

Good Morning,

We are excited to share with you that Monday, March 11th 2019, marks the beginning of the final Phase of engagement to develop an updated Parks and Recreation Master Plan. This phase will run from March 11th to April 11th. This Plan will provide an overall vision, direction, and guidance for making decisions about parks, recreation programs, sport services, and facilities.

Based on extensive public input last year and additional background research (best practices, trends, demographic shifts, and growth forecasts), draft recommendations have been developed.

We are seeking Londoners' feedback on these draft recommendations in 2 ways:

- **Online** - Throughout the next month online engagement opportunities through www.getinvolved.london.ca will be promoted through the City of London website, social media channels, advertisements, as well as within all community and recreation centres, libraries, and Family Centres.
- **Two Open Houses** will be offered to provide residents and stakeholders with an opportunity to drop in and provide their feedback on the draft recommendations.
 - Wednesday April 3rd at Kinsmen Recreation Centre (1pm to 3pm)
20 Granville St.
 - Wednesday April 3rd at Kiwanis' Seniors Community Centre (6pm to 8pm)
78 Riverside Dr. Free parking will be available.

A **postcard and poster** has been developed and is available if you wish to promote the feedback opportunities through your networks.

Last year your Committee would have received a presentation from a staff member involved in the Master Plan Update. We are happy to attend an upcoming meeting of your Committee to review the recommendations and collect feedback. Please contact Donna Baxter dbaxter@london.ca or 519.661.2489 x 2430 at your earliest convenience.

The full draft of the updated Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be presented to the Community and Protective Services Committee in May/June 2019.

Thank you,

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