Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee
Report

4th Meeting of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee
April 25, 2019
Committee Room #5

Attendance
PRESENT: L. Norman (Chair), J. Bennett, I. Bielaska-Hombrower, M. Melling, L.-A. Pizzolato, B. Rankin, M. Sherritt, B. Spearman and L. Steel and H. Lysynski (Secretary)


ABSENT: S. Davis

The meeting was called to order at 12:17 PM

1. Call to Order
   1.1 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest
   That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

2. Scheduled Items
   2.1 Parks and Recreation Master Plan
   That it BE NOTED that the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee heard the attached presentation from J.P. McGonigle, Division Manager, Parks Planning and Operations, with respect to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

3. Consent
   3.1 3rd Report of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee
   That it BE NOTED that the 3rd Report of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on March 28, 2019, was received.

   That it BE NOTED that the Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on March 26, 2019, with respect to the 2nd Report of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee, was received.

   3.3 Letter of Resignation - B. Spearman
   That it BE NOTED that the resignation of B. Spearman from the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee effective June 1, 2019, was received with regret.
4. **Sub-Committees and Working Groups**

4.1 **Community Safety Week**

That, the following actions be taken with respect to the 2019 Community Safety Week:

a) the Chair BE REQUESTED to write a letter of appreciation to J. Rake, Thames Valley District School Board, for his work on the Community Safety Week poster; and,

b) it BE NOTED that the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to the 2019 Community Safety Week events.

5. **Items for Discussion**

5.1 **Children’s Safety Village – Changes to Program Delivery**

That it BE NOTED that the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee heard a verbal update from L. Steel with respect to the London Police Services attendance at the Children’s Safety Village.

5.2 **Advisory Committee Review**

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Advisory Committee Review as it relates to the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee:

a) the Municipal Council BE REQUESTED to reconsider appointing only members-at-large on the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee (CSCP) for the next two years, and allow the CSCP to continue with the representation outlined on the CSCP’s Terms of Reference, which are still in place, for the two-year period while the City reviews the role, responsibilities, and Terms of Reference for Advisory Committees; and,

b) the Chair and representatives of the CSCP BE GRANTED delegation status at the May 28, 2019 Community and Protective Services committee to present the motion and explain the rationale supporting the motion; and,

c) the attached rationale BE PROVIDED to the Municipal Council for consideration with respect to this matter.

6. **Deferred Matters/Additional Business**

6.1 (ADDED) **Fire Services Statistics**

That it BE NOTED that a verbal presentation and the attached statistics from D. Lebold, London Fire Department, with respect to the London Fire Department update, were received.

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:29 PM.
City of London
Parks and Recreation Master Plan

April 2019

Community Safety & Crime
Prevention Advisory Committee

About the Master Plan

- Creating a “Game Plan” for Parks, Recreation Programs, Sport Services and Facilities
- The Master Plan provides an overall vision and direction for making decisions.
- It is based on public input, participation trends and usage, best practices, demographic changes and growth forecasts.
- The Plan will be used by the City to guide investment in parks, recreation programs, sport services, and facilities over the next ten years and beyond.
**Project Scope**

- **Recreation Programming**, such as aquatic, sport, wellness, arts/crafts, dance/music, and general interest programs provided by the City and other sectors
- **Recreation and Sport Facilities**, such as community centres, pools, sports fields, playgrounds and more
- **Parks & Civic Spaces**, such as major parks, neighbourhood parks, gardens and civic squares
- **Investment in the Community**, such as neighbourhood opportunities, public engagement, sport tourism and more

**Items out of Scope:**

- **Parkland Dedication Policies** (guided by the London Plan and Parkland Conveyance & Levy By-Law)
- **Cycling and Bike Lanes** (addressed in the London Plan and Cycling Master Plan)
- **Environmentally Significant Areas** (guided by the London Plan policies and technical recommendations within individual Conservation Master Plans)
- **Arts, Culture and Heritage** (guided by the Cultural Prosperity Plan and related reports)

Although these items are addressed in other studies, the Master Plan will ensure alignment.
Project Overview

Phase One
Research and Consultation

Phase Two
Development of Recommendations and Strategies

Phase Three
Testing the Master Plan and Project Finalization

What We’ve Heard So Far (Background report)

Consultation Summary

- 2,159 Online Surveys Completed
- 50+ Stakeholder Input Session Participants
- 117 Chief Venue Drawings
- 12 Key Partner Interventions

Meetings with City Officials & Committees
- Ongoing

Targeted Focus Group Participants
- 85
What the Draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan says....

• Did we miss anything?
• Is there anything else you would like to add?

VISION

• In London, all residents – regardless of age, ability, culture, gender, income, or where they live – have opportunity to participate and share in meaningful and accessible parks, recreation and sport experiences.
Active Living

Strategic Direction: Make parks and facilities walkable and accessible by residents through active transportation and connections to public transit.

Recommendations:
- Emphasis on physical activity and physical literacy
- Expansion of drop-in programming – respond to changing demographics & diversity, offering at non-traditional sites, more accessible locations etc.
- More family recreation opportunities... to foster lifelong participation
- Working together with other service providers and stakeholders to understand participation rates and gaps
**Goal:** We will remove barriers to participation by adopting a model of “access for all”. This will be achieved by welcoming and including all residents.

**Recommendations:**

- Work with under-represented populations to identify participation rates in parks, recreation, and sport; remove barriers to participation and establish appropriate participation targets.
- Ensure indigenous peoples feel welcomed in programs and community centres
- Expand staff training around accessibility, including sensitivity training.
- Awareness

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**Strategic Directions:**

- Enhance awareness of community initiatives and promote the personal and community benefits of parks, recreation, and sport.
- Support volunteerism and community engagement.
- Continue to emphasize initiatives focused on strengthening neighbourhoods, animation of public spaces, and unstructured activities.
- Use recreation to help people connect with nature and be stewards of the natural environment.
- Apply effective designs and management strategies that support healthy and sustainable environments.
- Support efforts to expand active transportation networks, including trails and pathways within and connecting to parks and open spaces.
Recommendations

• Education and awareness around naturalization projects, park maintenance, importance of exposure to nature, appreciation of nature (awareness, marketing, signage etc.)
• Enhance Thames shoreline access in keeping with best environmental practices
• Trails & Pathways – support opportunities to be immersed in, experience, respect and value nature, align with Cycling Master Plan and link with Provincial Cycling Routes

Recommendations

• Enhance management of woodlands and work with stakeholders, encourage stewardship of parks, gardens and other community resources – enhance sustainability
• Promote naturalization
• Management of urban wildlife and invasive species
• Outdoor Play Strategy
Supportive Environments

Recommendations

• Infrastructure – arenas, community centres, aquatics, pools, sport fields, amenities in parks, acquiring land for parks, parks and public space design
• Intensification – more multi-functional spaces, expand social and recreational opportunities to serve a diverse population
• Major retrofits and new construction projects consider climate change, environmental sustainability, and energy conservation
• Consideration of green technologies and low impact development practices by building these items into City budgets.
• Continue to utilize Community Centres as emergency reception centres

Recommendations

• Review and revise the City’s park design guidelines ....update standards related to on- and off-street parking, general park lighting, washrooms, gateway features...
• Renewal of Neighbourhood Parks – emphasize projects that promote usage by people of all ages, such as the introduction of shade, seating, pathways, unprogrammed space.
• Engage in coordinated informed response and other integrated strategies aimed at improving the use, public safety, activities, and access of parks.
Goal: We will deliver exceptional parks, recreation and sport services. This will be achieved through the use of effective and responsive practices, partnerships, innovation, leadership, and accountability at all levels.

Recommendations:
• Collect feedback and act on it
• Evidence informed decision making
• Partnerships
• Collaborations

Next Steps!
1. Any questions or comments: dbaxter@london.ca
2. Report with Draft Master Plan to Community and Protective Services Committee in May or June 2019
April 25, 2019

Community Safety and Crime Prevention Committee Meeting

Re: Proposed Motion regarding City Council decision to only appoint members-at-large to all City advisory committees for the next two years, starting June 2019.

(Noted that the Community and Protective Services Committee (CAPS) meeting for April 30th has been cancelled. The next CAPS meeting is May 28th. The next Council meeting following is June 11th.)

Motion:

That London City Council be requested to reconsider appointing only members-at-large on the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee (CSCP) for the next two years, and allow the CSCP to continue with the representation outlined on the committee’s Terms of Reference, which are still in place, for the two-year period while the City reviews the role, responsibilities, and Terms of Reference for advisory committees.

And that a delegation from CSCP make a presentation to Community and Protective Services committee at its next meeting to present the motion and explain the rationale supporting the motion.

Rationale:

The mandate of the CSCP (per Terms of Reference) is:

The Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee reports to the Municipal Council through the Community and Protective Services Committee. The Advisory Committee serves as a resource, information gathering and advisory body to the Municipal Council on matters pertaining to safety and crime prevention in the City of London.

The Advisory Committee is specifically responsible for:

- Developing, encouraging, and promoting activities and education programs for Londoners of all ages on safety in the community, such as (but not limited to) injury prevention, pedestrian safety, traffic safety, bicycle safety, water safety, and fire prevention;
- Developing, encouraging and promoting activities and education programs for Londoners of all ages on the prevention of crime in the community;
- Initiating and facilitating such working groups as may be necessary to assist in the development, encouragement, and promotion of safety and crime prevention programs and activities’
- Liaising, facilitating and working in cooperation with Civic Departments, other advisory committees of Council, Boards of Education, local Boards and Commissions, the media and any other organizations interested in the coordination of safety and crime prevention programs and activities;
- Acknowledging the action and activities of individuals and groups who are actively working towards developing community consensus on appropriate strategies for safety and crime prevention issues; and
- Receiving regular reports from the participating organizations for information purposes.

We, all CSCP members, support and value diversity, as is reflected in our proposed revisions to our Terms of Reference submitted on XXXXX (dates we submitted). Current “representative” voting members (appointed by their organizations, subject to approval by City Council) provide invaluable input, support, and continuity to the CSCP.
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