



Parks & Recreation Master Plan

In response to the needs and demands of our growing community, the City of Brantford, together with Sierra Planning and Management and the GSP Group is developing a new Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Consistent with the City's Community Strategic Plan, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan will guide the City in achieving our goal of enhancing the quality of life for Brantford citizens and visitors by offering a full range of well-supported sports and recreational facilities and programs.

Furthermore, the Plan will provide direction for future municipal investment in parks and recreation programs (aquatics, arenas, community centres) and services (partnerships, neighbourhood associations, volunteers, etc.) to 2026 and facilities (parks and amenities, community recreation centres, sports fields, cemeteries, active transportation infrastructure, etc.) to 2041, staffing needs as it relates to future infrastructure needs, programming trends, and the stewardship of the natural environment.

The Master Plan will provide a clear and concise framework that will be utilized to provide recommendations to City Council and staff for sustainable future development, redevelopment, on-going maintenance and enhancement of Brantford's parks system, open spaces/natural environment, recreation facilities, sport tourism and recreation programs and services.

The Plan will be developed in conjunction with a designated Project Task Force, made up of five community members, five members of City Council (one Councillor from each ward) and the Mayor, who will be engaged at key milestones throughout the project.

Proposed Project Timeline

Initial Community and Stakeholder Consultation: September-October 2016

Interim Report: December 2016

Draft Master Plan: March 2017

Community and Stakeholder Consultation on Draft Recommendations: April 2017

Finalization of Plan: July 2017

Get Involved!

Brantford's Parks and Recreation Master Plan must reflect the needs and priorities of Brantford residents and will be developed through extensive consultation. Over the course of the project the consulting team will engage a range of sector stakeholders (community groups, public, private, not-for-profit) as well as the public in identifying current needs, issues and priorities as it relates to developing parks and recreational opportunities in the City.

The project will employ a range of means to gather public input including a series of public consultation sessions. Keep checking this webpage to follow the progress of the project and see how you can provide your input on the Master Plan.

Upcoming community engagement includes:

Online Survey for Residents: Released Mid-Late September 2016

Online Survey for Sport and Recreation Groups: Released Mid-Late September 2016

Initial Community Workshops: Early October 2016

For more information:

For more information regarding the City of Brantford Parks and Recreation Master Plan project, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department by email at parksandrecreation@brantford.ca.

