RECREATION, PARKS & FACILITIES MASTER PLAN UPDATE OPEN HOUSE

WELCOME!

Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre 6:30 PM SEPTEMBER 27, 2017





PROJECT TEAM

MHBC PLANNING &
CITY OF OWEN SOUND



TONIGHT'S AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Introduction
- 2. Project Timeline
- 3. Purpose of the Update
- 4. Purpose of the Master Plan
- 5. Master Plan 2007 Goals
- 6. Desired Level of Service in 2007
- 7. Implementation Achievements
- 8. Parks & Trails
- 9. Trends
- 10. Your Input









WHAT IS TONIGHT'S MEETING ALL ABOUT?

We want your input on the update to the Recreation, Parks & Facilities Master Plan!

Why?

- Existing Plan was published in 2007
- Population make-up and statistics have changed
- Recreation programming needs trends have changed
- New recreation facilities
- New partnerships





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RECREATION, PARKS & FACILITIES MASTER PLAN UPDATE

August / September

- Project Start Up
- Background Review

September

- Preparation for Public Meeting
- Public Meeting #1 (Sept. 27th at the Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre, 6:30 pm)
- Prepare survey to administer

We Are Here

October -Novembe

- Post survey online
- Begin to collect survey responses
- Document and analyze results from survey and public consultation

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- Review community needs and identify priorities and gaps
- Analyze current inventory of facilities, programs, parks and trails
- Determine if there is potential for rationalization

December

- Prepare draft report update
- Progress meeting with staff to review draft report update
- Prepare final report for update to the Recreation, Parks & Facilities Master Plan

January

- Presentation to Community Services Committee/Open House to present final report update
- Submit Final Report Update to Council for adoption

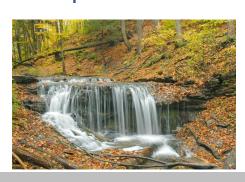




PURPOSE OF THE UPDATE

The purpose of the update to the Recreation, Parks & Facilities Master Plan (2007) is to:

- Review demographic trends
- Identify recreation, parks and programming trends and gaps
- Identify service provision improvements/efficiencies
- Implement a vision to 2028
- Update the Master Plan according to analysis results



Your input is highly valued!







MASTER PLAN 2007 PURPOSE

Owen Sound is committed to providing:

- An accessible urban environment
- Quality of life for its residents
- Leisure facilities and programs that appeal to a wide range of interests and abilities

These objectives are the basis of the Recreation, Parks & Facilities Master Plan (2007) to improve services to the residents of Owen Sound and adjacent communities.

The purpose of the Master Plan is to assess service delivery & the need for recreation programming, facilities, and partnerships.





MASTER PLAN 2007 GOALS

- 1. Healthy Community
- 2. Community Development & Involvement
- 3. Facility Provision
- 4. Accessibility
- 5. Community-Responsive Services
- 6. Partnerships
- Maximization of Resources
- 8. Trails & Parks
- 9. Environmental Protection/ Waterfront
- 10. Sustainability & Affordability

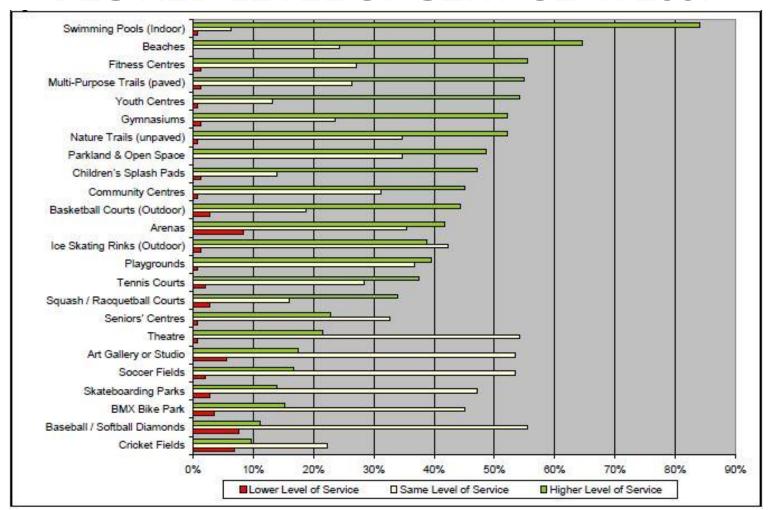


Recreation facilities are to be assessed based on "provision" and "geographic distribution".





DESIRED LEVEL OF SERVICE IN 2007







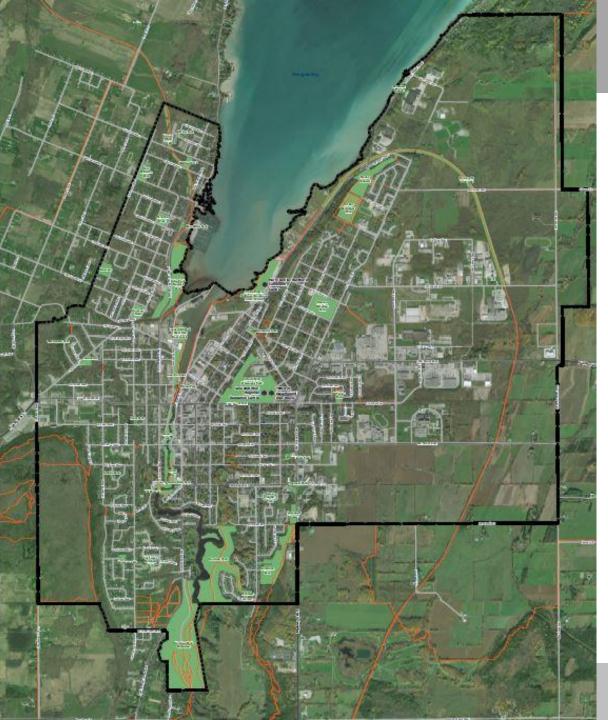
MASTER PLAN 2007 IMPLEMENTATION ACHIEVEMENTS

The following recommended action items have been completed to date:

- ✓ Construction of the JMRRC
- ✓ Partnership with the Owen Sound Grey Bruce YMCA for programming
- ✓ New accessible playground at Harrison Park in partnership with Kiwanis
- ✓ Skate and Bike Park at Victoria Park
- ✓ New Dog Park in partnership with Miller Paving
- ✓ Trail improvements and partnership with Tom Thompson trail group
- ✓ Splash pad at Kelso Beach courtesy of the Scenic City Order Good Cheer
- ✓ New washroom/change room at Kelso Beach
- ✓ Completion of Master Plans for several parks







PARKS, FACILITIES & TRAILS IN OWEN SOUND





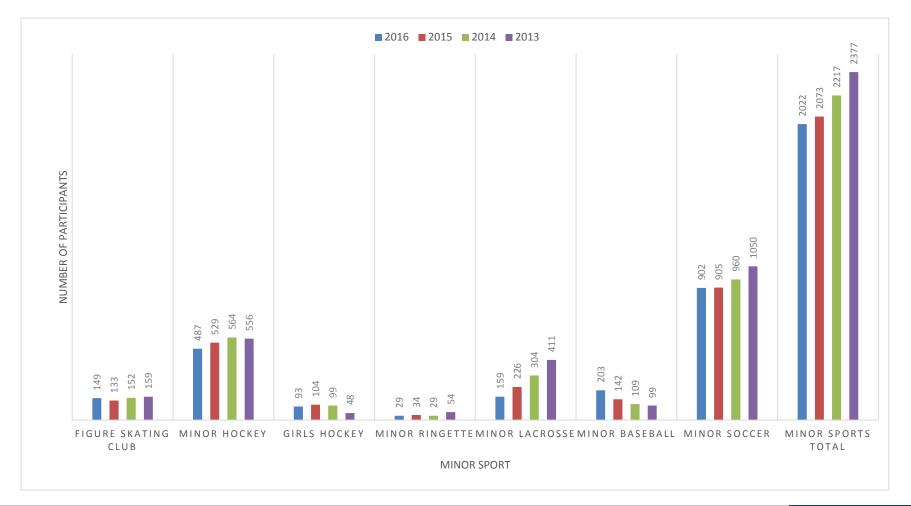
DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS

Census Year	Owen Sound	Georgian Bluffs	Meaford
1981	19,879	7,999	8,848
1986	19,804	8,167	8,964
1991	21,674	9,738	9,851
1996	21,390	10,256	10,497
2001	21,431	10,152	10,381
2006	21,753	10,506	10,945
2011	22,345	10,404	11,100
2016	22,032	10,479	10,991
2021	23,076	unavailable	
2026	23,472		
2031	24,038		





MINOR SPORTS REGISTRATION TRENDS







BREAKOUT VISION SESSION QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1:

What is your level of satisfaction with existing recreation, parks and facilities in Owen Sound?

What are the 3 things you appreciate, and what 3 things would you like to see improved upon?





QUESTION 2:

Develop a list of recreation, parks facilities and trails that you currently use.

Using your list, how could these facilities be improved (maintenance, size of space, programming, accessibility)?

What barriers exist to participating and using recreation, parks and trails in Owen Sound?





QUESTION 3:

What new programs would you like to see offered to the community?

What programs would you like to see expanded upon?





QUESTION 4:

Are there enough parks and trails?

Are existing parks and trails well located for ease of use?

Are there parks and/or trails that could be improved upon so that they would be better utilized?





QUESTION 5:

Would you support the idea of altering the use of under-utilized parks and open spaces in order to improve their usage and meet the changing recreation needs of residents?





THANK YOU!

Please remember to fill out the sign-in sheet if you desire to be kept informed as to the progress of this Master Plan Update.

The **online survey** is to be posted on the City's website. Please take the time to complete it. Your input is much appreciated.

https://www.owensound.ca/en/city-hall/rec-parks-and-facilities-masterplan_update.aspx

