



Preliminary review of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

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Play Your Way! Advisory Committee Input

- Individuals can complete the Community Survey at getinvolved.london.ca
- Tell us about groups or organizations that we should invite to the Stakeholder sessions
- Committee can provide written responses to the Questions

AND / OR

- Committee can provide comments on the last Parks and Recreation Strategic Master Plan (2009) and Interim Update (Jan. 2017)


Email to: PlayYourWay@london.ca



Play Your Way! Advisory Committee Input

Guiding Questions

1. What are the most pressing issues and priorities for your Advisory Committee?
2. How can the City of London's parks, recreation and sport services and facilities continue to support the needs of your Committee? Please be specific.
3. How can your Committee, the City and others work together to meet future needs?
4. Are there any initiatives that are being contemplated, planned or are being implemented that could tie into these or other priorities for parks, recreation and sport services and facilities?






Community Survey



- 23 carefully crafted questions.
- Opinion from Public on Facilities & Service delivery.
- What new facility/service needed to be added.

Keeping in view the implementation of P&RMP during next decade, it is very important to maximize the participation of Londoners from all active/effective age groups in the survey.



Recommendations



- Social Media

A Facebook page showing 'Survey' as an important virtual event in London, may be developed by the TFAC. This Facebook page may be shared among circles of friends in London as well as with other Advisory committees so their members may also share within their circles to persuade Londoners to participate.

- Electronic Kiosks & temporary booths
 - Special events places (e.g Victoria park)
 - Crowded places like covent garden market etc
 - Shopping malls, plaza's
 - Community centres, Public Libraries



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Stakeholders sessions

- Groups/Organizations info sharing with City



Stakeholder sessions were held on May 28, 30 and June 4. Though date has been passed for these sessions but TFAC may still identify interested groups/ organizations and communicate their contacts to staff so they may be contacted during additional public engagement period in late 2018.



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P&RMP interim update

- WG is still reviewing P&RMP.....



It has been felt that the inventory of athletic and community facilities presently available is somewhat narrow. A wider variety of sports and recreational facilities are in demand by our community.



- Facilities may be added into P&RMP
 - Trampoline parks -3new business opened.
 - Rock Climbing facilities.
 - Zip lining & Tree climbing.
 - Cricket facilities (Indoor & Outdoor).



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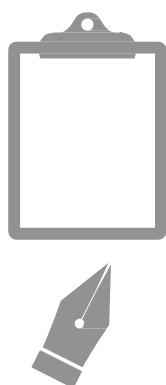


- Issues and Priorities

- Ensuring that trees continue to populate.
- Making sure that the trees of London are well taken care of, as they represent the city's namesake.
- More trees continue to be planted on streets, private land, and shared recreational areas.
- Keeping as many of the older ones as possible.
- Future trimming and maintenance work.
- Ensuring that London's citizens value their legacy by actively engaging them.



Guiding Questions



- Recreation Services and Facilities Support

- Parks and Recreation facilities are a good opportunity for community awareness related to tree issues.
- Inclusion of tree plantings and tree maintenance feature in all parks and recreational areas.
- Let tree related communities can use these facilities to have events.
- Encouraging engagement in outdoor recreational spaces through sporting activities.
- Setting out more picnic tables in parks.
- Increase the number of dog parks.





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- How can TFAC, City and other work together
 - Awareness of trees, tree health, planting, benefits, etc.
 - Widely promoting opportunities for public engagement/ feedback, open dialogue, etc., in city planning – and then listening to that input.
 - By including environmental groups, businesses, tree related communities and , Advisory committees like ACE, EEPAC, AAC in discussions and plans for London’s future urban forest.



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- Initiatives
 - Continue to plant more trees in public spaces, but also encourage the public, through wide-scale advertising, to help care for the trees planted in each neighbourhood park (helping to water, etc.) to reduce the number of trees lost to weather conditions.



Thanks

