point Clark Pickleball Club, may contribute to the upkeep of new Pickleball courts).
- Community groups often consist of individuals with specialized skills or knowledge. Their expertise can inform best practices and innovative approaches to community projects.

5. Amend Perceived Ownership

Regulating personal storage on park property through a by-law or boundary enhancement is essential to maintaining the integrity and aesthetic appeal of these communal spaces. By ensuring that individuals do not use parkland for personal storage (i.e., parked trailers, woodpiles, boats, etc.), the Township can prevent clutter, potential safety hazards and liability issues. Additionally, monitoring and addressing the unpermitted cutting of vegetation is crucial to protecting local flora and promoting biodiversity within the park. Fostering awareness about the importance of these environmental elements will help discourage encroachment on parkland. It is vital to keep these areas accessible and enjoyable for everyone.

6. Inform the Public

Huron-Kinloss Parks is home to several commendable initiatives, such as the pollinator gardens with informative signage that promote biodiversity and support local wildlife. To further enrich the visitor experience in parks, the addition of interpretive panels would be highly beneficial. These panels could educate the public about the significance of other township initiatives, for example intentionally naturalized areas. Naturalized areas are often perceived as unkempt but actually serve vital ecological functions. By providing information on the benefits of these natural habitats, visitors would gain a deeper appreciation for the parks and the work done by the Township.

Prioritize Public Safety

7. Establish Pedestrian Space

Establishing pedestrian space is essential for creating safe and inviting outdoor environments. Implementing traffic calming measures, such as speed bumps and narrowed roadways, encourages drivers to reduce their speed, enhancing safety for pedestrians. Well-marked crosswalks provide clear pathways for individuals crossing the street, ensuring they can navigate traffic more confidently. Open sightlines are crucial for improving visibility at intersections, allowing both drivers and pedestrians to see each other and respond accordingly. Additionally, incorporating bollards and armourstone can serve as protective barriers, delineating pedestrian zones and defining space, and can prevent encroachment by vehicles.

8. Promote Accessibility

The parks in Huron-Kinloss should offer well-maintained walkways that lead to various amenities, ensuring easy access for all visitors whether it be seniors, parents with children, or persons with a disability. For added convenience, portable toilets are important to provide in each park, allowing guests to enjoy their time without worrying about basic necessities. Additionally, clearly marked destinations serve as helpful orientation indicators, guiding guests smoothly from one point to another and enhancing the overall experience in the park.

Support all Transportation

9. Identify Destinations

Park identification signs are important for several reasons:

- To help visitors easily locate the park from the road, and navigate to and from the park.
- Identification signs can provide important safety information in case of emergency.
- Identification signs often highlight available facilities, such as restrooms, picnic areas, playgrounds, or parking, ensuring that visitors can make the most of their experience.
- Clear and informative signage can attract tourists by showcasing the park's unique features and promoting recreational opportunities.
- Signs can reflect the visual identity and values of the community, fostering a sense of community pride and care among residents.

10. Define Vehicular Entrances

Well-defined entrances play a vital role in managing traffic flow. They simplify navigation and circulation, significantly lowering the risk of accidents. This arrangement enables vehicles to enter and exit safely, avoiding any overlap with pedestrian pathways, which is particularly important in busy park settings. Clearly marked access points help eliminate confusion and deter drivers from accessing areas not designed for vehicles, thereby reducing the need for extra maintenance, i.e., sod repair.

11. Accommodate All Transportation Modes

While the parks in Huron-Kinloss are mainly accessible by car, it's important to cater to different modes of transportation to create more opportunities for the community. Installing dependable bike racks encourages cycling as a practical choice for visitors. Additionally, designing pedestrian access points that are clearly separated from vehicular space guarantees a safer and more pleasant experience for walkers. This recommendation not only improves mobility options but also promotes a more inclusive and accessible environment for all residents and visitors.

Enhance the Environment

12. Boost Tree Canopy

In all proposed park designs, the inclusion of at least one native tree is recommended. As these trees grow, they will offer shade that enhances the comfort of parks for visitors during warmer months. This not only promotes outdoor activities but also enriches the overall experience for those using the parks. Tree canopies contribute to cooling the area by providing shade and releasing moisture through transpiration. This cooling effect becomes particularly important during increasingly frequent heat events. By lowering temperatures for both park visitors and nearby residents, this initiative supports better health and safety for the community, while also improving air quality.

13. Intentional Naturalization

Huron-Kinloss can enhance the management of parkland and optimize staffing resources by adopting sustainable practices, such as introducing designated naturalized areas. Allowing certain sections to remain unmanaged and encouraging naturalization can help reduce the impact of climate-related events like flooding, while also enhancing biodiversity. This approach fosters a balanced ecosystem that benefits a variety of species and creates more engaging and enjoyable parks for everyone.

Optimize Maintenance

14. Demonstrate Best Practices

When it comes to maintaining parks and green spaces, the Township can demonstrate best practices and forward-thinking through small changes. One important guideline is to avoid fastening maintenance items, such as dog waste bag dispensers or signage, directly into trees. For example, the installation of these fixtures at Kinsmen Park in Lucknow and Heritage Park on the Lakeshore has shown the potential negative impact on tree health. Instead, it is recommended to use post mounting for such items, which not only protects the trees but also ensures a more sustainable approach to park maintenance.

15. Standardize Common Elements

Standardizing common elements across the parks in Huron-Kinloss is crucial for enhancing both maintenance efficiency and user experience. Currently, the variety of waste receptacle types can complicate waste collection efforts, requiring different tools and processes for each design. By adopting a uniform approach, operations can be streamlined, making it easier for maintenance teams to manage waste disposal. Beyond waste receptacles, this standardization should also extend to other site furnishings, such as benches and picnic tables, and utilities, such as post-mounted electrical connections. When parks share common elements, they foster a cohesive identity and a sense of unity in the community, making each visit feel familiar and welcoming.

16. Camouflage and Protect Utilities

During the inventory and analysis phase of the project, it was noted that numerous utility meters, electrical boxes, and outlets were left unprotected, presenting potential public safety concerns. To address this, implementing beautification strategies, such as decorative fencing, containment boxes, and perimeter planting, can enhance the visual appeal of the parks while providing protection against vandalism and tampering, as well as concealing unattractive service areas.

17. Use Innovative Products

The Township can greatly enhance its maintenance strategy by adopting innovative products and new technologies that address community concerns effectively. For instance, implementing mounted waste receptacles with sub-grade storage significantly minimizes the frequency of emptying, potentially reducing it to just once a season. This approach not only streamlines disposal efforts but also helps maintain a cleaner environment by preventing unsightly waste overflow and litter. By embracing these advancements, the Township can improve both its operational efficiency and the overall cleanliness of the community.

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Appendices

- Online survey results

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Parks and Trails Plan Survey Parks and Trails Plan	**301** Contributors	**325** Contributions

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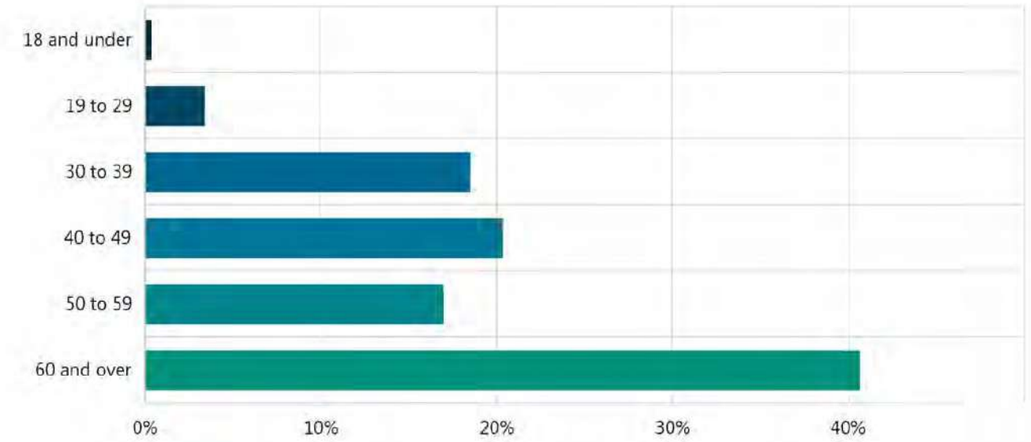

Answer choices	Percent	Count
18 and under	0.31%	1
19 to 29	3.38%	11
30 to 39	18.46%	60
40 to 49	20.31%	66
50 to 59	16.92%	55
60 and over	40.62%	132
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

2. If you have children in your household, what ages are they? (Select all that apply) Required
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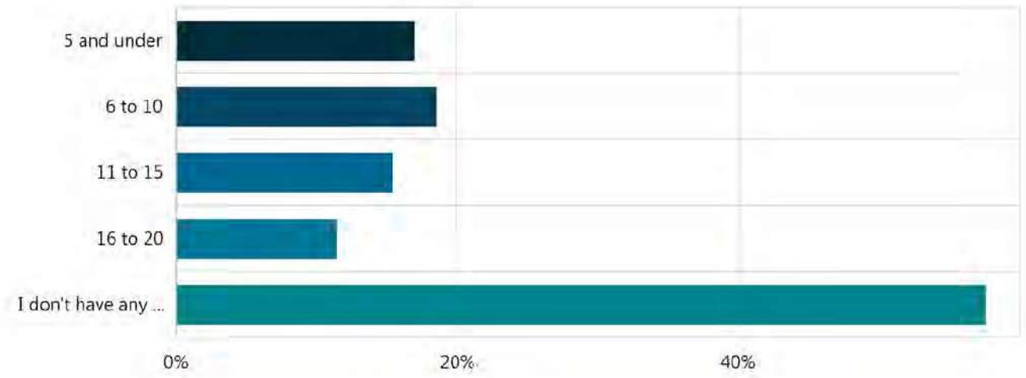

Answer choices	Percent	Count
5 and under	16.92%	55
6 to 10	18.46%	60
11 to 15	15.38%	50
16 to 20	11.38%	37
I don't have any children in my household	57.54%	187

3. How would you describe yourself? Required
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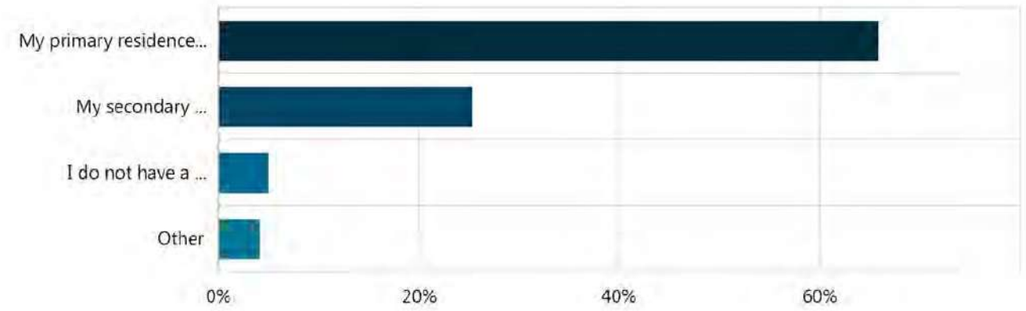

Answer choices	Percent	Count
My primary residence is in Huron-Kinloss	65.85%	214
My secondary residence is in Huron-Kinloss	25.23%	82
I do not have a residence in Huron-Kinloss	4.92%	16
Other	4.00%	13
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

4. Which community in Huron-Kinloss do you most identify with? Required
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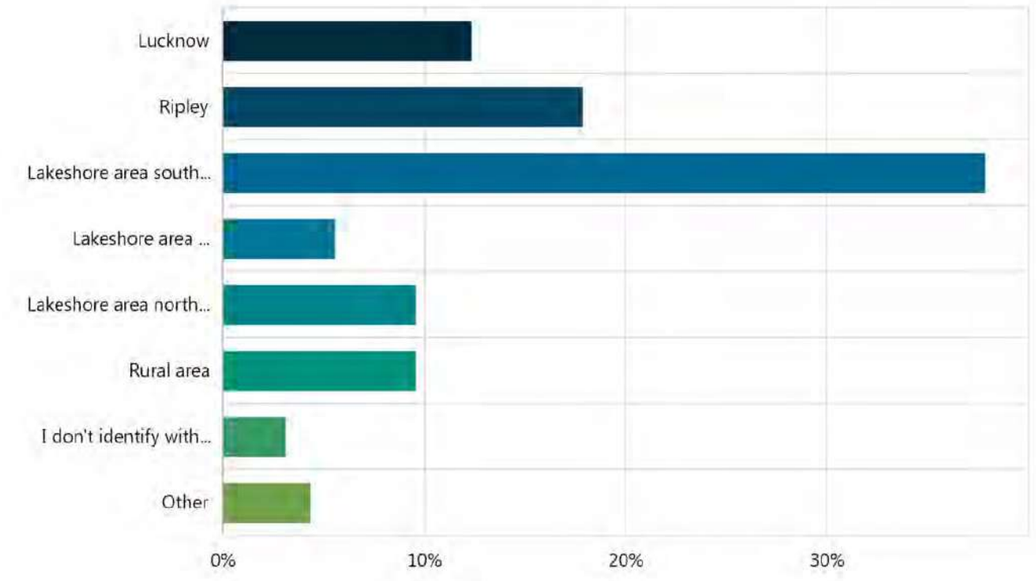

Answer choices	Percent	Count
Lucknow	12.31%	40
Ripley	17.85%	58
Lakeshore area south of Concession 6	37.85%	123
Lakeshore area between Concession 6 and 10	5.54%	18
Lakeshore area north of Concession 10	9.54%	31
Rural area	9.54%	31
I don't identify with any of these communities	3.08%	10
Other	4.31%	14
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

5. Do you visit or use any parks in Huron-Kinloss? Required
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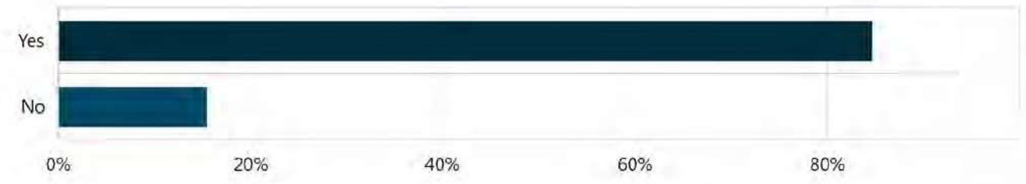

Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	84.62%	275
No	15.38%	50
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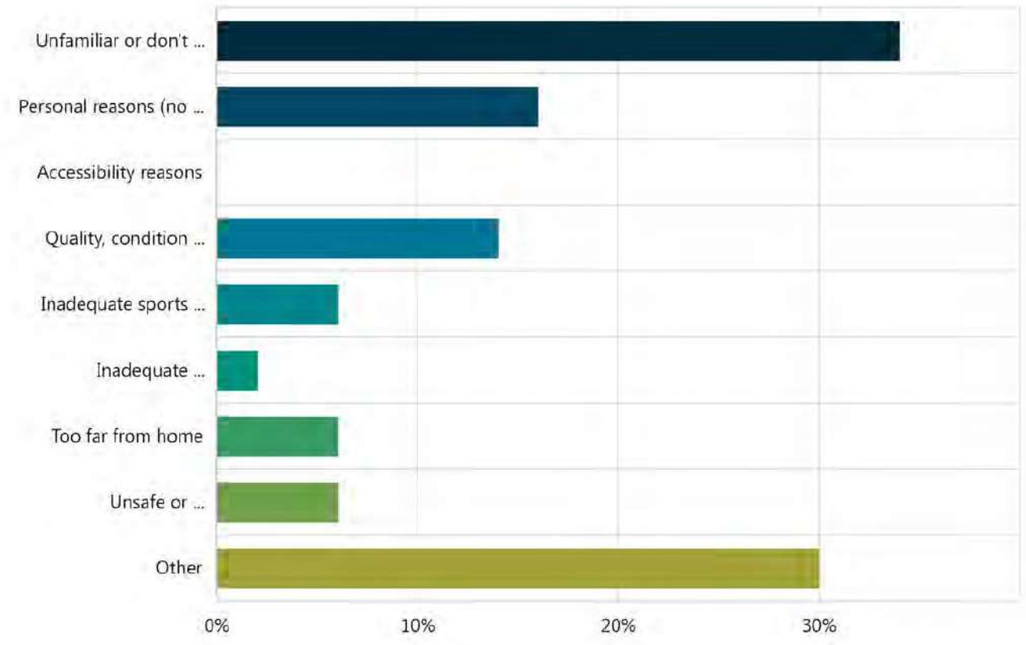
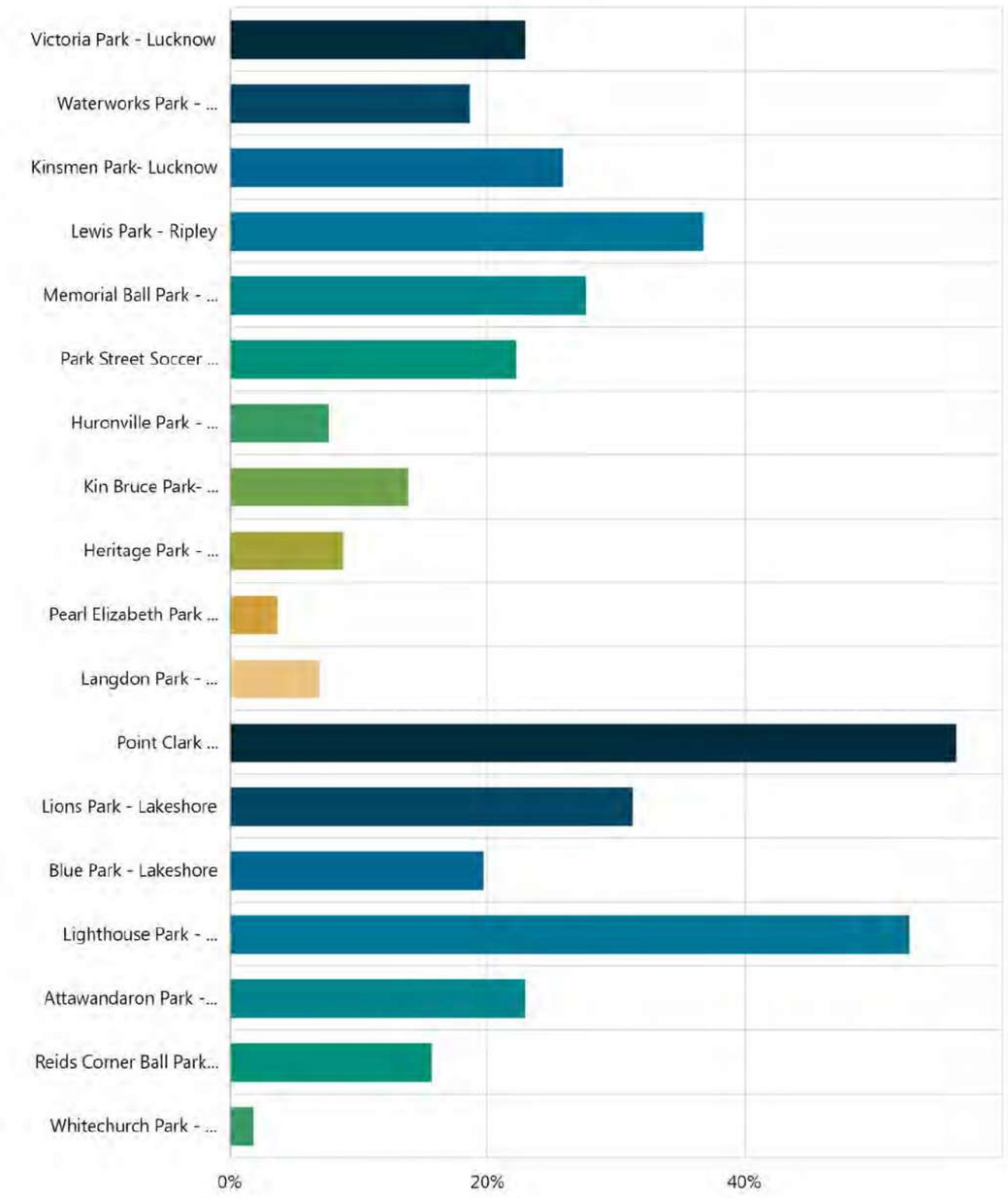
6. Why Not? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 275 | Answered: 50 (15.4%)



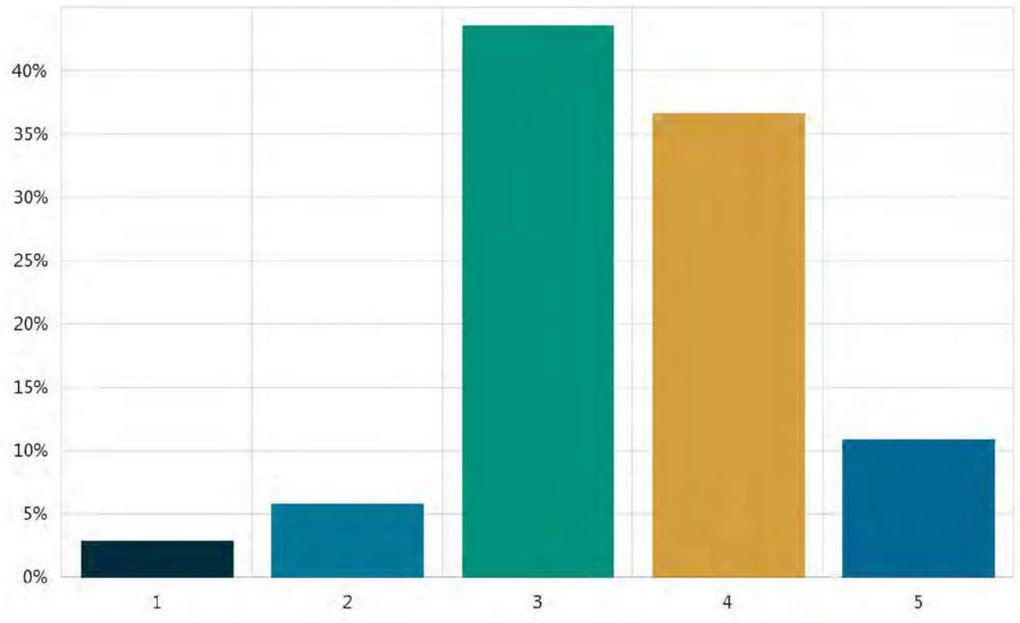
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Unfamiliar or don't know where they are	34.00%	17
Personal reasons (no time, don't enjoy the outdoors, etc.)	16.00%	8
Accessibility reasons	0%	0
Quality, condition and/or character	14.00%	7
Inadequate sports facilities	6.00%	3
Inadequate playgrounds	2.00%	1
Too far from home	6.00%	3
Unsafe or undesirable conditions	6.00%	3
Other	30.00%	15

7. What Huron-Kinloss parks have you used or visited? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 50 | Answered: 275 (84.6%)



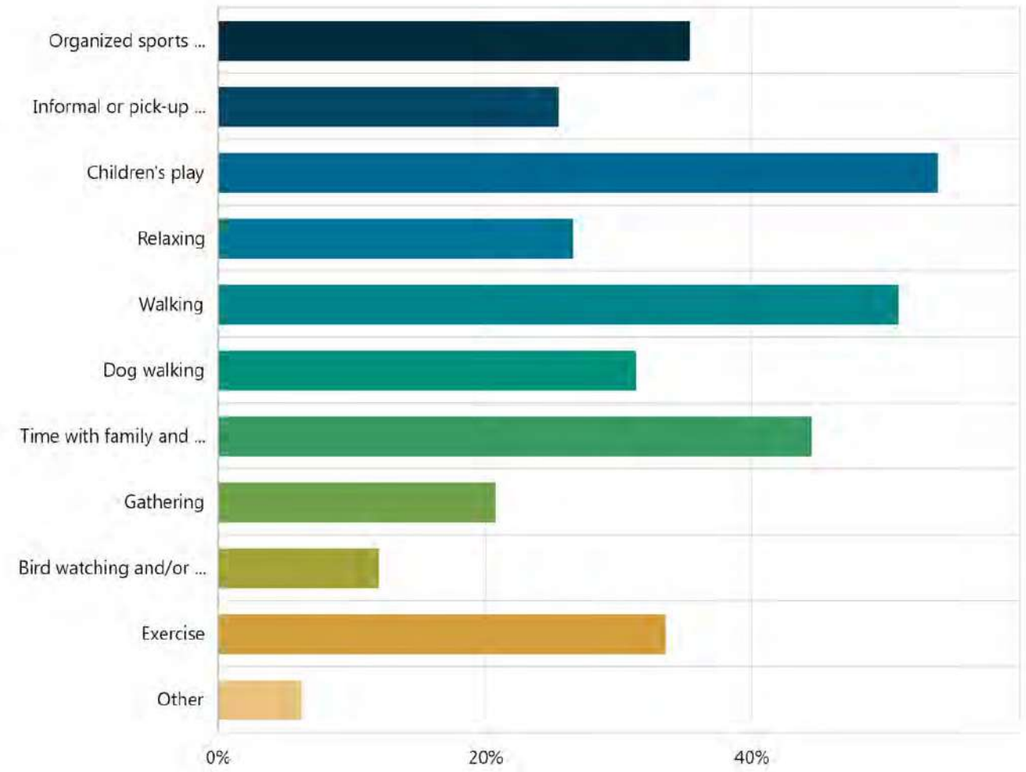
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Victoria Park - Lucknow	22.91%	63
Waterworks Park - Lucknow	18.55%	51
Kinsmen Park- Lucknow	25.82%	71
Lewis Park - Ripley	36.73%	101
Memorial Ball Park - Ripley	27.64%	76
Park Street Soccer Fields - Ripley	22.18%	61
Huronville Park - Lakeshore	7.64%	21
Kin Bruce Park- Lakeshore	13.82%	38
Heritage Park - Lakeshore	8.73%	24
Pearl Elizabeth Park - Lakeshore	3.64%	10
Langdon Park - Lakeshore	6.91%	19
Point Clark Community Centre Park - Lakeshore	56.36%	155
Lions Park - Lakeshore	31.27%	86
Blue Park - Lakeshore	19.64%	54
Lighthouse Park - Lakeshore	52.73%	145
Attawandaron Park - Lakeshore	22.91%	63
Reids Corner Ball Park - Rural	15.64%	43
Whitechurch Park - Rural	1.82%	5

8. In general, how would you rate the parks in Huron-Kinloss? Required
Rating | Skipped: 50 | Answered: 275 (84.6%)



1	2	3	4	5	Count	Weighted average
2.91% 8	5.82% 16	43.64% 120	36.73% 101	10.91% 30	275	3.47

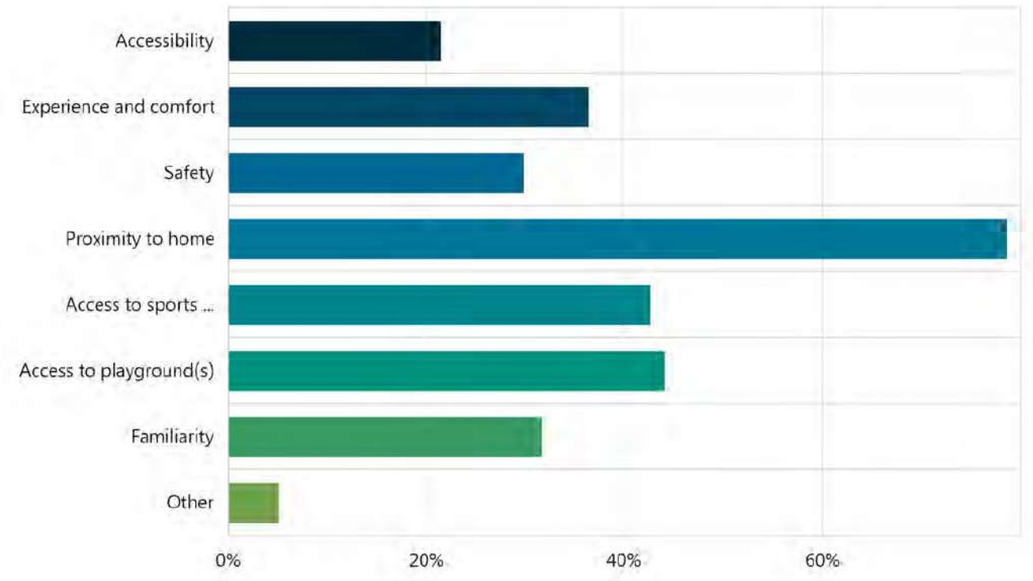
9. Why do you visit parks in Huron-Kinloss? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 50 | Answered: 275 (84.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Organized sports (e.g. baseball league, pickleball program, etc.)	35.27%	97
Informal or pick-up sports (e.g. tennis with friends)	25.45%	70
Children's play	53.82%	148
Relaxing	26.55%	73
Walking	50.91%	140
Dog walking	31.27%	86
Time with family and friends	44.36%	122
Gathering	20.73%	57
Bird watching and/or to be closer to nature	12.00%	33

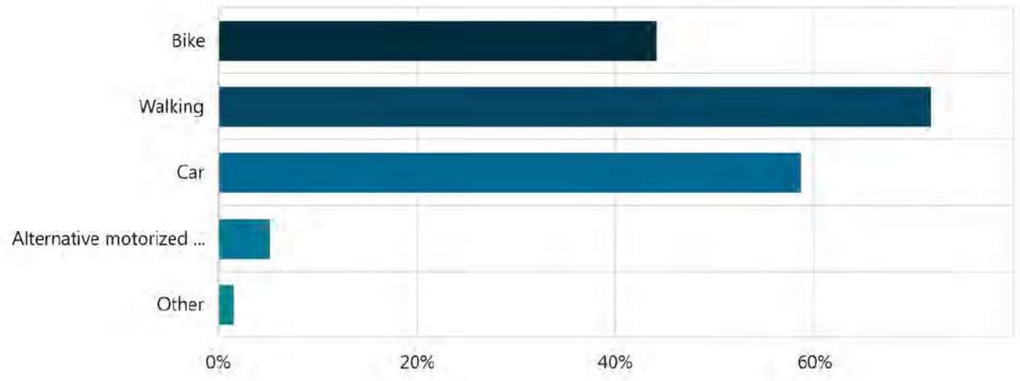
Exercise	33.45%	92
Other	6.18%	17

10. What influences your use of the parks in Huron-Kinloss? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 50 | Answered: 275 (84.6%)



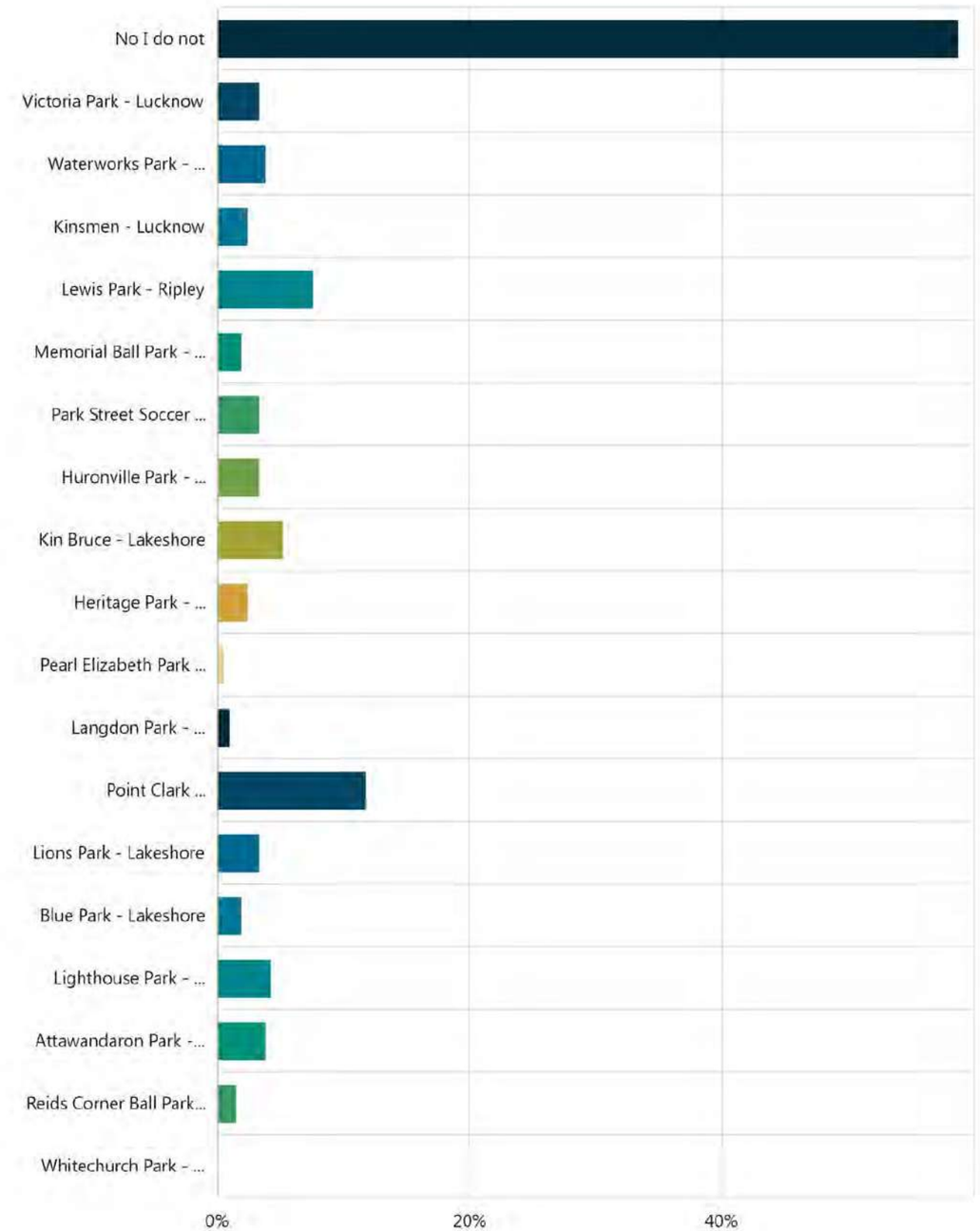
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Accessibility	21.45%	59
Experience and comfort	36.36%	100
Safety	29.82%	82
Proximity to home	78.55%	216
Access to sports facilities (e.g. sport courts, baseball diamonds, soccer fields, etc.)	42.55%	117
Access to playground(s)	44.00%	121
Familiarity	31.64%	87
Other	5.09%	14

11. How do you usually get to the park? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 50 | Answered: 275 (84.6%)



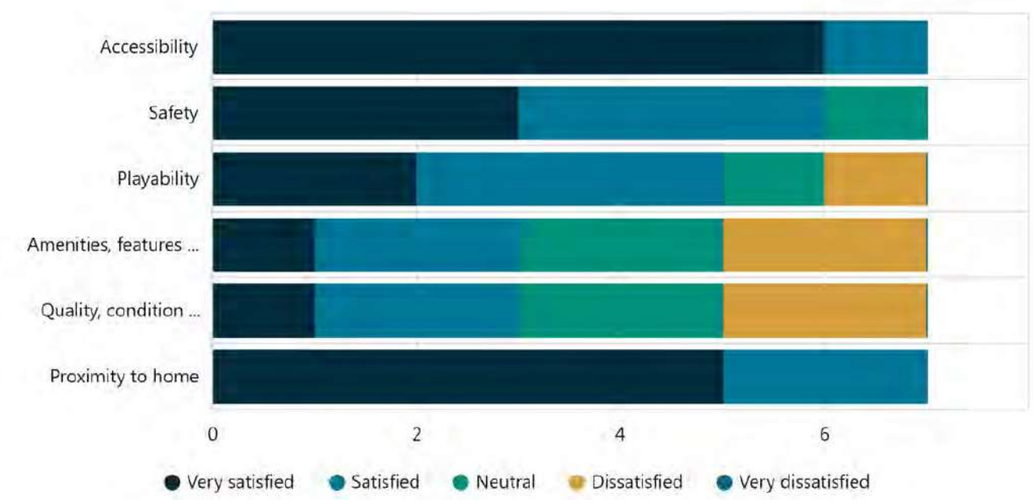
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Bike	44.00%	121
Walking	71.64%	197
Car	58.55%	161
Alternative motorized vehicle (e.g. golf cart)	5.09%	14
Other	1.45%	4

12. Would you like to provide additional feedback on any one of these specific parks? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 112 | Answered: 213 (65.5%)



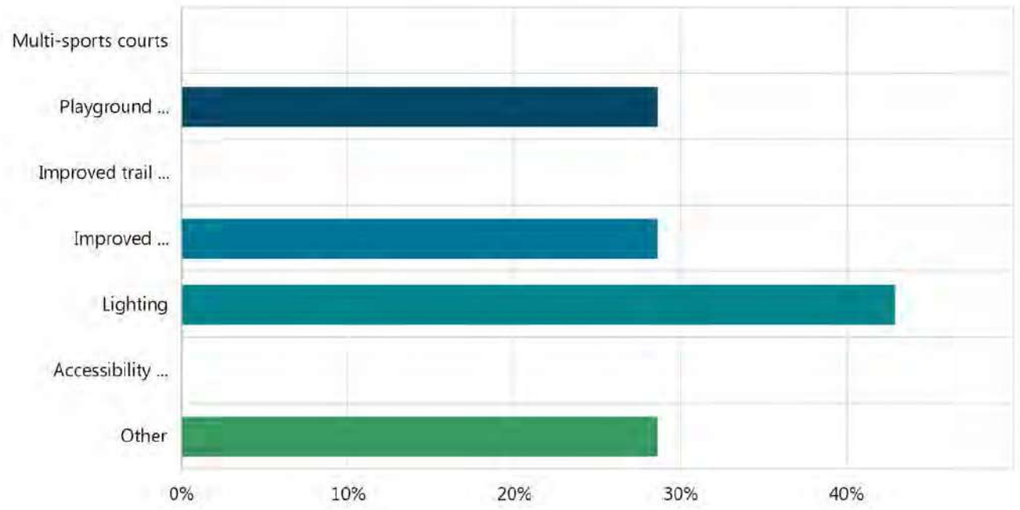
Answer choices	Percent	Count
No I do not	58.69%	125
Victoria Park - Lucknow	3.29%	7
Waterworks Park - Lucknow	3.76%	8
Kinsmen - Lucknow	2.35%	5
Lewis Park - Ripley	7.51%	16
Memorial Ball Park - Ripley	1.88%	4
Park Street Soccer Fields - Ripley	3.29%	7
Huronville Park - Lakeshore	3.29%	7
Kin Bruce - Lakeshore	5.16%	11
Heritage Park - Lakeshore	2.35%	5
Pearl Elizabeth Park - Lakeshore	0.47%	1
Langdon Park - Lakeshore	0.94%	2
Point Clark Community Centre Park - Lakeshore	11.74%	25
Lions Park - Lakeshore	3.29%	7
Blue Park - Lakeshore	1.88%	4
Lighthouse Park - Lakeshore	4.23%	9
Attawandaron Park - Lakeshore	3.76%	8
Reids Corner Ball Park - Rural	1.41%	3
Whitechurch Park - Rural	0%	0

13. Please rate the following for Victoria Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



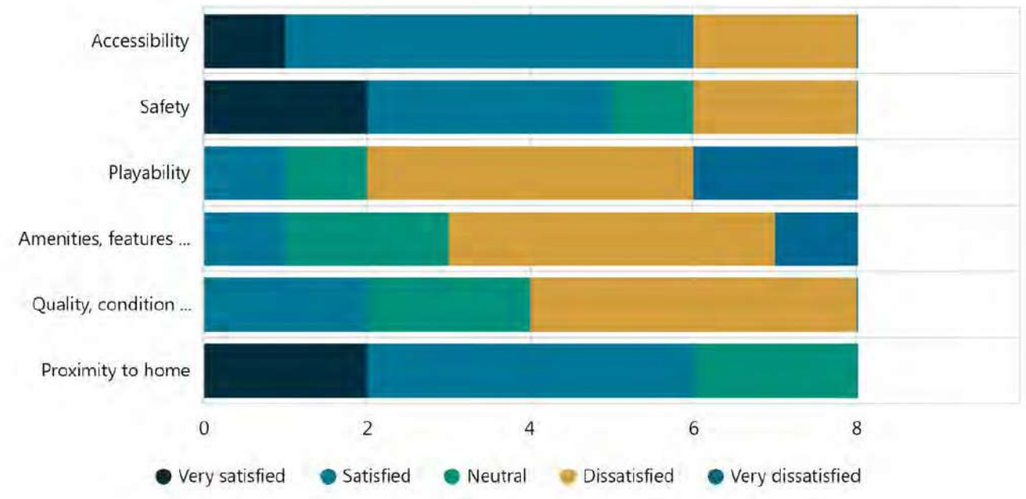
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	85.71% 6	14.29% 1	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.14
Safety	42.86% 3	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.71
Playability	28.57% 2	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	14.29% 1	0% 0	7	2.14
Amenities, features and facilities	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	28.57% 2	28.57% 2	0% 0	7	2.71
Quality, condition and maintenance	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	28.57% 2	28.57% 2	0% 0	7	2.71
Proximity to home	71.43% 5	28.57% 2	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.29

14. Would you like to see any improvements to Victoria park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



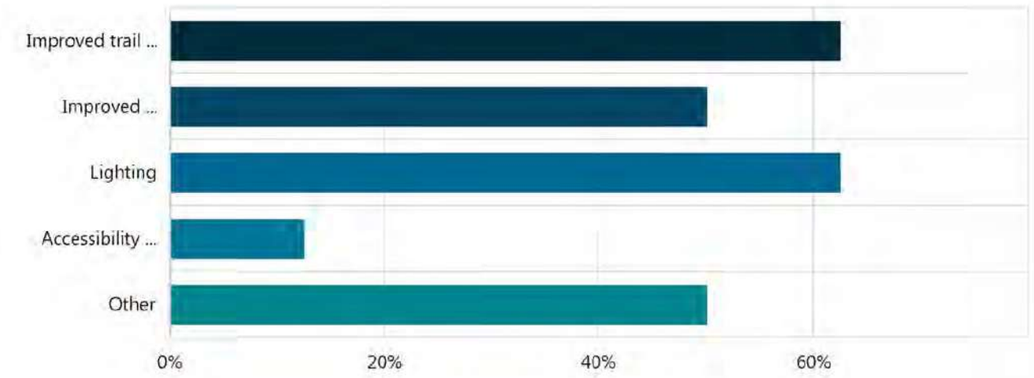
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	0%	0
Playground improvements	28.57%	2
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	0%	0
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	28.57%	2
Lighting	42.86%	3
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	28.57%	2

15. Please rate the following for Waterworks Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 317 | Answered: 8 (2.5%)



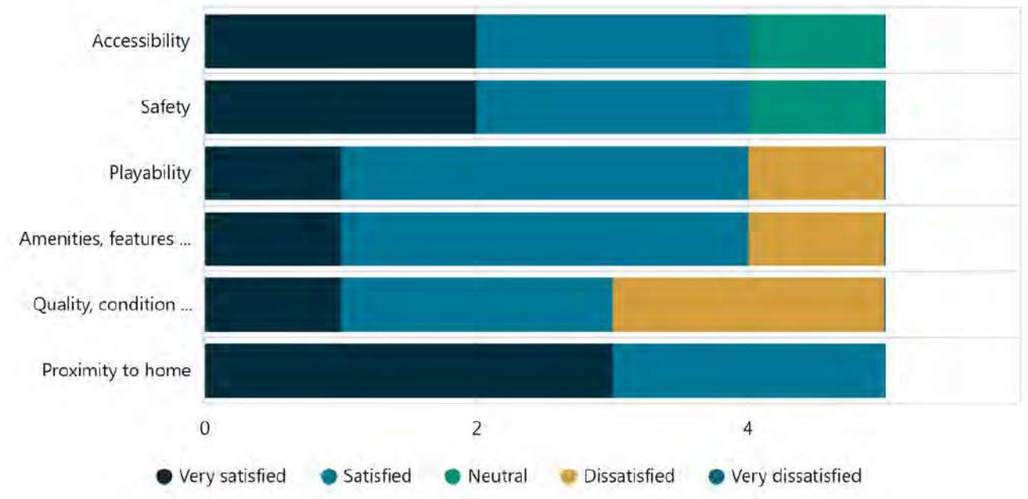
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	12.50% 1	62.50% 5	0% 0	25.00% 2	0% 0	8	2.38
Safety	25.00% 2	37.50% 3	12.50% 1	25.00% 2	0% 0	8	2.38
Playability	0% 0	12.50% 1	12.50% 1	50.00% 4	25.00% 2	8	3.88
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	12.50% 1	25.00% 2	50.00% 4	12.50% 1	8	3.63
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	25.00% 2	25.00% 2	50.00% 4	0% 0	8	3.25
Proximity to home	25.00% 2	50.00% 4	25.00% 2	0% 0	0% 0	8	2.00

16. Would you like to see any improvements to Waterworks park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 317 | Answered: 8 (2.5%)



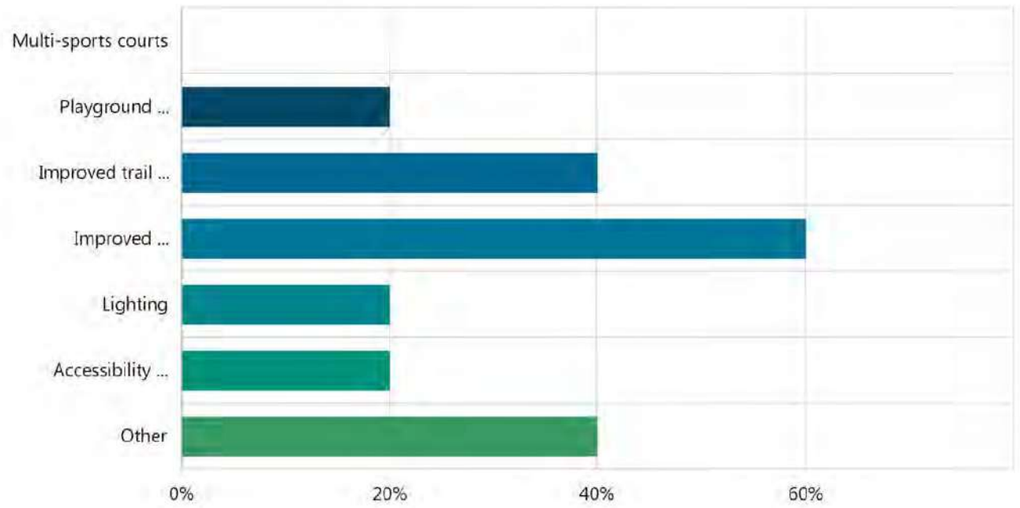
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	62.50%	5
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	50.00%	4
Lighting	62.50%	5
Accessibility enhancements	12.50%	1
Other	50.00%	4

17. Please rate the following for Kinsmen Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 320 | Answered: 5 (1.5%)



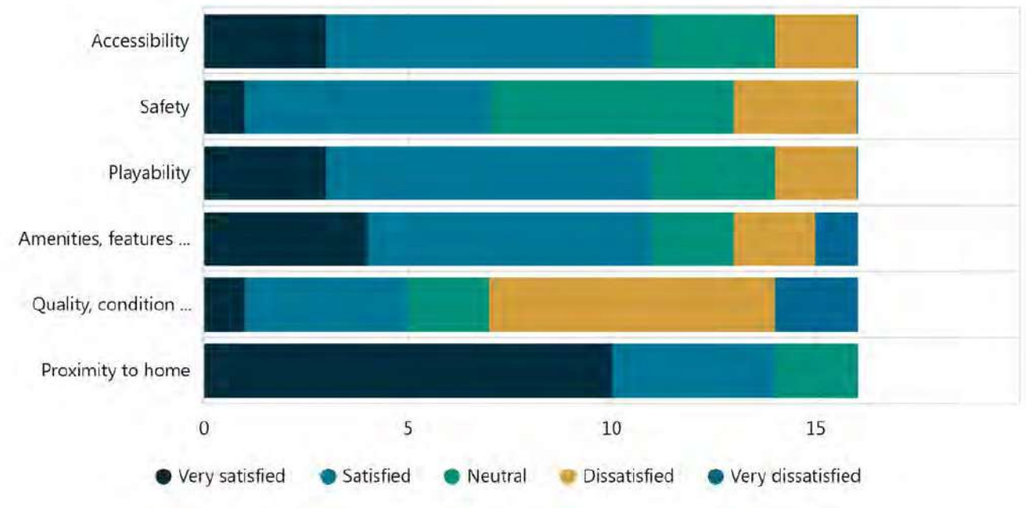
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	40.00% 2	40.00% 2	20.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	5	1.80
Safety	40.00% 2	40.00% 2	20.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	5	1.80
Playability	20.00% 1	60.00% 3	0% 0	20.00% 1	0% 0	5	2.20
Amenities, features and facilities	20.00% 1	60.00% 3	0% 0	20.00% 1	0% 0	5	2.20
Quality, condition and maintenance	20.00% 1	40.00% 2	0% 0	40.00% 2	0% 0	5	2.60
Proximity to home	60.00% 3	40.00% 2	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	5	1.40

18. Would you like to see any improvements to Kinsmen park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 320 | Answered: 5 (1.5%)



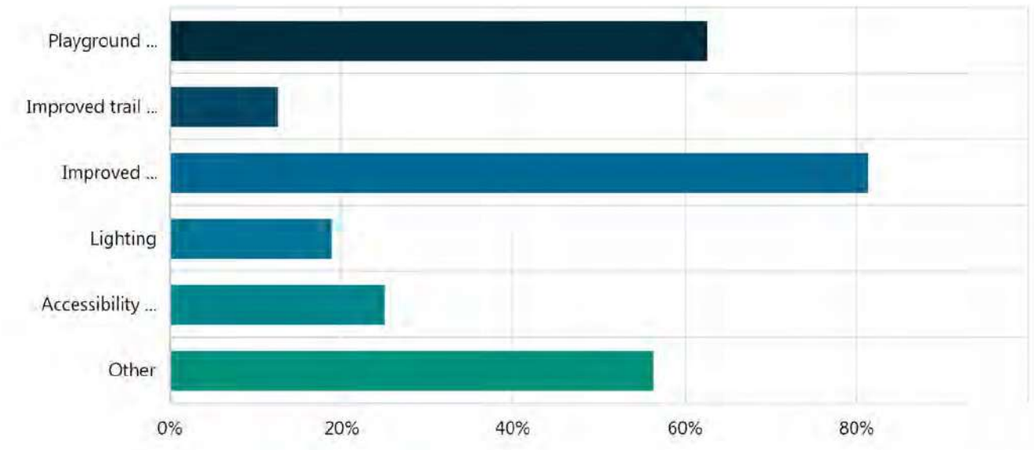
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	0%	0
Playground improvements	20.00%	1
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	40.00%	2
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	60.00%	3
Lighting	20.00%	1
Accessibility enhancements	20.00%	1
Other	40.00%	2

19. Please rate the following for Lewis Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 309 | Answered: 16 (4.9%)



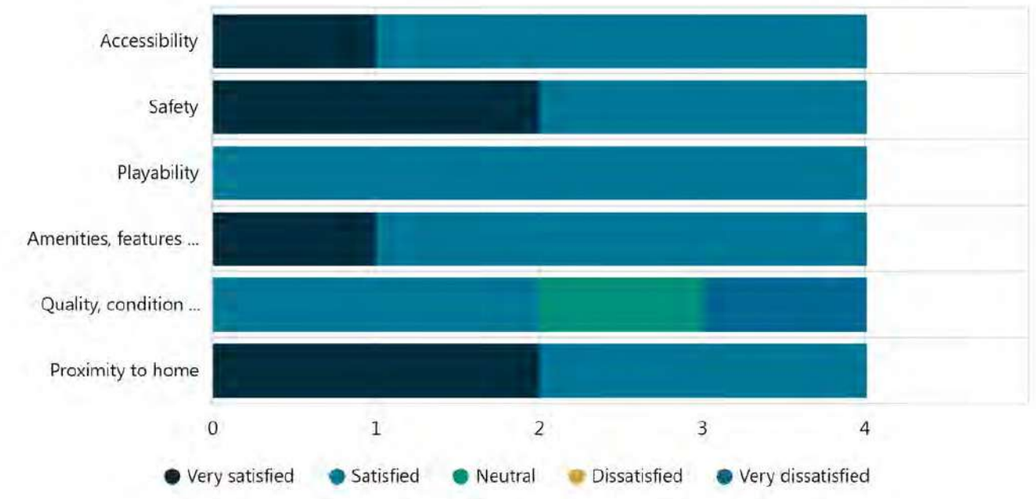
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	18.75% 3	50.00% 8	18.75% 3	12.50% 2	0% 0	16	2.25
Safety	6.25% 1	37.50% 6	37.50% 6	18.75% 3	0% 0	16	2.69
Playability	18.75% 3	50.00% 8	18.75% 3	12.50% 2	0% 0	16	2.25
Amenities, features and facilities	25.00% 4	43.75% 7	12.50% 2	12.50% 2	6.25% 1	16	2.31
Quality, condition and maintenance	6.25% 1	25.00% 4	12.50% 2	43.75% 7	12.50% 2	16	3.31
Proximity to home	62.50% 10	25.00% 4	12.50% 2	0% 0	0% 0	16	1.50

20. Would you like to see any improvements to Lewis park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 309 | Answered: 16 (4.9%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Playground improvements	62.50%	10
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	12.50%	2
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	81.25%	13
Lighting	18.75%	3
Accessibility enhancements	25.00%	4
Other	56.25%	9

21. Please rate the following for Memorial Ball Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 321 | Answered: 4 (1.2%)



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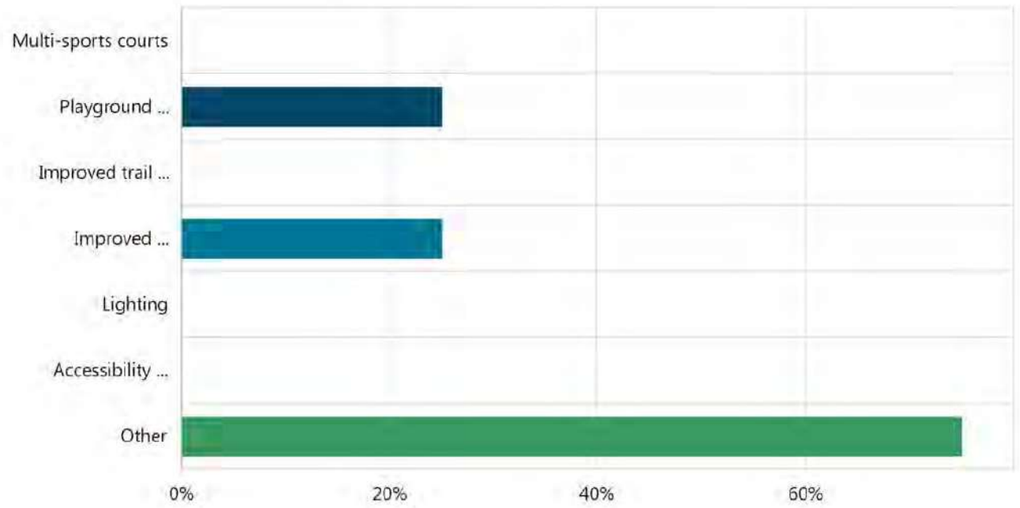
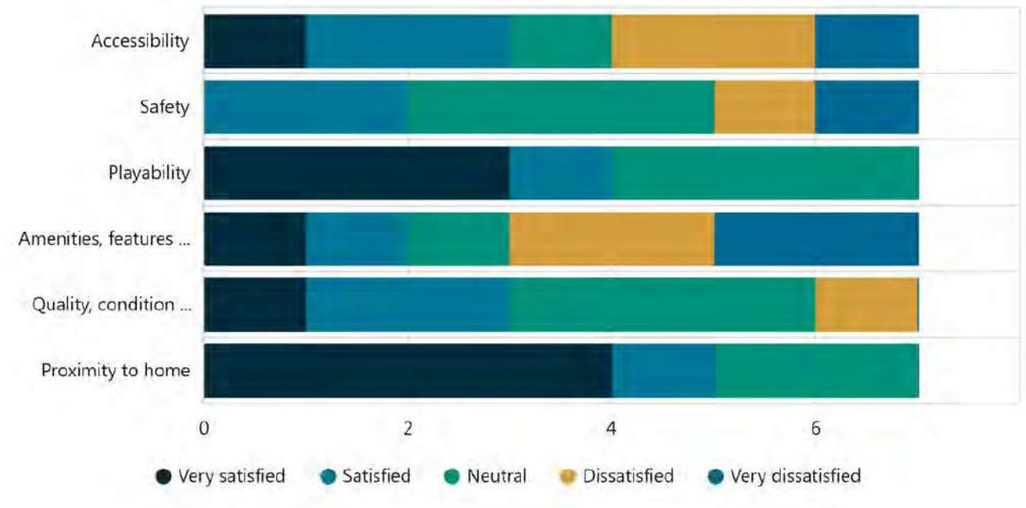
Accessibility	25.00% 1	75.00% 3	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	4	1.75
Safety	50.00% 2	50.00% 2	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	4	1.50
Playability	0% 0	100.00% 4	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	4	2.00
Amenities, features and facilities	25.00% 1	75.00% 3	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	4	1.75
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	0% 0	25.00% 1	4	3.00
Proximity to home	50.00% 2	50.00% 2	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	4	1.50

22. Would you like to see any improvements to Memorial Ball park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 321 | Answered: 4 (1.2%)



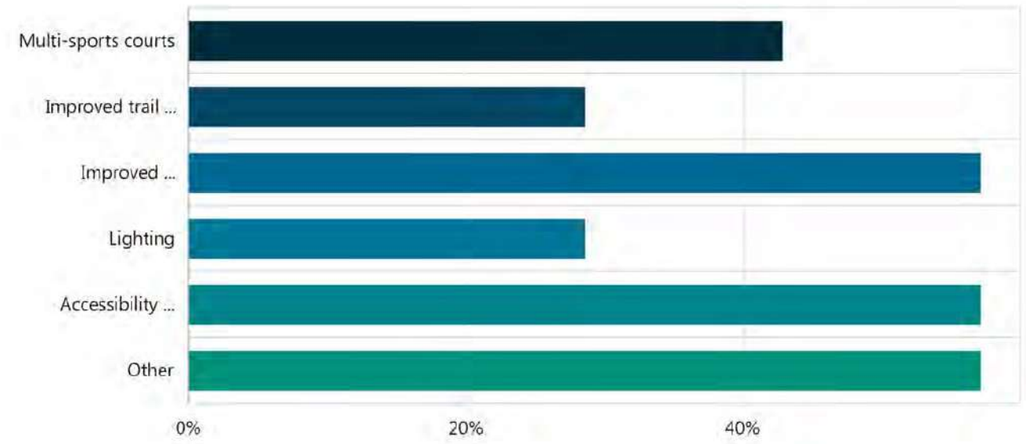
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	0%	0
Playground improvements	25.00%	1
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	0%	0
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	25.00%	1
Lighting	0%	0
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	75.00%	3

23. Please rate the following for Park Street Soccer Fields Required
Matrix | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



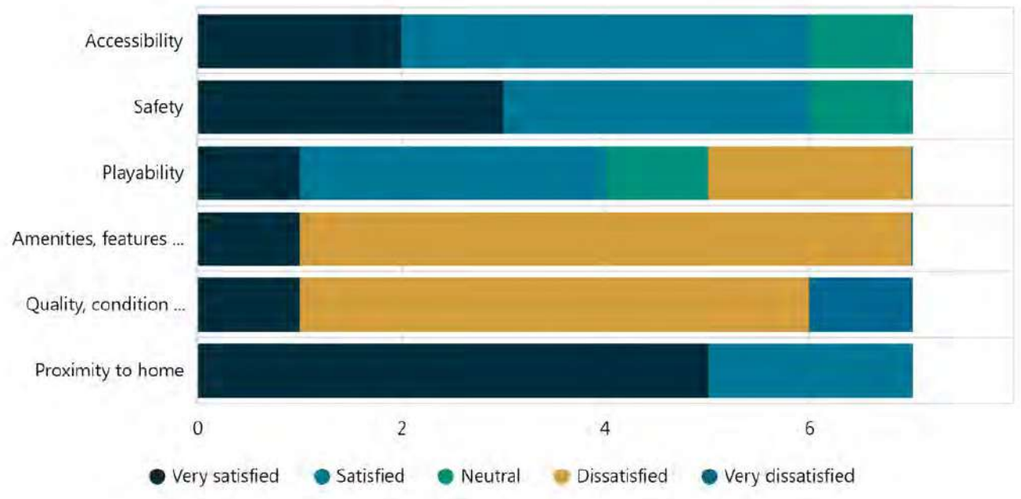
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	14.29% 1	7	3.00
Safety	0% 0	28.57% 2	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	14.29% 1	7	3.14
Playability	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	42.86% 3	0% 0	0% 0	7	2.00
Amenities, features and facilities	14.29% 1	14.29% 1	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	28.57% 2	7	3.43
Quality, condition and maintenance	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	0% 0	7	2.57
Proximity to home	57.14% 4	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.71

24. Would you like to see any improvements to Park Street Soccer Fields? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



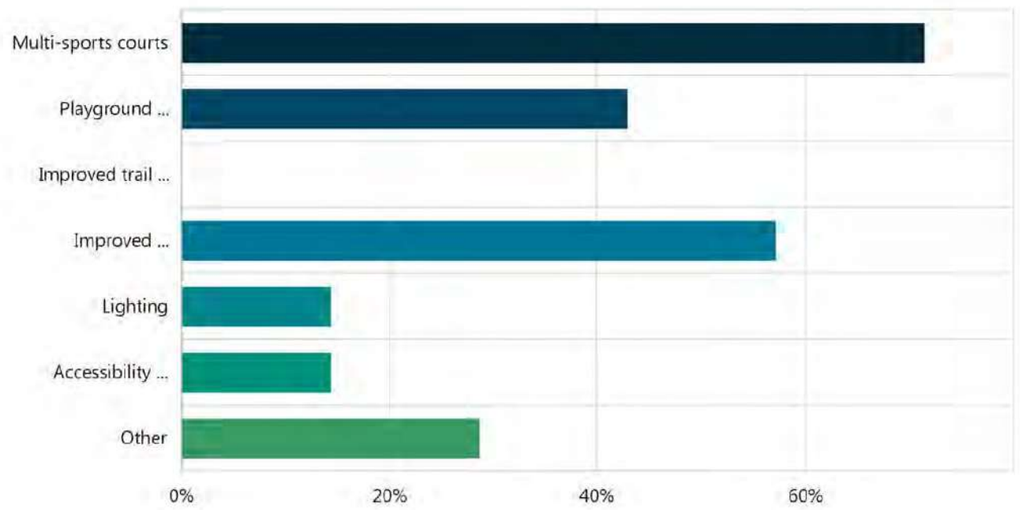
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	42.86%	3
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	28.57%	2
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	57.14%	4
Lighting	28.57%	2
Accessibility enhancements	57.14%	4
Other	57.14%	4

25. Please rate the following for Huronville Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



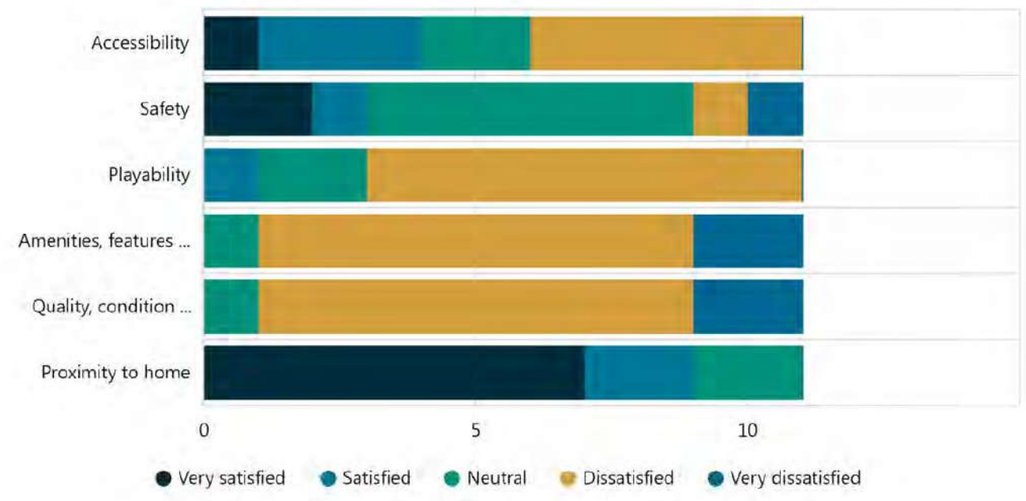
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	28.57% 2	57.14% 4	14.29% 1	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.86
Safety	42.86% 3	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.71
Playability	14.29% 1	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	28.57% 2	0% 0	7	2.57
Amenities, features and facilities	14.29% 1	0% 0	0% 0	85.71% 6	0% 0	7	3.57
Quality, condition and maintenance	14.29% 1	0% 0	0% 0	71.43% 5	14.29% 1	7	3.71
Proximity to home	71.43% 5	28.57% 2	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.29

26. Would you like to see any improvements to Huronville park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



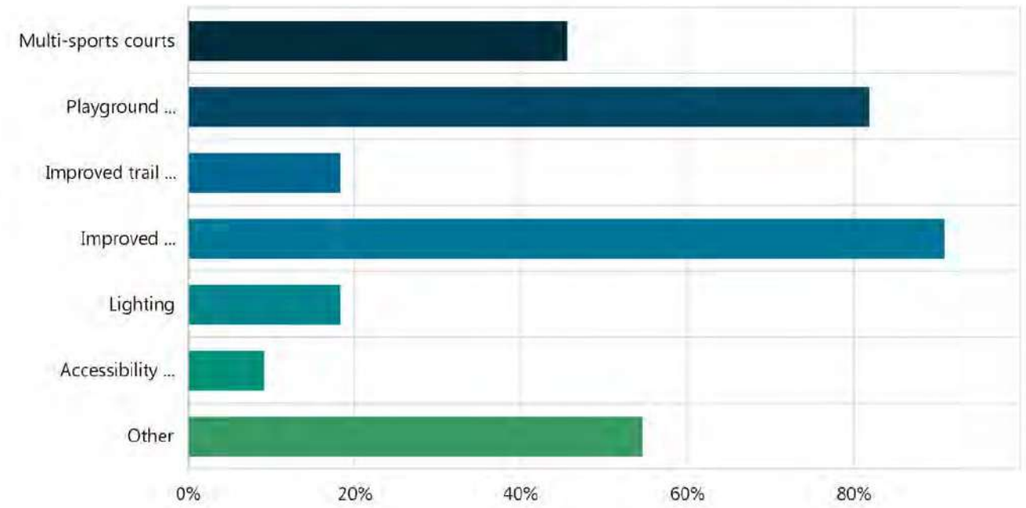
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	71.43%	5
Playground improvements	42.86%	3
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	0%	0
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	57.14%	4
Lighting	14.29%	1
Accessibility enhancements	14.29%	1
Other	28.57%	2

27. Please rate the following for Kin Bruce Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 314 | Answered: 11 (3.4%)



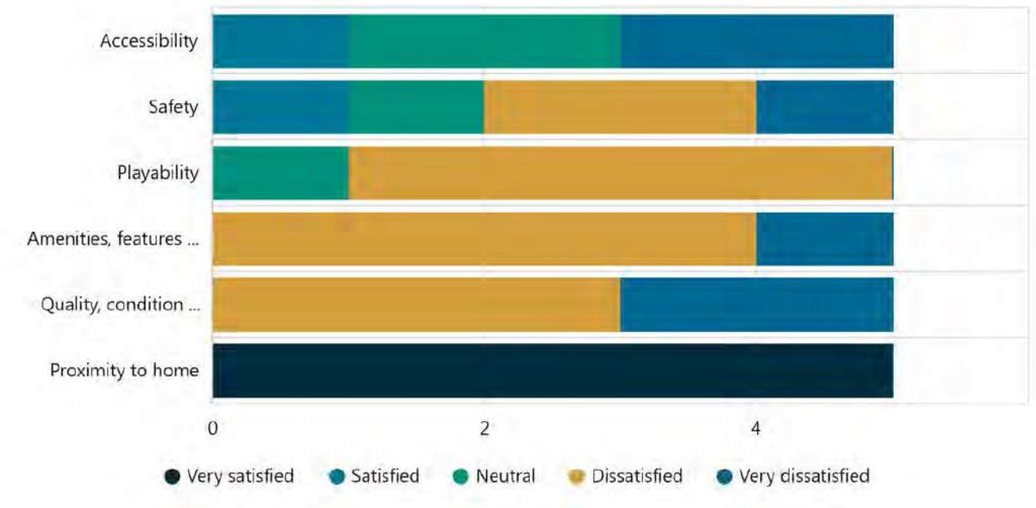
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	9.09% 1	27.27% 3	18.18% 2	45.45% 5	0% 0	11	3.00
Safety	18.18% 2	9.09% 1	54.55% 6	9.09% 1	9.09% 1	11	2.82
Playability	0% 0	9.09% 1	18.18% 2	72.73% 8	0% 0	11	3.64
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	0% 0	9.09% 1	72.73% 8	18.18% 2	11	4.09
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	0% 0	9.09% 1	72.73% 8	18.18% 2	11	4.09
Proximity to home	63.64% 7	18.18% 2	18.18% 2	0% 0	0% 0	11	1.55

28. Would you like to see any improvements to Kin Bruce park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 314 | Answered: 11 (3.4%)



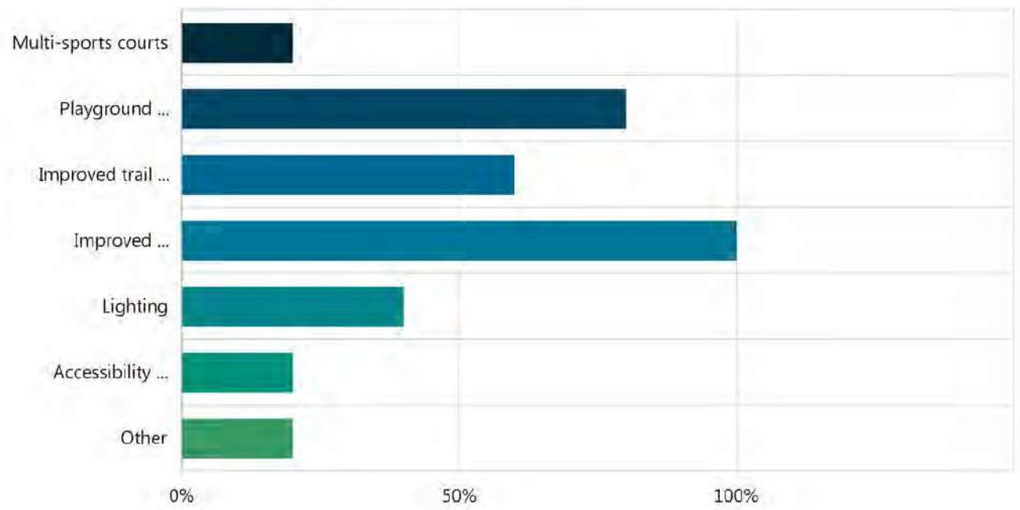
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	45.45%	5
Playground improvements	81.82%	9
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	18.18%	2
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	90.91%	10
Lighting	18.18%	2
Accessibility enhancements	9.09%	1
Other	54.55%	6

29. Please rate the following for Heritage Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 320 | Answered: 5 (1.5%)



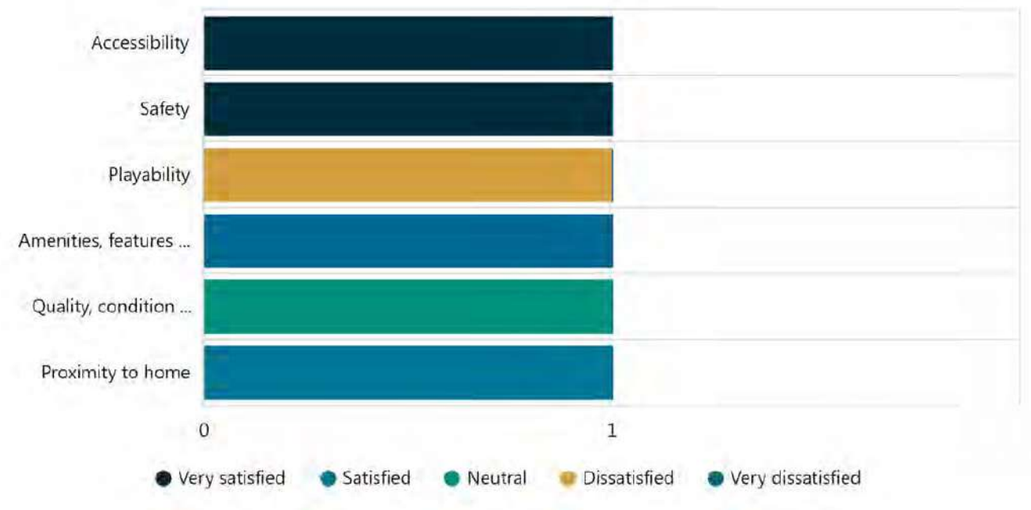
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	0% 0	20.00% 1	40.00% 2	0% 0	40.00% 2	5	3.60
Safety	0% 0	20.00% 1	20.00% 1	40.00% 2	20.00% 1	5	3.60
Playability	0% 0	0% 0	20.00% 1	80.00% 4	0% 0	5	3.80
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	80.00% 4	20.00% 1	5	4.20
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	60.00% 3	40.00% 2	5	4.40
Proximity to home	100.00% 5	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	5	1.00

30. Would you like to see any improvements to Heritage park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 320 | Answered: 5 (1.5%)



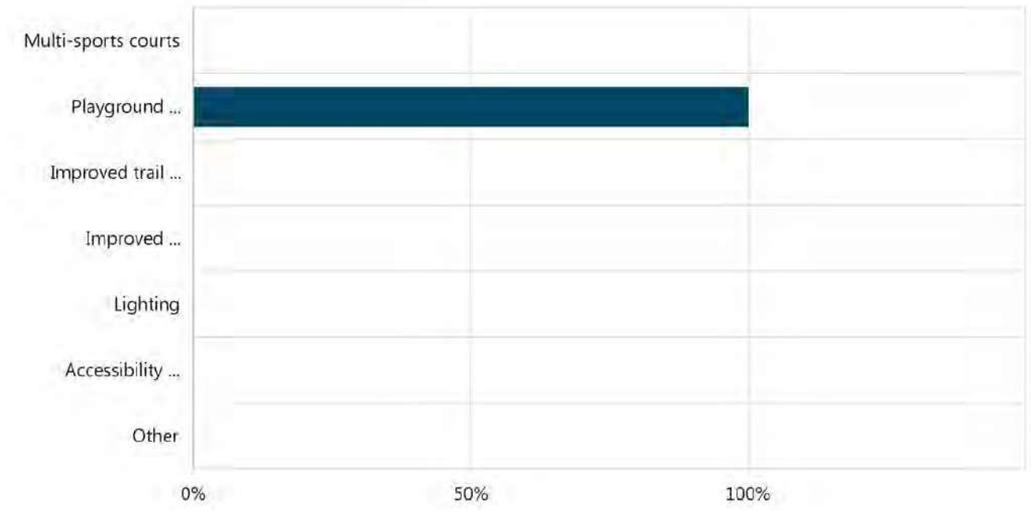
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	20.00%	1
Playground improvements	80.00%	4
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	60.00%	3
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	100.00%	5
Lighting	40.00%	2
Accessibility enhancements	20.00%	1
Other	20.00%	1

31. Please rate the following for Pearl Elizabeth Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 324 | Answered: 1 (0.3%)



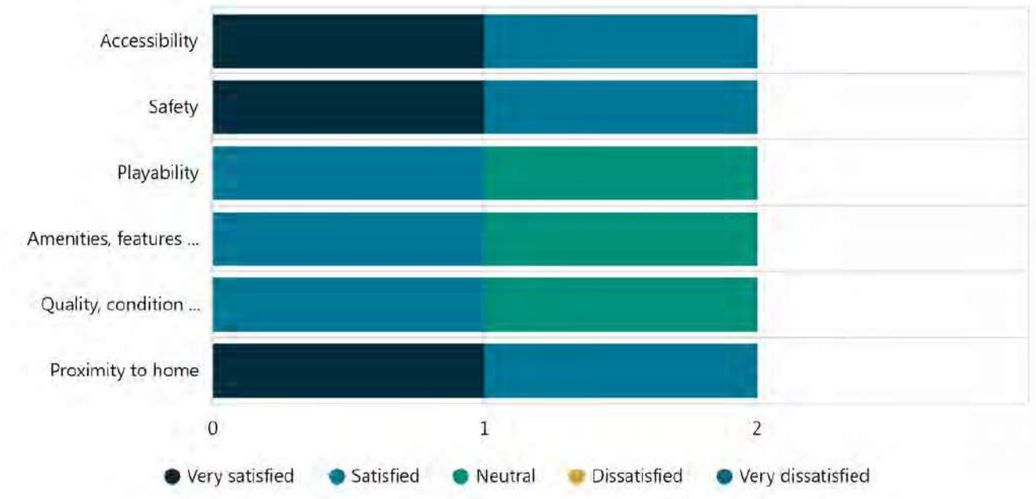
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	100.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	1	1.00
Safety	100.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	1	1.00
Playability	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	100.00% 1	0% 0	1	4.00
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	100.00% 1	1	5.00
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	0% 0	100.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	1	3.00
Proximity to home	0% 0	100.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	1	2.00

32. Would you like to see any improvements to Pearl Elizabeth park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 324 | Answered: 1 (0.3%)



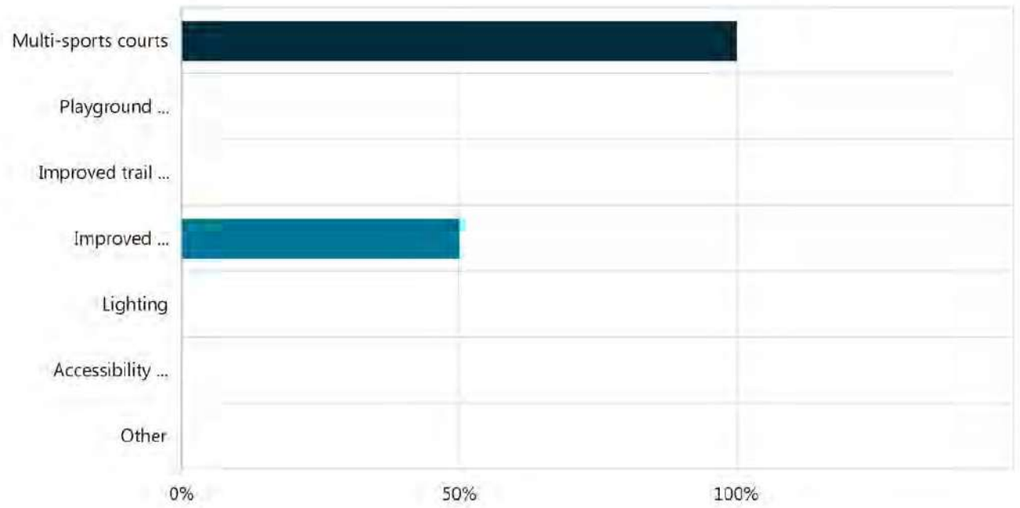
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	0%	0
Playground improvements	100.00%	1
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	0%	0
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	0%	0
Lighting	0%	0
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	0%	0

33. Please rate the following for Langdon Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 323 | Answered: 2 (0.6%)



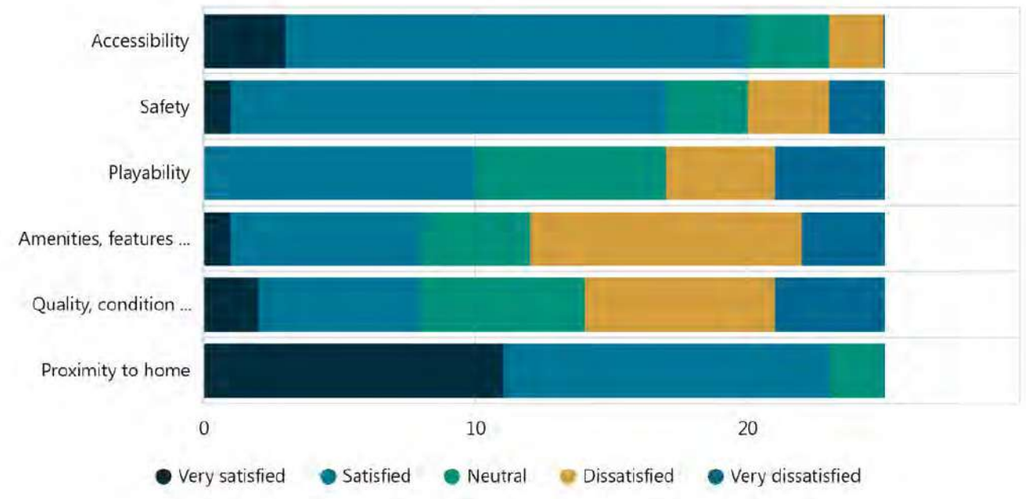
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	50.00% 1	50.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	2	1.50
Safety	50.00% 1	50.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	2	1.50
Playability	0% 0	50.00% 1	50.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	2	2.50
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	50.00% 1	50.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	2	2.50
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	50.00% 1	50.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	2	2.50
Proximity to home	50.00% 1	50.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	2	1.50

34. Would you like to see any improvements to Langdon park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 323 | Answered: 2 (0.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	100.00%	2
Playground improvements	0%	0
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	0%	0
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	50.00%	1
Lighting	0%	0
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	0%	0

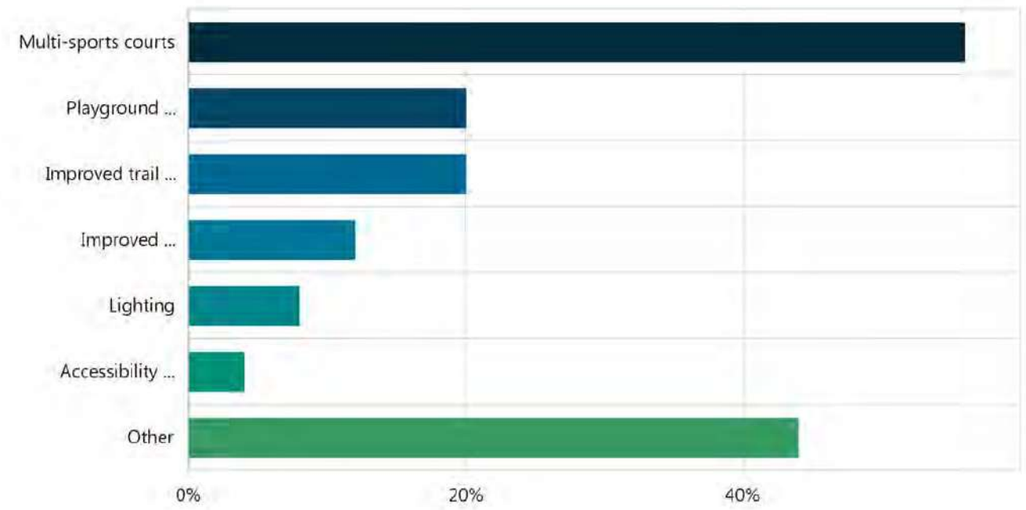
35. Please rate the following for Point Clark Community Centre Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 300 | Answered: 25 (7.7%)



	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	12.00% 3	68.00% 17	12.00% 3	8.00% 2	0% 0	25	2.16
Safety	4.00% 1	64.00% 16	12.00% 3	12.00% 3	8.00% 2	25	2.56
Playability	0% 0	40.00% 10	28.00% 7	16.00% 4	16.00% 4	25	3.08
Amenities, features and facilities	4.00% 1	28.00% 7	16.00% 4	40.00% 10	12.00% 3	25	3.28
Quality, condition and maintenance	8.00% 2	24.00% 6	24.00% 6	28.00% 7	16.00% 4	25	3.20
Proximity to home	44.00% 11	48.00% 12	8.00% 2	0% 0	0% 0	25	1.64

36. Would you like to see any improvements to Point Clark Community Centre park? (Select all that apply) Required

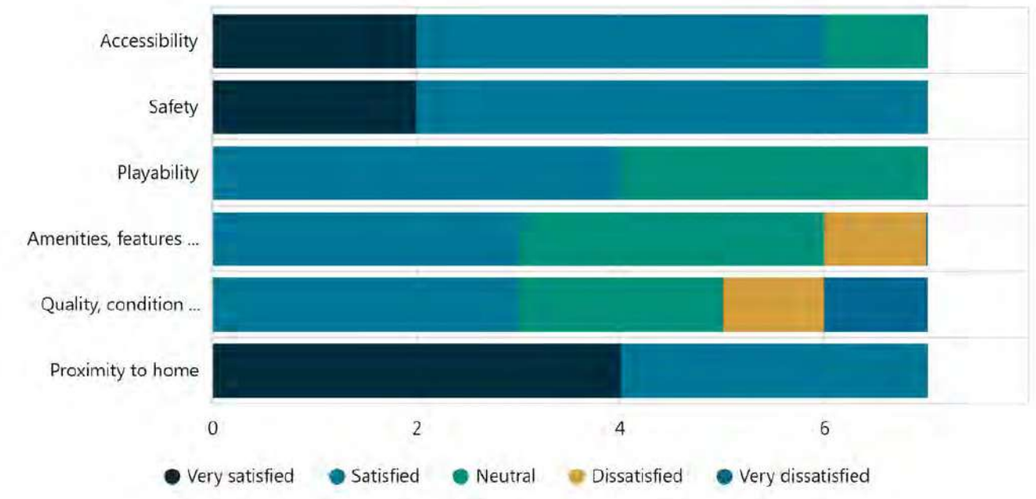
Multi Choice | Skipped: 300 | Answered: 25 (7.7%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	56.00%	14
Playground improvements	20.00%	5
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	20.00%	5
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	12.00%	3
Lighting	8.00%	2
Accessibility enhancements	4.00%	1
Other	44.00%	11

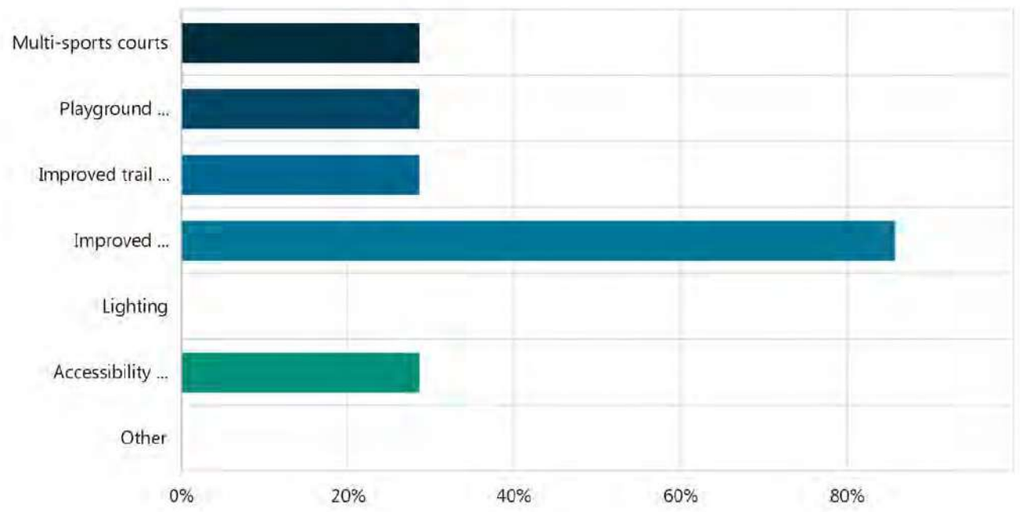
37. Please rate the following for Lions Park Required

Matrix | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



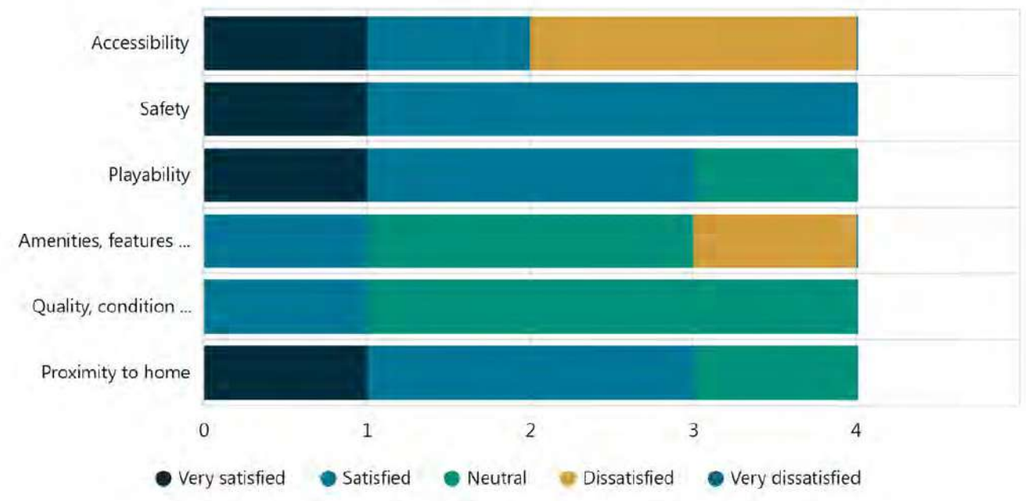
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	28.57% 2	57.14% 4	14.29% 1	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.86
Safety	28.57% 2	71.43% 5	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.71
Playability	0% 0	57.14% 4	42.86% 3	0% 0	0% 0	7	2.43
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	42.86% 3	42.86% 3	14.29% 1	0% 0	7	2.71
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	42.86% 3	28.57% 2	14.29% 1	14.29% 1	7	3.00
Proximity to home	57.14% 4	42.86% 3	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	7	1.43

38. Would you like to see any improvements to Lions park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 318 | Answered: 7 (2.2%)



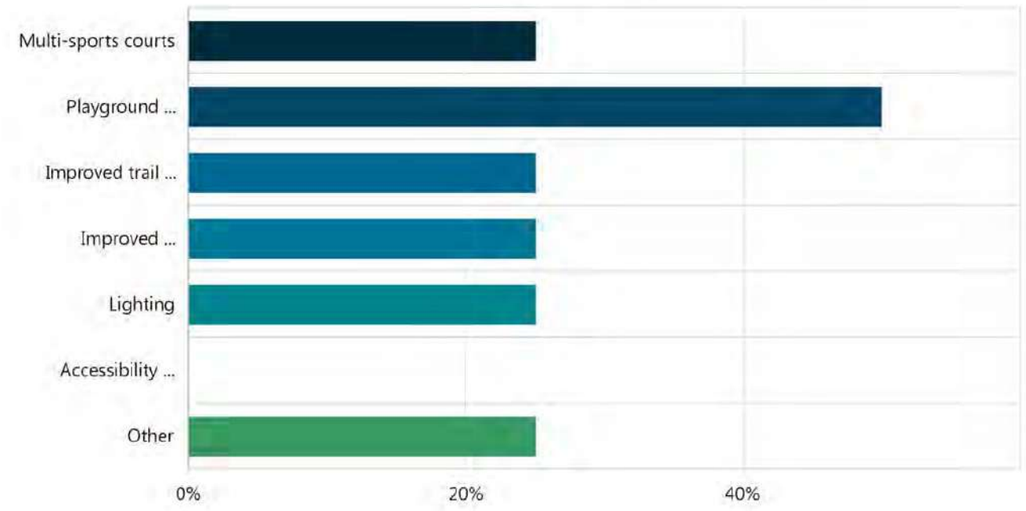
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	28.57%	2
Playground improvements	28.57%	2
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	28.57%	2
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	85.71%	6
Lighting	0%	0
Accessibility enhancements	28.57%	2
Other	0%	0

39. Please rate the following for Blue Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 321 | Answered: 4 (1.2%)



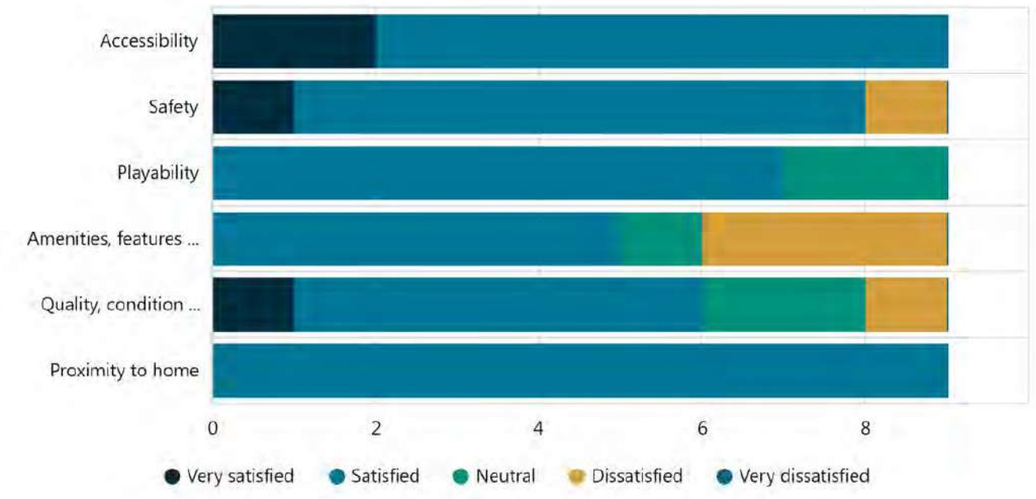
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	25.00% 1	25.00% 1	0% 0	50.00% 2	0% 0	4	2.75
Safety	25.00% 1	75.00% 3	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	4	1.75
Playability	25.00% 1	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	4	2.00
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	25.00% 1	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	0% 0	4	3.00
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	25.00% 1	75.00% 3	0% 0	0% 0	4	2.75
Proximity to home	25.00% 1	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	0% 0	0% 0	4	2.00

40. Would you like to see any improvements to Blue park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 321 | Answered: 4 (1.2%)



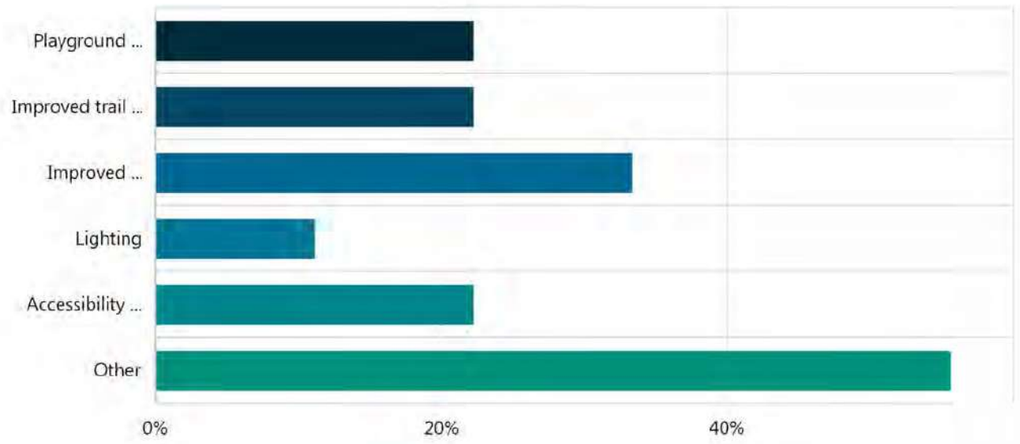
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Multi-sports courts	25.00%	1
Playground improvements	50.00%	2
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	25.00%	1
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	25.00%	1
Lighting	25.00%	1
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	25.00%	1

41. Please rate the following for Lighthouse Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 316 | Answered: 9 (2.8%)



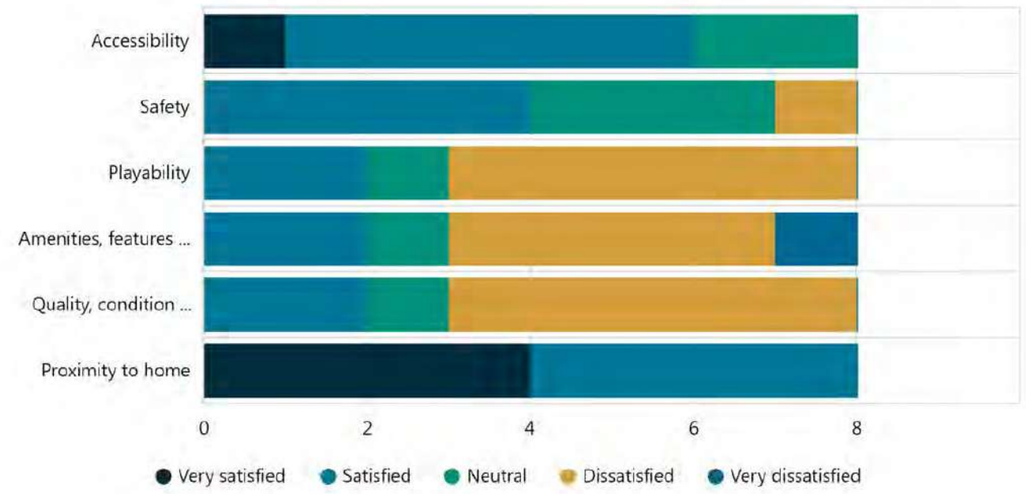
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	22.22% 2	77.78% 7	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	9	1.78
Safety	11.11% 1	77.78% 7	0% 0	11.11% 1	0% 0	9	2.11
Playability	0% 0	77.78% 7	22.22% 2	0% 0	0% 0	9	2.22
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	55.56% 5	11.11% 1	33.33% 3	0% 0	9	2.78
Quality, condition and maintenance	11.11% 1	55.56% 5	22.22% 2	11.11% 1	0% 0	9	2.33
Proximity to home	0% 0	100.00% 9	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	9	2.00

42. Would you like to see any improvements to Lighthouse park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 316 | Answered: 9 (2.8%)



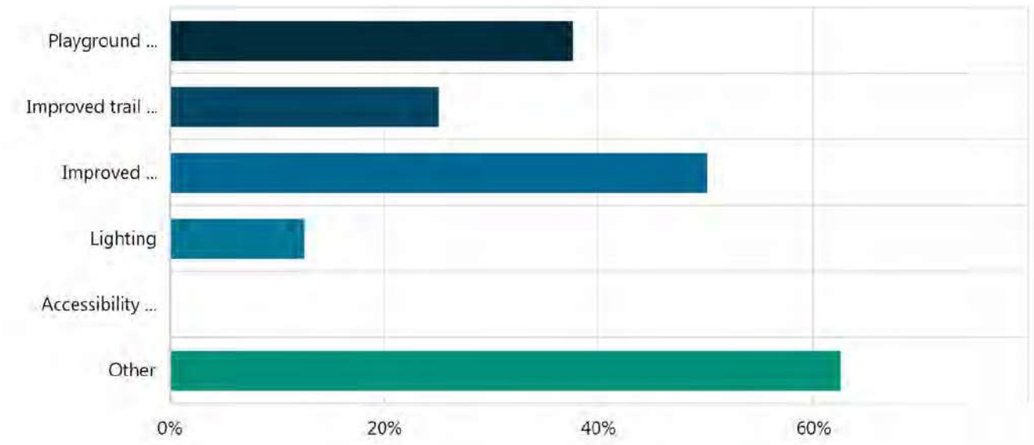
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Playground improvements	22.22%	2
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	22.22%	2
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	33.33%	3
Lighting	11.11%	1
Accessibility enhancements	22.22%	2
Other	55.56%	5

43. Please rate the following for Attawandaron Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 317 | Answered: 8 (2.5%)



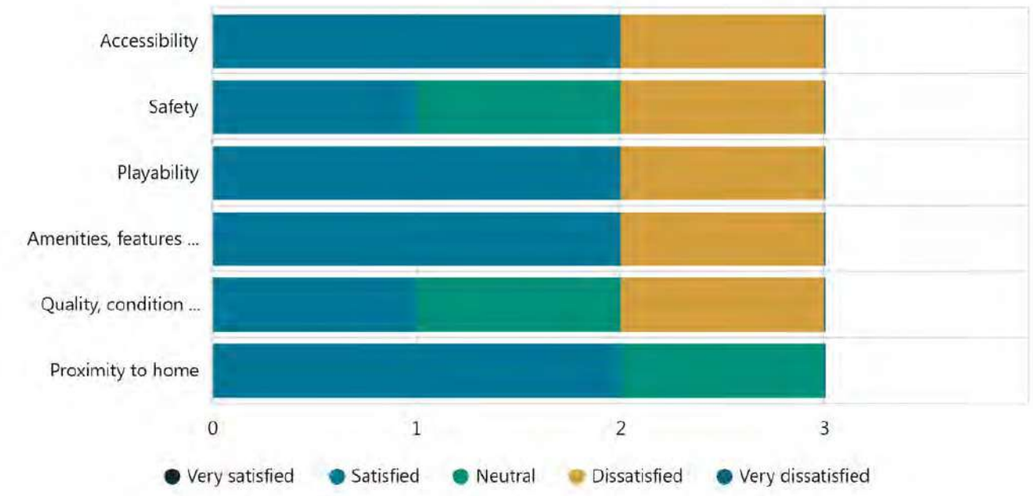
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	12.50% 1	62.50% 5	25.00% 2	0% 0	0% 0	8	2.13
Safety	0% 0	50.00% 4	37.50% 3	12.50% 1	0% 0	8	2.63
Playability	0% 0	25.00% 2	12.50% 1	62.50% 5	0% 0	8	3.38
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	25.00% 2	12.50% 1	50.00% 4	12.50% 1	8	3.50
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	25.00% 2	12.50% 1	62.50% 5	0% 0	8	3.38
Proximity to home	50.00% 4	50.00% 4	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	8	1.50

44. Would you like to see any improvements to Attawandaron park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 317 | Answered: 8 (2.5%)



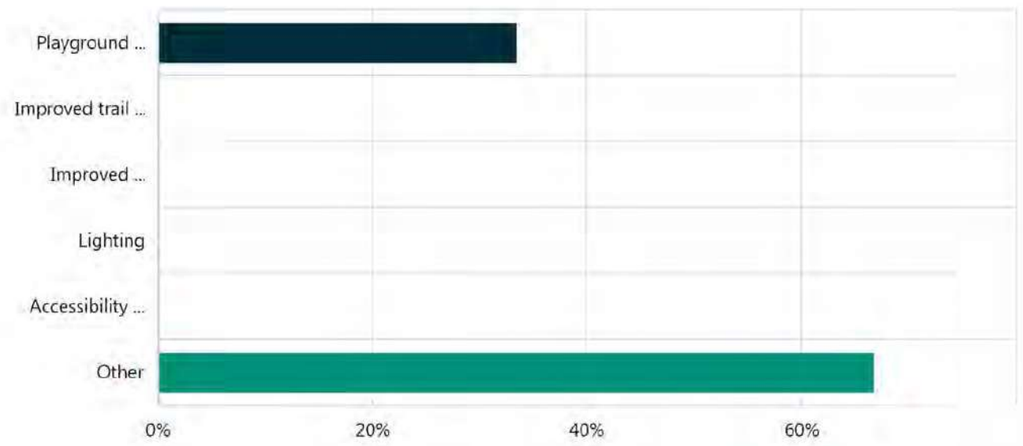
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Playground improvements	37.50%	3
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	25.00%	2
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	50.00%	4
Lighting	12.50%	1
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	62.50%	5

45. Please rate the following for Reids Corner Ball Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 322 | Answered: 3 (0.9%)



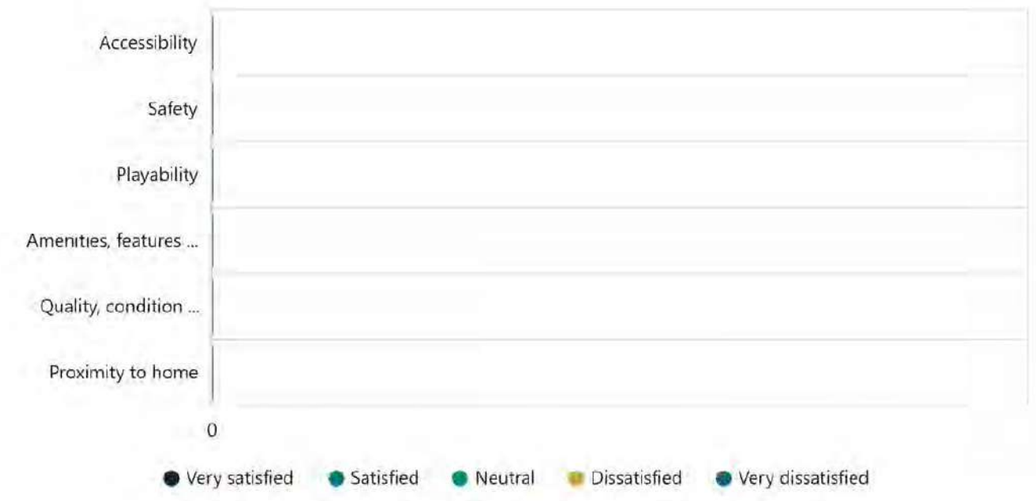
	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	0% 0	66.67% 2	0% 0	33.33% 1	0% 0	3	2.67
Safety	0% 0	33.33% 1	33.33% 1	33.33% 1	0% 0	3	3.00
Playability	0% 0	66.67% 2	0% 0	33.33% 1	0% 0	3	2.67
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	66.67% 2	0% 0	33.33% 1	0% 0	3	2.67
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	33.33% 1	33.33% 1	33.33% 1	0% 0	3	3.00
Proximity to home	0% 0	66.67% 2	33.33% 1	0% 0	0% 0	3	2.33

46. Would you like to see any improvements to Reids Corner Ball Park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 322 | Answered: 3 (0.9%)



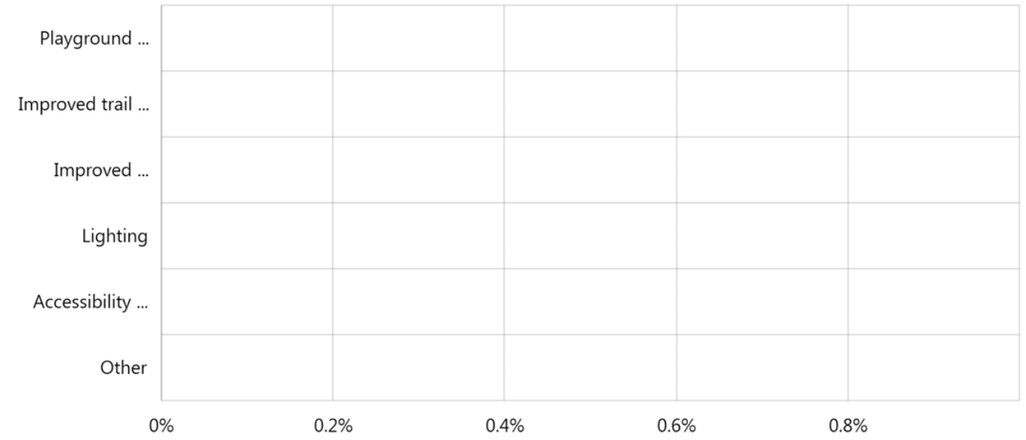
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Playground improvements	33.33%	1
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	0%	0
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	0%	0
Lighting	0%	0
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	66.67%	2

47. Please rate the following for Whitechurch Park Required
Matrix | Skipped: 325 | Answered: 0 (0%)



	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Count	Score
Accessibility	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0	0
Safety	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0	0
Playability	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0	0
Amenities, features and facilities	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0	0
Quality, condition and maintenance	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0	0
Proximity to home	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0	0

48. Would you like to see any improvements to Whitechurch Park? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 325 | Answered: 0 (0%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Playground improvements	0%	0
Improved trail infrastructure (e.g. connections, extensions, additions, etc.)	0%	0
Improved maintenance and/or landscaping	0%	0
Lighting	0%	0
Accessibility enhancements	0%	0
Other	0%	0

49. Do you have anything else to share about the parks in Huron-Kinloss?
Short Text | Skipped: 230 | Answered: 95 (29.2%)

Sentiment

No sentiment data

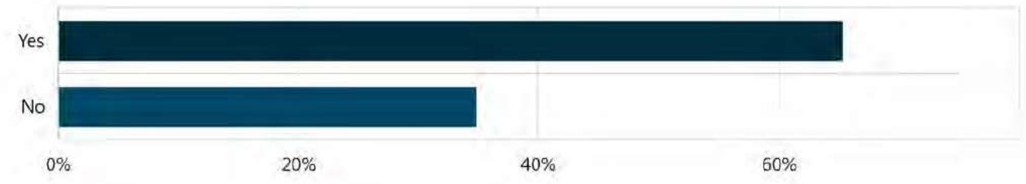
Tags

No tag data

Featured Contributions

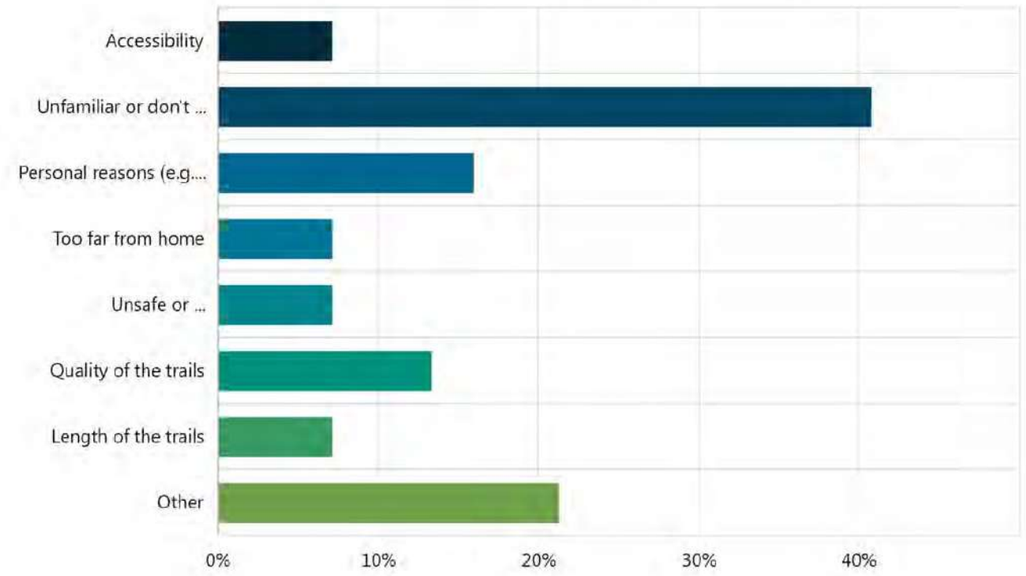
No featured contributions

50. Do you use trails in Huron-Kinloss? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



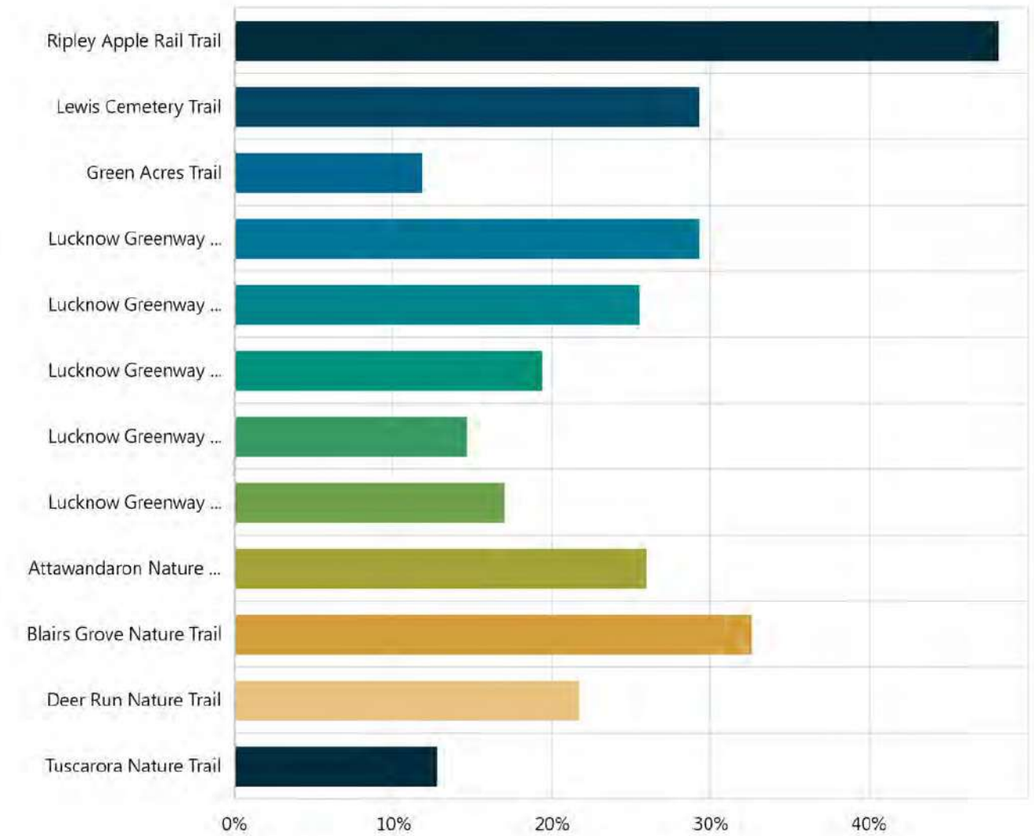
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	65.23%	212
No	34.77%	113
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

51. Why not? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 212 | Answered: 113 (34.8%)



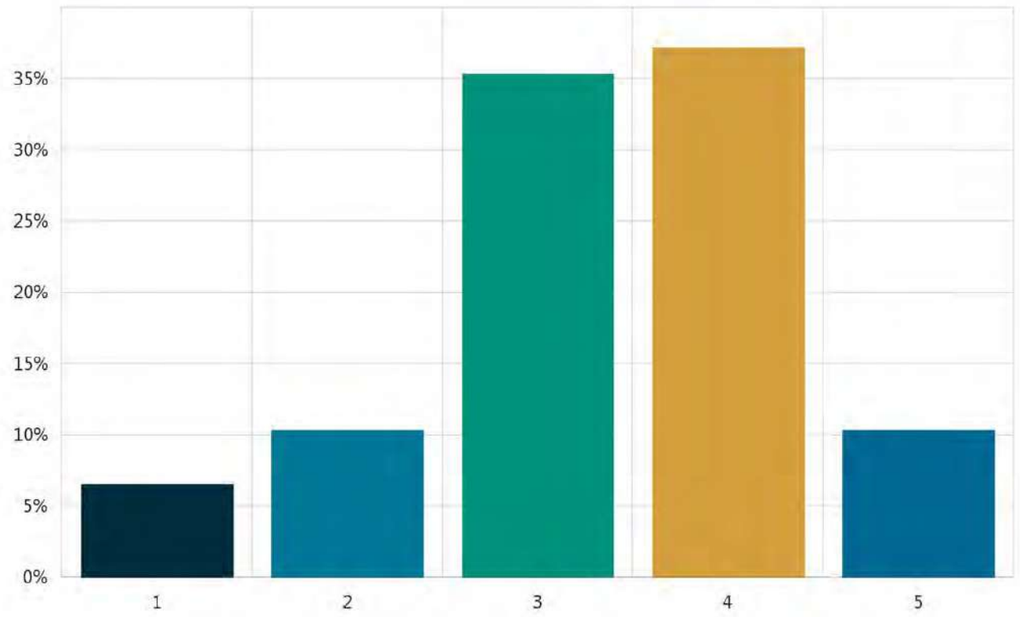
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Accessibility	7.08%	8
Unfamiliar or don't know where they are	40.71%	46
Personal reasons (e.g. no time, don't enjoy the outdoors, etc.)	15.93%	18
Too far from home	7.08%	8
Unsafe or undesirable conditions	7.08%	8
Quality of the trails	13.27%	15
Length of the trails	7.08%	8
Other	21.24%	24

52. Which of these trails have you used? (Select all that apply) Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 113 | Answered: 212 (65.2%)



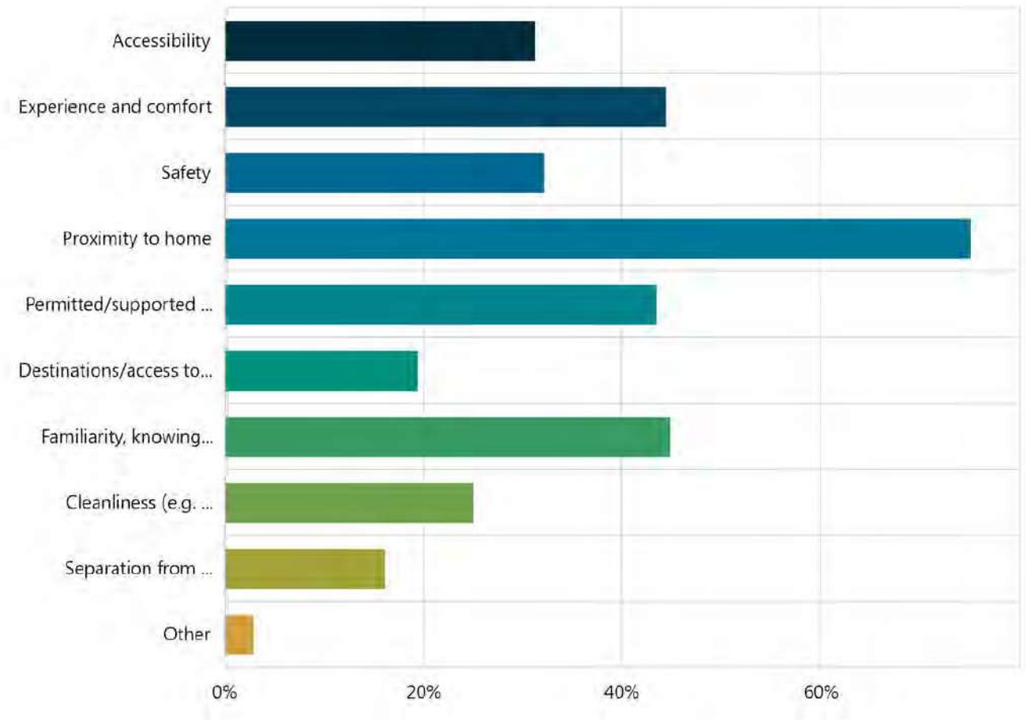
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Ripley Apple Rail Trail	48.11%	102
Lewis Cemetery Trail	29.25%	62
Green Acres Trail	11.79%	25
Lucknow Greenway Trails - Railway	29.25%	62
Lucknow Greenway Trails - Waterworks to Railway	25.47%	54
Lucknow Greenway Trails - Waterworks to Willoughby	19.34%	41
Lucknow Greenway Trails - Inglis to Havelock	14.62%	31
Lucknow Greenway Trails - Lucknow Soccer Fields to County Road 1	16.98%	36
Attawandaron Nature Trail	25.94%	55
Blairs Grove Nature Trail	32.55%	69
Deer Run Nature Trail	21.70%	46
Tuscarora Nature Trail	12.74%	27

53. In general, how would you rate the trails in Huron-Kinloss? Required
Rating | Skipped: 113 | Answered: 212 (65.2%)



1	2	3	4	5	Count	Weighted average
6.60% 14	10.38% 22	35.38% 75	37.26% 79	10.38% 22	212	3.34

54. What influences your use of the trails? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 113 | Answered: 212 (65.2%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Accessibility	31.13%	66
Experience and comfort	44.34%	94
Safety	32.08%	68
Proximity to home	75.00%	159
Permitted/supported uses (e.g. walking, cycling, ATVing, dirt biking, etc.)	43.40%	92
Destinations/access to facilities (e.g. using them to get to parks or other places)	19.34%	41
Familiarity, knowing where they go	44.81%	95
Cleanliness (e.g. garbage, etc.)	25.00%	53
Separation from neighbouring properties (e.g. maintains neighbour privacy)	16.04%	34
Other	2.83%	6

55. Do you have anything else to share about the trails in Huron-Kinloss?
Short Text | Skipped: 240 | Answered: 85 (26.2%)

Sentiment

No sentiment data

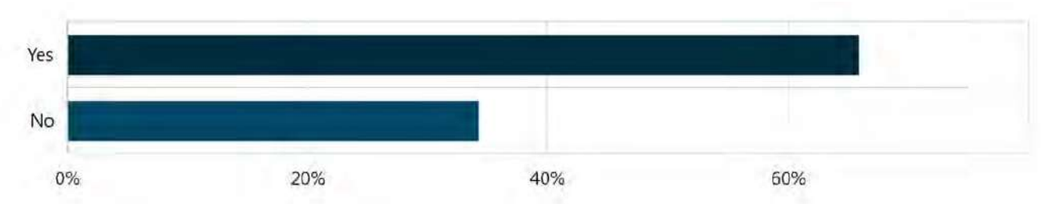
Tags

No tag data

Featured Contributions

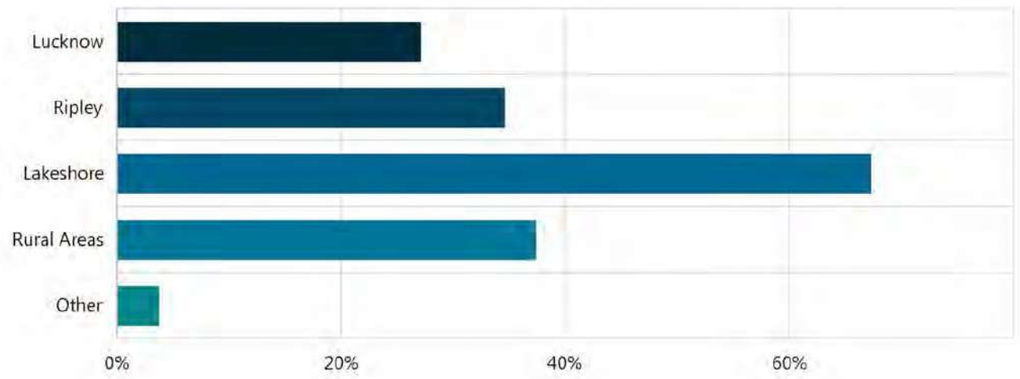
No featured contributions

56. Would you like to see more roadways which support active uses on them? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



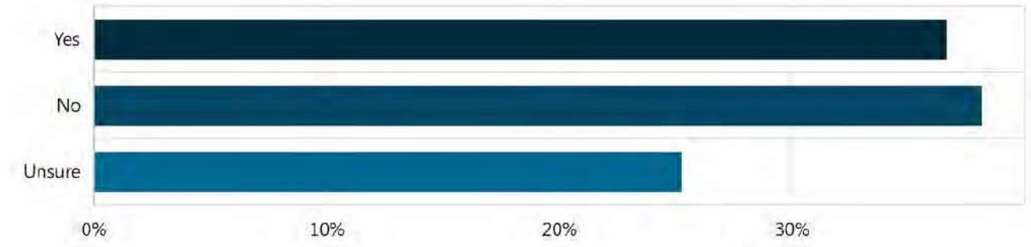
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	65.85%	214
No	34.15%	111
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

57. What areas of the Township do you feel should be prioritized? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 111 | Answered: 214 (65.8%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Lucknow	27.10%	58
Ripley	34.58%	74
Lakeshore	67.29%	144
Rural Areas	37.38%	80
Other	3.74%	8

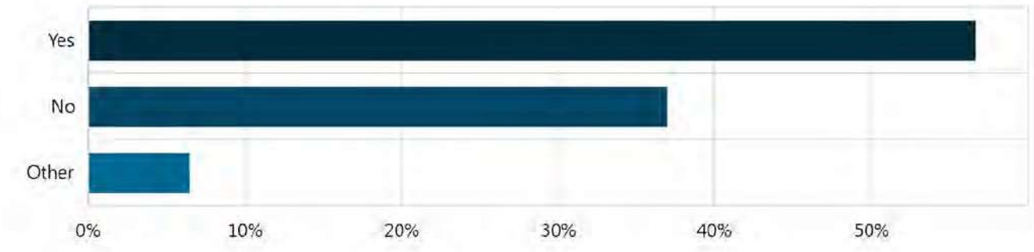
58. Our trails currently prohibit the use of motorized vehicles (e.g. ATV's). The Ripley Apple Rail Trail has been identified as a potential trail to support the use of ATVs. Would you be in favour of extending access to ATV use on the Ripley Rail Trail? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	36.62%	119
No	38.15%	124
Unsure	25.23%	82
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

59. There are currently three designated cycling routes in Huron-Kinloss: The Great Lakes Waterfront Trail, The Back Forty Gravel Grind and The Back Forty Roadie Ramble. Would you like to see more signed cycling routes in Huron-Kinloss? Required

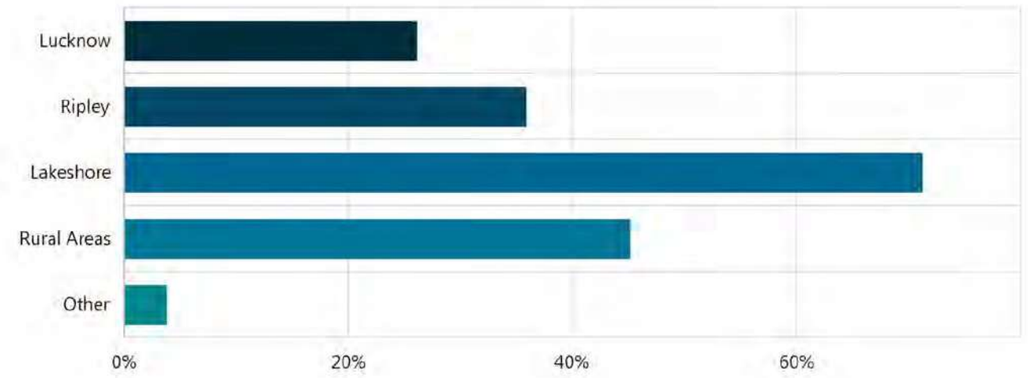
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	56.62%	184
No	36.92%	120
Other	6.46%	21
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

60. Where would you like to see more cycling routes? (Select all that apply) Required

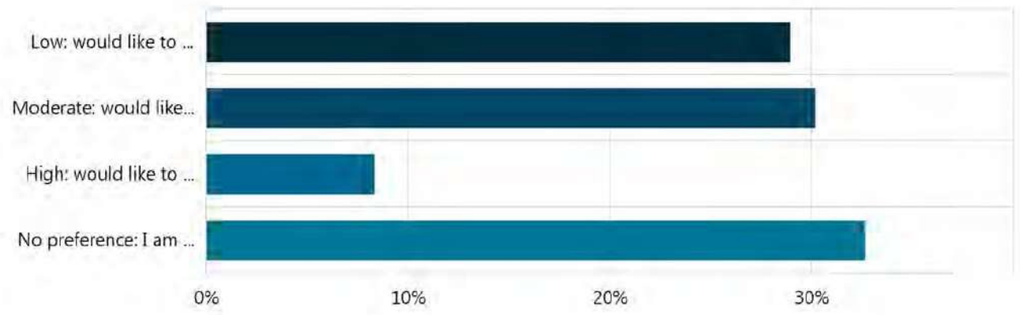
Multi Choice | Skipped: 141 | Answered: 184 (56.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Lucknow	26.09%	48
Ripley	35.87%	66
Lakeshore	71.20%	131
Rural Areas	45.11%	83
Other	3.80%	7

61. If the Township moves ahead with adopting and formalizing this pathway, what would your preferred level of change be: Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Low: would like to maintain laid back character and only see necessary improvements made	28.92%	94
Moderate: would like to see some improvements, while maintaining 'neighbourhood' character.	30.15%	98
High: would like to see significant improvements made, okay with changing the character to do so.	8.31%	27
No preference: I am not familiar with this trail and/or do not have a preference.	32.62%	106
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

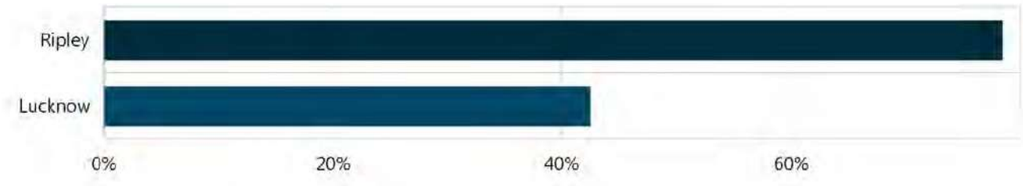
62. Would you like to see more off-leash dog parks in Huron-Kinloss? Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)

Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	42.77%	139
No	57.23%	186
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

63. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan identified that additional dog park facilities would be best suited to Ripley and Lucknow. Where would you like to see a new dog park? Required

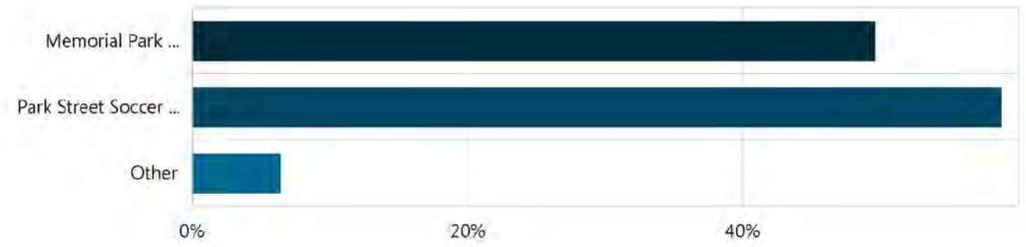
Multi Choice | Skipped: 186 | Answered: 139 (42.8%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Ripley	78.42%	109
Lucknow	42.45%	59

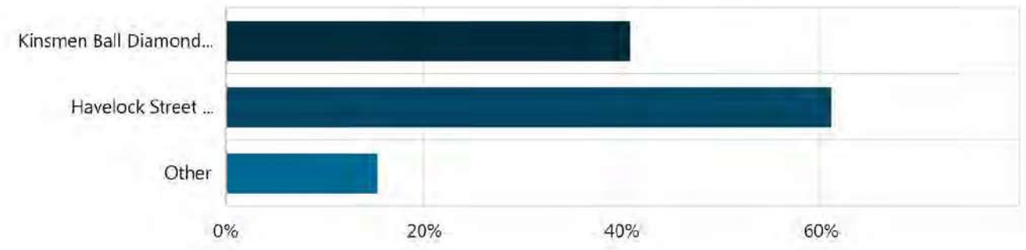
64. Where in Ripley would you prefer a dog park be located? Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 216 | Answered: 109 (33.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Memorial Park (behind the ball diamond)	49.54%	54
Park Street Soccer Fields (near the Apple Rail Trail)	58.72%	64
Other	6.42%	7

65. Where in Lucknow would you prefer a dog park be located? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 266 | Answered: 59 (18.2%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Kinsmen Ball Diamond (between the outfield fence and the park)	40.68%	24
Havelock Street Soccer Fields (south end of the parking lot)	61.02%	36
Other	15.25%	9

66. Do you have anything else you would like to share about dog parks in Huron-Kinloss?
Short Text | Skipped: 296 | Answered: 29 (8.9%)

Sentiment

No sentiment data

Tags

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Featured Contributions

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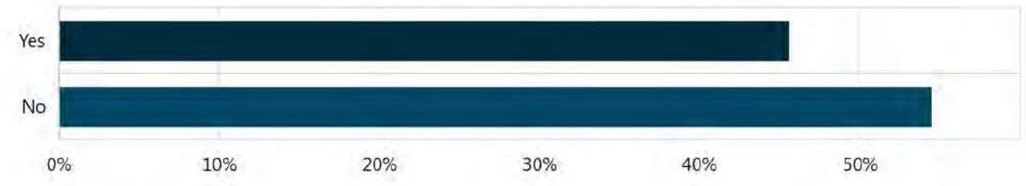
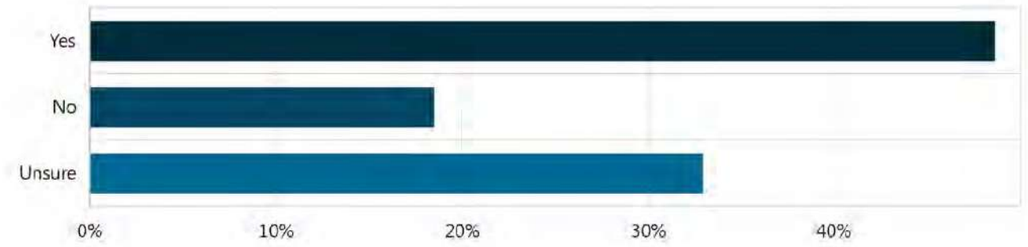
67. Do you play, or would you like to play pickleball? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	45.54%	148
No	54.46%	177
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

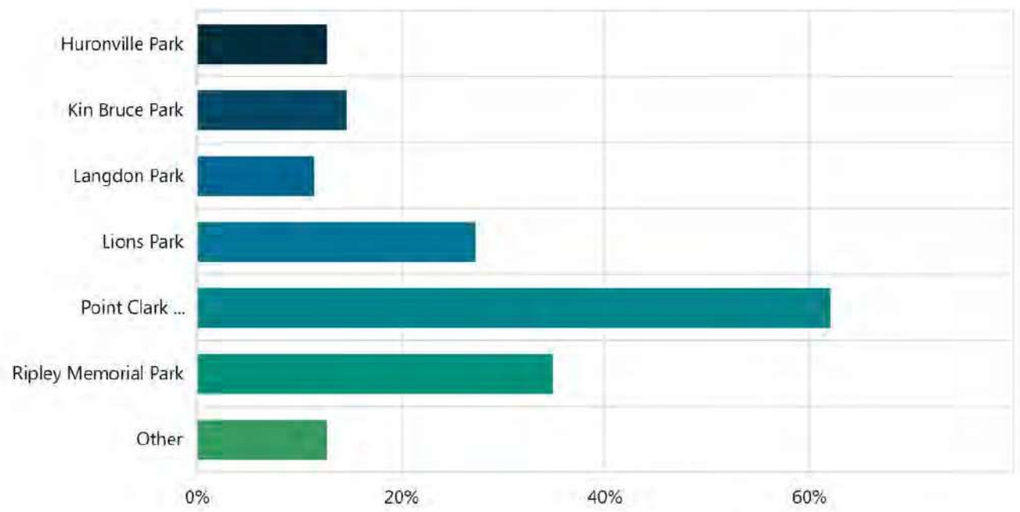
68. Would you like to see dedicated pickleball courts throughout the Township? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	48.62%	158
No	18.46%	60
Unsure	32.92%	107
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

69. Where would you like to see pickleball courts in Huron-Kinloss? Please note we've only included options that have the space to accommodate pickleball courts. Required

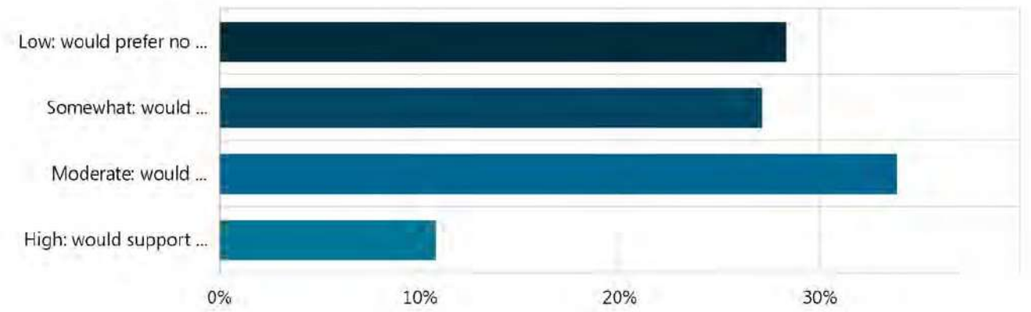
Multi Choice | Skipped: 167 | Answered: 158 (48.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Huronville Park	12.66%	20
Kin Bruce Park	14.56%	23
Langdon Park	11.39%	18
Lions Park	27.22%	43
Point Clark Community Centre Park	62.03%	98
Ripley Memorial Park	34.81%	55
Other	12.66%	20

70. How important are park and trail improvements in Huron-Kinloss to you? Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 325 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Low: would prefer no change in taxes; no change to other municipal service delivery. Parks and trails budget to be limited to community-based funding, grants, etc.	28.31%	92
Somewhat: would support reallocating municipal budget to tend to park and trail improvements decreasing municipal service delivery in other areas	27.08%	88
Moderate: would support slight increase in taxes to tend to park and trail improvements while maintaining same level of municipal service delivery elsewhere.	33.85%	110
High: would support more significant increase in taxes to tend to park and trail improvements and associated costs (e.g. additional staffing).	10.77%	35
Total	**100.00%**	**325**

Contribution

Playground equipment is old … park needs rejuvenation.
SAFETY: We desperately need a safe bike lane along Lake Range Drive. Vehicles travel too fast and encroach on bikers. More people of all ages would bike if it wasn't so dangerous. Let's not wait for a fatality. Please make this safety concern a
Although this is not directly related to parks, biking has become increasingly popular all through Huron Kinloss. Dedicated bike lanes are better for bikers and vehicles.
My kids always say that it would be great to have a skate park at the Community centre or one of the other parks in Point Clark. Lions park? I personally am more concerned about trails than parks.
Lewis park: The wood around the play centre is falling apart. It would be lovely to see more areas/ play equipment. At all parks- more areas of play where there is shade
Would love more trails for trails for hiking and dog walking. Also looking for off road moto trails
Running water available The soccer fields need a family friendly accessible bathroom. The port a potty is not accessible for wheelchairs or young children.
Need to be maintained year round with bathrooms all year round
Seem well kept and maintained
Flowers and yards all well maintained.
No real complaints just continuing to keep the playgrounds a safe place for small children!
The Attawanderon playground desperately needs more play structures. There isn't much to play on there and there are lots of children in the area who it would benefit.
Sometimes litter/ dog poop etc. can be an issue at parks in Lucknow. Safety is a big concern as there have been homeless people living in the parks at various time too.
Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in Huron-KinLoss with Point Clark as the epicentre of membership and play. Dedicated Pickleball courts are needed at the Point Clark Community Centre
the gazebo needs to be fixed
I am not sure it this comes under the authority of Huron Kinloss but I would like to see the Waterfront trail moved from Bruce Beach Rd up to Lake Range drive between the 8th and 10th Con. Rd is not suitable for extra traffic and no view of la
Make the rail trail Multi use
We do NOT need a dog park there
i would like to see improvements on the number of playground structures as well as structures for broader age ranges
i believe that huron kinloss should develop open park space between consession 21 and lake range rather then develop a trail in the enviromentally protected land
We visit all year round. During spring-fall many of the playgrounds are too hot and sunny to play on between 11-3. If there could be more shade I bet more kids would use them mid day. Shade sails? Shade trees planted closer? Playground wi
No
The dog park particularly at the point Clark community centre. The portion for small dogs could be maintained more often to prevent so many pests such as ticks entering on the long grass and weeds.
Would like to have a bridge over Pine River to bike to Kincardine. There are removable bridges placed in Spring taken out in Fall. Way safer than biking on Lake Range.
This park is great - it has pickleball/tennis, basketball, volleyball, and a children's play area. It is well used, and nicely kept up.
More pickleball facilities
No
We appreciate when there is washroom facilities and garbage containers.
Do not add trail along hydro line north of HWY 86. That is a terrible idea. People can walk on beach or along the roadside.
We need permanent pickleball courts with permanent fencing around them.
It would be nice to look into getting the recycled tire rubberized flooring or mats for the parks. Currently the parks have wood chips or stones covering the ground. These coverings are dirty and get put on the slides and the playground equipm
No more trails
This survey does nothing to get feedback of what is needed and what is not needed. There is noise abut building a pickleball facility at the PC community center which I disagree that is where our tax dollars
Love our local parks
Huronville's park's volleyball nets are horribly maintained and a second one was never needed as it's not used. The basketball court needs to be improved and the tennis court is used most frequently
We need a pickle ball court and more tennis courts
It be wonderful for so many reasons to have more areas for group recreational activity and fun -- more beach volleyball courts, basketball courts, picket ball courts, soccer fields -- it gets people, friends and family, being active together.
Tennis court is open on two sides and poison ivy lines one side. Lose many tennis balls and unable to retrieve due to this.
I would love for proper and safe Pickleball Courts to be installed at the community centre in Point Clark where the pickleball club plays now. The participant numbers are increasing, and the sport is growing quickly across all ages of players.
The PC Community Centre Park is becoming a thriving centre: baseball, clubs , fitness centre but to me , more importantly, pickleball. We need dedicated 8 Pickleball courts in PC. There are close to 25-30 players everyday! It includes ages 14-8
Needs new net on court
Shade trees are needed at Lions Park. A bike rake would be great too. We used to have such nice nature trails on Point Clark and now they are all gone. Would love to see a maintained bike trail in Point Clark.
Need for playgrounds to be accessible to children with disabilities…..such as swings suited to disability. The material placed below the swings and climbing playground needs to be filled more often. A small child has difficulty getting on a swing
Conservation park could use trimming and walkway maintenance but it's a beautiful walk
Having the Porta potty at the park in Lucknow is nice for children. It makes us go there more often than anywhere else because of the quick access to a bathroom
Lurgan beach would be nice to have a dog park
Would love a splash pad for the kids
I wish the splash pad in ripley was larger, and that there was more in Lewis park for the kids to play on.
We need a dog park in heritage park or in the park area behind the mailbox. We need the mess cleaned up in heritage park. Give us a good grassy area for kids to organize and play on and fix up our trails.
Love to see the gardens kept up
It would be nice to have a playground at the bottom of concession 6 and Gordon St North in the empty field
A lot of people in Lucknow use the walking path at Graceland it would be nice if the town would put a portapotty there as well as the parks also more benches at the soccer fields
It is kind of forgotten as it is so close to the Town of Kincardine, Great spot but could use some tender loving care!
Both Huronville and KinBruce parks are in residential areas that residents from those neighborhoods and other citizens use these parks regularly and they need to be maintained better.
The bike fixing equipment is awesome!
It would be great to have a trail run from the heritage heights area to the edge of Kincardine
The playgrounds are feeling a little dated
Some need more trash cans n all should have dog bags in my opinion
My poor rating on parks in HK is based ONLY on pickleball. It is in no way reflective of baseball diamonds, trails, pavilions or other park offerings.
The Kin-Huron park would be an ideal park to redo - it is accessible and has parking - a court facility could be created in the space where yard debris gets dumped (northern end), the trees should remain and additional natives plantings should
Unfortunately the conditions for organized Pickleball play at the community centre are poor. We play on a sloping parking lot. The surface is unsafe for Pickleball play due to the oil patches, cigarette buts and other items spilled on the surfac
Basically, they are all well maintained from a lawn mowing aspect and kept litter free.
They are well used
I'm impressed by the addition of the pollinator garden
I like how the parks have natural areas along with playgrounds
more pickelball courts would be nice.
Find ways to keep parks clean and safe without increasing spending. We are in a cost of living crisis. Taxation needs to be lowered.
The park at Blairs Grove has alot of poison Ivy !!
More trails
Maintenance could be better- by the splash pad there is a broken hole in the ground and other random things that should be addressed
The lakeshore pays the lion's share and gets the least. We hardly take the grand kids on weekends, as they are full of drunken renters and misbehaved teens and kids.
I wish you would stop people from planting trees and blocking the right of ways.
Do not let the pickleball group take over the ball diamond parking lot in Point Clark. Ball needs that space and pickleball is a huge distraction when so close to the ball diamond. At its closest, pickleball should be near the dog park if has to be tl
Not sure if this is your area but why were all the taps shut off at Station Beach? No where to rinse feet etc
Kin Bruce needs bleachers replaced, playground equipment replaced and ball diamond maintenance. Lots of room for expansion. Playground equipment and bleachers were removed and nothing put back in its place, About a quarter of the pa
No
I appreciate all the little parks around the area, it gives a sense of family and community. Perhaps some climbing structures for older kids would be good
Kinbruce park is poorly maintained and under utilized apparently due to rental cost.
We need a dog park. Separate from children
Most parks in HK are well kept there are issues with grass trimming and garden weeding that need to be addressed on an ongoing basis while realizing staffing issues and man hours are always an issue
There is lots I could share unfortunately this comment box isn't large enough
I would like to see playground equipment at Pearl Elizabeth Park. We polled Gordon Street received 100% support for this idea. Also, there are lots of kids who swim at the public access at the west end of concession 6. They could also enjoy i
Investing in better play structures and parks will get kids outside. This is great for them and the parents.
Lewis park in Ripley is fairly new. I wish in the wintertime the new sidewalk blower would go through on the wide paved walkway. I would love to take my kids to the park in the winter, but can't access it with a stroller because of all the snow
I think a bigger better trail system, available to ALL ki ds of users would be a huge asset. Existing flower beds etc need to be maintained. They are a mess!
If Flower beds are to be maintained by non municipal workers then a water tap must be more accessible
As we get older the distances we can walk shortens and we need short breaks. Even walking along the roadways it would be nice to have a bench now and then for that rest. There all long stretches the elderly can bot accomplish all at once an
Focus should be on Lakeshore residents as the majority of your tax revenue is coming from this area. Bike lanes are not needed as there are alternative ways to maneuver (ie boiler beach road:Bruce beach road) which are much safer/less traff
Plan is too concentrated on recreational sports parks. Need to upgrade your walking trails and promote more.
Spend more time looking after Victoria Park and Kinsmen Park. Kinsmen Park Ball Diamond is always cut and maintained but the park area (playground, grass, swings) seems to get ignored.
Shade is important, I don't think healthy trees should be removed to make room for pickleball courts. It's a fad, trees are not. Use existing courts and pavement for these
no
Need more native landscape
The field at lions club could be used for a sports field with a little work. Pickleball is growing in demand and is accessible to all ages and abilities- more courts are needed
Heritage Park should be the Township's priority.

Staff Report

Report Title: Transportation December 2024
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: PW-2024-12-51**
Department: Public Works **File Number:** C11 PW 24
Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works
Attachments: Sunset Pl. Community Letter, 13 Sunset Pl Letter

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW-2024-12-51 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

Background:

Asphalt Paving

The 2024 hot mix asphalt paving program was awarded to Lavis Contracting on May 20, 2024. The scope of work included pulverizing and paving of Con. 2 from Bruce Rd 7 to Sideroad 5, Lake Range Dr. hill in Point Clark (west of Con. 4) and padding of Grey Ox Ave from Bruce Rd 1 to the Huron-Kinloss Townline. There was also carry over work from 2023 that included the milling and paving of the surface asphalt on Lake Range Dr. from Ashfield-Huron Townline north 200m.

The surface paving on Lake Range Dr. was completed on May 17th, asphalt padding on Grey Ox Ave was completed on June 17th and Con. 2 paving was completed on Sept. 5th.

The section of Lake Range Dr. west of Con. 4 was scheduled to be completed before winter, but our contractor has had delays in other projects that has impacted our schedule. Township staff made the decision to defer this portion of the project until 2025.

Wheeler and Outram St. Reconstruction

The tender for the reconstruction of Wheeler St. from Inglis St. to Havelock St. and Outram St. from Wheeler St. to Hamilton St. and the rehabilitation of structure L1 on Ludgard St. and L3 on Wheeler St. was awarded to Lavis Contracting on May 15, 2024 and construction began on July 16, 2024.

The new watermain and services on Wheeler St. between Inglis St. and Havelock St. have been tested and connected to the water system.

New storm sewer installations on Wheeler St. and Outram St. were completed during the week of Sept. 23rd.

The rehabilitation of the Wheeler St. Bridge (L3) was completed during the week of Sept. 16th and the rehabilitation of the Ludgard St. Bridge was completed during the week of Sept. 23rd.

The construction of concrete curbs and forming of concrete sidewalks was completed during the week of Oct. 21st. Sidewalks were poured during the week of Oct. 28th and the base layer of asphalt was paved during the week of Nov. 11th.

Final restoration work is being completed during the week of Nov. 25th as weather permits.

2024 Miscellaneous Paving RFQ

Road patches in Ripley, Point Clark, Blairs Grove and Lucknow were completed on Nov. 26th.

2024 Hazard Tree Tender

Township staff awarded the 2024 Hazard Tender to Beaver Brook Tree Service in May 2024 for the removal of 58 trees in the Lakeshore, Ripley and Lucknow areas. The contracted completion date was Nov. 29, 2024.

Township were originally informed that this work would be completed in September, however, this never occurred, and Township staff have not received a response from the contractor since that time.

Sunset Pl. Resident Letters

Township staff received the attached letters that were addressed to Council regarding Sunset Pl. ditch remediation concerns. One letter appears to be a response to a Staff report from Aug. 7, 2024 and the second letter is from Mr. Hargrave with a justification for enclosing the ditch in front of his property.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Asphalt Paving

It is unfortunate that the paving of Lake Range Dr. at Con. 4 could not be completed this year, but Township staff felt that it was too risky to try to pave a steep slope like this section of Lake Range Dr. in late November. We will plan to complete this work during better weather conditions in 2025.

Wheeler and Outram St. Reconstruction

Work is progressing well with no significant issues encountered so far.

2024 Hazard Tree Tender

If the contract does not attempt to complete the work within the contract timelines without an extension granted, Township staff will have to terminate the contract and retender the protect.

We have already removed several of the most hazardous trees and will continue to remove trees as necessary until a new contract is awarded.

Sunset Pl. Resident Letters

There are two main concerns raised in the Sunset Pl community letter:

1. Sunset Pl. ratepayers should not be responsible for covering the cost of repairing the existing ditches; and
2. Sunset Pl. ratepayers should not be required to contribute to storm upgrades on Huron Rd.

Township staff have not investigated the scope of work involved in returning the ditches to the original design for the subdivision in detail as there did not appear to be much support for this project among residents. It is our opinion that if money is invested in making any improvements to the drainage system it should be directed at bringing this development to a closer design standard as the rest of Point Clark. If upgrades are determined to be unfeasible, then Staff would prefer to maintain the ditches as they are because there is no evidence of any significant drainage issues.

On June 11, 2024, Township staff sent out letters to all property owners on Sunset Pl. outlining improvement options and the estimated costs. The letter also explained the cost the Township would be covering, which included storm sewer upgrades on Huron Road.

The owner of 13 Sunset Pl requested permission from Township staff to enclose his ditch on May 5, 2022, which was immediately denied. The actions taken after that point are the responsibility of the property owner. The work completed was not constructed to Township standards, so it will have to be either removed or replaced. Township staff have had multiple phone calls and email exchanges with the property owner to explain the situation.

Township staff will provide a response to the residents regarding the concerns raised in the letters.

Financial Impacts:

Asphalt road paving and the Wheeler and Outram project is covered in the capital budget.

Miscellaneous asphalt paving and tree removals are funded by the operating budget.

A Sunset Pl. ditch remediation cost sharing proposal will be brought forward at a future budget deliberation meeting.

Performance Measurement:

Regular Pavement Condition Index (PCI) evaluations on all our paved roadways will allow staff to determine if the overall condition of our paved roads is improving or deteriorating. This information is critical in establishing the appropriate capital investment required. The last PCI evaluation was completed in 2020, and we are expecting to complete another study in 2025. Ideally, the PCI evaluations are completed on a three year cycle, which is our goal beyond 2025.

Our Bridge Condition Index (BCI) evaluations are completed on a six year cycle, which is used to determine the overall condition of our structures.

Strategic Area:

☒Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle	☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth	☒ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure

Respectfully Submitted By:
John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Since February 2024, our community has been working with the Township to find a viable, cost-effective option that will allow homeowners to fill in ditches for safety and aesthetic reasons. It is our expectation that within the next 60 days an agreeable solution will be reached.

We understand that, on September 24, 1999, the Township entered into a subdivision agreement on Part Lots 2 and 3, Con.A. Although an agreement was in place, the developer did not move forward with construction at that time.

In 2017, Raymax Construction Ltd., purchased the property and entered into a new agreement with the Township. The agreement was amended and updated in some parts to ensure compliance with current regulations, such as the water main design.

Separately, a few years prior to the 2017 Raymax agreement, Huron Road was reconstructed, at which time storm drains/culverts were installed along it allowing water to flow to Lake Huron.

What follows is taken from your staff report, File Number C11 PW 24

> "The subdivision construction went well until lots were sold and built on beginning in 2020. The subdivision drawings did not specify how the driveways were to be constructed; they were the responsibility of the lot owners. When the first few driveways were constructed, the developer was diligent in ensuring that they did not interfere with the subdivision design and the assumption process by the Township. However, this changed in 2021, with the developer having less and less oversight over the development."

We have to ask why the Township did not require documentation of any agreed-upon updates with the developer and execution of a revised subdivision plan prior to construction. Secondly, knowing the developer

was providing less oversight, why was construction not delayed until the Townships concerns were addressed?

Again, from your staff report,

> "Most of the ditches in this development are functioning as they were originally designed. However, there are areas where the ditches have been eroded during heavy rain events."

We contend that the original ditch bed has minimal eroded soil that could prevent water flow. In the areas of drainage concerns noted in your pictures, the original ditch grade and driveways installed by the developer remain in place.

Further, from your staff report:

> "The native sandy soil is susceptible to this type of erosion, so repairing these areas with a clay soil may be necessary if the ditches are to remain in this form".

Our site Lot #3, prior to development, was shown to have a layer of glacial clay 3'-5' below the lot surface. That would mean the existing ditch depth is within 1-2ft of glacial clay. What is more clay soil going to do? Erosion is not the problem!

The west side of Huron Road where our home lies, has no drainage issues. After being advised that our driveway culvert was flat and might need to be regraded, we had the elevations retested. The testing proved that the driveway culvert is not flat. The remeasuring indicates a 7"- 8" or 1.1% slope. Furthermore, the 500' distance from our driveway to the culvert located on the south side of Huron Road has a fall of 33.5". This ensures that there are no drainage issues. During construction of the driveway, all documented grade requirements were followed.

As noted in your pictures, the east side of Huron Road Lots #17,#18, and #19 has drainage issues, these driveways and ditch grades have not changed from the original subdivision drawings. Even if the water drained to the culverts located on the northeast side of Huron Road, water would still pool in these locations. The culverts leading to the lake are at a higher elevation than the opposing ditch – one such culvert has at least a 5% kick-up and would require a significant amount of water in the ditch for it to drain effectively. If due diligence took place before construction, Sunset Place would not be faced with drainage issues with these three properties, nor with the corner lot of Huron Road and Sunset Place.

Although, John Yungblut Director of Public Works, worked to find a solution, that solution should not have put the burden on the community to contribute to the cost associated with the upgrading of storm sewers/ culverts on Huron Road. Furthermore, the mention of the potential removal of existing finished driveways is NOT ACCEPTABLE, when the Township was in a position to prevent any drainage issue prior to construction.

Is this not what we pay taxes for?

This work should have preceded the development of the subdivision to meet the updated Huron Road elevations. Furthermore, we must ask why the Township proceeded with the installation of a walkway, which cost upwards of $130k? If drainage was a concern when the Township installed the walkway, we would like to know why the ditch surrounding that area was filled in and seeded?

The money spent on the unnecessary walkway should have been used more economically, maybe to pay for the needed updates to Huron Road.

As noted in the August 7, 2024, presentation to the Committee of the Whole File # C11 PW 24, the Township recommends that the only way forward is a cost-sharing agreement with property owners. Such an agreement should pertain only to property ditches. We strongly believe that residents should not be required to pay for upgrades to Huron Road.

Again, this is what we pay taxes for.

The option we provided at the outset of these discussions is still the best solution. Each property owner should be allowed to fill in the ditch fronting their property, should they so desire. We are very willing to work with Huron-Kinloss Public Works staff as they provide oversight to ensure that we meet their requirements.

Regards,

Peggy Zeppieri
Tom Cole
Sunset Place Community

From: **Mike Hargrave** [redacted]
Subject: Fwd: Sunset Pl, Point Clark
Date: October 2, 2024 at 6:17 PM
To: [redacted]

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Sent from my iPhone

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> **Date:** July 2, 2024 at 1:53:00 PM EDT
> **Subject: FW: Sunset Pl, Point Clark**

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From: Mike Hargrave
Sent: July 2, 2024 1:51 PM
To: 'jeybergen@huronkinloss.com' <jeybergen@huronkinloss.com>
Cc: 'John Yungblut' <jyungblut@huronkinloss.com>; 'jhanna@huronkinloss.com' <jhanna@huronkinloss.com>
Subject: Sunset Pl, Point Clark

Good Afternoon,

In response to the letter sent pertaining to Sunset Pl development ditch proposals for 13 Sunset Pl.

In December of 2021 I had Kempton Construction fill my ditch, if I offended anyone I apologize sincerely but I will try to explain why. After long discussions with Brent/Tom Kempton and Matt pertaining to the ongoing water issues a massive drain was installed along the top side and across the back of my property(at my cost) to handle the challenges being faced within the Sunset Pl development. It was brought to my attention by Matt that the issues were with water behind me and to the east, at the time of the meeting(may2021) Matt asked if I would "help solve" the unanticipated challenges. I decided to the benefit of myself and surrounding properties I would lower my grade, including the buildings to accommodate this at 100% my cost. Some property owners did not perform any grading for water and or drainage to handle the constant flow and challenges with the water table. Once the drain was installed it became very apparent that this idea worked, water was running constantly and exiting into the open ditch. The ditch was a stagnant disgusting mess, weeds, slop, standing water and bugs….this was not what I purchased when I was sold the properties. They were marketed as estate style properties with a strict criteria of building finishes and architecture and matching grade plans. After a terrible scene with an visiting elderly person falling into the ditch when exiting there vehicle on the side of the road in front of my house I had enough. Conversation with Matt was, I am dealing with your water issues to help the subdivision at my cost and now I am dealing with the mess out front and it looks disgusting. Unsafe is an understatement with no road side shoulder and open water with young kids in neighborhood plus very aesthetically unpleasing. The response was "fill it in and I will deal with It" this is common sense. Kempton's then shot elevations to the specs of the subdivision and the 15" pipe and catch basins were completed along with tying in the entire drainage infrastructure of the property. The water exits out the main drainage pipe on the top end of the property into the 15" pipe in ditch and keeps flow as it exits the end of the 15" pipe at the west end of 13 Sunset Pl. The driveway culvert was previously set at to grade plan provided and driveway was paved as per 2 year window on deposit refund from developer. Please realize citizens work hard for there income and cant afford to be replacing driveways already paid for…and also you will never match concrete or asphalt to existing finish/colour. My one concern is who set original elevations, did the developer follow grade plan on driveway culverts? Was there accountability? How did the driveway culverts at the bottom of street get approved so low compared to culverts under

Huron road that exit the water? This appears to be the major issue at hand, not the properties up towards the top of Sunset Pl.

Total cost with Labour/Equipment hours(Kempton's) and my cost on 15" Smooth pipe with belled ends was $4385.53 for complete ditch installation. This is my issue, I am not saying I will not work with you but… 37k is ridiculous when I know the costs as I have already paid for it once. Understanding catch basins may be different and some miscellaneous items but not over 32k difference. I would like to see everyone happy and a great relationship with the township moving forward, working together is paramount and I hope that in the end an agreement can be reached. It is most certainly not my intention to challenge anyone on this proposal but to simply provide informative proof of the situation that I have experienced.

Point Clark is a wonderful place to be, I have summered in the area for 12 years and have recently chose to live here full time. Huron Kinloss should be proud of the little community it is becoming. The area is the coolest little vibe with an awesome beach/boat club, safe streets for kids and folks, sunsets to die for along with now the best restaurant for miles and miles.. I know a couple residents of Sunset Pl have been trying to come to a resolution on this issue and I hope this relationship/communication between both Huron Kinloss and them continues. Everyone just wants a financially fair solution that works for both the residents and the township.

Please see attached as per above.
If you care to see invoices from Kempton's and Carson's Plumbing I will gladly forward.

Kind Regards,
Mike Hargrave

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Staff Report

Report Title: Point Clark Drainage Master Plan
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: PW-2024-12-50**
Department: Public Works **File Number:** C11 PW 24
Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works
Attachments: BM Ross Letter

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW-2024-12-50 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works;

AND FURTHER supports implementing the following solutions to address the existing drainage issues in the northern Point Clark area as described in this report:

1. North Problem Area – Alternative 1 and Alternative 2; and
2. South Problem Area – Alternative 1

AND FURTHER directs staff to bring forward a final report for the Point Clark Stormwater Servicing Master Plan for Council approval.

Background:

A Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the creation of a stormwater servicing master plan for the northern Point Clark area was initiated in 2022 with the assistance of our consulting engineer, B.M. Ross and Associates. The purpose of the plan is to allow the Township to construct a drainage system on Township roads between Clark Creek and the Pine River that either don't have a drainage system or the existing system lacks the necessary capacity to accommodate storm events.

After reviewing various drainage concerns provided by Township staff and the public, two problem areas were identified: the North Problem Area and the South Problem Area. A description of these areas and potential solutions is provided in the attached letter from BM Ross.

Council must support a solution described in the letter that will be included in the final report, which will be made available for public comment.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

The alternatives outlined in the attached letter are less specific than the various alternatives that were included in the presentation to Council by B.M. Ross on Oct. 21, 2024. The reason for this is to provide more flexibility in the final design of the project.

For example, North Problem Area Alternative 1 will include upgrading the capacity of the St. Arnaud storm sewer, but the Township has the flexibility of making the decision of installing a pipe in the existing ditch on the Alfred St. road allowance or increasing the size of the existing ditch during the final design process.

Similarly, we have the option of implementing North Problem Area Alternative 2, which is the berm on agricultural property either, before or after Alternative 1.

With respect to North Problem Area Alternative 2, there are two points that should be noted:

- Constructing the berm without upgrades on St. Arnaud St. (Alternative 1), will not prevent flooding issues during storm events. The berm would only mitigate the severity of the flooding under larger storm events.
- The only way for the Township to construct a berm on private property with the consent of the landowner is to complete a Schedule B EA or use the Drainage Act

For the South Problem Area, the Township has the option of installing a storm sewer on Lakeside Trail or Victoria Road to the Pine River under Alternative 1. This would also be determined during the final design process.

There will be no timelines associated with any of these projects the final report, nor is there any obligation to construct any of these solutions. Each construction project will need to be approved by Council and included in a capital budget.

Financial Impacts:

The master plan EA process is included in the 2024 Capital Budget. There are no other financial commitments associated with this report.

Performance Measurement:

Township staff are still reviewing whether there are any key performance indicators that will provide meaningful results.

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure

Respectfully Submitted By:
John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

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File No. 21278

VIA EMAIL ONLY

November 27, 2024

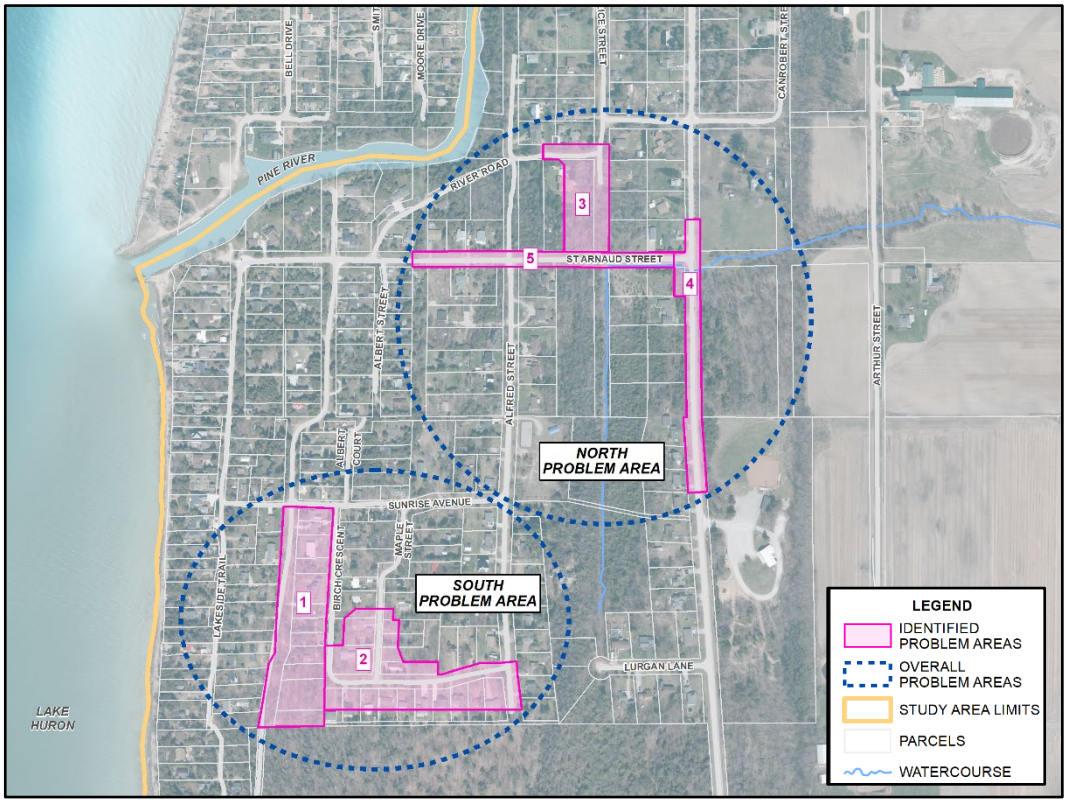
John Yungblut, Director of Public Works
Township of Huron-Kinloss
21 Queen Street, Box 130
Ripley, ON N0G 2R0

Re: Stormwater Servicing Master Plan – Northern Point Clark
Master Plan Update – Recommended Alternatives

On October 21, 2024, BMROSS staff presented an update to Huron-Kinloss Council on the Stormwater Servicing Master Plan and the results of a recent Public Meeting held as part of the Master Plan process. Further to the council presentation, this correspondence confirms the current recommendations for projects identified through the Master Plan

As noted in the presentation to council and illustrated below on Figure 1, alternatives have been identified for the two problem areas identified through the study; North Problem Area and South Problem Area.

Figure 1 – Identified Problem Areas



1.0 Identified Alternatives

1.1 North Problem Area

Four alternatives were identified for the north problem area to address the drainage problem in that area as follows: Existing drainage infrastructure is insufficient, in size and capacity, to accommodate existing and expected development and impacts related to climate change. The identified alternatives are as follows:

Alternative 1 – Increase capacity of the St. Arnaud storm sewer outletting to the Pine River

Alternative 2 – Investigate storage opportunities east of Lake Range Drive – Berm/pond facility

Alternative 3 – Investigate ditch improvements to provide additional storage capacity

Alternative 4 – Do Nothing

The recommended approach for the north problem area, to address the identified drainage deficiencies, is to **implement Alternative 1: Increase capacity of the St. Arnaud storm sewer outletting to the Pine River, and Alternative 2: Investigate storage opportunities east of Lake Range Drive – Berm/Pond Facility.** Because alternative 1 & alternative 2 each address a different component of the north problem area, the timing for implementation is not critical to the success of either component. Therefore implementation of either Alternative could proceed at the discretion of the Township, providing that all applicable approvals are obtained prior to implementation.

1.2 South Problem Area

Four alternatives were identified for the north problem area to address the drainage problem in that area as follows: Existing drainage infrastructure is insufficient, in size and capacity, to accommodate existing and expected development and impacts related to climate change. The identified alternatives are as follows:

Alternative 1 – Install storm sewer along Birch Crescent and then north, outletting to Pine River

Alternative 2 – Install storm sewer along Birch Crescent and Sunrise Ave., outletting to Lake Huron through a new outlet

Alternative 3 – Construct a storm drainage pumping station to pump stormwater to a suitable outlet

Alternative 4 - Subsurface disposal of stormwater (infiltration)

Alternative 5 - Do Nothing

The recommended approach for the south problem area, to address the identified drainage deficiencies, is **to implement Alternative 1: Install storm sewer along Birch Cr. and then north, outletting to the Pine River.** Because of the broad scope of work addressed through the Master Plan it is expected that individual projects will be implemented over a number of years.

The timing of implementation is at the discretion of the Township, when funding becomes available to move forward with implementation and providing that all applicable approvals have been obtained prior to implementation.

Implementation of projects for both the North and South Problem areas are subject to formal completion of the Master Plan process, which includes the following additional steps:

- Preparation of a Master Plan Report
- Preparation and Publication of a Notice of Master Plan Completion
- Master Plan Report must be made available for Public Review for a 30 day mandatory review period
- Formal adoption of the Master Plan by Township Council

I trust that this has provided the clarification required in regards to the recommended alternatives identified for the Stormwater Servicing Master Plan.

Yours very truly

B. M. ROSS AND ASSOCIATES LIMITED

Per _____
Steve Jackson, P. Eng.

B. M. ROSS AND ASSOCIATES LIMITED

Per _____
Kelly Vader, R.P.P.

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Staff Report

Report Title: Water-Wastewater December 2024
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: PW-2024-12-52**
Department: Public Works **File Number:** C11 PW 24
Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works
Attachments: Monthly Water/Wastewater Summary

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW2024-12-52 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

Background:

Monthly Summary

Our Operating Authority, Veolia Water Canada, has prepared a summary of the water and wastewater operations over the past month and is attached to this report.

Water and Wastewater Operations Contract

On Nov. 18, 2024, Council approved accepting a proposal from Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) to operate the Township drinking water and wastewater systems for a five year term beginning on Jan. 1, 2025.

Kincardine Water Supply

The Township has the ability to provide drinking water to the Municipality of Kincardine from the Huronville S Pumphouse when they encounter water supply issues.

Since March 2024, Kincardine has been in contact with Township staff regarding the potential of requiring water supply from the Huronville S Pumphouse for work to their intake and reservoir.

In late October, it was determined that water supply would be requested in late November for approximately one week. The Township began supplying water to Kincardine on November 26, 2024.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Water and Wastewater Operations Contract

Contract negotiations are progressing well with OCWA and Township staff are confident we will have a draft agreement ready for Council approval on Dec. 16, 2024.

Kincardine Water Supply

Now that the upgrades to the Huronville Pumphouse have been completed, Township are not anticipating any operational issues with the supply of water to Kincardine.

Financial Impacts:

The cost of our water and wastewater contract will be included in the 2025 Operating Budget.

The Township will be charging Kincardine for the volume of drinking water supplied.

Performance Measurement:

The new contract will require that a series of reports are submitted to Township staff to track the performance and condition of our water and wastewater assets.

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure

Respectfully Submitted By:
John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Veolia Water Summary for the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Date: November, 2024

Prepared by: Sarah Telford

WATER

Lakeshore

Adverse Samples: No adverse bacteriological sample results

Non-Compliances: None.

Equipment Issues:

- **Blairs Grove(BG)**:
  - Nothing to report
- **Huronville(HV):**
  - Is supporting Kincardine with water starting Nov. 26.
- **Murdoch Glen(MG):**
  - Nothing to report
- **Point Clark (PC):**
  - Nothing to report

General Information:

Work Orders were completed and all regulatory samples were taken

- 1 of 2 blow offs at Victoria and Lighthouse needs to be removed as 1 has been abandoned

Alarms: None to report

Main Breaks and Leaks: None

Power Outages: None

Inquiries and Complaints : None

Locates: (see Township master list)

Lucknow

Adverse Samples: None

Non-Compliances: None

Equipment Issues:

- **L4**
  - Roof needs to be replaced
- **L5**
  - Floor piping should be replaced or refurbished - it is badly corroded

Water Tower: Nothing to report

General Information:

Work Orders were completed and all regulatory samples were taken

Alarms: None

Main breaks and Leaks: None to Report

Power Outages: None to Report

Ripley

Adverse Samples: None.

Non-Compliances: None.

Equipment Issues: None.

Alarms: None

- **Ripley Well:**
  - **Nothing to report**
- **Elevated Tower:**
  - Nothing to report

General Information:

Work Orders were completed and all regulatory samples were taken

Alarms: None reported

Main breaks and Leaks: None

Power Outages: None

Whitechurch

Adverse Samples: No adverse bacteriological sample results

Non-Compliances: None.

General Information:

Working on Work Orders and all samples were taken including Lead

- Fuel tank has been inspected, waiting for a decision on quotes for replacement.

Equipment Issues: None to report.

Alarms: None

Main breaks and Leaks: None reported.

Power Outages: None to report

WASTEWATER

Lucknow WW

Certificate of Approval = 750m3/day

Exceedances: flows

Flows:

- October flows: 611 m^3 max daily flow; 451.55m^3 avg daily flow (60.21% capacity)

Non-Compliances: None

Equipment Issues:

- Check valve for pump #1 at LLS has been installed by Caldecott
- Investigating effluent pump floats at the Lucknow Lagoon (probable replacement needed)
- Lift station - need to pull the pump and clean out the wet well.

General information:
- Nothing to report

Sewer Main Breaks and Leaks: None reported.
Power Outages: None to report

RIPLEY WW
Certificate of Approval = 600 m3/day
Exceedances: None
Flows:
- October flows: 290 m^3 max daily flow; 197.90m^3 avg daily flow (32.99% capacity).

Non-Compliances: None
Equipment Issues:
- None reported

General information:
- The alum treatment is being kept higher than previously to avoid the large dosing prior to discharges
- BMRoss looking at dumping station options to limit chances of spills and danger to operators-John to line up Kemptons to do construction once approved
- PW Dept to spray at the aeration cell

Alarms: None
Sewer Main Breaks and Leaks: None reported
Power Outages: None

Ongoing Issues/Recommendations:

WATER:
All Inquiries, Complaints and locates are looked after by the Township.
- Veolia requests to have weeds/tree growth cleared around the well heads/buildings and the fire hydrants on Lake range
- John to have the GIS mapping updated as there are duplicates
- Power was out on Oct 31 in Ripley. Showing that there is still a problem with alarm dialer. Caller should be back up to SCADA not in addition to. John working with Scott Lillie re: repair costs.

WASTEWATER:

Lucknow: Nothing to report
Ripley: Nothing new to report.

Staff Report

Report Title: Employee Years of Service Recognition 2024
Prepared By: Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist
Department: CAO
Date: Dec. 2, 2024
Report Number: CAO-2024-12-38 **File Number: C11-CAO 24**
Attachments: None

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO-2024-12-38 prepared by Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist.

Background:

The Township of Huron-Kinloss proudly acknowledges the dedication and achievements of its Employees, placing special emphasis on celebrating their length of service milestones. In line with this commitment, the Township is dedicated to honoring individuals who contribute significantly through their commitment, diligent efforts, and impactful actions, thereby contributing to the success of the Township and the community. Employees will be celebrated at different career milestones through a thoughtful and reliable awards program, designed to support and encourage lasting engagement and retention.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

In accordance with the Townships Employee Recognition Policy, we would like to recognize the following Years of Service milestones:

5 Year Anniversary	Mark Fry, Facility Custodian
	Claude Wiggermann, Public Works Operator
10 Year Anniversary	Heather Falconer, By-Law Enforcement Officer

Staff members received their Service Milestone Recognition Gifts in accordance with the Employee Recognition Policy. These thoughtful gifts were presented during the monthly staff meetings, encouraging a sense of appreciation and recognition among their peers.

Financial Impacts:

Included in the proposed 2024 budget as part of normal operating expenses.

Performance Measurement: N/A

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Support employee recruitment and retention

Respectfully Submitted By:
Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

Report Title: Work From Home Policy Pilot Program
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CAO-2024-12-39**
Department: CAO **File Number:** C11-CAO24
Prepared By: Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist
Attachments: Work From Home Policy-Draft

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO-2024-12-39 as prepared by Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist;

AND provides direction with regard to the information in report CAO-2024-12-39;

AND THAT Council approves Staff entering into a 6-month work from home pilot program.

Background:

Through the strategic planning process, it was identified that employee satisfaction and retention require some support to align with the organization's overall goals. Township staff are dedicated to enhancing municipal services and supporting the goal of attracting and retaining quality employees. The integrated master plan aligns with the broader strategic plan initiatives to improve employee satisfaction and retention by creating a supportive work environment. The integrated master plan outlines these initiatives which includes "engaging employees to determine the need for flexible work arrangements."

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

As part of the integrated master plan, employees were engaged through a series of interviews, using consistent questions to establish a baseline understanding of their needs and preferences. The consolidated results provided valuable insights, which were then discussed with the senior team to determine the next steps. Based on this engagement, a team of staff was formed that consisted of a variety of positions and they were tasked with developing a draft policy and plan for a work-from-home arrangement.

The team's draft policy serves as the foundation for a 6-month pilot program, which will explore the feasibility and benefits of a flexible work-from-home arrangement and support a positive work-life balance for Staff. This pilot program is designed to gather further insights and feedback from employees, ensuring that the final policy is

practical, aligns with the needs of our workforce and maintains the current level of service for our residents.

By implementing this work-from-home pilot project, we aim to create a supportive work environment that enhances employee satisfaction, retention, and overall well-being. As a common practice among other organizations working from home options are a sought-after benefit and are key to recruitment. This initiative is a fundamental component of our strategy to attract and retain quality employees, ultimately contributing to the success and excellence of our municipal services.

Financial Impacts:

To be assessed throughout the pilot program and considered as part of the 2025-2026 capital budgets.

Performance Measurement:

Strategic Area:

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Strategic Goal: Support employee recruitment and retention

Respectfully Submitted By:
Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Policy

Section: 3.0 Human Resources

Policy: Work From Home Policy

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Date: Click here to enter a date. Revision: DRAFT

Coverage:

The policy applies to permanent full-time and part-time employees, as well as contract employees, who have successfully completed their probation period and whose roles are suitable for working from home. The ability to work remotely will support the Township's objectives while also aligning with our strategic plan to attract and retain employees.

Policy Statement:

This policy outlines the guidelines and expectations for employees who wish to work from home as part of a flexible work arrangement. It aims to provide a supportive and productive work environment while promoting work-life balance. The Township recognizes the benefits of a flexible work model and aims to support employees in balancing their work and personal responsibilities while maintaining productivity and alignment with the Townships service standards. This policy provides an opportunity for eligible employees to work from home on a flexible basis. Requests to work from home for more than 2 days per week will be considered on a case-by-case basis. It is important to note that this is not a mandatory or full-time solution and employees working from home do not create additional work for employees working on-site. This policy does not alter or replace the terms of an existing employment contract. Employees must comply with all Township policies, procedures, and instructions that would apply if the employee were working at their regular worksite.

Legislative Authority:

Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Employment Standards Act

Workplace Safety and Insurance Act

Canada Revenue Agency

Contents:

Definitions:

Work from home	Performing work from your primary residence, in a temporary or hybrid situation. This may also be referred to as Remote Work in this policy.
Workspace	Location in which work is performed.
Hours of work	Hours of work are based on the Municipal office hours of operation or as scheduled by your supervisor.
Data security	The measures and practices implemented to protect sensitive information and digital assets from unauthorized access, theft, or misuse when employees are working outside of a traditional office environment. Email Records Management Policy By-law No. 2019-121 & Records Management Policy By-law No. 2019-119.
CAO	Chief Administrative Officer
Employee	Permanent full-time or part-time or contract employee who have successfully completed their probation and whose roles are suitable for remote work.
Township	The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss
Supervisor	The Senior Management Team and in some cases your direct supervisor. A person who has charge of a workspace or authority over a worker.
Equipment	Electronic products, including computers, software, phones, tablets and related items used for conducting Township business.
On-site work	Performing work from the corporate office or designated corporate workspace.
Flexible work model arrangement	Employees who split their work hours between the administration office and working remotely from home for a maximum of two days per week.
Child-care	Supervision, care and development of children.
Elder-care	Specialized support, assistance and services for an elderly family member.

Work Schedule and Hours

Employees working from home are expected to adhere to the regular work hours or as scheduled by their supervisor. The total number of work hours required for their position must be met, and any overtime must be pre-approved by the supervisor. Travel to the office for meetings or events does not count towards hours worked.

If the employee cannot work the normal hours, the employee will be required to use vacation, floater, banked time or flex time. Employees are expected to continue to book time off from work using the current procedures.

Eligibility and Approval

To be eligible for the work-from-home arrangement, employees must:

- Have a role or specific tasks that are suitable for work from home. Examples would be virtual training, online meetings, administrative tasks that can be done remotely.
- Demonstrate a satisfactory level of job experience and consistently meet or exceed performance expectations.
- Obtain approval from their supervisor, and for exceptions, the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO).
- Complete the Work From Home Agreement form (attached)

Due to operational needs and the nature of certain positions, work from home may not be feasible for all roles. The Township will assess the position's suitability, and employees should discuss their interest and eligibility with their supervisors.

Employees who are sick are encouraged to take the necessary time to rest and recover. If an employee is in a position that is suitable for work from home and is well enough to effectively complete work the supervisor can approve the employee to work from home while they recover. In the case where an employee requests to work remote in order to care for a sick child, supervisor approval is required. It is the expectation that the employee will work their standard work hours throughout the day. If the employee cannot work the normal hours, It may be necessary to work outside their normal working hours. The employee will notify staff accordingly and will be required to use vacation, floater, banked time or flex time for hours missed.

This policy is not to be used for regular childcare or eldercare purposes, these situations should be addressed through separate accommodation processes.

Communication and Collaboration

Effective communication and collaboration are essential for work from home. Employees are expected to maintain regular contact with their supervisors and colleagues, utilizing email, phone, or video conferencing. All necessary meetings should be conducted virtually, and in-person meetings shall take place on Township's premises or a specific site

Performance Management

Employees must continue to meet performance expectations and complete tasks as scheduled. Supervisors will monitor productivity through regular updates and goal tracking. Employees must stay updated on work affairs, communicate regularly with their supervisors, and reach out for support when needed. If an employee's presence is required at the workplace for a meeting, reasonable notice will be provided, and attendance is expected.

Health and Safety

Employees working from home are responsible for creating a safe and suitable workspace that meets health and safety requirements. Employees are expected to work from their primary residence, not in public spaces or from a secondary location such as a cottage, trailer, or out-of-province.

They must report any work-related accidents or injuries to their supervisor and follow the Township's accident reporting procedures. Employees will continue to be covered by the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act* (WSIA) while working from home and adhering to all Township policies.

Employees must remain fit for duty as per the Township's policies, during all working hours. Incidents of workplace violence and harassment must be reported by the employee to the supervisor immediately in accordance with the Workplace Violence and Harassment policy.

Data Security and Confidentiality

When working remotely, employees must use Township-provided equipment and maintain data security and confidentiality. All documents and information must be saved on the Township's online records management system and in accordance with the Email Records Management Policy & Records Management Policy. Transfer of original or official documents, into a private organization or individuals, is prohibited in accordance with the Records Management Policy. Employees are responsible for protecting company property and data and must adhere to confidentiality requirements, especially when discussing sensitive information. Employees are responsible for data security and are not permitted to use public Wi-Fi for Township business.

Equipment and Costs

To optimize our workspace and accommodate our work from home arrangements, designated office spaces may be shared among on-site colleagues when employees are not utilizing their assigned desks.

Employees are responsible for providing their own workspace furnishings and ensuring adequate home insurance to cover their home office. Employees are responsible for securing internet access and covering the personal workspace costs including electricity and other utilities. The use of Township-owned equipment at the employee's home workspace requires prior approval, and all equipment must be returned when the work from home arrangement ends.

End of Agreement

The Township reserves the right to modify or cancel the work from home arrangement at any time, based on operational requirements or if the arrangement no longer meets organizational goals. Where employee performance becomes an issue the work from home arrangement may be revoked. If an employee's work from home arrangement has a negative impact on other employees' performance or Township customer service standards, the work from home arrangement may be revoked. Employees may also terminate or change the arrangement by providing written notice to their supervisor, with the supervisor's consent.

Responsibilities

- Employees: Adhere to the policy guidelines, maintain a professional work environment, and ensure a safe and suitable remote workspace. Employees will assume the costs of home workspace set up and utilities and must maintain a secure internet connection.
- Supervisors: Assess eligibility, provide approval through the Work From Home Agreement form, and ensure effective performance management and communication with remote employees. Supervisors will ensure that work from home does not compromise service delivery.
- Chief Administrative Officer (CAO): Provide final approval for exceptions and ensure alignment with the organization’s goals.
- Human Resources: Support the implementation and communication of the policy, providing training and guidance to employees and supervisors.

This policy aims to create a flexible and supportive work environment while maintaining high standards of performance and productivity. It is subject to an initial 6-month trial

period, followed by annual reviews and may be updated based on feedback and the evolving needs of the organization.

Staff Report

Report Title: Resolutions for Consideration December 2, 2024
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CLK-2024-12-47**
Department: Legislative Services **File Number:** C11 CLK 24
Prepared By: Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk
Attachments: a) Township of Puslinch Soil Management Practices b) Township of Puslinch Reuse of Excess Soil c) City of Hamilton Road Safety Measures

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-12-47 prepared by Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk;

AND FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole support the following resolutions;

AND FURTHER direct Staff to distribute as they see fit.

Background:

These resolutions were received from other Ontario Municipalities for consideration.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

a) The Township of Puslinch is calling upon the Provincial government to prioritize the protection of agricultural lands in the management of excess soils from roads and underground projects and to ensure that adequate resources are allocated to support enforcement and oversight of excess soil regulations. Puslinch is also requesting the Province collaborate with municipalities to provide support and funding for enforcement activities related to soil management and conduct a impact assessment in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Report before proceeding with the traffic tunnel.

b) Township of Puslinch formally objects to the proposed amendments to the Excess Soil Regulation citing concerns regarding the detrimental effects on local municipalities, the environment, soil and groundwater quality protection and effective land use planning.

c) The City of Hamilton is formally opposed to any proposed provincial initiative that seeks to restrict or limit the autonomy of municipalities in implementing road safety measures, including the establishment of or removal of bike lanes or bike infrastructure and support the empowerment of municipal road authorities to independently assess and recommend the best methods to ensure the safety of all road users within their jurisdiction.

Financial Impacts:

There are no financial implications with this report.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Not applicable

Respectfully Submitted By:
Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

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November 7, 2024

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RE: Motion for the Protection of Agricultural Lands and Sustainable Development in Relation to Provincial Projects and Excess Soil Management Practices

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on October 23, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2024-378: Moved by Councillor Hurst and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

Whereas the provincial government is undertaking:

a) significant road and underground projects over the next ten years which will generate significant excess soil to be managed and disposed; and
b) studies of underground projects that if implemented will also generate significant excess soil: and

Whereas landfill sites across Ontario are already near capacity, necessitating amendments to legislation to allow certain quality soil to be disposed at excess soil reuse sites instead of being disposed of in landfills effective January 1, 2025; and

Whereas the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) is currently under resourced and lacks the capacity to effectively manage the additional enforcement and oversight required for the relocation of excess soil; and

Whereas the responsibility to enforce and oversee excess soil regulations is being downloaded onto municipalities, which have limited enforcement capabilities and face the risk of significant costs being passed on to local taxpayers; and

Whereas contamination of existing soil and groundwater is a significant concern, particularly in rural municipalities with valuable agricultural lands and reliance on groundwater for its residents; and

Whereas agricultural lands must be prioritized equally with housing needs, roads and underground infrastructure; failure to adequately protect these lands could exacerbate the ongoing food crisis in Ontario; and

Whereas Ontario is not alone in navigating the challenges of sustainable development, and the United Nations provides guidance through its Sustainable Development Report, which includes goals focused on economic growth, infrastructure, sustainable communities, hunger, clean water and sanitation, climate action, and life on land; and

Whereas it is critical that governments consider the comprehensive impacts on all of these areas when conducting feasibility studies and implementing projects which generate excess soil; and

Whereas neglecting to account for the broader implications of projects may lead to negative outcomes;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch calls on the provincial government to:

1. Prioritize the protection of agricultural lands in the management of excess soil from roads and underground projects and in the planning and feasibility studies related to such projects.
2. Ensure that adequate resources are allocated to the MECP to support effective enforcement and oversight of excess soil regulations.
3. Collaborate with municipalities to provide necessary support and funding for enforcement activities related to excess soil management, minimizing financial burdens on local taxpayers.
4. Conduct a comprehensive impact assessment that considers all aspects of sustainable development, in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Report, before proceeding with the traffic tunnel project and any further amendments to excess soil legislation; and

That the Township of Puslinch Council direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; the Premier of Ontario; all Ontario municipalities; MPP Arnott; MPP Rae; the Wellington Federation of Agriculture; and OMAFRA requesting support for the protection of agricultural lands and sustainable development practices in Ontario.

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities

Hon. Paul Calandra
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RE: 10.1 ERO Posting 019-9196 Enabling greater beneficial reuse excess soil

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on November 20th, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2024-415: Moved by Councillor Hurst and Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That Council receive the Mayors and Council member updates for information.
Whereas the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is currently consulting on proposed amendments to the Excess Soil Regulation, with potentially significant implications for local municipalities; and

Whereas these proposed changes, including landfilling restrictions and exemptions for waste environmental compliance approvals, pose substantial risks to environmental

integrity, groundwater protection, local enforcement efforts, and land use planning; and

Whereas the proposed amendments may undermine local municipalities' ability to effectively manage excess soil, potentially leading to adverse environmental impacts, such as soil and/or groundwater contamination and disruption of local ecosystems; and

Whereas the relaxation of regulatory requirements for soil management could further hinder the enforcement capabilities of municipal authorities, making it more challenging to monitor and address compliance issues, thus jeopardizing public health and safety; and

Whereas the proposed regulations do not provide sufficient clarity regarding whether the intent of the proposed regulations are to permit ARA licensed sites to be used as reuse sites for excess soil; and

Whereas the proposed flexibility in soil reuse standards could conflict with established land use planning frameworks, potentially resulting in incompatible land uses and further strain on local infrastructure; and

Whereas the introduction of regional mapping for areas with naturally occurring exceedances presents significant financial challenges for municipalities, as the costs associated with implementing such mapping projects may not be feasible given limited budgets and resources; and

Whereas relaxing excess soil regulations and implementing regional mapping could negatively impact agricultural lands by allowing excess soil to be disposed of in ways that diminish the quality and usability of these valuable lands for future agricultural purposes, highlighting the need to prioritize the protection of agricultural lands equally with infrastructure projects and housing developments;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of Township of Puslinch formally objects to the proposed amendments to the Excess Soil Regulation, citing concerns regarding the detrimental effects on local municipalities, the environment, soil and groundwater quality protection, and effective land use planning; and

That the Council of Township of Puslinch directs staff to forward this resolution to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, outlining these concerns and advocating for a more balanced approach that prioritizes environmental protection, local governance, and the protection of resident's health and safety; and further,

That this resolution be shared with all Ontario Municipalities, the Premier of Ontario; County Planning staff, MPP Arnott; MPP Rae; the Wellington Federation of Agriculture; and OMAFRA requesting support for the protection of agricultural lands and sustainable excess soil management practices in Ontario.

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities, County of Wellington Planning Staff, Wellington Federation of Agriculture, Executive Director of TAPMO

City of Hamilton
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November 19, 2024

Via Email: premier@ontario.ca
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Re: Opposing the Proposed Provincial Initiative that Seeks to Restrict or Limit the Autonomy of Municipalities in Implementing Road Safety Measures

Hamilton City Council, at its meeting held on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, passed the following resolution:

7.1 Opposing the Proposed Provincial Initiative that Seeks to Restrict or Limit the Autonomy of Municipalities in Implementing Road Safety Measures

(Kroetsch/Cassar)
WHEREAS, the safety of all road users, including cyclists, is a paramount concern and a fundamental responsibility of both provincial and municipal governments;

WHEREAS, crashes involving motor vehicles pose significant risks to cyclists, pedestrians, and other vulnerable road users, leading to serious injuries and fatalities;

WHEREAS, the implementation of safe road infrastructures, such as bike lanes, is a proven measure to enhance the safety and accessibility of roadways for cyclists, promoting healthier and sustainable transportation options;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Chief Coroner of Ontario ("OCC") conducted the Cycling Death review, which was the most comprehensive death review into the causes of cycling deaths in Ontario;

WHEREAS, the OCC made its primary recommendation to the province the adoption of "Complete Streets" which emphasize the need for comprehensive planning and design of roadway infrastructure to safely accommodate all users, including through the installation of more cycling networks including bike lanes;

WHEREAS, municipal governments have the local knowledge and contextual understanding necessary to effectively address specific community transportation needs, including the development and maintenance of safe cycling infrastructure within their cities;

WHEREAS, any provincial initiative that seeks to prevent or preclude municipalities from implementing necessary road safety measures, such as bike lanes, undermines local governance and the ability of municipalities to protect the well-being of their residents and ensure compliance with their obligations that roadways are reasonably safe for all users; and

WHEREAS, this resolution expresses the City of Hamilton's commitment to supporting municipal autonomy in enhancing road safety and emphasizes the importance of integrating protective measures for cyclists through locally tailored infrastructure solutions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That Hamilton City Council formally oppose any proposed provincial initiative that seeks to restrict or limit the autonomy of municipalities in implementing road safety measures, including the establishment and or removal of bike lanes or bike infrastructure;

(b) That Hamilton City Council supports the empowerment of municipal road authorities to independently assess and recommend the best methods to ensure the safety of all road users within their jurisdictions and responsibilities; and

(c) That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Paul Calandra, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the area MPPs and MPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.

Sincerely,

Matthew Trennum
City Clerk

cc. Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Area MPPs and MPs,
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities

Staff Report

Report Title: Deeming - Part of Plan 20, Geographic Village Lucknow and Part of Plan 101 Geographic Township of Kinloss

Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CLK-2024-12-48**

Department: Legislative Services **File Number:** C11 CLK 24

Prepared By: Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk

Attachments: Plan 20, Plan 101, Overview map

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CLK-2024-12-48 prepared by Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk;

AND FURTHER authorizes Part Lot 219, Lots 220 to 229 Plan 20, Geographic Village Lucknow to not be lots in a registered plan;

AND FURTHER authorizes Lots 21 to 30, 39 to 47, 66 to 101, Part Lots 102 to 104, 105, 106 Plan 101 Geographic Township of Kinloss to not be lots in a registered plan;

AND FURTHER that the appropriate by-law be brought forward.

Background:

The Lucknow and District Kinsmen (Kinsmen) have recently been advised that the registered plans (Nos. 20 and 101) that apply, in part, to the area known as the Lucknow's Music in the Fields site are still in effect. As such the property is currently comprised of a large number of lots that were created by the plans.

The Township has received a request to merge these lots to the greatest extent possible by having Council pass a Deeming By-law.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Pursuant to subsection 50(4) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P13, as amended Council has the authority to designate a Plan of Subdivision, or part thereof, that has been registered for eight years or more, to be deemed not to be lots in a registered Plan of Subdivision to the purpose of subsection 50(3) of the Planning Act.

The property is zoned Open Space with special provisions. The Kinsmen have indicated a desire to proceed with planning applications to allow for proposed uses with the possibility of constructing permanent structures and recognizing existing structures.

A deeming By-law is required to remove the lots from the plans of subdivision, thereby allowing the lots to merge removing the existing property lines.

The number of individual lots (highlighted on attached plans) would be reduced to four, each of which would be separated from one another by municipally-owned unopened road allowances and the south lot having frontage on Campbell St. (Bruce Rd 86).

By passing the deeming by-law this will allow the proposed development to be consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

Financial Impacts:

As per the Consolidated Fees By-Law. Fees and deposits have been received to cover legal and registration costs. Any unused portion of the deposit will be refunded, overages will be the responsibility of the applicant.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

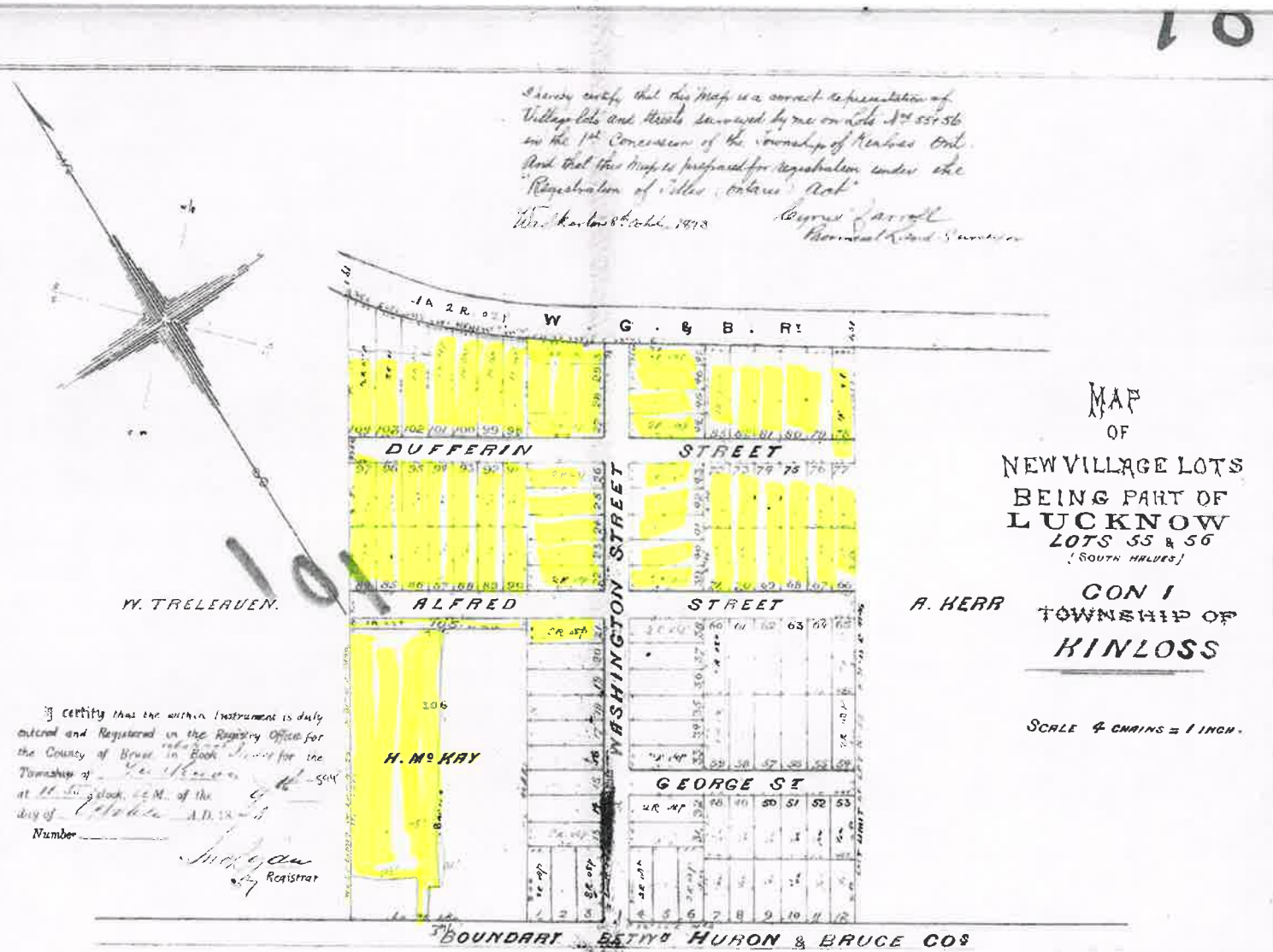
Strategic Area:

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☒Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Build Community Capacity

Respectfully Submitted By:
Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer


I do hereby certify that this Map is a correct representation of Village Lots and Streets surveyed by me on Lots Nos 55 & 56 on the 1st Concession of the Township of Kinloss Ont. And that this Map is prepared for registration under the "Registration of Titles Ontario" Act.
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Registered Land Surveyor
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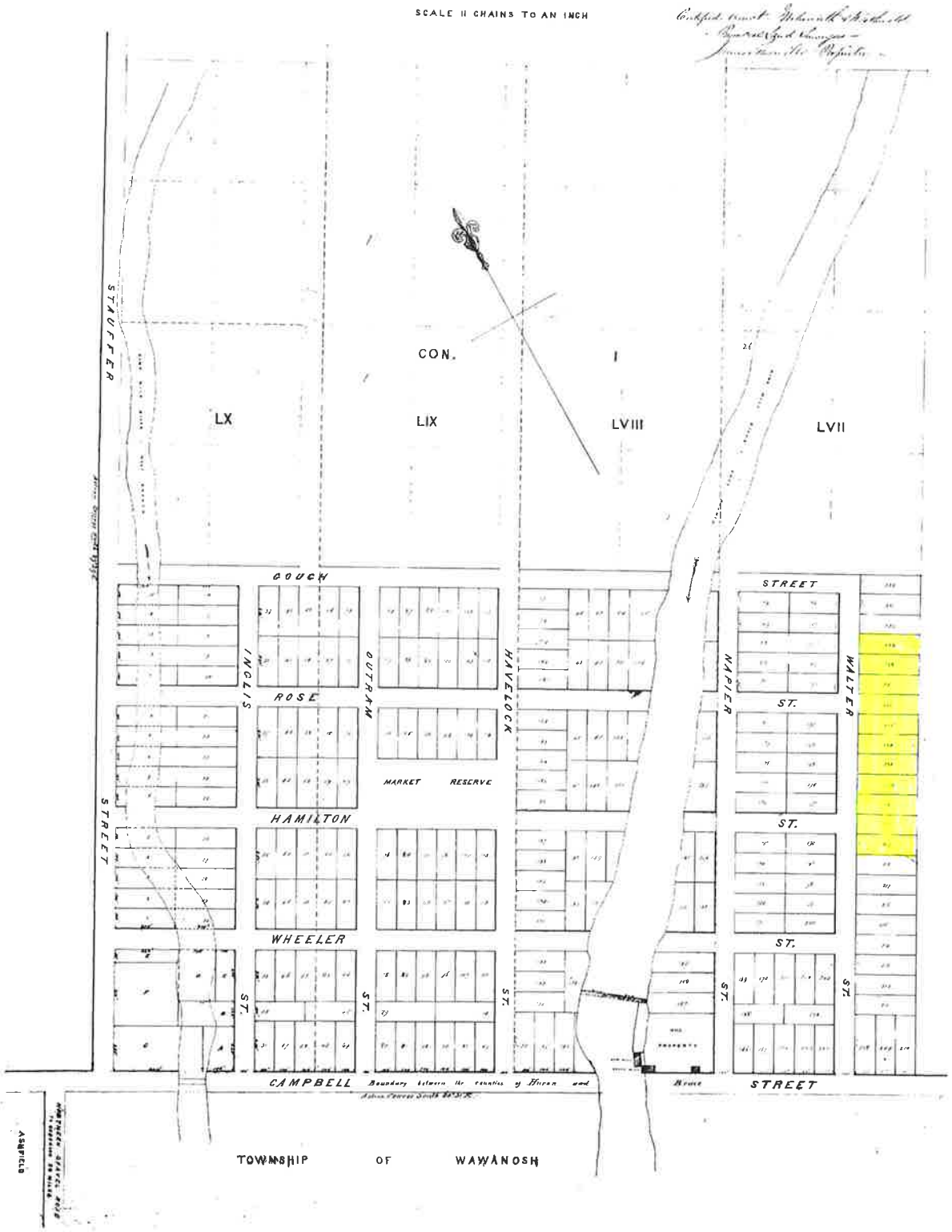
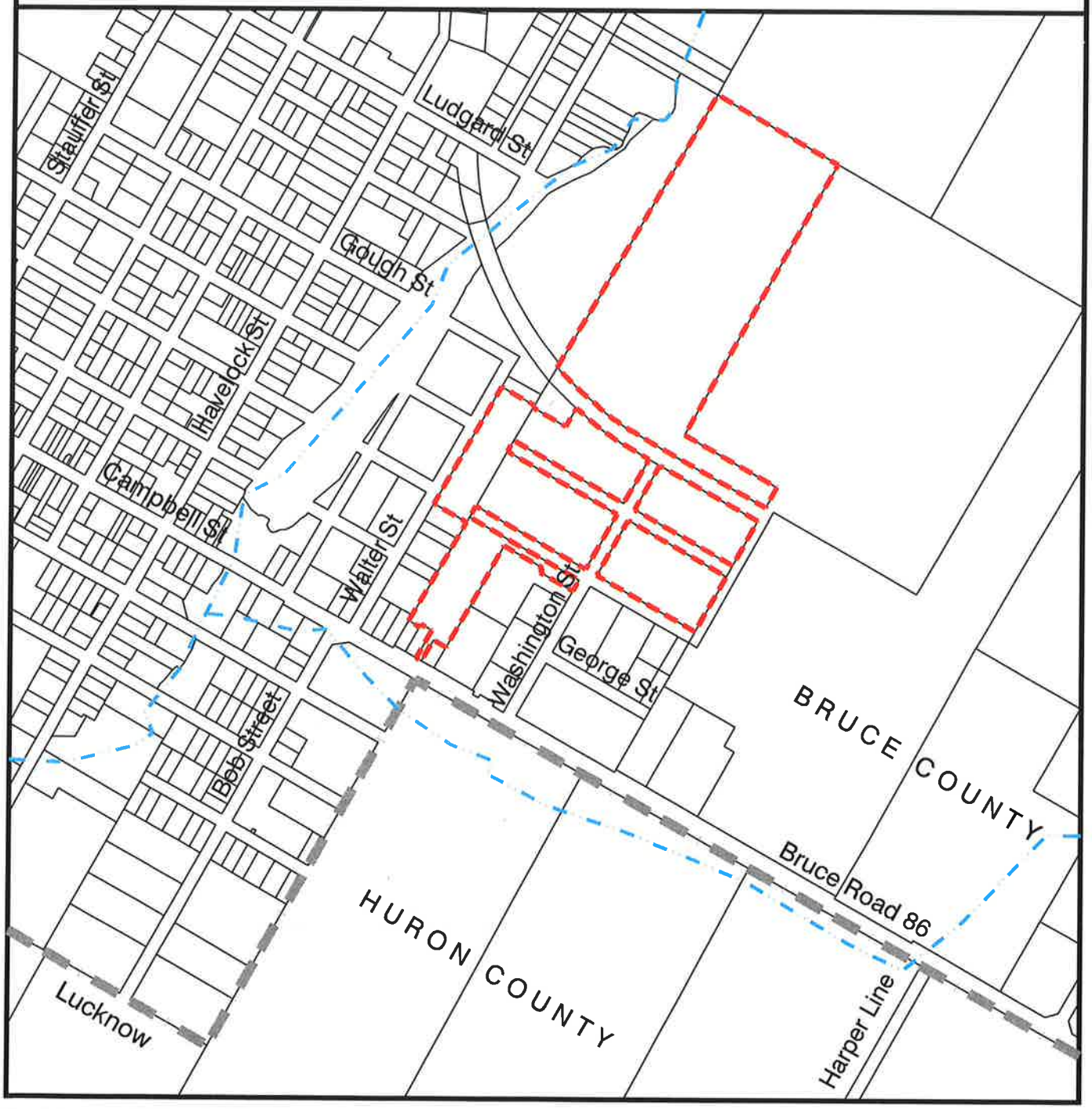


Figure 1: Location Map

Subject Property



Lucknow and District Kinsmen Club
Lucknow, Ontario

RON DAVIDSON
LAND USE PLANNING CONSULTANT INC
OWEN SOUND, ONTARIO

SCALE 1:9000

Staff Report

Report Title: 25 -Year Amalgamation Anniversary Time Capsule Video
Date: Dec. 2, 2024 **Report Number: CLK-2024-12-49**
Department: Legislative Services **File Number:** C11 CLK24
Prepared By: Kristen Prentice, Communications Coordinator
Attachments: 25-yr Anniversary Logo

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-12-49 prepared by Kristen Prentice, Communications Coordinator.

Background:

In 1999, the Township of Huron-Kinloss was formed through the amalgamation of Ripley-Huron, the Township of Kinloss, and the Village of Lucknow. This significant restructuring united our rural and village communities under one municipal government.

The 25th anniversary of amalgamation is a meaningful opportunity to reflect on the progress we have achieved together as a community

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

The first Mayor of Huron-Kinloss was Stuart Reavie, with Keith Vander Hoek serving as Deputy Mayor. The inaugural Council included Lillian Abbott, Mitchell Twolan, Gerald Doelman, Wilfred Gamble, and James Hanna.

The Township office was established in Ripley in the former Town Hall, symbolizing the start of a new chapter for our community. Over the past 25 years, Huron-Kinloss has grown into a thriving and unified municipality while preserving its rural charm and values.

Some of the key community accomplishments over the past 25 years include:

- **Septic Inspection Program**: Promoting environmental sustainability and protecting water quality.
- **Extension of Lake Range Drive**: Addressing traffic concerns along Boiler Beach Road and improving transportation along the lakeshore.
- **Pine River Watershed Initiative Network**: Supporting conservation and environmental stewardship through collaborative efforts.
- **Construction/Renovation of Lucknow and Ripley Fire Halls**: Enhancing emergency response and ensuring community safety.

These initiatives demonstrate Huron-Kinloss's commitment to sustainable growth, safety, and community development.

To commemorate this milestone, the Township partnered with videographer Tom Church to produce a time capsule-style video. This video captures the spirit of our journey with a focus on three themes: where we came from, where we are now, and where we are going. It includes interviews, historic photographs, and visuals from across the Township to celebrate our achievements and highlight our unique rural identity. The video can be found at Our Communities | Township of Huron-Kinloss.

Looking to the future, the Township remains guided by its principles of inclusiveness, transparency, accountability, kindness, and organizational excellence. Our vision—to be a unified, engaged, and caring community that cultivates opportunities and embraces our rural lifestyle—continues to shape our direction and inspire growth.

Financial Impacts:

This project was included in the 2024 operating budget.

Performance Measurement:

n/a

Strategic Area:

☒Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☒ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☒Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Encourage strong communication and community engagement

Respectfully Submitted By:
Kristen Prentice, Communications Coordinator

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

25
1999-2024
Anniversary of
Amalgamation
Huron-Kinloss

MUNICIPALITY OF
South Bruce

For Immediate Release
November 28, 2024

South Bruce Not Moving Forward with NWMO Site Selection Process

SOUTH BRUCE, ON –The Municipality of South Bruce has been notified that the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) has selected the Township of Ignace and Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation to host the NWMO's Deep Geological Repository (DGR).

South Bruce congratulates the NWMO for the completion of its process and the two northern communities on being the selected site.

The Municipality will receive a $4 million payment from the NWMO for its participation in the site selection process. This payment is in addition to the $4 million the Municipality is set to receive from the NWMO in early 2025 for declaring the community a willing host following a referendum held on October 28, 2024.

"Through its 12-year participation in the site selection process the Municipality has positioned itself to pursue alternative economic development opportunities," said Mayor Mark Goetz. "South Bruce looks forward to exploring these opportunities to create success for future generations."

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For more information:

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Chief Administrative Officer
Municipality of South Bruce
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Site ID	Sample Time	Flow/Wave Height	Water Clarity	Animal Type/Number/Obs.	Flowing Tile/Ditch	Other Observations (surroundings/field status, rain, colours, odours, algae…)
PR1	10:00	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR3	8:50	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Thick Green algae blooms throughout stream
PR4	9:00	Slow	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR5	9:10	Slow	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR6	11:45	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR7	11:50	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR8	12:15	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Level too low for clear sample, likely stagnant
PR9	No sample			-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR10	12:30	Very Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR11	No sample			-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Dry - No sample
PR12	12:50	Very Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Possibly recently stagnant, sample has brown tint
PR13	13:00	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR17	11:35	Very Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR18	No sample			-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Dry - No sample, beaver damn 10m upstream
PR19	11:20	Very Slow	Semi-Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR20	11:10	0.4m	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Sparse live and dead algae along shore
PR21	10:40	0.2m	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Live and dead algae along shore
PR22	10:20	0.1m	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR23	9:50	0.1m	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Sparse live and dead algae along shore
PR24	9:40	0.15m	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR25	9:30	0.3m	Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR26	9:20	0.3m	Semi-Turbid	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR27	8:40	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Likely stagnant
PR29	No sample			-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Dry - No sample, stagnant pools only
PR30	8:30	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
PR32	12:10	Very Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
B4	10:15	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
5	No sample			-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Dry - No sample
6	10:10	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
8	10:30	Very Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
9	No sample			-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Dry - No sample
12	11:00	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Thick duckweed and pondweed throughout
13	10:35	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	
17	10:50	Slow	Clear	-	Y **N** / Y **N**	Thick duckweed and pondweed throughout

General Weather Conditions	
Sampling Date:	November 5, 2024
Present:	16.8 - 21.1C, clouds, no rain, 55km/h gusts
24 Hours:	9.4 - 19.2C, clouds, no rain, 49 km/h gusts
48 Hours:	0 - 12.1C, clouds, no rain, 57 km/h gusts
72 Hours:	
General Obs.:	

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GREEN	Below Guideline
RED	=> 100 cfu/100mL
GREY	No Data

E. Coli (cfu/100mL)
Sample Date

SAMPLE ID	LOCATION	March 25	April 29	May 21	June 17	July 15	Aug. 12	Sept. 9	Oct. 8	Nov. 5
PR1	Pine River-'Bridge on Lake Range Road, south of Lurgan Road	36	420	54	61	62	42	40	174	26
PR3	South Pine River-Bridge on Hwy. 21 at 6th Conc.	38	112	40	22	76	112	54	52	16
PR4	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 6th Conc.	24	250	66	18	62	44	2	20	26
PR5	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 8th Conc.	54	1120	86	60	50	12	9	52	20
PR6	South Pine River-Bridge on Sideroad 25 North of 6th Conc.	4	112	78	84	48	102	50	400	140
PR7 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Culvert on Sideroad 25 South of 4th Conc.	55	12	198	70	96	28	80	74	400
PR8	South Pine River-Culvert on the 15th North of 6th Conc.	10	78	132	76	130	84	144	84	46
PR9	Pine River-Bridge on the 15th South of 10th Conc.	20	196	96	4	60	272	22	Dry	Dry
PR10	Royal Oak Creek-Bridge on the 15th North of the 12th Conc.	286	198	100	106	104	242	84	Dry	520
PR11	Royal Oak Creek-Cuvlert on Sideroad 5 north Huron-Kincardine East	1160	378	800	88	110	520	Dry	Dry	Dry
PR12	Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 12th Conc.	4	74	680	720	1120	160	86	Dry	200
PR13	South Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 8th Conc.	26	23	230	800	188	1160	126	760	6
PR17 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	182	*Overgrown	194	112	88	18	112	72	440
PR18 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary- Middle Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	10	172	118	68	89	540	182	Dry	Dry
PR19 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 2nd Conc.	14	38	140	42	52	60	8	200	28
PR20	Beach at Hwy. 86 -Amberely Road.	< 2	2	< 2	98	62	32	44	30	16
PR21	Beach off of Attawandron Road-Public Walkway	< 2	34	112	480	86	66	2	42	46
PR22	Beach-Point Clark Swimming Area	4	6	4	34	68	28	4	66	52
PR23	Lurgan Beach-Public Walkway	2	58	4	46	106	2	4	32	48
PR24	Beach at 6th Conc.	< 2	54	36	132	64	8	< 2	44	26
PR25	Beach at 8th Conc.	< 2	4	4	30	74	18	4	24	30
PR26	Beach at 10th Conc.	< 2	8	2	24	48	22	2	16	28
PR27	Boyd Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	20	24	104	48	62	16	16	2	< 2
PR29	Boyd Creek on Sideroad 20 North of 6th Conc.	2	34	82	198	128	140	32	58	Dry
PR30	Eighteen Mile Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	10	42	74	68	44	159	72	56	62
PR32	Eighteen Mile Creek on the 15th North of 2nd Conc.	2	28	100	92	36	154	84	72	84
B4	Clark Creek at the Lake	14	36	100	50	162	86	86	152	138
5	Ditch at field drain outlet, Lake Range Road	206	72	31	72	2440	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
6	New outlet to Clark Creek across from 3491 2nd Conc.	10	52	100	64	122	170	152	880	190
8	Jardine Creek at Abenaki St.	202	230	70	76	164	74	128	146	580
9	Jardine Creek at Seneca	Dry	202	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
12	Halfway to lake from Road	42	32	100	80	98	62	22	Dry	72
13	CSP where creek crosses Huron Rd.	40	108	160	960	1120	Dry	Dry	Dry	820
17	Outlet in Jardine Creek between sites 11 & 12	144	382	82	98	166	68	120	620	178

*Overgrown - No Data: Overgrown with E.coli

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Below Guideline
=> 3 mg/L
No Data

Nitrate as N (mg/L)
Sample Date

SAMPLE ID	LOCATION	March 25	April 29	May 21	June 17	July 15	Aug. 12	Sept. 9	Oct. 8	Nov. 5
PR1	Pine River-'Bridge on Lake Range Road, south of Lurgan Road	4.80	5.20	2.35	1.11	5.61	1.19	< 0.06	0.08	0.06
PR3	South Pine River-Bridge on Hwy. 21 at 6th Conc.	4.62	4.13	1.82	0.38	9.52	1.70	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR4	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 6th Conc.	3.80	4.32	0.90	0.23	0.15	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR5	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 8th Conc.	4.85	5.58	2.22	0.97	8.17	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR6	South Pine River-Bridge on Sideroad 25 North of 6th Conc.	4.59	3.82	1.88	0.47	9.93	1.02	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR7 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Culvert on Sideroad 25 South of 4th Conc.	6.06	6.52	3.11	0.32	5.95	< 0.06	14.20	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR8	South Pine River-Culvert on the 15th North of 6th Conc.	4.92	4.06	2.59	1.15	6.77	0.92	0.51	0.26	0.78
PR9	Pine River-Bridge on the 15th South of 10th Conc.	3.22	2.75	0.80	< 0.06	4.22	< 0.06	< 0.06	Dry	Dry
PR10	Royal Oak Creek-Bridge on the 15th North of the 12th Conc.	4.24	4.93	1.68	0.33	4.68	0.20	0.42	Dry	0.92
PR11	Royal Oak Creek-Cuvlert on Sideroad 5 north Huron-Kincardine East	6.08	5.90	7.70	3.34	11.30	< 0.06	Dry	Dry	Dry
PR12	Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 12th Conc.	2.12	1.19	1.13	0.79	4.46	0.70	< 0.06	Dry	< 0.06
PR13	South Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 8th Conc.	4.24	3.74	3.74	2.50	7.20	2.52	0.16	< 0.06	0.13
PR17 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	9.84	10.30	7.44	5.00	5.24	< 0.06	0.80	0.20	0.24
PR18 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary- Middle Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	8.51	9.75	4.98	1.98	3.52	< 0.06	< 0.06	Dry	Dry
PR19 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 2nd Conc.	7.22	8.32	4.74	1.32	6.31	0.10	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR20	Beach at Hwy. 86 -Amberely Road.	0.91	1.66	0.90	0.48	0.79	0.26	0.22	0.22	0.30
PR21	Beach off of Attawandron Road-Public Walkway	1.17	1.83	0.54	0.36	0.73	0.26	0.20	0.21	0.28
PR22	Beach-Point Clark Swimming Area	0.97	3.17	0.46	0.35	0.78	0.26	0.22	0.21	0.28
PR23	Lurgan Beach-Public Walkway	0.50	1.32	0.46	0.34	0.91	0.24	0.22	0.20	0.27
PR24	Beach at 6th Conc.	0.52	1.06	0.41	0.42	1.04	0.24	0.22	0.20	0.28
PR25	Beach at 8th Conc.	0.49	0.67	0.42	0.36	0.54	0.25	0.22	0.18	0.27
PR26	Beach at 10th Conc.	4.90	0.40	0.43	0.35	0.42	0.24	0.20	0.21	0.25
PR27	Boyd Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	6.79	7.38	4.19	1.75	8.70	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR29	Boyd Creek on Sideroad 20 North of 6th Conc.	6.41	7.21	5.05	0.76	8.11	0.11	0.25	0.14	Dry
PR30	Eighteen Mile Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	4.65	4.25	2.70	1.14	13.40	2.45	0.24	< 0.06	< 0.06
PR32	Eighteen Mile Creek on the 15th North of 2nd Conc.	4.24	3.90	2.50	0.90	9.30	2.04	0.12	0.06	0.06
B4	Clark Creek at the Lake	6.79	7.54	5.01	2.39	6.16	1.07	1.15	0.98	1.17
5	Ditch at field drain outlet, Lake Range Road	9.25	11.00	11.00	10.30	4.41	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
6	New outlet to Clark Creek across from 3491 2nd Conc.	6.86	7.91	5.19	2.01	6.22	0.82	0.93	0.77	0.94
8	Jardine Creek at Abenaki St.	2.83	1.80	2.08	1.17	1.22	< 0.06	< 0.06	0.34	0.15
9	Jardine Creek at Seneca	Dry	0.49	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
12	Halfway to lake from Road	2.84	1.17	1.38	0.23	0.09	< 0.06	< 0.06	Dry	0.06
13	CSP where creek crosses Huron Rd.	3.10	2.03	2.06	1.86	1.68	Dry	Dry	Dry	< 0.06
17	Outlet in Jardine Creek between sites 11 & 12	3.95	3.36	3.17	3.59	2.65	3.24	2.90	2.37	1.06

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Lakes	=> 0.02 mg/L
Streams	=> 0.03 mg/L
	No Data
	Below Guideline

Total Phosphorus (mg/L)
Sample Date

SAMPLE ID	LOCATION	March 25	April 29	May 21	June 17	July 15	Aug. 12	Sept. 9	Oct. 8	Nov. 5
PR1	Pine River-'Bridge on Lake Range Road, south of Lurgan Road	0.022	0.226	0.024	0.028	0.033	0.043	0.032	0.034	0.016
PR3	South Pine River-Bridge on Hwy. 21 at 6th Conc.	0.029	0.017	0.026	0.025	0.029	0.041	0.025	0.035	0.016
PR4	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 6th Conc.	0.023	0.038	0.020	0.046	0.050	0.029	0.026	0.048	0.094
PR5	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 8th Conc.	0.035	0.153	0.019	0.033	0.035	0.077	0.086	0.491	0.498
PR6	South Pine River-Bridge on Sideroad 25 North of 6th Conc.	0.023	< 0.003	0.021	0.028	0.036	0.043	0.076	0.137	0.134
PR7 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Culvert on Sideroad 25 South of 4th Conc.	0.027	0.009	0.020	0.051	0.047	0.109	0.734	0.085	0.108
PR8	South Pine River-Culvert on the 15th North of 6th Conc.	0.027	< 0.003	0.021	0.023	0.020	0.032	0.026	0.026	0.030
PR9	Pine River-Bridge on the 15th South of 10th Conc.	0.029	0.022	0.038	0.089	0.026	0.026	0.074	Dry	Dry
PR10	Royal Oak Creek-Bridge on the 15th North of the 12th Conc.	0.128	0.159	0.049	0.085	0.095	0.184	0.222	Dry	0.222
PR11	Royal Oak Creek-Cuvlert on Sideroad 5 north Huron-Kincardine East	0.158	0.295	0.173	0.230	0.170	1.290	Dry	Dry	Dry
PR12	Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 12th Conc.	0.013	0.013	0.043	0.063	0.03	0.054	0.117	Dry	0.235
PR13	South Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 8th Conc.	0.031	0.028	0.024	0.058	0.052	0.09	0.075	0.082	0.075
PR17 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	0.051	0.089	0.228	0.117	0.169	0.823	0.310	0.679	0.392
PR18 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary- Middle Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	0.016	0.008	0.021	0.037	0.042	0.266	0.188	Dry	Dry
PR19 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 2nd Conc.	0.032	0.019	0.040	0.037	0.029	0.151	0.164	0.196	0.168
PR20	Beach at Hwy. 86 -Amberely Road.	0.011	0.009	0.015	0.008	0.020	0.028	0.021	0.032	< 0.003
PR21	Beach off of Attawandron Road-Public Walkway	0.011	0.015	0.046	0.011	0.034	0.051	0.012	0.031	0.003
PR22	Beach-Point Clark Swimming Area	0.011	0.016	0.014	0.016	0.013	0.030	0.012	0.026	< 0.003
PR23	Lurgan Beach-Public Walkway	0.011	0.036	0.018	0.017	0.018	0.017	0.008	0.013	0.006
PR24	Beach at 6th Conc.	0.021	0.039	0.007	0.011	0.018	0.028	0.008	0.015	0.003
PR25	Beach at 8th Conc.	0.011	0.013	0.009	0.014	0.016	0.021	0.009	0.010	0.006
PR26	Beach at 10th Conc.	0.015	0.014	0.012	0.016	0.014	0.032	0.007	0.008	< 0.003
PR27	Boyd Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	0.022	< 0.003	0.020	0.030	0.022	0.042	0.031	0.039	0.079
PR29	Boyd Creek on Sideroad 20 North of 6th Conc.	0.025	< 0.003	0.026	0.069	0.037	0.131	0.057	0.080	Dry
PR30	Eighteen Mile Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	0.026	0.019	0.016	0.170	0.019	0.029	0.029	0.032	0.014
PR32	Eighteen Mile Creek on the 15th North of 2nd Conc.	0.022	< 0.003	0.030	0.048	0.030	0.026	0.025	0.027	0.007
B4	Clark Creek at the Lake	0.019	0.017	0.018	0.028	0.030	0.020	0.015	0.020	0.126
5	Ditch at field drain outlet, Lake Range Road	< 0.003	0.026	0.008	0.054	0.185	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
6	New outlet to Clark Creek across from 3491 2nd Conc.	0.020	0.014	0.018	0.032	0.026	0.021	0.011	0.020	< 0.003
8	Jardine Creek at Abenaki St.	0.087	0.054	0.103	0.129	0.156	0.277	0.112	0.094	0.026
9	Jardine Creek at Seneca	Dry	0.045	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry
12	Halfway to lake from Road	0.024	0.028	0.060	0.165	0.321	0.294	0.149	Dry	0.052
13	CSP where creek crosses Huron Rd.	0.081	0.062	0.136	0.191	0.232	Dry	Dry	Dry	0.071
17	Outlet in Jardine Creek between sites 11 & 12	0.054	0.039	0.042	0.046	0.122	0.073	0.048	0.047	0.060

Kelly Lush

From: Kelly Lush
Sent: November 18, 2024 9:29 AM
To: Kelly Lush
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Hello,

Summary of Issues Now Available on Canadian Impact Assessment Registry

On November 6, 2024, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) provided the Summary of Issues, based on the comments received during the public comment period on the summary of the Initial Project Description, to Bruce Power (the proponent). The Summary of Issues is now available on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry website.

Response to the Summary of Issues

IAAC requests a response to the Summary of Issues be provided by Bruce Power within 30 days, and no later than December 6, 2024.

Kind regards,

Integrated Assessment for the Bruce C Nuclear Project
Impact Assessment Agency of Canada | Government of Canada
bruce@iaac-aeic.gc.ca | Tel: 613-222-3507

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Bonjour,

Sommaire des questions maintenant disponible sur le Registre canadien d'évaluation d'impact

Le 6 novembre 2024, l'Agence d'évaluation d'impact canadienne (AEIC) a fourni à Bruce Power (le promoteur) le sommaire des questions, basé sur les commentaires reçus pendant la période de consultation publique sur le resumé de la description initiale du projet. Le sommaire des questions est maintenant disponible sur le site web du Registre canadien d'évaluation d'impact.

Réponse au sommaire des questions

L'AEIC demande à Bruce Power de fournir une réponse au sommaire des questions dans un délai de 30 jours, et au plus tard le 6 décembre 2024.

Sincèrement,

Évaluation intégrée pour le Projet nucléaire Bruce C
Agence d'évaluation d'impact du Canada | Gouvernement du Canada
bruce@iaac-aeic.gc.ca | Tél: 613-222-3507

Vous recevez ce courriel par ce que vos coordonnées ont été ajoutées à la liste de distribution de l'évaluation intégrée pour le Project de centrale nucléaire Bruce C. Si vous souhaitez ne plus recevoir de notifications de la part de ce compte, veuillez envoyer un courriel directement à ce compte et demander à être retiré de notre liste de distribution.

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November 11, 2024

SBGHC Community Engagement: Summary and Findings

In August and September 2024, South Bruce Grey Health Centre (SBGHC) began a new phase of community engagement to hear directly from patients and residents as we plan to support high-quality care for the future. We are grateful to the over 350 community members who attended our in-person community engagement sessions, as well as the more than 800 survey respondents who took the time to provide valuable feedback. This input has been reviewed and summarized in this report.

Purpose of the Engagement

SBGHC has engaged, and will continue to engage, the patients and families we serve to gather feedback on the health care needs of our community. The input we received is valued as we navigate and adapt to the changing health care environment and plan for the future.

We are committed to keeping all four SBGHC sites open to deliver high-quality care to keep our communities healthy. However, we have experienced persistent staffing shortages and intermittent emergency department closures that are not sustainable and not in the best interest of our patients and the community we serve. We need to reassess and reevaluate how we use our limited resources. While the potential for change can be difficult, we have an opportunity to create a system where patients can access consistent and reliable health care close to home.

It is important to us that we hear ideas from our community on what the future of health care might look like. We want to maintain as many services as possible, while considering what we could be doing differently and how we can provide new and enhanced services to address needs in the community.

Who We Have Engaged

- Mayors & Chief Administrative Officers (CAOs) – Arran-Elderslie, Brockton, Huron-Kinloss, Kincardine, West Grey
- Save the Durham Hospital Group
- Health System Partners
    - Hanover & District Hospital
    - Brightshores Health System
    - North Wellington Health Care Alliance
    - Grey County LTC, Bruce County LTC
    - Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team
    - Brockton and Area Family Health Team, Kincardine Family Health Team
    - Home and Community Care Support Services
- West Grey Police Services, South Bruce OPP
- Grey County EMS, Bruce County EMS

- Physicians & Staff
- Patient Family Advisory Committee (PFAC)
- Hospital Foundations
- Over 350 community members at two community engagement sessions
- Over 800 survey respondents
    - 47% from Durham
    - 25% from Chesley
    - 20% from Walkerton
    - 8% from Kincardine

What We Heard: Summary of Findings

Health Care Priorities
When asked what is most important to our community when it comes to health care, 44% of respondents ranked “care close to home” and 32% of respondents ranked “the ability to see a doctor quickly” as most important.

Based on the survey results, respondents said they use our sites the most commonly for diagnostic imaging services (63%), followed by health care emergencies (60%) and non-urgent services (51%). While hospitals are essential in responding to health care emergencies, our data suggests that our sites are more commonly used for non-urgent services.

24/7 Emergency Care in Chesley and Durham
We hear you - it is evident that many people in our community would like to see 24/7 emergency care restored at the Chesley and Durham sites and for the inpatient beds to be returned to the Durham site.

Like other hospitals across the country and throughout Ontario, SBGHC continues to experience significant staffing challenges across our organization, particularly at the Chesley and Durham sites. Because of these ongoing staffing challenges, we have experienced intermittent temporary closures at some of our emergency departments. We know that these temporary closures impact our patients, who deserve a high-quality health care system they can rely on.

As a result, we cannot commit to restoring these services at this time due to ongoing staffing shortages. We must use our limited resources wisely to ensure we are maintaining consistent high-quality care for our patients.

Alternative Hours for Durham and Chesley
While we are not currently able to have 24/7 emergency services at the Durham and Chesley sites or inpatient beds at the Durham site, we do have an opportunity to look at what new or expanded services could benefit our community and work with our partners to try and make this a reality.

Recognizing that we are not able to provide 24/7 emergency services at the Chesley and Durham sites, we heard that some members of our community would like to see emergency services open later in the evening. For example, **36% of respondents** indicated that they would prefer for emergency services to be available from 10:00AM to 8:00PM.

Other suggestions from the community include:

- Staggering hours between Chesley and Durham to offer service for a longer period
- Increasing hours at the Chesley and Durham sites, including keeping Chesley open on the weekends
- Aligning diagnostic imaging hours with emergency service hours

We also received feedback to repurpose the Durham and Chesley sites to focus on providing urgent care and other specialty services.

Additional or Expanded Services

Based on our survey results, we heard that more of the following health care services would be most valuable to our community. Options did not include a 24/7 emergency department as this is not feasible at this time. Respondents were able to select up to three:

1. Primary care/ family doctors (75%)
2. Urgent care centres or clinics (62%)
3. Mental health and addictions services (33%)
4. Specialist clinics (i.e. cardiology, dermatology, internal medicine) (29%)

Several respondents also indicated they would like to have access to more diagnostic imaging services.

Responses also showed that our patients are travelling outside of our communities for the following services that could potentially be provided closer to home:

- Specialist appointments (i.e. Dermatology, ENT, Gynecology, Cardiology)
- Cancer care
- Family doctor/ walk-in clinic
- Eye care
- Mental health care
- Dialysis

Next Steps

This feedback will be considered as we continue to review the services our hospital sites provide and work with the resources available to us to create solutions that will better serve our population.

In collaboration with our health system partners, we will explore what new health care services we may be able to bring to our sites based on community feedback and funding considerations, while ensuring all SBGHC sites continue to provide care to our communities.

At this time, based on wait times data, access to care in our region, and our community's feedback, SBGHC sees potential opportunities for enhanced access to care in the following areas:

- Echocardiograms
- Mental Health Services
- Outpatient Lab Services
- Urgent Care
- Visiting Specialists
- Hospice Care

Health care services have different staffing requirements that may allow us to partner with community organizations and leverage their staff to support services. For example, we are actively exploring opportunities to bring mental health services to the Durham site through partnership with an external provider. When we are exploring potential options, several factors will be considered, such as ensuring we have the necessary resources and staffing to add new services and serve our patients most effectively.

In addition, we know that access to family doctors (primary care) and urgent care are lacking in our region and as a result, many people rely on our emergency departments for non-emergent issues. While hospitals are not responsible for the delivery of primary care, we will be reviewing models in other communities that have effectively integrated these services with their hospital system and will work with our partners to advocate for enhanced primary care in our region.

We are committed to open dialogue and will continue to meet with our staff, physicians, partners and community over the coming weeks and months. We will continue to keep you updated as we look to stabilize our operations and deliver consistent quality care across all four sites.

Frequently Asked Questions

Our team members answered dozens of questions that were posed by community members at the community engagement sessions. Highlighted below is a sample of the most frequently asked questions we have received:

What is SBGHC doing to recruit more nurses?

SBGHC has been actively working to recruit and retain more staff by reviewing roles and responsibilities, so staff are practicing to their full ability, participating in government strategies to support recruitment and retention, establishing student clinical nursing groups and marketing our organization to attract more nurses and physicians.

We participate in various programs and have undertaken several recruitment and retention initiatives, including:

- Partnering with the Georgian College Practical Nursing Program and beginning our second year of student placements.
- Participating in Ontario Health's Clinical Scholar Program for training and mentoring newly graduated nurses.
- Leveraging the Nursing Student Externship Program to work with students who are in the process of becoming registered with the College or Nurses of Ontario to support their transition into the clinical work environment.
- Participating in the Tuition Support Program for Nurses (TSPN), which offers tuition reimbursement to recent nursing graduates from rural and remote communities.
- Participating in the Nursing Graduate Guarantee (NGG) Program, which supports new nurses in transitioning to full-time employment (either full-time employment or the equivalent of full-time hours) by helping them develop the skills required to deliver safe, high quality, patient-centered care.
- Participating in the Community Commitment Program for Nurses (CCPN), which provides a $25,000 incentive to eligible nurses in exchange for a two-year commitment to an eligible employer.
- Participating in Ministry of Health funded opportunities to provide paid nursing education.
- Job fairs hosted at SBGHC sites.

How many registered nurses has SBGHC hired this year?

From January to October 2024, SBGHC has hired 12 registered nurses (full time and part time positions, not including casual). Of the 12, two have been hired for the Chesley site (one single site, one dual site) and two have been hired for the Durham site (dual site). This is a notable increase over the previous two years, with more hires and less resignations/retirements.

We know that the provincial nursing shortage will take several years to resolve; however, we are starting to see a change in the recruitment environment, which is encouraging.

2024 (YTD)		2023		2022	
Registered Nurses Hired	Resignations/ Retirements	Registered Nurses Hired	Resignations/ Retirements	Registered Nurses Hired	Resignations/ Retirements
12	5	6	2	10	9

What does stabilized staffing look like?

For our organization, stabilized staffing will mean:

- Reducing our vacancy rate for registered nurses to zero. Prior to transitioning the inpatient beds from the Durham site in June 2024, the SBGHC average vacancy rate for registered nurses across all four sites was 44%. Since implementing this change, our vacancy rate across our organization has been reduced to 12% (as a result of reduced ED operating hours in Chesley and Durham and inpatient beds transitioned from the Durham site). If we were to return to previous service levels at the Durham and Chesley sites, the vacancy rates would significantly increase again. **Any amount of vacancy impacts our ability to staff our sites, especially in Chesley and Durham where the base staffing level is so low.**
- Eliminating agency nurse usage. Year to date in 2024-25, we have filled 341 shifts with agency nurse staffing. This is on average 2.2 shifts per day across our four sites. Agency nurses are not a long-term solution- they are expensive and should only be used on a short-term basis to complement full time staff who know our community and hospital operations.
- Having an appropriate mix of full-time and part-time staff that allows for coverage of vacation and sick time for our staff.
- Having enough staff so that if an unfilled shift, patient transfer, or increase in patient severity or volume occurs, we have enough people to manage.
- Having an appropriate ratio of experienced and novice nurses who can work together as part of a team.

While stabilized staff will likely take several years to achieve, we are starting to see a positive trend in our recruitment efforts.

Why are Durham site nurses being moved to other sites to keep them open?

Our staff work together to help fill vacancies at other sites when appropriate. Many of our nursing staff have chosen to hold dual site nursing positions, meaning their shifts are scheduled between two of SBGHC's sites.

All of the Durham site nurses now hold dual-site positions in order to maintain full time positions. This means that the Durham site nurses are still scheduled at the Durham site and are scheduled additional shifts at their second site as needed.

In the current environment where nursing staff resources are limited, dual site positions have benefitted all of our sites when trying to fill short notice vacancies. There have been circumstances where staff have been reassigned from the Walkerton or Kincardine sites to either Chesley or Durham to avoid a closure, and vice versa. As there are more staff at the Walkerton and Kincardine sites, there are many instances where staff have been pulled to avoid a closure at the Chesley or Durham sites. Dual site positions also allow the opportunity to train and learn in higher volume sites, or sites that offer a variety of services.

What should patients in Durham and Chesley do if they need emergency care outside of 7AM and 5PM?

Patients experiencing an emergency should call 911 immediately. Paramedics will provide lifesaving services on the spot and quickly transport patients to the closest open emergency department, equipped with the health care team required to care for them.

What impact does reduction in service have on the new long-term care home in Durham?

We are committed to maintaining access to high-quality care for the residents of the Rockwood Terrace long-term care home, and the Durham site will remain accessible. If a resident is in need of admission, they will be transferred to the most appropriate site. Long-term care is a service that operates independently of the hospital and has independent agreements with physicians to provide support to the facility.

What impact does reduction in service have on physicians?

We recognize that the reduction of services has an impact on recruiting physicians and keeping them in our communities. We will continue to work with our physicians to address any concerns should they arise and have been working with the government to try and ensure we are providing a model that would encourage physicians to stay in our area and serve our patients.

Why can't we pay our nurses more, or offer incentives?

All public hospitals in Ontario operate under one collective agreement with our union partners. The collective agreement determines wages for nursing staff, not the individual hospitals. Paying nurses more or offering incentives is a violation of the collective agreement.

What percentage of nursing shifts are covered by agency nurses?

Year to date in 2024-25 (April to August), we have filled 341 shifts with agency nurse staffing. This is on average 2.2 shifts (10.4%) per day across our four sites.

Agency nurses are not a long-term solution- they are expensive and should only be used on a short-term basis to complement full time staff who know our community and hospital operations.

In the last six months how many nursing jobs have been advertised as available in Chesley and Durham?

From April 1-September 30, 2024, 12 nursing positions (both RN and RPN) were posted for the Chesley and Durham sites. Two of the positions were filled during that time period (April-September), and three have start dates in October/November.

What happens to patients in the emergency department at the Durham or Chesley sites that are not able to be discharged before 5 pm?

If a patient in the emergency department at the Chesley or Durham site continues to require care after closing, the patient is stabilized and transferred to another SBGHC site or hospital offering the specialized services the patient needs.

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Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Board Approves Cessation of Winter Operations at Durham Upper Dam to Prevent Structural Failure and Ensure Public Safety

ALL SAUGEEN WATERSHED MUNICIPALITIES – Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, Municipality of Brockton, Township of Chatsworth, Municipality of Grey Highlands, Town of Hanover, Township of Howick, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, Municipality of South Bruce, Township of Huron-Kinloss, Municipality of Kincardine, Town of Minto, Township of Wellington-North, Town of Saugeen Shores, Township of Southgate, Municipality of West Grey.

The Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) Board of Directors has approved the end of winter ice operations at the Durham Upper Dam, following repeated engineering assessments highlighting resulting risks to the structure. This decision will be re-evaluated annually.

Since 1977, the Durham Upper Dam has been operated seasonally, with stoplogs and flashboards removed each fall and reinstalled after spring melt. In 2006, West Grey Council voted to adopt management of ice through leaving stoplogs and flashboards in during winter operations at the Durham Upper Dam. Over time, these winter operations contributed to structural deterioration. Engineering assessments in 2021, 2022, and 2024 identified severe concrete damage, stress on the metal walkway, and erosion, confirming that continuing winter operations poses a risk of structural failure.

Operating the Durham Upper Dam in winter for ice management has always been outside the original design and intent of the structure. Years of this practice have caused extensive damage, placing the dam at risk of failure. The decision to stop winter ice operations is not one the Board made lightly. However, it is a necessary step to protect public safety and prevent the dam from failing.

"*The decision to cease winter ice operations at the Durham Upper Dam is grounded in the need to prevent its failure; the risks of continuing winter operations far outweigh any perceived benefits*."

- Erik Downing, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, SVCA

The SVCA Board has directed staff to prioritize the safety of operators, residents, and the community by adhering to engineering recommendations and ensuring compliance with the historical operating plan.

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority remains committed to working closely with the Municipality of West Grey and the community to ensure transparent communication and address public concerns throughout this process.

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Provincial Matters
The province is investing $5M annually to help smaller communities build safe and reliable transit services through the new Ontario Transit Investment Fund (OTIF). Municipalities can apply for OTIF funding on an ongoing basis, with programs expected to begin in 2025.

CEPG offers funding for equipment and services up to $50,000 to strengthen local emergency readiness. Municipalities under 100,000 are eligible to apply. Applications are due October 31, 2024.

Application intake is open until December 3 for organizations including municipalities to support underrepresented groups in starting or growing their own agri-food business.

The Ministry of Energy is seeking comments on a proposed energy efficiency framework to improve energy affordability and expand efficiency programs offered by local distribution corporations.

Federal Matters
The $6 billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund launches with $1 billion for direct municipal and Indigenous infrastructure projects supporting housing-enabling infrastructure. Visit the CHIF website for application details and upcoming webinars.

The Codes Acceleration Fund (CAF) is open to projects geared towards accelerating the adoption and implementation of the higher tiers of the national model energy codes or other mandatory energy regulations. Approximately $30M in funding available.

The Canadian Centre for Climate Services launched a new online app that projects future fire weather conditions. Register here by November 1 for the November 6 webinar.

Education Opportunities
ROMA is excited to announce Chantal Hébert as the 2025 opening keynote speaker at its Annual Conference who will examine and provide insight into the implications of the current political landscape for rural municipal leaders. Register for the ROMA Conference today.

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Our workshops are custom designed for municipal leaders focusing on the issues, skills and tactics that you need as a community leader and decision maker. To help you plan your time and budget for 2025, registration is now open for a number of our in-demand workshops. You can click here to scroll through our current offerings.

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The LAS Electricity and Natural Gas Procurement Programs provide Ontario municipalities with predictable commodity costs. Read here to learn more.

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Enhance your services with practical, trauma-informed strategies. Foster safety, resilience, and responsiveness in your team and community by integrating trauma-informed practice into your work. Learn more about this virtual training.

Careers
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General Manager, Community and Corporate Services - City of Barrie. Closing Date: November 17, 2024.

Truck and Coach/Automotive Technician Apprentice - City of Thunder Bay. Closing Date: November 21, 2024

Program Manager, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion - Region of Durham. Closing Date: November 10, 2024

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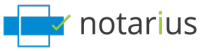

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Introduction & Highlights

After an extended summer break, the Ontario legislature returned on October 21st, coinciding with Local Government Week - a fitting start to the fall session to have the provincial representatives return with municipalities in mind. We had been eagerly awaiting the legislature's return with expectations that the Province will follow through on a number of municipal priorities including

municipal code of conduct/harassment legislation and Bill 194, *Strengthening Cyber Security and Building Trust in the Public Sector Act*.

When it comes to Bill 194, throughout the spring session and again at the AMO Conference in August, we made it known to the Province that municipalities experience different challenges, and as such there needs to be extensive consultation with municipalities to bring forward concerns and perspectives of municipal members as regulations and other tools are being developed with respect to artificial intelligence (AI) and cybersecurity.

Here are a few other legislative developments and opportunities we're following closely this fall:

- The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing received the Provincial Integrity Commissioner's (IC's) recommendations to improve accountability for municipal council member conduct. While the IC's report is not public, news sources provided the details where recommendations include: a single, standardized code of conduct for all municipalities, required training, a central database of completed inquiries, and a system to assist smaller municipalities with costs, among others. The Minister advised that legislation will be drafted and presented as soon as possible. In September, we wrote to the Integrity Commissioner to remind him of the recommendations we made during the 2021 Provincial Consultation.
- Bill 194 was referred to the Standing Committee on Justice Policy where time allocation was applied - meaning that there will only be two days of hearings, set for November 14 & 15, 2024. At this point, submissions and presentations to the Committee will be considered, and there may be an opportunity to reiterate comments and concerns of members related to the Bill's proposals and the importance of modernizing the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA)*.
- Recommendations and details about changes to service delivery in Peel Region, specifically services being downloaded to local municipalities, is anticipated to come forward, with changes potentially applying to other regions as well.

For the latest legislative and policy news and announcements, don't forget to subscribe to our policy blog!

Ontario Fall Economic Statement

Last week, the Minister of Finance released the Fall Economic Statement. Among progress and recently announced programs and funding for municipalities, it most notably included an increase to the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF). Municipal advocates have been calling on the Province to increase and index the unconditional fund that supports small, rural, and northern municipalities. While the Province has yet to index the fund to inflation, it will increase by $100 million over the next two years. Additionally, the Province will begin consultations with municipalities about their priorities and the implementation of a reporting framework. Should you

have any comments or suggestions with respect to OMPF reporting that AMCTO can bring forward, please contact our advocacy team.

While we have seen more funding for municipalities when it comes to infrastructure, recreation, emergency services, and transportation, these fall short of addressing the increasing demand and complexity of other legislatively-required services such as freedom of information and municipal elections. Municipalities require legislative policy solutions and amendments that equip and empower them to respond to modern challenges. As we advocate for our members during the Province's 2025 budget consultation and a potential early election, these will be top of mind.

Municipal Elections Act (MEA) Modernization

One way we continue to push municipal issues to the forefront of the Provincial agenda is through council resolutions and letters to the Province. Thank you to the municipalities (56 and counting) that have put forward council resolutions and municipal leaders who sent letters supporting our call for modernization of the *Municipal Elections Act (MEA)*. Your support is appreciated and has helped us bring together more voices in support of amending the legislation. We recommended to the ministry that updates should be made by spring 2025 at the latest. To help strengthen the case that municipalities agree on the need for change and drive the Province to action, check out the resources available in our *MEA* Modernization toolkit.

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New Resource: Clerk's Legislative & Regulatory Responsibilities

It goes without saying that while clerks play a central role in municipal elections administration, the legislative and regulatory responsibilities of the clerk extend far beyond elections into dozens of areas of municipal service. This was most recently highlighted during our fall Municipal Clerks Forum, showcasing that municipal clerks across the province serve as leaders in various capacities. That is why earlier this fall, we released our Clerk's Legislative and Regulatory Responsibilities Resource to support members in understanding their legislative and regulatory duties. This resource provides a comprehensive overview of what clerks in Ontario are required to do under various statutes, along with identifying the circumstances where other governments or organizations are required to provide clerks with information.

Treasurers, we are initiating a similar resource for you which we hope to release early in the new year. Stay tuned for more details to come!

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Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Customer Service Standards Consultation

Recognizing the important role and responsibility municipalities have in ensuring services are accessible to all customers, we also hear about the corresponding challenges in implementing and complying with the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)*, namely regarding website accessibility. The Province's Customer Service Standards Development Committee reviewed the provincial regulations on customer service standards and has launched a consultation on its initial recommendations report that focuses on improving Ontario's existing accessibility standards to further reduce and prevent accessibility barriers in customer service.

We are considering providing a submission but want to hear from you - review our member discussion forum and guiding questions linked below. Our team will be collecting feedback from now until **Friday, November 29**.

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Policy Spotlight

Last month, we presented an all-new resource for members: our Strong Mayor Powers Toolkit with the first iteration of key findings from primary research conducted among our members and chief administrative officers (CAOs) across the province.

Strong mayor powers are undoubtedly changing political-administrative relationships within municipalities, impacting senior leaders and staff. With this in turn putting good local governance at risk, we continue to oppose strong mayor powers related to the CAO and staff, and call on the Province to work towards better legislative solutions to meet local governance objectives. The solution lies in strengthening municipal administration. Thank you to the municipalities who participated in our survey. It is only with your input that we can truly shed light on the impacts to municipal services, staff and communities.

Our toolkit and authorities scan:

- Provides members with information to compare strong mayor power use and practice across the province
- Allows us to better understand the impacts to municipal governance, structures and staff and continue to support municipalities who are transitioning or may be added to strong mayor systems
- Invites discussion and continued conversation toward developing better legislative solutions that meet government objectives

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Policy Updates

Chief Electoral Officer of Ontario Releases Report on Addressing Misinformation and Disinformation Threats - There is a new report from Ontario's Chief Electoral Officer, Greg Essensa, on misinformation and disinformation threats to election administration in Ontario.

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Lottery Licensing Update to Youth Amateur Sport Eligibility - Effective October 7, 2024, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) updated the age requirement for eligible youth amateur sport organizations who wish to apply for a charitable lottery licence.

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Province Introduces *Reducing Gridlock, Saving You Time Act* - Minister of Transportation, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria introduced Bill 212 which aims to reduce traffic congestion and make commuting easier. Among other changes, the proposed legislation would allow the Province to insert itself into municipal decision-making regarding new bike lanes.

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Ombudsman's New Guide for Municipalities - Ombudsman Ontario released a new municipal resource *Codes of Conduct and Integrity Commissioners: Guide for Municipalities*. The guide, which intends to prevent future complaints and promote consistent standards across the province, combines and condenses existing resources into a single handbook.

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Lottery Licensing Update to Split the Pot 50/50 Raffles - Effective September 20, 2024, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario updated the 50/50 framework to permit charities to split the 50% prize pot between multiple winners.

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New *Line Fences Act* Guidebook - Measures aimed at reducing red tape with the stated goal of building more housing were introduced in Bill 185, *Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024* in April and the bill received Royal Assent in June.

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Updated Information and Privacy Commissioner (IPC) Code of Procedure - The updated Code for appeals under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)* and the

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Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) intends to provide provisions to secure the most fair, just, and expeditious determination on the merits of every Appeal, came into effect Monday, September 9, 2024.

Bills & Lawmaking

Bills Passed & Government Bills:

Bill 216, *Building Ontario For You Act (Budget Measures), 2024* - (Second Reading Debated) The Bill will implement budget measures outlined in the fall economic outlook, amending several statutes including the *Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation Act*, and *Municipal Act*, among others.

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Bill 214, *Affordable Energy Act, 2024* - (Second Reading Debated) The Bill proposes amendments to *Electricity Act*, *Ontario Energy Board Act*, and *Energy Consumer Protection Act* to implement an integrated energy plan, prioritize zero-emissions nuclear energy, expand the energy efficiency program, supporting the adoption of electronic vehicles (EVs) and reduce costs for last mile connections.

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Bill 212, *Reducing Gridlock, Saving You Time Act, 2024* - (Second Reading Debated) The Bill intends to build highway and infrastructure faster to reduce traffic making various amendments to environmental assessment processes, *Building Broadband Faster Act* as well as municipal bike lanes.

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Bill 197, *Safer Roads and Communities Act, 2024* - (Referred to Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy) The Bill makes various amendments to the *Highway Traffic Act* related to targeting high-risk driving, fighting vehicle theft, enforcing commercial vehicle safety and travelling safely.

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Bill 194, *Strengthening Cyber Security and Building Trust in the Public Sector Act, 2024* - (Referred to Standing Committee on Justice Policy) The proposed *Act* addresses cyber security and artificial intelligence systems at public sector entities within the meaning of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)* and the *Municipal Freedom of Information and*

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Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), children's aid societies and school boards.

Bill 190, *Working for Workers Five Act, 2024* - (Royal Assent Received) An *Act* to amend various statutes including the *Employment Standards Act* and *Occupational Health and Safety Act*, with respect to employment and labour and other matters.

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Private Members Bills:

Bill 219, *No Free Ride for Fossil Fuels Act, 2024* - (First Reading Ordered for Second Reading) Introduced by the Green Party, the Bill proposes to amend the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* with respect to fees and charges imposed on gas services and activities.

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Bill 207, *Municipal Accountability and Integrity Act, 2024* - (First Reading Ordered for Second Reading) Introduced by Jeff Burch of the New Democratic Party (NDP), the Bill proposes to amend the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* with respect to conduct of councillors and members of local boards.

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Bill 204, *Homelessness Task Force Act, 2024* - (First Reading Ordered for Second Reading) Introduced by the NDP, the proposed *Act* requires the Minister to establish a Homelessness Task Force comprised of members, appointed by the Minister, from specified groups.

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- ERO posting on changes to excess soils regulations.
- ERO posting on proposed changes to energy legislation.
- Emergency Treatment Fund - Deadline November 8.
- Applications open for Codes Acceleration Fund.
- ROMA 2025 Annual Conference - *Rural Routes* - Request delegation meetings.
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- Register for a discounted AMO Workshop at the ROMA Conference.
- Plan your professional development for 2025 with AMO Education Workshops.
- Outdoor Ice: Managing Risk Related to Skating Rinks webinar.
- New Where to Recycle map.
- OAITH Wrapped in Courage Campaign
- Early rate pricing for HSC's 2025 Regeneration Forum.
- Webinar for municipalities on LT2 energy procurements.
- Food waste: Initiatives Leading Change Symposium.
- Careers.

Provincial Matters
The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is seeking comments on proposed changes to excess soil management to remove barriers for the reuse of soil. Comments are due November 21.

The Ministry of Energy and Electrification is seeking comments on proposed legislative amendments to related to integrated energy planning and affordability measures. Comments are due November 22.

Federal Matters
The Call for Proposals for the Emergency Treatment Fund is open until November 8. Proposals should address urgent needs related to the overdose crisis in individual communities.

The Codes Acceleration Fund (CAF) is open to projects geared towards accelerating the adoption and implementation of the higher tiers of the national model energy codes or other mandatory energy regulations. Approximately $30M in funding available.

Education Opportunities
Municipal officials can now request delegation meetings through MMAH for the ROMA Conference. Details on how to request a delegation meeting is here.

Book your trade show booth today to connect with over 1,500 rural municipal leaders at the 2025 ROMA Conference. Limited spaces available. Download the exhibitor package or sponsorship package today.

AMO's Two Keys to Municipal Success: Sustainability & Engagement workshop is a specially designed session focusing on strategies for planning your organizations financial sustainability and how to successfully communicate to and engage your community on your plan and efforts. Take advantage of the discounted rate to engage with colleagues from across the province. Session offered at the ROMA Conference on Saturday, January 18 from 2:00pm-5:00pm onsite.

To help you plan your time and budget for 2025, registration is now open for a number of AMO Education's in-demand workshops, including: Foundations in Planning February 13 and Advanced Land Use Planning March 6, Indigenous Community Awareness February 19, Navigating Conflict March 19, and Disability Inclusion March 27. View all workshop opportunities at AMO Education.

LAS
On November 12, 11:00 AM our special guest, ORFA's Director Training, Research and Development, Terry Piche, will explore and discuss outdoor ice risks including skating rinks, skating trails and more. Register here.

Municipal Wire*
Add this new Resource Productivity & Recovery Authority 'Where to Recycle' map to your municipalities' websites and communications materials. Get answers to your questions at this FAQ.

The campaign from the Ontario Association of Interval & Transition Houses educates community and elected officials about violence against women and the services needed. Make a proclamation on November 25.

HSC's 2025 *Regeneration Forum: Levelling Up - New Approaches to Transform Housing* is showcasing strategies to sustain and grow the community housing sector. Dive into finance, scale, and development on February 27-28 in Toronto.

The IESO is hosting a webinar on November 13 for municipalities and Indigenous communities to provide information, answer questions, and solicit input on the upcoming LT2 procurements.

Join Ontario Food Collaborative's virtual symposium on November 21, 2024, to explore impactful food waste solutions, practical tips, and the true costs of waste with industry experts.

Careers
Procurement & Resource Planning Specialist - Municipality of Red Lake. Closing Date: November 30, 2024.

Deputy Chief, EMS Professional Standards - City of Thunder Bay. Closing Date: November 20, 2024.

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Comprehensive Provincial Approach Needed to Make Tangible Progress on Homeless Encampments and the Opioid Crisis

Municipalities across Ontario understand the need for urgent action to address both the rising number of homeless encampments and the opioid crisis. There are more than 1400 encampments across the province. We can do better for our most vulnerable Ontarians and our broader communities.

Decades of isolated policy decisions made by successive provincial governments have compounded problems. More people are facing income insecurity. Health care and mental health demands are not being met. Help with addiction is hard to get. Affordable housing is desperately needed everywhere.

We need provincial action that is going to help the Ontarians who are struggling today and also tackle the root causes of homelessness so the crisis does not continue to grow.

Earlier this year, AMO released two policy papers calling for provincial action on the opioid crisis and homeless encampments. AMO engaged with municipal members, police, paramedics, and mental

health and addictions and housing experts over the course of months to identify the suite of actions needed.

This is a complex problem that won't be solved by simple, short-term solutions. We need a comprehensive approach, including:

- Provincial guidance that supports an appropriate and consistent approach to encampments across the province;
- Improvements to the income security system that leave too many living in poverty, and more than 1 million people in Ontario using food banks last year;
- Significant investments in deeply affordable housing and supportive housing;
- Long-term, sustainable, and substantial investment in prevention programs;
- Expanding access to voluntary and evidence-based treatment with same-day access and scaling up 24/7 crisis centres; and,
- Ensuring local say on the harm reduction approaches needed within local communities.

The current Ontario government did not create this crisis, but it has the resources and the wherewithal to take the comprehensive actions needed to solve it. Municipalities are ready to work together with the provincial government to tackle this systemic problem.

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- ROMA Conference: Rural Routes – Program Updates.
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Provincial Matters
The Ontario Energy Board has issued a bulletin to electricity distributors providing guidance and expectations for meeting obligations to ensure new connections are timely.

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The Codes Acceleration Fund (CAF) is open to projects geared towards accelerating the adoption and implementation of the higher tiers of the national model energy codes or other mandatory energy regulations. Approximately $30M in funding available.

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Join Ontario Food Collaborative's virtual symposium on November 21, 2024, to explore impactful food waste solutions, practical tips, and the true costs of waste with industry experts.

Expanding Living Options for Seniors will be held virtually on November 22 from 8:45 am – 2:30 pm. The event shares transformative solutions in seniors' supportive housing and care. Register here.

Careers
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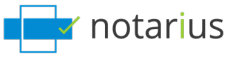

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NDP Motion Calling for a New Deal with Ontario's Municipalities

Yesterday, the NDP tabled a motion calling on the provincial government to reach a new deal with Ontario municipalities to address downloaded provincial costs in areas such as housing and healthcare.

AMO welcomes this acknowledgement that the current provincial-municipal fiscal framework does not support sustainable communities or the quality of life of their residents. AMO has been calling for a Social and Economic Prosperity Review to update our fiscal relationship. Municipalities need a provincial partner that will:

- **Sustainably invest in public infrastructure** to support growth, improve transportation, and prepare for the impacts of climate change.
- **Reduce the province's continued reliance on municipal revenues** to fund provincial programs, like health and social services, so municipal tax dollars can go toward supporting thriving communities.

- **Take action on the root causes of homelessness** through investments in mental health and addictions programming and improved income security that allows people to keep a roof over their heads.

Response to Provincial Bike Lanes Legislation

Yesterday, AMO's Executive Director Brian Rosborough presented remarks to the legislature highlighting concerns with Bill 212, *the Reducing Gridlock, Saving You Time Act*.

AMO views the provincial proposal to remove and block bike lands in specific locations as misguided and an ineffective way of addressing congestion. The development of a balanced transportation network that includes a broad mix of roads, cycling paths, sidewalks, and public transit options is an exercise best left to municipalities, based on their in-depth understanding of municipal infrastructure, community needs, and long-term growth plans.

AMO also submitted written comments to the Committee calling on the province to abandon the proposal.

Bill 223, *Safer Streets, Stronger Communities Act*

Minister Kerzner tabled Bill 223, *Safer Streets, Stronger Communities Act*, which includes previously announced changes to supervised consumption sites in Ontario. The legislation would:

- Prohibit any supervised consumption site from operating within 200 metres of a school, childcare centre, or EarlyON centre. This change would close 10 sites currently operating in Ontario.

- It would also require municipalities to seek provincial approval before requesting federal approval or renewal of supervised consumption site or funding for safer supply programs. This means that supervised consumption sites not currently impacted by the 200m limit could be impacted once provincial approval for renewal is required.

- Municipalities would also require provincial approval to publicly support, including through by-laws or resolutions, any other organization seeking to open a supervised consumption site or safer supply program.

As outlined in AMO's July Report, The Opioid Crisis: a Municipal Perspective, tackling a problem as complex as the opioid crisis requires a comprehensive approach, including harm reduction supports that make sense for local communities. Municipalities – in collaboration with health, police, and other partners – are best positioned to decide whether supervised consumption sites are right for their communities.

Ontario Expanding Mental Health Supports for Public Safety Personnel

As employers of first responders, municipalities are faced with the financial obligations associated with work-related mental health injuries. AMO was pleased to see a $32 million investment through a new Mental Health Supports for Public Safety Personnel program and the creation of an Anti-Stigma Strategy for first responders and public safety personnel.

The program will include a web portal to access core services, access to a 24/7 call-line and other trauma-informed mental health services. Grants for employers will also be provided to help subsidize the costs of these additional programs and services. A call for applications, inviting organizations to apply for funding under the grant, will be rolled out in early 2025.

Proposed Integrated Energy Plan for Ontario

AMO presented to the legislature in support of Bill 214, *Affordable Energy Act*, that makes progress on a plan to grow clean and affordable electricity capacity in Ontario. Key priorities include:

- Urging to the province to commit to a 2050 net-zero emissions target;
- Endorsing community benefit agreements between municipalities and energy proponents as part of procurement processes related to generation, storage and transmission projects;
- Ensuring the costs and risks of new last mile energy infrastructure are not transferred to municipalities or local distribution corporations.

AMO also submitted comments supporting enhanced funding to municipalities and local distribution corporations (LDCs) to implement local energy efficiency measures.

Cyber Security and MFIPPA

AMO submitted comments to the Standing Committee on Justice Policy on Bill 194, *Strengthening Cyber Security and Building Trust in the Public Sector Act*. The bill proposes changes that would establish a cyber security framework for broader public sector entities including municipalities, school boards, and hospitals.

AMO highlighted the need to balance strong data and privacy protection with the flexibility needed to allow municipalities to put systems in place, and act quickly when cyber-threats are identified. AMO also commented on the long-standing need to update MFIPPA, particularly around frivolous and vexatious requests.

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- Intake announcement - Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund.
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The Ministry of Energy and Electrification is seeking comments to inform the development of a provincial energy plan to guide the transition to a clean, reliable, affordable energy supply. Comments are due December 13.

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According to the Canadian Centre for Cyber Security, ransomware is the most disruptive form of cybercrime currently impacting North America. These cyber-attacks not only disrupt services but can also lead to significant financial losses and an erosion of public trust.

Municipal Wire*
Enbridge Gas' Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) webinars will provide an overview of what IRP is, their system planning process, stakeholder engagement process and the latest on their pilot project. Register region.

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Director of Operations and Development - Town of Tillsonburg. Closing Date: November 29, 2024.

Foreperson, District Parks - City of Brampton. Closing Date: November 25, 2024

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Senior Project Manager - Ministry of Transportation. Closing Date: December 10. 2024.

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Ontario is in a housing crisis and municipalities are doing everything in their power to increase housing supply and affordability while working towards the province's ambitious target of building 1.5 million homes over 10 years. This year's housing starts are predicted to be lower than provincial government targets and many may blame municipalities. AMO knows this is not true and has defended against reports or associations that have blamed municipal approval timelines and development charges as key issues in explaining declining housing starts.

As 2024 numbers are finalized, it will be important to remember that Ontario's housing market is complex and under pressure from unanticipated population growth, interest rates, labour shortages and inflation that has outstripped wages. AMO has produced a resource to help lay out myth from reality to show that the solution to the housing affordability crisis will be found through collaboration between the province, municipalities, the development industry, and through industry innovation.

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Advocacy Update:
AMCTO at Queen's Park & Recent Submissions

AMCTO has had a busy few weeks with visits to Queen's Park to discuss advocacy priorities on behalf of members. We delegated before the Standing Committee on Justice Policy as the only municipal representative regarding *Bill 194, Strengthening Cyber Security and Building Trust in the Public Sector Act, 2024*. We also met with Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra, regarding our submission on the *Municipal Elections Act (MEA)* and discussed key issues like housing, municipal finance and strong mayor powers.

Our team has also been reviewing Provincial policies that continue to put municipalities' decision-making powers at risk and create unnecessary administrative burden for staff. Read more on this below.

Presentation at Standing Committee

AMCTO was the only municipal representative invited to speak before the committee. On November 15, Executive Director, David Arbuckle spoke on behalf of the Association to reinforce the need to modernize legislation and provide recommendations where we see opportunities for improvement.

As members will recall, we submitted comments to the Government's regulatory posting on *Bill 194, Strengthening Cyber Security and Building Trust in the Public Sector Act, 2024*. In addition to making recommendations related to the Bill, David spoke about the need to future-proof the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA).* As we noted in our *MFIPPA* submission earlier this year, the legislation is over 30 years old, has not been comprehensively reviewed and regulations still contain outdated technology references (i.e. CD-ROMs). We had also flagged that the legislation was not equipped to manage changes to technology like artificial intelligence (AI) which is a key item within Bill 194.

While the Bill is a good first step towards enhancing digital security and establishing trust across public sector institutions, David highlighted:

- The interconnectedness between cybersecurity, AI, and privacy protection, and the need to modernize *MFIPPA* to reflect this connection.
- The differences in municipal digital maturity, capacity, and resources that need to be considered in the development of regulations.
- Municipalities and their staff will need adequate guidance and resources to support the implementation of requirements.
- The legislation should contain more information about responsible use and trustworthy AI principles.
- Regulations should be developed in collaboration with affected stakeholders including municipalities.

David also expressed that subject to collaborative consultation and having supportive resources in place, AMCTO supports extending similar proposed provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (*FIPPA)* to *MFIPPA*. However, in its current form, *MFIPPA* is onerous, lacks clarity, creates additional unnecessary work, and is not equipped to consider important technology trends. Local government administrators need a modern *MFIPPA* before adding new provisions to an old *Act*.

The transcript of the committee proceedings will be available on the Ontario Legislative Assembly website soon.

There are still opportunities for municipal councils to endorse our recommendations. For a template resolution please see our member toolkit, and don't forget to copy us in your correspondence to the minister.

Meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

We were pleased to meet with Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra, on November 18 to continue to advocate for changes to the *MEA* ahead of the 2026 municipal and school board elections.

We were happy to hear that the Minister was receptive to making changes to the *MEA* and agreed with us that it needs a comprehensive review. While no timelines were provided, we remain hopeful that some amendments to the *Act* can be made in time for the 2026 elections. We have emphasized to the ministry since the release of our submission in April that changes to the *Act* would ideally come by spring 2025 to avoid significant impacts to elections planning that is already well underway.

We also took the opportunity to reinforce our concerns about the impacts of strong mayor powers on municipal professionals and organizational culture, specifically related to the role of the chief administrative officer (CAO), department heads, and organizational structure, as well as our concerns about the continued health and sustainability of local government administration.

There are still opportunities for municipal councils to endorse our *MEA* recommendations or for clerks to submit a letter to the ministry about their concerns with the legislation. Members can access these templates in our toolkit.

Other Submissions

We are concerned about the increasing encroachment of the Province on matters of local decision-making through policy initiatives that also place more administrative and cost burdens on municipalities and their staff.

As a result, we submitted comments to the Government's proposal related to bike lanes. While AMCTO does not traditionally comment on these matters, we believe the Provincial overreach and intrusion into local decision-making warranted a formal response.

We may make a similar submission related to schedule 4 of the new Bill 223, Safer Streets, Stronger Communities Act, 2024 which prevents municipalities from working with the federal government on safe consumption sites and requires applications to the Province for approvals for such sites.

We note that the sector continues to wait for the Province to act on areas where municipalities and their staff have requested support and resources. We will keep you, our members, informed of the Government's response and our next steps on these and other matters, and continue to advocate for the interests of the municipal profession and those dedicated to serving their communities.

For more information or to discuss further, please contact us.

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Emergency Planning for Seniors

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November 05, 2024

Every household should have a plan in place that will provide necessities and ensure safety for their family during the event of an emergency. Seniors may have additional considerations during an emergency, especially if they are required to evacuate their home. Making a list and keeping it with an emergency kit can help with knowing what to take with them. Everyone should keep in mind that they may not be able to get back to their home right away, so knowing what they need for an extended period will be important. This may be the case for seniors who require special equipment or medications. Having a list may also assist others that are providing a helping hand.

Additional items may include:

- assistive devices such as canes, walkers, hearing aids, breathing apparatus, etc.
- prescription eyewear and footwear

- extra medications and vitamin supplements (including a list of allergies and all prescribed medications with required dosages)
- supply of food items appropriate to any dietary restrictions
- extra dentures (if required) and cleanser
- personal documentation and identification
- list of names and telephone numbers, such as family members, doctors, caseworkers, seniors' group contact person, etc.

"Emergencies can be frightening and stressful times. Whether you are sheltering in your home or having to evacuate, having a plan and creating a network of people who can assist you are important steps, especially for seniors," said Ray Lux, Bruce County Emergency Management Coordinator.

Times of emergency can often be overwhelming. If a senior anticipates that they may need assistance during an emergency, it is a good idea to create a network ahead of time. Seniors should talk to family members, friends, and trusted neighbours to see if they can provide support. Once those people have been identified, seniors may want to share their plan, their list of required items, how to access their house, where to find their required items, and how to work assistive devices that may be required. Having a plan with their network, and then practicing it, will help seniors be prepared and feel more confident during an emergency.

Discover more about Emergency Preparedness at www.brucecounty.on.ca/getprepared

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County Administration Buildings Closed for 2024 Remembrance Day Long Weekend

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November 06, 2024

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Bruce County Public Library Branches will be closed on Monday, November 11. Library Branches will be open for regular hours on Saturday, November 9 and Sunday, November 10. Online resources are available 24/7. library.brucecounty.on.ca

Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre and Archives will be closed on Sunday, November 10 and Monday, November 11,

and will open for regular hours on Saturday, November 9. For Museum programming, visit www.brucemuseum.ca. For more information about Bruce County Veterans, please visit www.bruceremembers.org.

EarlyON Child and Family Centre programming will be closed from Saturday, November 9 to Monday, November 11. EarlyON schedules are available online.

Please remember with your local Royal Canadian Legion, www.legion.ca.

For essential services, please call 211 to assist with accessing community services and support. The service is 24/7 and multilingual interpretation is available.

For emergencies, please call 911. For less serious incidents, report online by visiting opp.ca/reporting.

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Bruce County Launching Smart Commute App - A Ride-Matching Program to Connect Drivers and Riders to Jobs

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The launch of the Smart Commute App is one way the county is advancing the recommendations outlined in the Transit Feasibility and Demand Study completed in December 2023.

The implementation of the ride-matching platform, Smart Commute, is one of the early actions recommended in the Transit Feasibility and Demand Study to increase transit options in County.

Smart Commute is focused on meeting the following immediate transit needs including:

- Connecting Smaller Communities to Jobs and Services

"Smart Commute provides a great opportunity for Bruce County to onboard local employers into the Smart Commute Program to help connect their employees with a cost-effective and sustainable commuting option through carpooling. This app helps reduce single-occupancy trips and creates an opportunity to share costs between drivers and riders." says Claire Dodds, Commissioner of Community Development.

The County is pleased to be connecting with local municipalities and employers to grow the Smart Commute program in Bruce County.

"Smart Commute provides a new transit option for Bruce County that allows employees to easily connect to jobs by encouraging drivers and riders to commute together. We encourage employers in our County to sign up to become members of the Smart Commute Program." says Chris Peabody, Warden of Bruce County.

Local employers who are interested in the program are encouraged to email transit@brucecounty.on.ca to find out more information about how their workplace can become part of the Smart Commute Program.

Download the Smart Commute App today at brucecounty.smartcommute.ca.

For additional information about transit services available in Bruce County, please visit: https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/transit.

Background:
Bruce County is part of a larger network of municipalities that have launched a Smart Commute Program, including municipalities in the Greater Toronto Area, Hamilton, City of London and City of Greater Sudbury.

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Council Meeting Highlights - Thursday, November 7, 2024

Bruce County Council met on November 7, 2024 beginning at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers and virtually through Teams. Video recordings of the meeting can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes

November 07, 2024

Bruce County Council Meeting

Warden Peabody highlighted the Explore the Bruce Rewards Economic Developers Association of Canada (EDAC) Award Recognition. Report

Council received a report from Transportation & Environmental Services on Short-term Winter Operations Changes and the Walkerton Patrol. Report

Council received the November 2024 Museum Information Report. Report

Council provided direction to County Staff related to proposed funding and staffing within the draft 2025 Operating and Capital Budget. Council directed staff to set the 2025 tax levy increase to 5%. Council directed staff to bring forward the Budget By-law to the January 9, 2025 Council meeting. Report

Council approved By-law 2024-060, a by-law to authorize a Loan Agreement with the 2026 International Plowing Match & Rural Expo Local Committee Inc. By-law

Council approved By-law 2024-061, a by-law to authorize the execution of a Primary Public Safety Answering Point agreement between Bruce County and the Owen Sound Police Services Board. By-law

Council approved By-law 2024-062, a by-law to authorize the execution of a Project Funding Agreement between Bruce County and Russell Meadows Non-Profit Accommodations for the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) - Repair Component. By-law

Council approved By-law 2024-063, a by-law to authorize the execution of a Project Funding Agreement between Bruce County and Russell Meadows Non-Profit Accommodations for the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) - Repair Component. By-law

Council approved By-law 2024-064, a by-law to authorize the execution of a Project Funding Agreement between Bruce County and Bruce County Housing Corporation for the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative. By-law

Council received communication from the Town of Tillsonburg on Cellular Coverage Concerns. Communication

Council received communication from the Municipality of Kincardine with a Request for a County Accessibility Coordinator position. Communication

Council received communication from Grey Bruce Public Health with the 2024 Report on Food Affordability. Communication

Council received communication from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing with a Response to Inquiry Re Status of Housing and Homelessness Plan Reviews. Communication

Council received communication from Grey Bruce Public Health with September 27 Board Minutes. Communication

This publication identifies highlights from recent Bruce County Council and Committee meetings. Bruce County's Office of the CAO maintains complete agendas and minutes from all Council and Committee meetings, which can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes

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Highway For Peace Unveiled in Bruce County

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The 160th Bruce Battalion, part of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, featured close to 1,200 young men from across Bruce County. On June 3, 1916, the Battalion marched 16 miles from Walkerton to Chesley, on Bruce Road 19, to receive the Battalion Colours and Banner in a ceremonial presentation by then-Ontario Premier William Hearst. On June 5, 1916, the young soldiers again marched along Bruce Road 19 to return to Walkerton. The Battalion would depart Walkerton on June 12, 1916 for training in England and then an eventual arrival at the war front in Belgium and France.

More than 100 of these young soldiers are named on cenotaphs throughout Bruce County and hundreds more returned with lives changed by the burden of war.

Following a recent presentation and proposal by local Southampton historian G. William (Bill) Streeter, Bruce County Council approved the designation of Bruce County Road 19 as the "Highway for Peace". In time for Remembrance Day on Monday, November 11, Bruce County has installed commemorative signage approximately every 8 kilometres in both directions along Bruce Road 19, marking the historic journey of the 160th Bruce Battalion.

"Thank you to our local historians and heritage experts who work with such passion and community-spirit to preserve the significant history and culture of Bruce County," said Bruce County Warden Chris Peabody. "With this memorial designation, we honour the sacrifices and contributions of the 1,200 young soldiers of the 160th Bruce Battalion, who helped shape Bruce County into what it is today."

For more information about Bruce County Veterans, please visit www.bruceremembers.org.

For more information about Remembrance Day services with your local Royal Canadian Legion, please visit www.legion.ca.

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Bruce County's Explore the Bruce Rewards App Recognized for National Award from EDAC

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Launched in 2024, this innovative app highlights tourism destinations, activities, culinary experiences and local shops to explore across Bruce County, while incentivizing users to collect points.

The Explore the Bruce Rewards app invites both residents and visitors to discover Bruce County in an interactive and rewarding way. By visiting destinations across the County—from trails, parks, restaurants and shops—users collect points that can be redeemed for rewards. The app's goal is simple: the more destinations visited, the more points earned, and the more rewards unlocked.

The Economic Developers Association of Canada (EDAC), which represents economic developers nationwide, attracted award submissions from across Canada. EDAC recognized the Explore the Bruce Rewards app and related social media promotions for its innovative approach to promoting tourism and supporting local businesses.

“Bruce County has so much to offer, and this app showcases it in an engaging and interactive way. It’s exciting to see our efforts recognized on a national level. This initiative not only encourages exploration but also supports our small businesses and fosters community pride.” says Chris Peabody, Warden of Bruce County.

In addition to enhancing visitors’ experiences, the app aims to achieve several key goals for Bruce County:

- Increase the number of visitors and lengthen their stays
- Encourage visitation throughout all seasons
- Disperse visitors to less-trafficked areas
- Promote local tourism destinations, attractions and businesses

Developed in collaboration with Driftscape and supported by local tourism operators, businesses, and municipalities, the app plays a crucial role in Bruce County’s tourism strategy by boosting awareness and increasing visits. The app has been proven successful through the social media campaign results and 1,341 app downloads for 2024 so far, surpassing the 750 downloads goal in the second quarter.

The Explore the Bruce Rewards app and related tourism initiatives can be accessed at explorethebruce.com. Start exploring Bruce County and earn rewards today!

About The Economic Developers Association of Canada (EDAC): The Economic Developers Association of Canada (EDAC) is Canada’s national association of economic development professionals, representing every province and territory across Canada with nearly 1,000 members. The Association’s mission is to enhance the professional competence of economic development professionals and ensure placement of qualified people in the field of economic development, to advance economic development as a distinct, recognized, and self-governing profession and to contribute to Canada’s well-being.

About Bruce County: Bruce County is an upper-tier municipality in Southwestern Ontario, Canada, made up of eight lower-tier municipalities and 73,396 residents. The explorers who visit, live, and work here are the dreamers who take roads less travelled and see tried and true as an invitation to try something new. Be an Explorer and call Bruce County home.

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Honoring the Legacy of Murray Sinclair: A Visionary Leader for Truth and Reconciliation

Bruce County joins communities across Canada in mourning the passing of the Honourable Murray Sinclair, a champion of Indigenous rights, justice, and reconciliation, who passed away on Monday at the age of 73. Senator Sinclair dedicated his life to uncovering truths and fostering healing, establishing a lasting path for reconciliation across Canada.

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As Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) from 2009 to 2015, Senator Sinclair was pivotal in documenting the profound impact of the residential school system on Indigenous Peoples. Under his leadership, the TRC released the landmark report Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future, along with 94 Calls to Action to deepen understanding and drive meaningful change. His unwavering commitment to truth inspired Canadians to reflect on our shared history and work toward healing.

Bruce County will lower flags to half-mast beginning today in recognition of Indigenous Veterans Day and again on Saturday and Sunday to honor Senator Sinclair's memory and immense contributions. His work reminds us of our collective responsibility to support reconciliation.

"Murray Sinclair's legacy is a powerful call to action, urging us to confront our past and walk together toward a more just and compassionate Canada," said Chris Peabody, Warden of Bruce County. "His work as Chief Commissioner, and the 94 Calls to Action guide our reconciliation efforts with the Saugeen Ojibway Nation. We are humbled by his wisdom, and guidance. We encourage all residents and Canadians to reflect on Senator Sinclair's legacy, and commit to the continued journey of reconciliation."

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Help Support Families this Holiday Season through Bruce County's Dorrell Young Christmas Program

Give the gift of hope and inclusion for children and families in need this holiday season. Bruce County's Human Services Department seeks the community's support with donations to the annual Dorrell Young Christmas Program.

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Until December 12, 2024, Bruce County is accepting gift donations at the Bruce County Administrative Centre in Walkerton, the Lakeshore Hub in Port Elgin, the Peninsula Hub in Wiarton, and the Penetangore Hub in Kincardine.

You may consider supporting the Dorrell Young Christmas Program in one of the following ways:

- A monetary donation, which can be made online at https://payment.psps.ca/county-of-bruce/index.php/ (any amount $20 or greater is eligible for a tax receipt).
- An unwrapped gift suitable for a child or teenager.
- Sponsor a family (County Staff will provide gender and ages of family members, as well as wish lists).

Annually, the Dorrell Young Christmas Program provides a gift, often a toy, book, or article of clothing, for children and teenagers served by Bruce County's Human Services department, whose families and caregivers struggle during the holiday season. In partnership with our generous sponsors, we are proud to provide packages that align with "Something you want, something you need, something you wear, something you read." The program supports approximately 500 children within Bruce County, as well as supporting adult members of households through direct sponsorship. The program relies solely on donations, through the support of generous individuals and organizations in our community.

"Thank you so much for your generosity and meaningful contributions to the Dorrell Young Christmas Program this holiday season," says Tina Metcalfe, Director of Human Services. "Your support is bringing hope and joy to children and families in communities across Bruce County."

Discover more about the Dorrell Young Christmas Program.

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Durham Street Bridge Project in Walkerton Progressing On Budget

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The Bruce County Transportation & Environmental Services department highlights that the Durham Street Bridge project, located on Bruce Road 4 in Walkerton, is on budget and progressing well. Phase 1 of the project, which includes immediate repairs on the bridge, began in May 2024. It is anticipated that Phase 1 construction will be completed in late February of 2025. It is expected that Phase 2, which involves the remaining rehabilitation and restoration work as per the completed Schedule 'C' Environmental Assessment, will be completed in the Fall of 2025.

Motorists can continue to drive to and through Walkerton with alternating lane closures while bridge construction is underway. Downtown businesses in Walkerton remain open.

The alternate truck routes (ATR) facilitate the continued movement of truck traffic during the bridge weight restriction period on the Durham Street Bridge. Advanced warning signage for the ATR's are placed strategically ahead of the bridge to

divert heavy truck traffic from passing over the bridge. The weight restriction is a 3-level load limit which differentiates heavy truck types by the number of axles on the truck or trailers and permits a maximum vehicle weight. The weight restrictions apply to vehicles greater than 15, 25, and 30 tonnes, with corresponding axles.

Weight restrictions will be re-assessed upon the completion of the Phase 1 work.

View the Alternate Truck Route Map at www.brucecounty.on.ca/WalkertonBridge.

Updated Phase 1 Project Timeline:

- Concrete Beam Repairs: 66.0% Complete - May 2024 to October 2024
- Installation of Temporary Shoring: October 2024
- Repair of Lap Joint: October 2024 to November 2024
- Repair of Expansion Joint: November 2024 to December 2024
- Completion of Phase 1 (Stage 1 -north side): December 2024
- Phase 1 (Stage 2 - south side) Repairs: December 2024 to February 2025

Additional Information
The Durham Street Bridge in Walkerton was constructed in 1937 and provides over 86 years of service to the community. Pullman (Structural Technologies) is the contractor for this construction project and Triton Engineering Services Limited is the Project Engineer. Partial funding for this project is provided by the Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF).

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we complete this important infrastructure work in Bruce County. Stay tuned for ongoing updates throughout this construction project on the Bruce County website newsfeed and social media channels. www.brucecounty.on.ca/WalkertonBridge

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How Bruce County Services are impacted by the Postal Strike

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Human Services:

During the postal strike, please avoid putting important information and rent payments in the mail.

Electronic payments and communications are possible. Please contact Bruce County Human Services at 1-800-265-3022 or HumanServicesIntegratedServicesAssistants@brucecounty.on.ca.

For in person assistance, to pay your rent by cash or cheque, or to submit paperwork please visit one of our Hubs located at:

529 Gary Street, Kincardine

1243 Mackenzie Road, Port Elgin

30 Park Street, Walkerton

268 Berford Street, Wiarton

Ontario Works clients can sign up for MyBenefits at http://ontario.ca/MyBenefits. This service is available 24/7 and allows clients to send and receive messages, submit required documents, check the status of their payments, receive letters, and to report changes through their desktop, tablet, or mobile phone.

Bruce County Public Library:

The Books by Mail program is paused for the duration of the postal strike.

Interlibrary loan requests will not be processed but requests can still be submitted.

Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre:

Physical mail incoming may be sent by courier or dropped off at the BCM&CC during our regular office hours or via the exterior mail drop box.

For all other services (collection donations, archival services, membership), please contact museum@brucecounty.on.ca to discuss options for courier or drop off at the BCM&CC during regular business hours.

Vendors working with Bruce County:

The only payments by cheque that will be issued for the week of Nov 18 to Nov 22 will be for urgent items or those that can be distributed by County Staff. These cheques will be delivered to other County facilities via the BCPL Courier.

Bruce County will reach out to individual vendors to set up Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT) where they aren't already set up.

For vendors that do not submit EFT information by the week of Nov 18 to Nov 22, they will have the option of picking their cheques up at the Walkerton Administration Centre the week of Nov 25 to Nov 29, if the strike is not yet resolved. The County will continue to monitor the situation and develop further plans as needed.

Vendors can e-mail ap@brucecounty.on.ca to get set up for EFT payment.

Planning & Development:

Physical mail incoming may be sent by courier or dropped off in person during regular office hours or be placed in after-hours drop boxes at the Peninsula Hub, Lakeshore Hub, and Inland Hub.

We encourage email to the Planning department as an alternative to mail:

For Planning Matters related to Municipality of Arran Elderslie, Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, and Town of South Bruce Peninsula, please email bcplwi@brucecounty.on.ca.

For Planning Matters related to Municipality of Kincardine and Town of Saugeen Shores, please email bcplpe@brucecounty.on.ca.

For Planning Matters related to Municipality of Brockton, Township of Huron-Kinloss, and Municipality of South Bruce, please email bcplwa@brucecounty.on.ca.

For Planning Matters related to New Official Plan Project, please email planthebruce@brucecounty.on.ca.

Staff are examining options for providing notices where required by the Planning Act.

Economic Development:

Physical mail incoming for Economic Development may be sent by courier or dropped off at the Peninsula Hub, Lakeshore Hub, and Inland Hub during our regular office hours or via the exterior mail drop box.

Transportation & Environmental Services:

Invoices can be emailed to transportationaccountspayable@brucecounty.on.ca.

Moving permit cheques can be physically delivered to the Walkerton Administration Centre.

For general customer service, please:

Visit www.brucecounty.on.ca

Call 519-881-1291 or 1-800-265-3005

Email info@brucecounty.on.ca

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Bruce County's Road Conditions webpage features closure and conditions mapping, weather radar mapping, and detailed tables of closures and conditions on County-maintained roads. This information is provided as a public service and therefore drivers are encouraged to use care and caution in winter weather as these conditions can change at a moment's notice. All roadway users must travel safely, share the road, and respect others.

"Bruce County's Transportation Department strives to provide the best winter maintenance efforts given the fluctuating weather conditions we experience across the region. We remind the public to drive with caution during the winter months,

while respecting winter maintenance operations," said Adam Stanley, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services.

Visit the Bruce County Winter Road Conditions Page.
For Provincial Roads, please monitor Ontario 511.

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Hello,

We are seeking your help in soliciting nominations of outstanding teachers and educators for the Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence, for Teaching Excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, and for Excellence in Early Childhood Education. These long-standing awards celebrate educators for their leadership and their commitment to preparing youth for a digital and innovation-based economy. Anyone can nominate an educator for the award. You can help us raise awareness for the awards by putting up the enclosed posters in areas where people will see it.

As well, you can promote the initiative on your website or social media accounts by using our shareables found in the promotional tools section of the Prime Minister's Awards website https://www.canada.ca/pm-awards.

If you have any questions you can email us at primeministersawards-prixdupremierministre@ised-isde.gc.ca.

Thank you in advance for your help in making this initiative an ongoing success!

KDixie

Kristina Dixie
Manager, Prime Minister's Awards
Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada / Government of Canada

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Kelly Lush

From: Community Living Kincardine & District <aswan@clkd.ca>
Sent: November 7, 2024 10:00 AM
To: Kelly Lush
Subject: CLKD's November 2024 newsletter is here!

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Madi's Exciting Co-op Experience at CKNX Radio

In this photo collage, the 2 photos stacked on the left show Madi with a microphone and wearing ear phones. These 2 photos show her broadcasting in the recording studio at CKNX Radio. The photo on the right shows Madi standing proudly beside the sign "101.7 The One, Today's Best Music. "

Madi's Co-op placement at CKNX radio has given her a unique opportunity to explore the fast-paced world of radio broadcasting.

"I program 101.7 music... the music you hear is put on by me."
With rules to follow, such as ensuring 35% of the music played is Canadian music and aiming for 37% Canadian content to stay on track, one of the more exciting aspects of Madi's role is her late-night radio show. *"I talk on the radio from midnight to 2 a.m. I pre-record three talk breaks per hour, discussing things that will resonate with listeners, liners/advertisements and local events."*

Madi has also had the chance to record a commercial for CKNX, lending her voice to a commercial that will air on stations in London. *"My producer asked if I could record a commercial because they needed a teenage girl's voice. We recorded it in the studio—it was such a great experience!"*

A Lifelong Passion for Radio

"Ever since I was a kid, I've had a natural enquiry about radio. I wondered how the music gets put up there and how they make the ads. I have always loved music; it has always enticed me. I dream of writing music and hearing it played on the radio."

Thanks to the support of her Co-op teacher, Madi was able to connect with CKNX, secure an interview, and ultimately land this incredible placement. When asked about the most rewarding part of her experience so far, Madi doesn't hesitate: *"Radio is absolutely fun, and I get a kick out of learning how it all works."*

Overcoming Challenges and Building Valuable Skills

Of course, navigating the world of radio broadcasting hasn't been without its challenges. From programming the buttons to managing the strict rules around music and ads, Madi has faced her share of hurdles. She recalls a particularly stressful moment: *"I thought I had accidentally deleted Ryan Seacrest's talk breaks—that was a lot of anxiety!"* Despite these challenges, Madi takes them all in stride, finding solutions and learning from each experience.

"My radio voice has improved, along with my pronunciation and writing skills," Madi notes. She's also gained valuable technological experience in using radio software, timing her speech for ad breaks, and avoiding dreaded "dead air."

Support and Inclusivity

CKNX has provided Madi with a supportive environment where she feels included and empowered. *"Autism hasn't affected my work here—this job is like a hyper-fixation for me, and I want to be good at it,"* She credits the station's friendly atmosphere and the respect her colleagues show for her ideas. *"I have a big idea that I've shared with my supervisor, and he's been really encouraging. He's asked me to expand on it, and I'm excited to see it through—watch this space in November and December!"*

Madi also appreciates the learning opportunities she's had, particularly by listening to experienced radio hosts like Julie B. and Nick during their morning shows. *"There are definitely going to be tears at the end of January,"* Madi admits, reflecting on how much the experience has meant to her. *"I'm really glad that I got this co-op."*

Wrapping up National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM)

Richard

For **Richard,** Employment is about more than the paycheck:

"I like getting out there and meeting people. I talk to a lot of people while delivering flyers and it helps me get to know them. I also get a walk which helps me keep in shape and work on my fitness."
*- **Richard Wright***

"Richard is reliable and has great communication skills. He is a valued member of our warehouse team," says **Kim Ward, Independent Plus distribution manager.**

"I enjoy talking with Richard. He is focused and we can always depend on him to help out and get the job done," said Dianna Martell, **Kincardine Independent** office administrator.

For **Jackie** and **Rosie**, work is also about being social:

"I enjoy my co-workers and bosses because they're nice and helpful and I enjoy seeing all the regular customers." - **Jackie McDonald**

"McDonalds is an inclusive workplace that hires from all walks of life. We give people the training and tools they need to do the job", said **Rodney Wallduck, McDonalds**.

Jackie

Rosie

" I like working with my coworkers and I like helping the customers that come in the store. " - **Rosie Laidler**

"We love having Rosie here. She is very friendly and knows everybody." - **Denise, Gordon Pharmasave**

Being physically active and chatting with customers as they wait is a perk of employment at Kincardine Dentistry for **Josh**:

"The thing I like best about my job is being on my feet and being able to give my muscles a good stretch. I also like interacting with all the customers while they are waiting for their appointment."
- **Josh Easton**

"Josh is a valuable member of our team, he brings with him motivation to get the work done no matter what challenges may arise." - **Kincardine Dentistry**

Josh

For **Wayne**, work helps to establish routine and support independence:
"I like having a routine, I like the people and the staff. I like paying my bills and I like the afternoon and weekends off. I like working, I've been there a long time." - ***Wayne Watson***

*"Wayne always has a smile on his face, and we're thankful to have him on our team", said Melanie Pyke, owner of **Home Hardware**.*

Randy Receives Accessible Bed from Community Member

The photo above shows Randy in his wheelchair beside his new bed smiling.

Earlier last month, Randy was the recipient of an accessible bed from a member of the community.

"I really like [the bed]! It is more functional for me because it has railings and it is the perfect size. It's adjustable too!

I am grateful [for this donation], it makes me feel happy to know that someone was thinking of me.

I'll be sleeping good tonight!"

- Randy Smith

Allan and Cassandra Volunteer at a Community Thanksgiving Dinner

In this photo collage, left to right, is a photo of Allan preparing a long table of desserts for the Thanksgiving dinner. On the right, there are 2 stacked photos. The photo on the top shows Allan in the kitchen smiling as he works on the mashed potatoes. In the bottom picture, Cassandra is smiling as she sets the dinnerware on the beautiful Thanksgiving table.

I like to cook. It makes me feel good. Knives make me a little nervous, but I still like to cut up vegetables. Helping gets me out of the house and away from the TV; that's good too. My favorite are potatoes, I like everything about them. I like to peel them, and mash them, and eat them! It makes me feel good to help. I like to know that I am helping people to eat good food.

- Allan

I like [volunteering] and I'm good at it. I like to help by putting things on the table and making it look pretty... things like that. It's pretty fun.

- Cassandra

Perfect Fall Day to Volunteer in Classroom 3B

In this photo collage there are 2 photos, left to right. On the left, Marianne stands in front of the giant slide at Smiths Apple Farms while the children play behind her. In the photo on the right, Marianne reaches up to pick an apple off a tree.

I am happy to be back in the school, I love helping the kids. I rode the bus with the kids; it was loud!

I went on the big slide and I picked apples; that was fun. They had lots of pumpkins and apples [at the apple farm]. I got to try some apples.

- Marianne

Randy Helps MC at The Bridge Event

In the photo collage, from left to right, is a photo of Randy and Phillip Craig as they talk into the microphone, MCing the Bridge event. There are 2 stacked photos on the right. In the top photo, Randy is with the other 2 MCs, Phillip and Wes. They are smiling and laughing. In the bottom photo, Randy and Phillip talk closely.

I was excited to see Phillip Craig, he is a great guy. I helped Phillip MC the bridge event; he rehearsed some jokes with me. I enjoyed talking about Wes, he is a nice guy who runs the bridge. Wes included me in his speech about the bridge and that made me happy. The dinner was good and doing the chicken dance with everyone was perfect. I had a good time! I hope the bridge raises the money [they need], it's a great place.

- Randy Smith

Bethany and Susan Visit Cats and Kittens Awaiting Adoption

In the left photo, Bethany plays with a grey cat through the cage where the cat sits, touching its paw to her finger. In the second photo, Susan smiles while watching 2 cats lounging in their cage.

We went out for coffee together then stopped at Pet Valu Kincardine to visit the foster kitties!

When the Pet Valu staff asked if we wanted to see some baby kittens that had recently been rescued, I said "YES" immediately! They were tiny, adorable babies; not in my budget though!

- Bethany Collins
(Translated)

I could not stop smiling, racing between each cat to show them all some love! I even got to show the kitties some new toys, which they seemed to love!

- Susan Kirk
(Translated)

Beautiful Day for a Beach Clean Up

In the photo collage, from left to right, Bethany and Stuart are giving a "thumbs up" as they hold the garbage they collected from the beach. There are 2 photos stacked on the right. Bethany poses on the sunny beach, seagulls behind her, wearing rubber gloves and holding a pail she is using to collect garbage. In the bottom photo, Stuart and Bethany do a selfie on the beach giving a thumbs up.

I liked helping clean up the beach and seeing others out helping too. It's important to keep our beaches clean. I cleaned up a lot of cigarette butts; it was gross. (makes a stinky face) I wore gloves. I enjoy cleaning up but want to remind everyone to help keep our beaches clean by taking your trash with you.

- Bethany Collins
(Translated)

Giving Tuesday, Raising Funds for a Commercial Generator

Each year Community Living Kincardine and District (CLKD) participates in Giving Tuesday, a global generosity movement unleashing the power of people and organizations to transform their communities, and the world.

As we begin to rely more heavily on electricity in our 24 hour supported homes for personal lifts, CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) machines, recharging electric wheelchairs, and the safety and security of residents, we, Community Living Kincardine & District and the families of people supported, are seeking your support in the **purchase of a generator** to ensure an uninterrupted power supply during outages.

On **December 3rd, #GivingTuesdayCA**, CLKD will be **raising funds to help support the purchase of a generator for the Saratoga Supported Home**.

If you wish to support this initiative, you may **donate online**, drop off cash or a cheque to the Community Living Kincardine & District office at 286 Lambton Street or e-transfer to donations@clkd.ca with a note indicating the donation is in support of a generator.

Giving Tuesday Donations will be generously **matched up to $1,000** by **Matthew Moore of Moore Wealth Management of RBC Dominion Securities** and **Jennifer Cook** of the **Co-operators.**

We thank you in advance for your support.

Upcoming Events & Activities

Baby & Me Groups

Running Every Thursday of the Month!

Baby & Me programs will rotate each week through Baby & Me Music, Baby & Me Messy Art, Baby & Me Sensory Play, Baby & Me Early Literacy and Baby & Me Gross Motor and Movement.

Please visit our **website** and/or follow us on **Facebook** or **Instagram** to stay up-to-date!

Community Christmas Party

November 30th, 2024
10:30am-2:00pm

Save the date! Skating, cookie decorating and a whole lot of fun returns as we celebrate the season on November 30th at the Davidson Centre. Follow us on **Facebook** and keep an eye on our **website** for more details!

To learn more about CLKD's services and events, visit our website!

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REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANIZATION 7

November 7, 2024

Welcome to the November Edition of RTO7's Industry E-Newsletter!

In This Newsletter:

- **What's Going On…at RTO7**
  - Essentially Lavender Transforms with Tech Compass
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What's Going On…at RTO7

Tech Compass is delighted to have supported Essentially Lavender in enhancing its operations and embracing digital solutions.

"Working with Matt at Tech Compass has been advantageous. He helped me focus on the various digital and technical aspects of the business. After reviewing and discussing, he provided recommendations, implementation steps, and training resources. The plan allowed me to prioritize and address each aspect as my time permits. I highly recommend this program to anyone struggling with the digital aspects of their business." – Cathy Kirk, Owner of Essentially Lavender

If you're ready to elevate your business like Cathy did, we're here to help!

Learn more at **techcompass.ca**.

Tech Compass is funded by the Government of Canada through the **Federal Economic Development**

Operations Implementation Program Funding Available

Additional funding has been made available to provide tourism operators in BruceGreySimcoe with an RTO7 agency-supported social media advertising campaign. This program can be used to promote Winter 2025 products, programs, experiences, or events. The campaign runs for 4 weeks and must end no later than March 28, 2025. Funds are available on a first-come-first-served basis at NO COST to the operator. Secure your funding by **completing an application here**.

Recruitment Implementation Program Funding

Are you considering investing in sponsored job posts on Indeed for your winter hiring? Before you reach for your wallet, let RTO7 take care of that expense for you! This is an excellent opportunity to maximize your recruitment efforts without the cost. Apply for the Recruitment Implementation Program today and let us help you attract the skilled professionals you need to run your business successfully. Learn more by visiting **RTO7.ca** before the funds are gone!

Funding & Business Support

Propel Student Work Placement Program

Propel offers post-secondary students the opportunity to gain the skills sought by employers through hands-on, paid work-integrated learning opportunities in tourism and hospitality. **Register here** to learn more at the next info session on November 21 at 1:00 pm.

Webinars, Workshops & Events

- **November 12, Transforming Operations Through People Process and Tech, 8 to 9 am**
  The Georgian Bay Accelerator and SGB Small Business Enterprise Centre are hosting their next Entrepreneur Breakfast Meetup at the Dorchester Hotel the founder of Rappid Design. **Tickets are $12 pp and are going fast!**
- **November 13, Creative Collingwood Symposium, 5 to 9 pm**
  Learn and share insights about the "Business of Art" at this in-person event at the Simcoe Street Theatre. **Tickets** are $20 pp including a light meal and beverage.
- **November 13, Virtual: Influencer Marketing 101 Workshop, 5 to 7 pm**
  Join two Destination Canada marketing experts for a deep dive into the world of Influencer Marketing through Jelly Academy. Reserve your free spot **here.**
- **November 13, Virtual: Community Roundtable for TBM Tourism & Marketing Strategy, 5 to 6:30 pm**
  Residents, visitor-facing business owners, and employees at an organization related to tourism in The Blue Mountains are encouraged to **register here.**
- **November 13, Virtual: Regional Community Affordable Housing Action Plan, 4:30 to 6 pm**
  The Institute of Southern Georgian Bay is inviting community members, housing professionals and municipal leaders to explore the draft plan. **Register to receive the link here**.
- **November 13, Virtual: Bridging the Gap Between Employers and Newcomers (Temporary Status Workers), 12 pm**
  This training is for employers looking to understand pathways for recruiting, hiring, and retaining newcomer talent. **Learn more and register at this link.**
- **November 13 & 20, Community Conversations – Indian Day Schools: The National and Local Story, 11 am to 1 pm**
  Join community members from the Chippewas of Saugeen and Chippewas

of Nawash for more insight into the Bruce County Museum exhibit and deeper awareness of local and personal experiences. **Pre-registration required**.

- **November 14, AI for Entrepreneurs Breakfast Workshop, 8:30 to 11 am**
  Join colleagues in the Town of the Blue Mountains to gain valuable insights into how AI can enhance your productivity, streamline your workflow, and drive the growth of your business. The event is taking place at the Georgian Peaks Club and tickets are $30 for Chamber members or $40 for non-members. **Register to attend**.
- **November 14, Virtual: Strategies for Small Businesses to Succeed Online, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm**
  Digital Main Street hosts a webinar exploring essential digital strategies to attract more customers and drive growth for your small business. **Free registration here.**
- **November 19, Collingwood Entrepreneur and Small Business Leadership Forum, 1 to 3 pm**
  Join the Town of Collingwood staff and like-minded business owners for an in-person event about Town initiatives, networking, and discussions that are important to the growth of your business. Space is limited so **register today**.
- **November 19, Virtual: CGLCC Webinar Series – Overcoming DEI Missteps, 12 to 1 pm**
  Learning how to deal with mistakes is a valuable skill and can help promote a healthy workplace. **Register for free!**
- **November 19, Tourism Simcoe County Partner Meeting, 9:30 am to 1 pm**
  Last chance to register for the annual partner meeting at Fern Resort. The meeting will include a presentation of their draft 2024 work plan, provide an update on the Craft Beverage Development project, and share their latest visitor statistics from the County. **Register here** for this free meeting including a networking lunch and optional tour of the Resort!
- **November 21, Virtual: High Performing Local SEO Workshop, 2 to 4 pm**

This free session is for **location-based** business owners or managers, or those who support location-based businesses! Prerequisite: Create a Google Business Profile listing. **Register today and get ready to up your SEO game here!**

- **November 26, Georgian College Essential Futures Challenge Employer Summit, 9:30 am to 6 pm**
  The event promises to be an engaging and dynamic series of workshops designed specifically for employers, exploring forward-thinking strategies and solutions to drive innovation in the workplace. Location TBC. **Learn more and register your free attendance**.
- **November 27, Virtual: Video and Photography Tips: Enhance your Marketing on a Budget Webinar, 10 to 11 am**
  Learn how to make the most of what you have and produce videos and photos that set your brand apart. Register for the free webinar through **Get Digital Support here.**
- **November 28, 52 Ways to Boost Your Online Strategy, 1 to 3:30**
  Hosted by the SGB Small Business Enterprise Centre, Wasaga Beach, and the DMS Squad at the Wasaga Beach Public Library. Few tickets remain for this FREE Digital Marketing 101 workshop. **Reserve your spot now!**
- **November 28, Virtual: Bridging the Gap Between Employers and Newcomers (Permanent Status), 12 pm**
  This training is for employers looking to understand pathways for recruiting, hiring, and retaining newcomer talent. **Learn more and register at this link.**
- **December 11, Virtual: Google Analytics Webinar, 10 to 11 am**
  Another excellent free webinar topic is offered through Get Digital Support. If you have a website and want to better understand the insights and this data-driven tool, **register today**!

Business to Bruce Workshops

Check out the amazing lineup of FREE Business to Bruce training sessions throughout November. Relevant topics include digital marketing, branding, hiring,

collecting and using data, and more! Created just for you, the busy business owner. **Learn more and check out the lineup of topics today**!

In Case You Missed It

Four County Labour Board EmployerOne Survey Open

Calling all Businesses in Bruce and Grey counties. The EmployerOne Survey is a survey of local businesses to better understand labour market demand in our region. No data, No Solutions. Please help us support your workforce needs by **completing the survey here**. Open until November 30.

For more information, visit **https://www.planningboard.ca/employeronesurvey/**

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VON Grey-Bruce Bereavement Support

About our Bereavement Support

VON Grey-Bruce offers bereavement support to residents of Grey-Bruce who have experienced the death of a loved one within the last 2 years.

Our program operates on a peer-to-peer support model, relying on our volunteers to support grieving individuals on a 1:1 basis, or by helping facilitate groups.

We are not able to provide counselling services for individuals coping with traumatic, or historical loss as they are outside our scope of practice.

Our bereavement support services are limited to individuals over the age of 18 with the exception of Kid's Circle.

OUR SERVICES:

- One-to-One Bereavement Support with Trained Volunteer
- 8-Week Bereavement Support Groups
- Mindfulness & Grief Webinar Series
- Monthly Drop In Groups
- Educational & Webinar Opportunities
- Holiday Sessions & Events

WHAT DOES OUR PROGRAM DO?

- Provide bereavement support to residents of Grey & Bruce counties who have experienced the death of a loved one
- Offers various programs and services by trained volunteers free of charge

WHAT IS PEER TO PEER SUPPORT?

- Emotional and practical support provided by trained volunteers with lived experience

One to One Bereavement Support

VON provides one-to-one bereavement support by trained volunteers if appropriate. It is an opportunity where the grieving individual can speak openly about their feelings. Support can take place virtually, over the phone, or in-person.

Each individual can expect to receive a weekly phone call from a volunteer once a match has been made.

8-Week Bereavement Support Groups

This is a closed group open to anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one. Our groups provide a supportive and compassionate atmosphere for sharing and listening. Facilitators and group members attend all 8 sessions, allowing for a greater level of comfort in discussing relevant topics. Participants can expect to receive support through education and connection with other group members.

Group sessions are offered in Fall, Winter, and Spring. Pre-registration is required.

Together in Grief - Drop In

This group is an opportunity for grieving individuals to receive grief support in an informal, compassionate environment with others going through similar experiences. Groups occur monthly on the fourth Tuesday of each month in Owen Sound and Hanover.

Pre-registration is required.

Mindfulness & Grief Webinar Series

Mindfulness is the art of using your senses to be present in the moment. It can be very beneficial in helping cope with the emotions of grief. This webinar series follows the book 'Living with Grief' by Heather Stang, where each week, participants will be introduced to a new theme that includes supportive meditation and journaling exercises.

Participants will begin to learn how to incorporate Mindfulness into daily routines and use it as a tool for coping with grief. Sessions are offered Fall, Winter, and Spring.

Kid's Circle

VON now offers grief support for the youngest members of our community aged 4 through 11 who are experiencing the death of a loved one. This includes an 8-week program including age-appropriate bereavement support activities and education to help the child grieve. The focus of Kid's Circle is to foster a greater understanding of the concept, and setting children up with the tools needed for healthy grieving.

HOW CAN I MAKE A REFERRAL?

- Self-Referrals are encouraged, but may come from community organizations or other sources

To register, please contact 519-376-5895 ext 2. or e-mail: von4you.greybruce@von.ca

Memo: Change to Bereavement Support Services

Dear Valued Community Members,

We are writing today to announce a change coming to our One on One Bereavement Support Services effective immediately, our Bereavement Support Coordinators will no longer be accepting one-on-one clients.

Our Bereavement Support Program operates on a peer-support model, meaning that we rely on trained volunteers to provide our clients with support and to help facilitate our groups. During the COVID-19 Pandemic, our program was forced to make a shift from our face-to-face and group support, to focusing on supporting clients on a 1:1 basis. We saw a shift in the complexity of needs of referrals we were receiving, which required our Coordinators to take on clients with higher needs. While trained, many of our volunteers are community members themselves who have also experienced the death of a loved one who are now sharing their experience with others.

Over the past four years, we have been incredibly grateful to our community members in helping us grow our program, however, we are now unable to keep up with the high demands of one-on-one support referrals that are coming in. With our ability to provide in-person support, we are returning to our peer-support model. This means, that those who are interested in one-on-one support must be an appropriate match for a volunteer, which will be determined during our assessment process. Additionally, we are not able to offer support to those looking to explore their historical grief or loss that has occurred over a time period of 2 years.

This change will allow our Coordinators to extend the group support we offer to our communities and enhance the social connection that is so important in grief for our clients. We hope that this information allows outside organizations to make appropriate referrals to our organization. We appreciate you all working alongside us as we navigate this change over the next few weeks. If you have any concerns or questions, please reach out to our office at 519-376-5895 ext. 2.

Warmly,

VON Grey-Bruce
Bereavement Support Team

Approved By:

Lisa Nickle-Waltenburgh

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Kelly Lush

From: Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Drinking Water Source Protection Region <info@sourcewaterinfo.on.ca>
Sent: November 14, 2024 10:28 AM
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Subject: Source protection region calls for applications for new committee member to represent environment sector

This email is to offer you updates about drinking water source protection in Maitland Valley and Ausable Bayfield areas. Thanks for having subscribed to this email newsletter. You are welcome to unsubscribe at any time.

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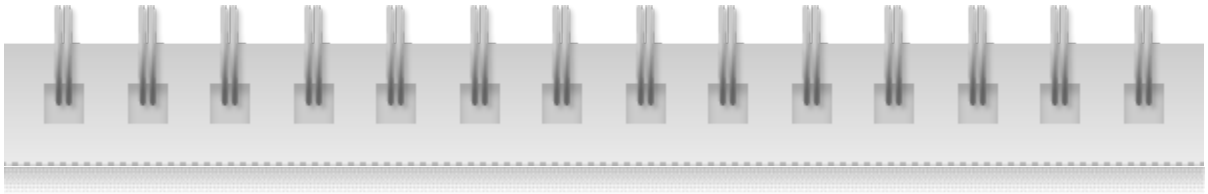

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Our Actions Matter
Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Region

Source protection region calls for applications for environment sector representative on committee

Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Drinking Water Source Protection Committee has vacancy for environment representative

The Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Drinking Water Source Protection Region is looking for a new source protection committee (SPC) member to represent the environmental sector. Interested candidates can apply by submitting their cover letter and résumé by 4 p.m. local time on Friday, December 13, 2024.

For full details please visit the local source protection website and download the PDF file (Notice of call for applications for SPC member to represent environment

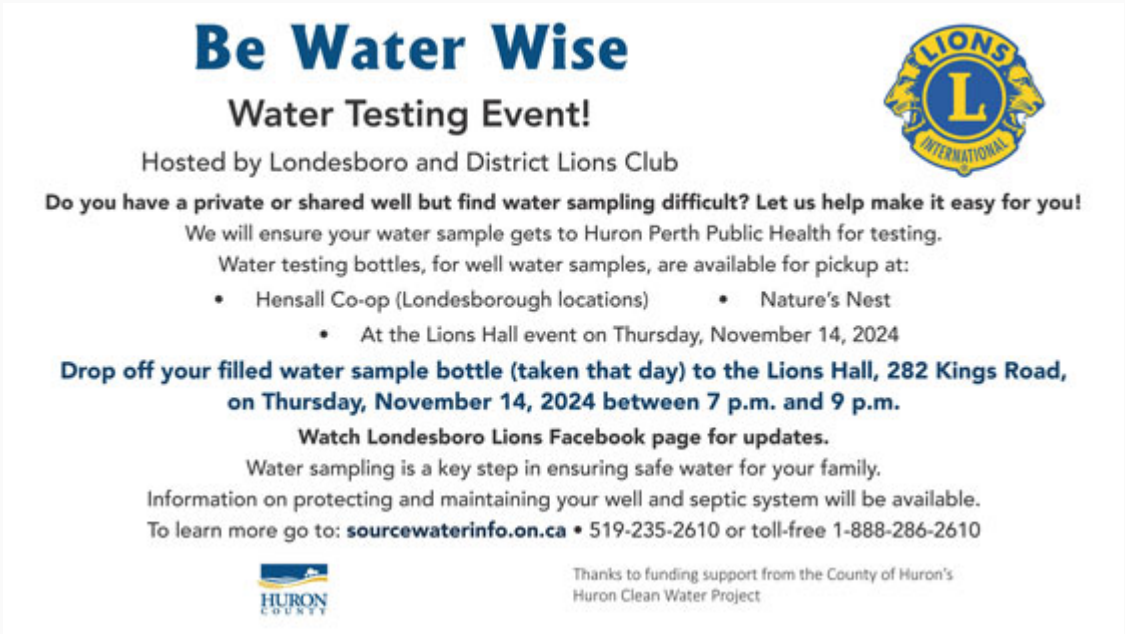
sector).

Applicants must reside in, own or rent land in, be employed in, operate a business in, or be employed by a municipality within the source protection region.

The Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee oversees a science-based planning process, to protect municipal sources of drinking water, that is governed by the Ontario *Clean Water Act, 2006*. The SPC reduces risk to local municipal drinking water sources through implementation of locally developed, provincially approved source protection plans.

In addition to the SPC Chair, there are 12 members of the source protection committee. Four SPC members are from municipalities. There are four reps from the economic sector: two from agriculture; one from industry; and one from commerce. There are four SPC members from other interests: two from the environment sector; one property owner representative; and one public-at-large member. There are also non-voting liaison members from local public health; source protection authorities; and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP).

For a summary of member obligations and full job description please visit the Source Protection Committee web page.



Londesboro Lions Club hosts second well water testing event on November 14, 2024

Almost 50 private well owners attended a well testing event, hosted by Londesboro and District Lions Club, in January 2024. The Lions Club distributed more than 270 water sampling bottles before that event and almost 70 bottles were returned to Huron Perth Public Health for testing.

After the success of that event, the Lions Club is hosting another well testing event tonight (Thursday, November 14, 2024). Owners of private wells can return their well water samples between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. to the Lions Hall, 282 Kings Road, Londesborough.

The November 14 event encourages well owners to '***test, protect and maintain***':

- **Test** your well water
- **Protect** your well

- **Maintain** your well and septic system

Lions members are distributing sample bottles to homes in Londesborough prior to the event. Water testing sample bottles are also available for pickup, in advance of the event, at Nature's Nest and Hensall District Co-op's Londesborough locations. Sample bottles are available at the event as well.

The November event is the tenth Water Wise well testing and public information event held in the region since 2023. More than 420 well owners have attended the events and organizers have delivered more than 440 water sample bottles to local public health. Service clubs and volunteers have helped to distribute more than 1,500 bottles as part of the initiative.

The Lions Club volunteers and drinking water source protection staff ensure samples are kept chilled and delivered to Huron Perth Public Health for testing the morning after the event. Information on well protection and septic maintenance is available at the event.

The Londesboro and District Lions Club encourages well owners to take advantage of this convenient way to check on the safety of their well water. When water sampling of private wells is made easier, more people will do it. That's the idea behind the 'Water Wise' events that have been happening in some villages, hamlets and shoreline communities in the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Region.

Well owners may know having well water tested is important to ensure their family, friends and neighbours are safe but it isn't always as convenient as they would like. Getting a sample bottle locally, and having someone deliver it to Huron Perth Public Health for them, makes it easier.

The November event has been made possible thanks to funding from the County of Huron's Huron Clean Water Project.

If you are not able to attend this event, you can find out more about dropping off your well water sample, directly to local public health, by visiting our best practices web page.

The event is posted on social media with ***#TestProtectMaintain*** and ***#WaterWise*** and ***#WellWise*** and ***#BestPractices*** hashtags.

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2024 YMCA Peace Medal Ceremony Honours Two Local Community Leaders

Joan John and Barb Vandenbor recognized for their outstanding contributions to peace-building in Grey and Bruce Counties.

Owen Sound, ON – On November 21, 2024, the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce proudly presented its prestigious YMCA Peace Medal to two exceptional individuals who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to peace-building and community empowerment in the region.

The 2024 recipients, **Joan John** and **Barb Vandenbor**, were honored during a special ceremony held at the YMCA. Their tireless work in creating inclusive communities, supporting marginalized groups, and fostering compassion in their local areas has had a lasting impact on the lives of many.

Joan John, founder and ongoing leader of JunCtian Community Initiatives (JCI) in Dundalk, has made a profound impact on her community, particularly for newcomers, youth, and South Grey's growing black population. Joan has created a vibrant hub for cultural exchange, organized events to celebrate diversity, and supported youth and families through counseling and integration efforts. Her work extends to advocating for peace, providing scholarships, and collaborating with various local organizations and committees. Through her tireless leadership, Joan has fostered a more inclusive, engaged, and empowered community.

Barb Vandenbor was honored for her compassionate leadership in addressing rural homelessness and food insecurity in the Walkerton area. Her volunteer work began when she provided meals to individuals displaced by the housing crisis in Chesley. This initiative grew into a weekly Tuesday lunch program that now serves over 60 people in Walkerton. Barb’s efforts go beyond providing a meal, she fosters a sense of belonging and community, working with local organizations to ensure holistic support for those in need. Her empathy and advocacy for those at risk of homelessness, combined with her dedication to community-building and empowerment, have had a profound impact on the community.

The YMCA Peace Medal, first established in 1987, is presented annually during YMCA Peace Week to individuals who embody the values of peace and have made significant contributions to the well-being of their communities. This year’s ceremony marks the 26th year of the YMCA Peace Medal in Owen Sound, recognizing the outstanding work of Joan John and Barb Vandenbor in fostering peace and inclusivity.

“Joan and Barb are true peacemakers,” said Sarah Cowley, CEO of the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce. “Through their leadership and unwavering dedication to serving others, they have created spaces of belonging and empowerment for some of our most vulnerable community members. We are incredibly proud to honor them with this year’s YMCA Peace Medal.”

The two recipients join a distinguished group of 26 individuals and 13 groups who have received the Peace Medal over the years, with their names now proudly displayed at the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce.

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About YMCA Peace Week
YMCA Peace Week, held annually during the third week of November, invites people of all ages to reflect on peace, discuss its importance, and take action to build peaceful communities. The YMCA Peace Medal is one of the highlights of this week, recognizing individuals whose actions inspire others to contribute to the common good through the values of Participation, Empathy, Advocacy, Community, and Empowerment. For more information about YMCA Peace Week and the YMCA Peace Medal, please visit **www.ymcaowensound.on.ca/peace-week**

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REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANIZATION 7

November 25, 2024

Share Your Insights and Help Shape Ontario’s Tourism Future

The Tourism Industry Association of Ontario, in partnership with Context Research Group, is hosting a 90-minute focus group, and we want you to participate! This is an opportunity for tourism operators, organizations, and support networks in BruceGreySimcoe and beyond to share ideas on improving Ontario’s tourism experience.

Your feedback will directly influence the development of Ontario's Tourism Strategy. This is a chance to make sure the unique needs of our region are represented and contribute to creating a thriving tourism industry across the province.

Focus Group Details

Region: York, Durham, Headwaters | Bruce Peninsula | South Georgian Bay | Lake Simcoe | Muskoka | Parry Sound | Algonquin Park
Date: Friday, November 29, 2024
Time: 2:30 to 4:00 PM
Duration: 90 minutes

Spots are limited—sign up now to make your voice heard! If the session fills up, your details will be saved for future opportunities to participate. A confirmation email with meeting details will follow your registration.

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Thank you for contributing to this important initiative and helping ensure our region's perspectives are part of the conversation. Let's work together to strengthen tourism in Ontario!

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October/November 2024

Important updates

Fall Economic Statement

Finance Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy delivered the 2024 Ontario Fall Economic Statement (FES), Building Ontario For You, on October 30. The FES includes some positive assessment-related developments focused on investments to address affordability for Ontarians. As property tax reassessments remain deferred pending the completion of the system-wide assessment and taxation review, the government is taking action to prioritize three areas identified through their consultations with stakeholders:

- **Affordable Rental Housing** — Providing municipalities with the ability to reduce municipal tax rates on affordable rental housing through the creation of an optional property tax subclass. As well, the government will

continue exploring potential assessment methodology changes for these properties.

- **Student Housing** — Introducing a legislative amendment that would provide consistent treatment for university-operated student housing whether the institution's property tax status is governed by the Assessment Act or an institution-specific statute.
- **Information Sharing** — Undertaking work with MPAC, municipalities, and other stakeholders to enhance information sharing and develop new digital solutions, including:
    - Enabling broader municipal use of MPAC data to improve planning;
    - Evaluating new tools to help municipalities manage their assessment base;
    - Making assessment roll information available to the public through a centralized electronic platform; and
    - Authorizing digital delivery of property assessment notices.

MPAC has actively contributed its insights and expertise throughout the review process, and we are pleased to see that some of our collaborative contributions are reflected in this announcement. We are dedicated to advancing these priorities through meaningful partnerships with municipalities. By working together, we can enhance service delivery, leverage data more effectively, and develop solutions that address your unique needs, benefiting communities across Ontario.

We will continue to keep you informed on our next steps as we learn more. In the meantime, reach out to a member of your Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Team should you have any questions.

Year-end key dates and MPAC product deliveries

We are pleased to share that our work to finalize the 2024 roll is nearly complete, and we are on track to capture more than $42 billion of new assessment across the province for the second consecutive year. We recognize the vital role new assessment plays for our municipal partners in supporting your planning and budgeting efforts.

This month, our focus has shifted to preparing for year-end municipal products and distributing over 632,000 Property Assessment Notices, which reflect

changes to property ownership, classification or value that occurred this year across Ontario.

To support property owners, we ask that you direct any questions about their Property Assessment Notice to the Understanding Your Assessment page on mpac.ca. Here, they can access information about Ontario's property assessment and taxation system, the different types of notices and notifications they may receive and content from our First-time Homeowners Hub that answers many common questions about homeownership.

To ensure you are fully prepared for the end-of-year activities, here is a summary of key dates and MPAC product deliveries for the remainder of 2024:

October 30
2024 Q3 New Assessment Forecast and 2024 Preliminary New Assessment Forecast available in the My Products portal of Municipal Connect.

November 4 – 29
Final 2024 Control Totals available in Municipal Connect

November 12 – 21
Property Assessment Notices mailed

Week of November 25
Municipal Change Profile (MCP) available in the My Products portal of Municipal Connect

Year-end Tax File available in the My Products portal of Municipal Connect

November 28 – December 9
Assessment Roll for 2025 Taxation delivery

Week of December 2
Municipal Connect available for the 2025 Tax Year

Week of December 16
2025 Municipal Levy Letter delivery

2024 Municipal Partnership Report and Municipal Assessment Change Summary delivery to Municipal Administrators

Week of December 23
First Quarter 2025 Levy invoice delivery

Week of January 13, 2025
2024 Municipal Partnerships Report delivery to Heads of Council and Clerks

We look forward to wrapping up another successful year and setting the stage for an even more impactful 2025 for your communities. Thank you for your invaluable partnership and ongoing commitment to building strong, resilient communities together.

Implementation of New Aggregate Extraction Property Class for 2025 Taxation

In late September, the Minister of Finance filed O. Reg. 370/24 to amend section 2 of O. Reg. 282/98 to add and establish a new property class called the Aggregate Extraction property class. The amendment is applicable to the 2025 and subsequent taxation years.

To prepare the 2024 assessment roll for the 2025 taxation year, MPAC has developed a plan to implement the new regulation and update the impacted properties.

The majority of the updates have been completed and are now visible in Municipal Connect. New code combinations will be shared with Reamined and municipal vendors and MPAC will continue to support the Ministry of Finance by providing updates on the implementation of the regulation and information on impacted properties.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this change or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Resources you can use

We've updated the Municipal Sector Resources page to better support your needs and equip you with the tools for effective communication and outreach to property owners!

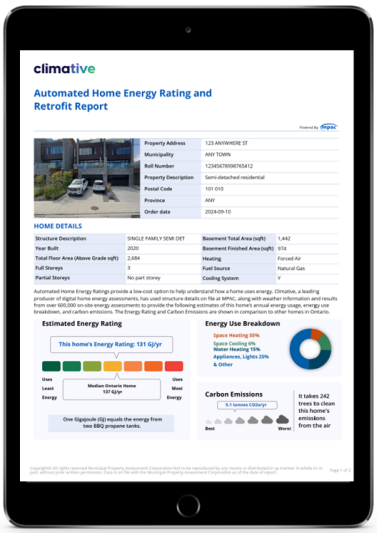
One of the key highlights is the refreshed Home Values MatterToolkit, which includes engaging shareable social media content and graphics. We've also created a ready-to-print buck slip featuring our free online tool, AboutMyProperty™. This resource, available in the AboutMyProperty Toolkit, can be easily incorporated into your mailings or used as a graphic on your website to help property owners discover the advantages of using this valuable tool.

While exploring the page, don't miss our other toolkits: First-time Homeowners' Hub and School Support Designation. These materials can assist you in addressing common questions and can be easily integrated into newsletters and social media channels.

We encourage you to use these resources, share your feedback, and let us know how else we can support you!

Data spotlight: Prioritizing climate action and energy efficiency

In the last issue of InTouch, we highlighted how our data strategy was a key focus of our session at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference. There are so many ways that municipalities and property owners can leverage our data to make informed decisions for the future. For example, municipalities are increasingly prioritizing climate action and energy efficiency. MPAC can provide data that supports these initiatives, like the Municipal Energy Plan Program.



MPAC's data encompasses various property types within municipal boundaries, offering detailed information that allows municipalities to assess current energy use and identify opportunities for improvement. This valuable information supports the strategic, long-term development of robust climate action plans that address specific local needs.

Municipalities can use data to create accurate energy models, aiding in formulating energy conservation initiatives and programs. Creating public

energy models based on aggregated MPAC data can also help ignite conservation efforts at a community level, fostering a collaborative approach to energy efficiency.

You can read more about our Data Strategy and how some municipalities are leveraging our data on mpac.ca.

Webinar recap

In case you missed it

MPAC Property Insights and Meeting the Evolving Needs of Our Partners – A Municipal Update

President and CAO, Nicole McNeill, Acting Vice-President, Valuation and Customer Relations, Dan Devellis, and Vice-President, Public Affairs and Customer Experience, Jamie Bishop, presented MPAC's annual municipal update. The presentation included information on our data strategy and leveraging MPAC data for informed decision-making, recent operational highlights, property insights and market trends. A Q+A session followed the presentation.

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To view recordings of all past webinars, visit mpac.ca or our YouTube Channel.

MPAC on the move

Fall conference roundup

Photos clockwise from top left: Association française des municipalités de l'Ontario (AFMO) Conference; Ontario East Municipal Conference (OEMC) Conference; Ontario Municipal Tax and Revenue Association (OMTRA) Conference; Ontario Building Officials Association (OBOA) Conference; Ontario Municipal Administrators Association (OMAA) Fall Workshop; Municipal Finance Officers' Association (MFOA) Conference; Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC) Conference; International Plowing Match (IPM).

As we wrap up another year of municipal conferences, we reflect on the invaluable insights and connections made and are inspired to start planning next year's events. Thank you to everyone who attended our sessions and dropped by our booth. See you in January at ROMA!

We're better together

MPAC is dedicated to building stronger partnerships with municipalities across Ontario, and your local Municipal and Stakeholder Relations team is here to support you.

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SAVE THE DATE: DECEMBER 3rd is GIVING TUESDAY

Each year Community Living Kincardine and District (CLKD) participates in **Giving Tuesday,** "a global generosity movement unleashing the power of people and organizations to transform their communities and the world." (Givingtuesday.ca)

As we begin to rely more heavily on electricity in our 24 hour supported homes for personal lifts, CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) machines, recharging electric wheelchairs, and the safety and security of residents, we, Community Living Kincardine & District and the Families of people supported, are seeking your support in the purchase of a generator to ensure an uninterrupted power supply during outages.

On December 3rd, #GivingTuesdayCA, you can help support our goal of raising $5,000 to go toward the purchase of a commercial generator.

DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!

Thanks to our generous partners, **Mathew Moore of Moore** Wealth Management I RBC Dominion Securities, and **Jennifer Cook** of Jennifer Cook and Associates I Co-operators, **every donation made on Giving Tuesday will be DOUBLED,** up to $1,000 by each partner.

To learn more about CLKD's supports and services, visit our website and/or follow us on Facebook or Instagram.

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NUCLEAR WASTE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION
SOCIÉTÉ DE GESTION DES DÉCHETS NUCLÉAIRES

Selecting a site

This safe, long-term management solution for used nuclear fuel will protect people and the environment

Today, the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) announced we have selected Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation and the Township of Ignace as the host communities for the future site for Canada's deep geological repository for used nuclear fuel.

Canadians and Indigenous peoples have been clear that it is essential to take responsibility now, in this generation, to safely manage Canada's used nuclear fuel for the long term. This announcement is an important milestone in delivering on that promise to not leave it as a burden for future generations to manage.

Click to read more.

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NUCLEAR WASTE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION
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La sélection d'un site

Cette solution de gestion à long terme sûre du combustible nucléaire irradié protégera les gens et l'environnement

Aujourd'hui, la Société de gestion des déchets nucléaires (SGDN) a annoncé avoir choisi la Nation ojibwée de Wabigoon Lake et le canton d'Ignace comme collectivités hôtes du futur site du dépôt géologique en profondeur du Canada pour le combustible nucléaire irradié.

Les Canadiens et les peuples autochtones ont clairement indiqué qu'il est essentiel d'assumer la responsabilité dès maintenant, au cours de cette génération, de gérer en toute sûreté le combustible nucléaire irradié du Canada à long terme. Cette annonce constitue une étape importante dans la réalisation de cette promesse de ne pas laisser ce fardeau aux générations futures.

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NEWS RELEASE

Ontario Offsetting OPP Cost Increases for Small and Rural Municipalities

Provincial investment would support police and community safety

November 29, 2024
Ministry of the Solicitor General

TORONTO — The Ontario government is proposing to provide over $77 million in financial relief to municipalities to help offset the increased cost of municipal police services provided by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP). This investment will help these predominantly small and rural communities address the budget impacts resulting from the collective bargaining agreement that was reached between the province and the Ontario Provincial Police Association (OPPA) in July 2024.

“Our government is working closely with our municipal partners and our women and men in uniform to keep communities across Ontario safe,” said Solicitor General Michael Kerzner. “The financial relief we are proposing will help municipal leaders balance their budgets and invest in their communities while ensuring no change to the policing provided by the OPP that keeps families and businesses safe.”

The Ontario government’s proposal would support small and rural municipalities by offsetting the 2025 impacts of OPP salary increases. This includes:

- A 3.75 per cent bill reduction on 2023 total reconciled costs,
- A 44 per cent bill reduction on 2023 reconciled overtime costs, and
- A 10 per cent bill reduction on amounts invoiced for 2025 policing costs.

In addition to these changes, the Government of Ontario is continuing its annual $125 million Court Security & Prisoner Transportation Transfer Payment Program for the 2025 calendar year.

The province will also be examining options for reviewing the OPP billing model to ensure that it meets the needs of communities across the province.

Quick Facts

- The OPP provides municipal policing services to 330 municipalities across Ontario.
- The OPPA and the provincial government ratified a new uniform and civilian collective agreement in July 2024 that included general salary increases for 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026.

Quotes

"AMO is pleased that the government has listened to concerns about the increase in Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) billing recovery costs with this proposal. Without the provincial action, the rise in OPP costs would have significantly impacted small, rural, and northern communities serviced by the OPP. Municipal fiscal sustainability is under pressure

across Ontario, and municipalities struggle to balance their budgets. This proposition is an important recognition of this challenge and will help support quality of life for residents across the province."

- Robin Jones
President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario

"ROMA welcomes provincial action to reduce the impact of increasing Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) costs on rural municipalities. In the context of inflation, infrastructure pressures, and a growing homelessness crisis, rural municipalities simply cannot afford a 20% increase in OPP costs. This provincial investment acknowledges the escalating fiscal challenges municipalities face. We look forward to ongoing partnership to put rural municipalities on a sustainable path."

- Christa Lowry
Chair of the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and Mayor of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills

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November 28, 2024

Dear Head of Council:

Through the *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022*, changes were made to the *Planning Act* to accelerate implementation of the province's additional residential unit (ARU) framework. These changes allowed "as-of-right" (without the need to apply for a rezoning) the use of up to 3 units per lot in many existing residential areas (i.e., up to 3 units allowed in the primary building, or up to 2 units allowed in the primary building and 1 unit allowed in an ancillary building such as a garage).

To support implementation of ARUs, the *Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024*, made further changes to the *Planning Act* to provide me, as the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, with broader regulation-making authority to remove municipal zoning by-law barriers that may be limiting the development of ARUs.

Following consultation on the Environmental Registry of Ontario, our government has taken further action to tackle the housing supply crisis and reach our goal of building more homes by amending Ontario Regulation 299/19 – Additional Residential Units to remove certain municipal zoning by-law barriers. These changes took effect upon filing.

These changes will help to facilitate the creation of ARUs, such as basement suites and garden suites, by eliminating barriers including maximum lot coverage, angular planes, floor space index (FSI), minimum separation distances and minimum lot sizes on parcels of urban residential land subject to the ARU framework in the *Planning Act*. More information on these changes can be found through Environmental Registry of Ontario posting 019-9210.

It is my expectation that municipalities will respect these regulatory changes and the intent behind them. I will not hesitate to use my available powers to ensure these changes to the *Planning Act* are allowed to support our goal of building more homes.

We will continue working with our municipal partners to achieve our goal of building the homes that Ontarians need.

Sincerely,

Hon. Paul Calandra
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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