

Township of South Stormont

Waterfront Master Plan

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Executive Summary

The Waterfront Master Plan is a guiding document that organizes and provides a long-term, comprehensive vision for the Township of South Stormont's waterfront. The Master Plan focuses on 5 key properties and projects that include new recreational amenities and expanded connectivity along the waterfront.

South Stormont's waterfront is one of the community's defining features and is recognized as a valuable natural and recreational asset.

The development of the Waterfront Master Plan supports Council's Strategic and Economic Development Plan (2015-2020) which prioritizes the enhancement of the waterfront. The Waterfront Master Plan builds on previous waterfront studies and plans and was developed in collaboration with community members, waterfront user groups and numerous stakeholders, including the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. The waterfront is unique in that almost the entire waterfront along the St. Lawrence River is owned by the St. Lawrence Parks Commission.

The Township of South Stormont Waterfront Master Plan has been developed congruently with the Township's 2019-2020 South Stormont Park and Recreation Master Plan update.





1.0

Introduction

1.1 Purpose

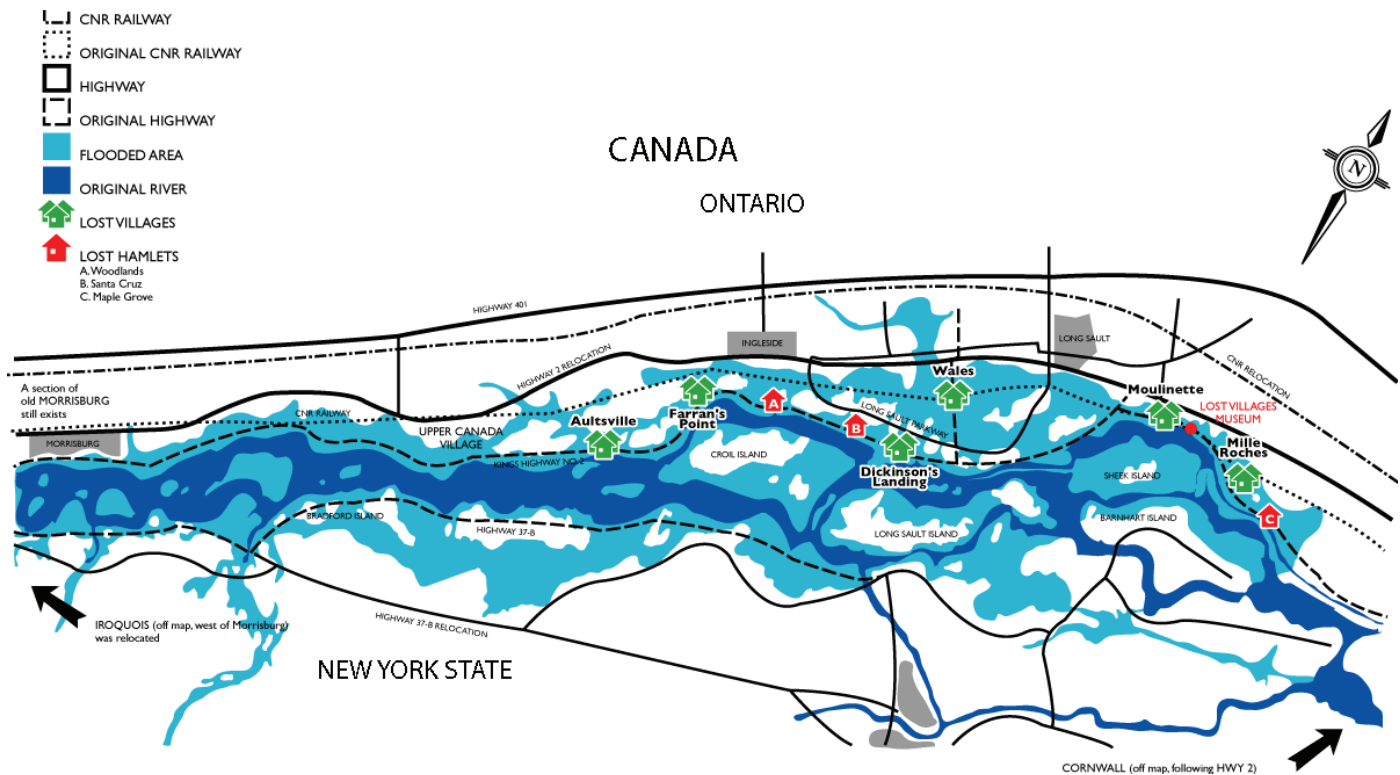
South Stormont’s shoreline was created when the St. Lawrence River river was permanently flooded and dammed to construct the Moses-Saunders Power Dam, which started construction in 1954. Owned jointly by the New York Power Authority and the Ontario Power Generation Company, the dam supplies water to two adjacent hydroelectric power generating stations providing significant amounts of renewable power, regulates the St. Lawrence River levels and accommodates passage for the navigation of large vessels.

Homes and businesses impacted by the flooding were relocated to the newly planned communities of Long Sault and Ingleside. Understandably, the project was controversial, having a lasting impression on the local community and the environment.

The St. Lawrence River waterfront is now one of the defining features of South Stormont as a tourist attraction, amenity for residents, and environmental resource. The Seaway Project’s impact on the

history, development and culture of the Township continues to be felt 70 years later. Enhancement of this waterfront is a priority in Council’s Strategic and Economic Development Plan (2015-2020). The Township’s Waterfront Plan is an important tool that will help to guide municipal and agency decisions on land use and budgeting.

For many years, the Township has attempted to develop some of the waterfront land holdings for the purposes of community use, however; only short term lease agreements with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission could be obtained. As only short term control of the properties was available, there was little incentive for the Township to invest in development. Some partnership projects did evolve between the Township and the St. Lawrence Parks Commission, such as the installation and up-keep of the Waterfront Trail which became a mutually beneficial asset.



Map from the Lost Villages Historic Society Website: The dark blue indicates the original St. Lawrence River; the lighter blue indicates the river after flooding.

1.1 Purpose

Other than the Waterfront Trail and other modest site developments (for example at Lakeview Waterfront Park) the waterfront remains undeveloped. It is understood that the The St. Lawrence Parks Commission is responsible for the upkeep of the properties, however, the Township has periodically participated in maintenance activities in order to ensure public safety, improve aesthetics and to maintain views to the river - all of which are very important to the local community.

The essential goal of this Waterfront Plan is to achieve an 'agreement in principal' with the land owner - the St. Lawrence Parks Commission - that outlines the Township's Plan for making significant improvements to waterfront areas. The Township's Plan has been built upon thorough community and stakeholder engagement and includes discourse on related economic development opportunities.

The goals of the Waterfront Plan are to:

1. Identify viable projects, concepts and priorities for Council to consider for the Township's 10-year capital plan and Recreation Master Plan;
2. Provide recommendations on the priority of viable projects subsequent to the assessment of financial, economic and community capacity, and viability;
3. Focus on projects that promote the development of waterfront area that is pedestrian and cycling friendly; actively-used; accessible; a destination of social and cultural activities while fostering opportunities for continued economic development and environmental sustainability;
4. Identify opportunities to develop residential, retail and commercial projects including mixed use and redevelopment projects in strategic locations;
5. Develop site-specific conceptual demonstration plans for each project; and
6. Engage with the community and stakeholders to develop a context specific and cohesive vision for the waterfront and to identify specific community needs.



The majority of South Stormont's waterfront areas are undeveloped. Photo taken looking sound from Waterfront Trail in Long Sault.

1.2 Study Area

South Stormont is a township in eastern Ontario, within the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry. It is located 53 kilometres (33 mi) southeast of Ottawa and borders on, but does not include, the City of Cornwall to the east. The Study Area covers approximately 26km, spanning from Farran Park to the west to The Lost Villages Museum Park to the east. Although the Study focuses on waterfront lands to the south of County Road 2, a review of properties on the north side of County Road 2 was also performed to gain a fulsome picture of the potential development environment.

The entire area is characterized as rural settlement with some pockets of higher density residential development, usually associated with localized commercial/retail areas.

Ownership

Almost the entire waterfront area along the St. Lawrence River within the Township of South Stormont (south of County Road 2) is owned by the St. Lawrence Parks Commission with some areas further governed by easement arrangements imposed by OPG (Ontario Power Generation Company) to maintain the integrity of the shoreline. The lands north of County Road 2 are a mixture of privately owned and Township owned properties.

Historically the Township has worked with the SLPC within short term lease arrangements (5 years) and therefore, has had little incentive or security to advance meaningful improvements within the waterfront lands. Longer term control scenarios must be established in order for the Township to justify significant change and to qualify for potential funding.

Waterfront Study Area



 Study Area  Township of South Stormont Boundary

1.2 Study Area

Possible acquisition and/or long-term lease arrangements are being explored through this process as obtaining control of key properties or project areas will be instrumental in cementing the path forward. Partnerships with entities other than the SLPC, for example OPG, have also been explored.

It is anticipated that enhancement investments in the public waterfront lands will encourage private sector development within the Township’s communities thus contributing to economic health and sustainability.

1.3 Context Studies

Over the years, a number of master plans and studies have been developed for South Stormont’s waterfront including a Waterfront Master Plan in 2005 by J.L. Richards & Associates, and a plan for Long Sault Waterfront Park in 2010 by IBI Group.

This Master Plan builds on previous work completed and addresses the changes that the community has experienced in the years following.

It is also important to note that the City of Cornwall is in the process of finalizing their waterfront master plan during the time line of this study. The study team has reviewed this document to understand the larger context of waterfront development in the area and to ensure that a sustainable balance is established.

List of reviewed documents:

- South Stormont Waterfront Plan (2000)
- Waterfront Master Plan by J.L. Richards & Associates (2005)
- Recreation Master Plan (2007)
- Phase II Recreation Development Plan (2009)
- Long Sault Waterfront Park by IBI Group (2010)
- City of Cornwall Waterfront Plan (2019)

Waterfront Land Ownership

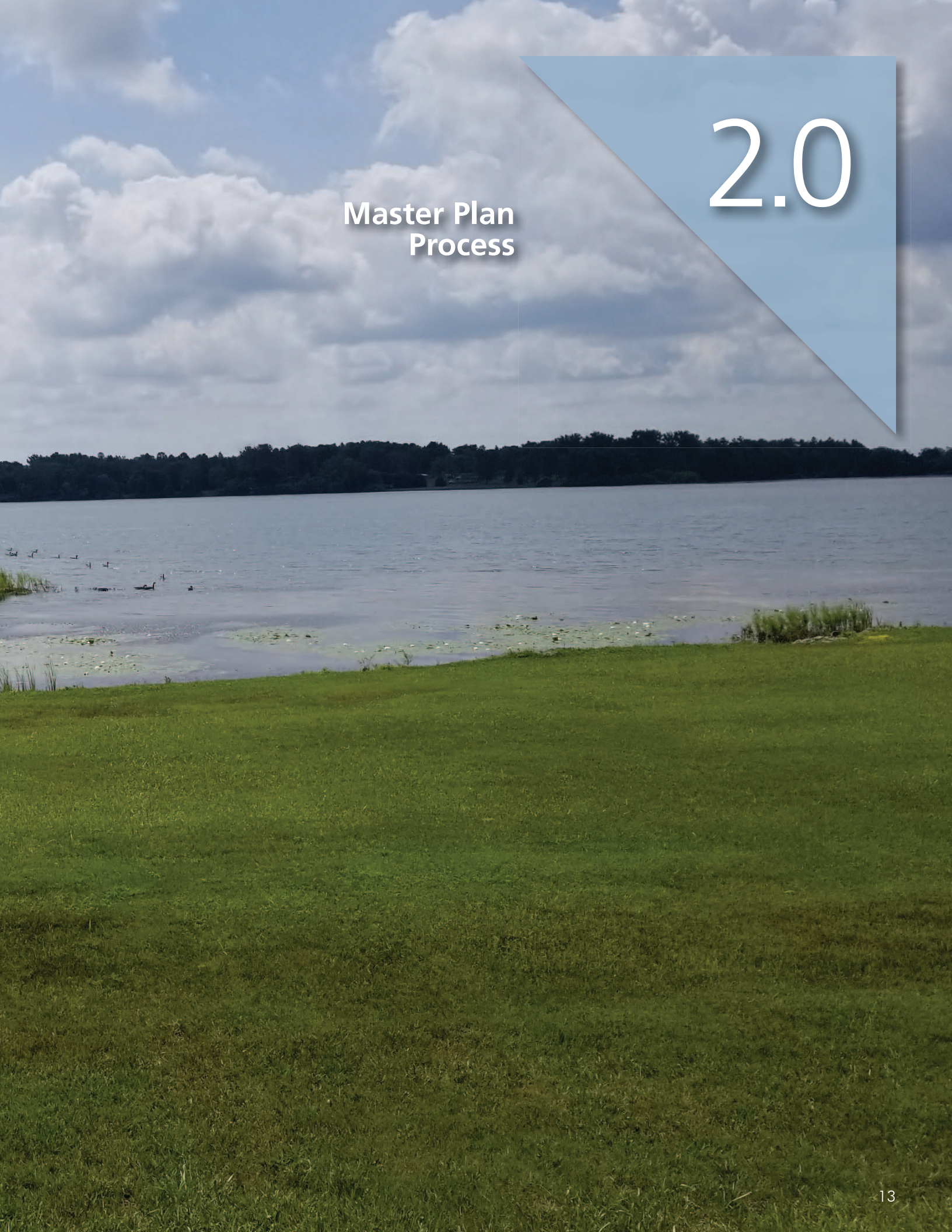


St. Lawrence Parks Commission Owned Lands



Township of South Stormont Boundary





**Master Plan
Process**

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2.1 Waterfront Plan Inputs

The recommendations in this Waterfront Plan are based on feedback and input from the following key streams:

Township Representatives

Township representatives included the Mayor, Chief Administration Officer and staff from Planning, Parks and Recreation and Recreation Programming.

Waterfront Development Committee

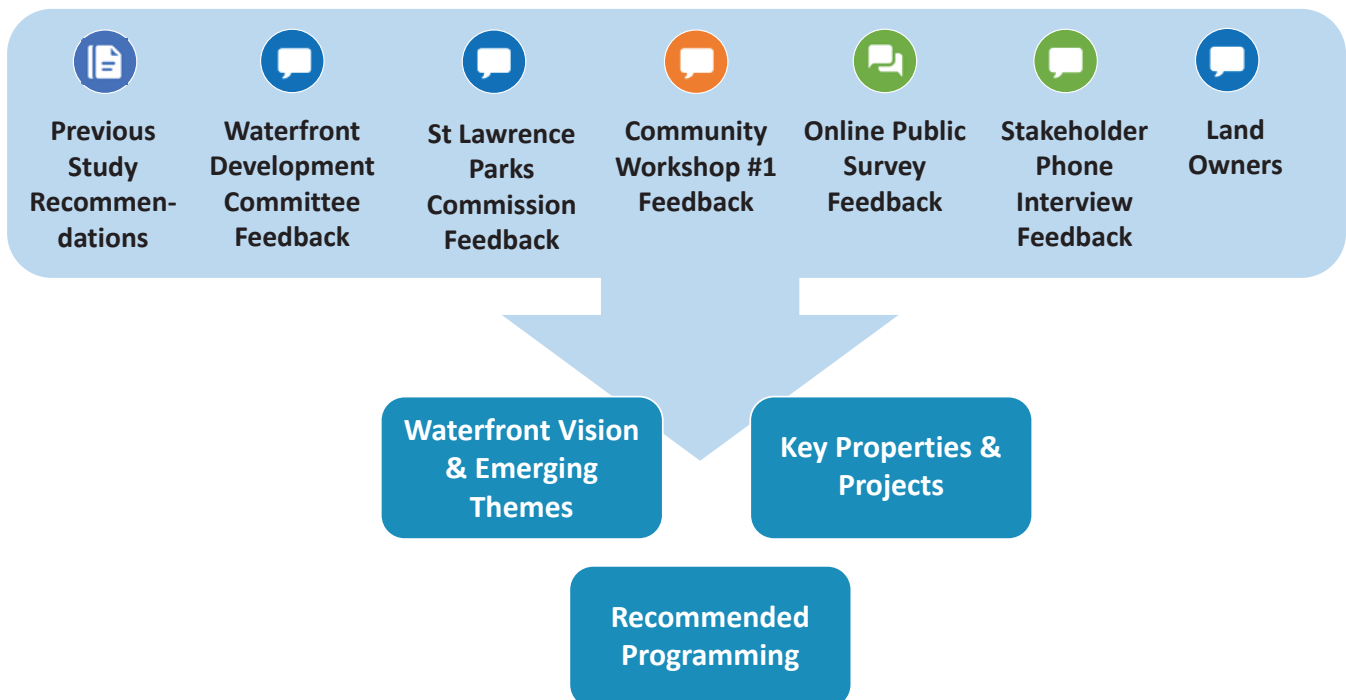
In January of 2019, Council endorsed the creation of the South Stormont Waterfront Development Committee. The objectives of the Committee were to assist in the update of the Waterfront Plan, working corroboratively with the consultant team, Township staff and key stakeholders including the St. Lawrence Parks Commission, Ontario Power Generation, United Counties of SDG, and the Raisin Region Conservation Authority. Their responsibilities included identifying lands that could potentially be developed and potential uses such as recreation and economic development opportunities.

St. Lawrence Parks Commission

As the landowner, The SLPC was involved in reviewing and providing feedback on the emerging Waterfront Plan recommendations. This included discussion with and presentations to SLPC Board Members. The SLPC Board approved the conceptual design vision in August 2020 and will continue to work with the Township to achieve improved waterfront access and recreational opportunities.

Stakeholder and Community Consultation

Stakeholders, community groups and the public at large were engaged to determine waterfront recreation needs and preferences, and determine a direction of conceptual designs for key properties and projects.



2.2 Waterfront Plan Process

Data Collection and Background Review

As noted, past master and recreation plans were developed for the Township. As several years have passed since the completion of these documents, the team undertook an assessment of the state of the previously recommended initiatives, actions and design frameworks. The team explored the feasibility and relevancy of any uncompleted projects; and inventoried other Township/County initiatives that have been since implemented (for example, the County Road 2 traffic circles in Long Sault).

The team also visited the waterfront areas to develop an understanding of the current state, ascertain opportunities and constraints and to understand how the area is interconnected to the adjacent communities.

Community and Stakeholder Engagement

Refer to Section 2.3 for the Consultation Overview.

Analysis and Interim Reporting

At the Interim Reporting Stage, the team completed the analysis tasks and developed a series of initial recommendations regarding the development of waterfront lands. This included identifying the key properties of interest and projects that would

maximize recreation and access opportunities. It was also important at this stage to assess the character of each of the properties to determine what level and what type of recreation facilities would be appropriate and sustainable and would maximize the diversity of facilities across the waterfront. Approval to move forward with the recommendations was obtained from the Waterfront Development Committee and the SLPC.

Plan Options and Community Engagement

Through the winter of 2019, the team developed conceptual demonstration plans for each of the four key properties and one project, which are as follows:

- Ingleside Waterfront Park;
- Hoople Bay Waterfront Park;
- Long Sault Waterfront Park;
- Lakeview Waterfront Park; and
- County Road 2 Multi-use Trail.

An online public survey was conducted to present and gather feedback on the conceptual demonstration plans and to ascertain if there were any additional elements that should be considered.



2.2 Waterfront Plan Process

Waterfront Plan Draft and Final

Starting at the completion of the public online survey, the team advanced the preparation of the draft and final Waterfront Plan. This stage of the work included the identification of priorities and scoping of phased implementation for each property and the County Road 2 Multi-use path project.

2.3 Public Consultation Overview

The Township of South Stormont Waterfront Master Plan is supported by a broad-based, public consultation program involving community members and various stakeholders. A variety of different methods were utilized to engage the community:

Start-up Meeting

A start-up meeting for the project took place on June 26, 2019. Discussions included the project's scope of work, time lines for key tasks and milestones, and community consultation.

St. Lawrence Parks Commission Meeting

A meeting with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission was held on June 26, 2019. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss opportunities for public consultation, key areas for consideration, and upcoming planning initiatives.

Site Visit

MBTW Group visited the site on July 19, 2019 to conduct an inventory of existing site conditions. The site visit included a bicycle ride along the Waterfront Trail and County Road 2.

Waterfront Development Committee

The second Waterfront Development Committee Meeting took place on August 13, 2019. The meeting included an introduction of the project team, an overview of the project, and previous studies completed for the waterfront. There was discussion regarding the Committee's vision and priorities for South Stormont's waterfront and initial thoughts for waterfront improvements.

2.3 Public Consultation Overview

Community Workshop #1

The first workshop with the community took place on August 13, 2019. 40 participants attended. The workshop provided an overview of previous studies completed for the waterfront and identified new opportunities. Participants answered questions regarding the existing use of the waterfront, new ideas and potential improvements to the waterfront and placemaking.

Online Public Survey #1

An online survey was posted to the Township's public website to collect input on the Township of South Stormont Waterfront Plan and Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The survey was available between August 11 and September 27, 2019. In total, 618 respondents participated in the online survey.

The input received from participants provided insight on the community's current use of the waterfront, important features to be protected, desired waterfront activities and programming, and improvements that would increase usage of the waterfront.

Stakeholder Phone Interviews

Phone interviews with stakeholders were conducted throughout September 2019 and helped shed light on opportunities and challenges regarding the waterfront's open space, community events, heritage and culture, connectivity (e.g. trails, cycling and parking), tourism, and ecology/hydrology.

List of Stakeholders:

- United Counties of SDG Transportation Services
- United Counties of SDG Tourism
- South Stormont Chamber of Commerce
- City of Cornwall Planning and Recreation
- City of Cornwall Waterfront Planning Committee
- Great Lakes Waterfront Trail
- Stormont Yacht Club
- Collette's Ice Hut Rentals
- Lost Villages Historical Society

Virtual Presentation

A virtual, narrated presentation was posted to the Township's website to provide an overview and update on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and Waterfront Master Plan.

The Presentation provided a summary of input shared by the community and stakeholders, an overview of the 'Big Ideas' and recommendations for each of the demonstration plans and the project's next steps.

Following the presentation, participants were encouraged to complete the associated online survey.

Online Public Survey #2

An online survey was posted to the Township's website to collect input on the key directions for the Waterfront Master Plan. A total of 96 respondents submitted their feedback using the online survey, available from May 19 to June 5, 2020.





Vision &
Principles

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3.1 Vision

“South Stormont’s waterfront will allow access to the water’s edge and provide connectivity along it’s shoreline. It will foster social and culture activities, and support environmental sustainability and economic development.”

3.2 Emerging Themes

1 Waterfront Access

- a. Provide barrier-free access to the shoreline including nodes for resting, wayfinding and land-based fishing;
- b. Maximize continuous access along the shoreline with connections to the local community;
- c. Provide safe locations for swimming and/or beach-like experience; and
- d. Provide public access to launch small and large watercraft.



2 Trails & Connectivity

- a. Improve north-south, and east-west connections;
- b. Improve the continuous pathway system for multiple modes of recreational transportation throughout the year; and
- c. Protect continuous public ownership along the waterfront.



3.2 Emerging Themes

3 Social, Cultural & Community Events

- a. Provide facilities and amenities that will support existing and encourage new community events within the waterfront areas;
- b. Provide infrastructure that supports year-round use of the waterfront; and
- c. Provide opportunities for community involvement or sponsorship.



4 Passive & Active Recreation

- a. Capitalizes on the natural beauty of the area for outdoor recreation; and
- b. Provide opportunities for both passive and active, outdoor recreation.



5 Economic Development & Partnerships

- a. Examine opportunities to support further growth in the area (events or new commercial development);
- b. Link development along County Road 2 with waterfront development and a new multi-use trail;
- c. Explore employment opportunities linked to waterfront development.



3.2 Emerging Themes

6 History & Education

- a. Recognize the history of the area through design and place-making;
- b. Provide opportunities to learn more about South Stormont’s history, creation of the St. Lawrence Seaway, unique landscape, ecology etc.; and
- c. Facilitate the waterfront’s use by day-camps or schools for class trips.



7 Placemaking & Wayfinding

- a. Provide a clear sense of place along the waterfront with consistent branding;
- b. Utilize a cohesive signage and wayfinding program along the waterfront and at key locations; and
- c. Create landmarks along the waterfront such as road-side attractions or public art installations.



3.2 Emerging Themes

8 Environmental Sustainability

- a. Provide experiences that are unique to South Stormont;
- b. Design to improve wildlife habitat and biodiversity; and
- c. Follow best practices of environmental design.



9 Tourism

- a. Create a 'historical centrepiece' along the waterfront;
- b. Expand and support eco-tourism opportunities such as hiking, cycling, ice-fishing etc.;
- c. Foster events that have the ability to draw from both the local community and the tourism sector (pond hockey tournament and fishing derbies); and
- d. Develop a recognizable marketing and branding program.



3.2 Emerging Themes

10 Views & Vistas

- a. Enhance visual connections to the water;
- b. Organize site development to frame views to recognizable features (Long Sault Parkway) or events (sunsets);
- c. Enhance views from and along Country Road 2; and
- d. Maintain clear views between residential and commercial areas on the north side of County Road 2.



11 Accessibility

- a. Maximize barrier-free access to and within all new projects;
- b. Provide a way-finding program across the entire waterfront;
- c. Maximize person safety through all new projects;
- d. Maximize the provision of no-cost or low-cost facilities and programming;
- e. Support physical activity, facilitating social interactions, enhancing a sense of belonging, and contributing to the improved mental and physical health of residents; and
- f. Provide equitable access to all residents – regardless of ability, age, ethnicity, gender, orientation or income.



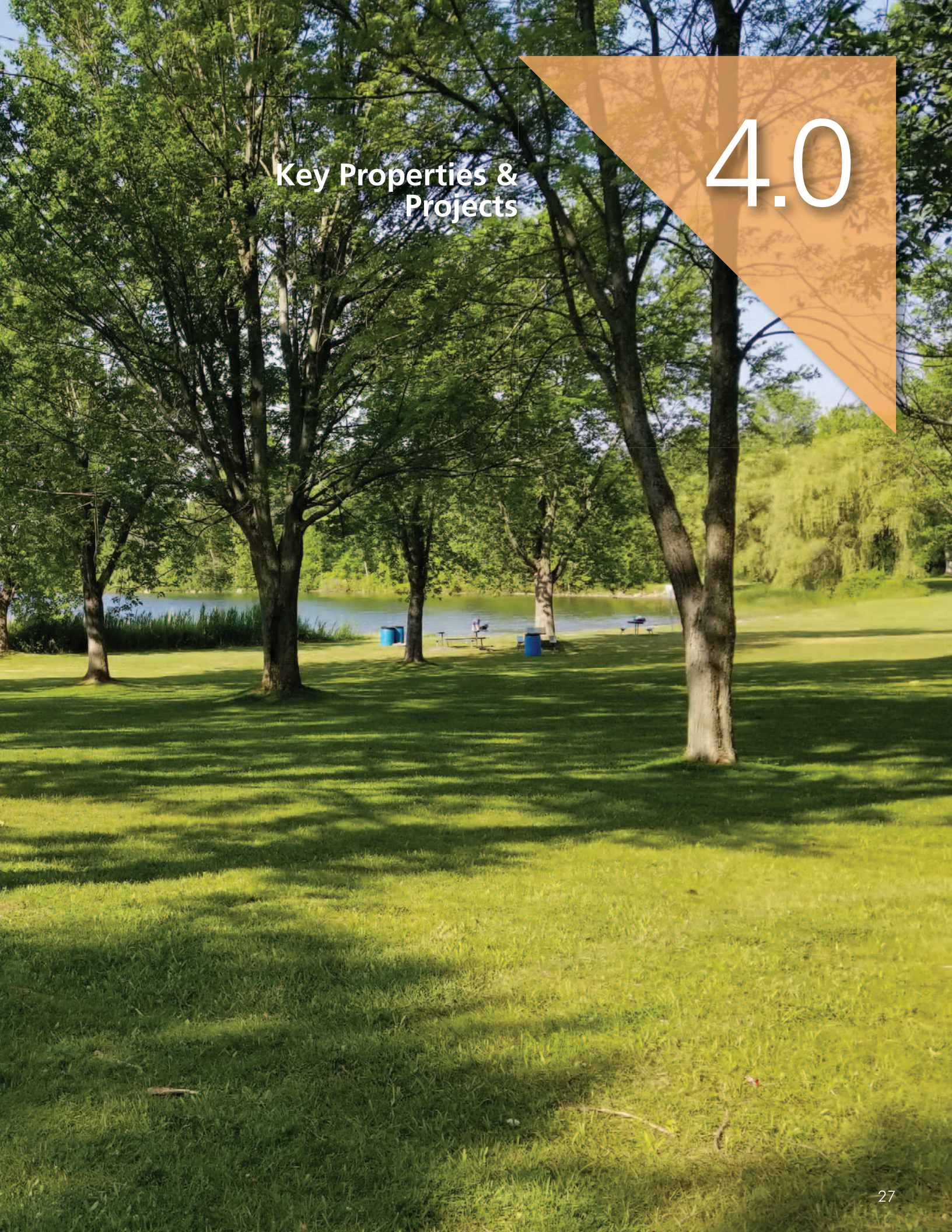
3.2 Emerging Themes

12 Boating

- a. Provide facilities and parking for both motorized and non-motorized boating such as launch areas and floating dock access;
- b. Provide amenities that encourage waterfront recreation based events; and
- c. Develop a plan to address boating access during low water level periods.





A scenic view of a park with a lake, trees, and a picnic area. The foreground is a lush green lawn with long shadows cast by trees. In the middle ground, there are several large trees and a picnic area with blue trash cans and a picnic table. In the background, a calm lake is visible, surrounded by more trees and a clear blue sky.

Key Properties & Projects

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4.1 Introduction

Key Properties of Interest

South Stormont's waterfront is a massive land holding - there are innumerable possibilities for development. Work completed to-date along with stakeholder and community feedback was essential to narrowing the possibilities and directing the focus of the study to specific projects and properties. This focus was critical in creating a reasonable and achievable plan.

Feedback and input collected from the community and stakeholders has provided guidance on what is wanted on the waterfront and which properties and projects will be important.

Please note, although there are general, site-wide improvements proposed, such as, improved maintenance of the Waterfront Trail and more way-finding signage, the focus of this section is on the Key Properties and Projects:

- Ingleside Waterfront Park;
- Hoople Bay Waterfront Park;
- Long Sault Waterfront Park;
- Lakeview Waterfront Park; and
- County Road 2 Multi-use Trail.

Details on the Key Properties and Projects have been developed in conjunction with the Waterfront Development Committee and Council. The details are shown as Conceptual Demonstration Plans which are a representation of the spatial arrangement of proposed amenities. The demonstration plan shown here is for conceptual purposes ONLY and will be subject to approval and detailed design.

Key Properties of Interest



Feedback and input collected from the community and stakeholders has provided guidance on what is wanted on the waterfront and which properties and projects will be important.

4.1 Introduction

Characterization

The team created character profiles for each of the properties to assist in organizing all the waterfront improvements and amenities desired by the community. The identified character of each of the properties assists in determining what level and what type of recreation facilities would be appropriate and sustainable and would maximize the diversity of facilities across the waterfront.

Ingleside Waterfront Park is envisioned as a family oriented, community node that is anchored by a waterfront centre building and focused around a central spine of flexible and seasonal ‘market-style’ structures.

Hoople Bay Waterfront Park will provide a destination along South Stormont’s waterfront that will have an environmental focus for anglers, cyclists and nature lovers. The informal, natural state of this park can provide opportunities for multi-season outdoor learning and environmental interpretation.

Long Sault Waterfront Park is envisioned to become a destination on South Stormont’s waterfront for year-round community events and outdoor recreation. The park will facilitate both motorized and non-motorized boating and become a focus for water recreation in South Stormont.

Lakeview Waterfront Park will provide a quiet retreat along South Stormont’s waterfront for swimming and picnicking and will provide a rest-stop, with amenities, along the Waterfront Trail.

County Road 2 Multi-Use Path is envisioned as a new 9km long path, on the south side of County Road 2 linking Farran Park on the west to Long Sault to the east. This multi-use path would provide an important east-west active transportation corridor, improving village linkages to existing and new waterfront facilities, in all seasons.

Business Case Analysis

Business case analyses related to the implementation of the concept demonstration plans have been provided in a separate document.

The following section describes the projects/properties in more detail.



Characterization and ‘theme’ for each project.

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park



Key Map

Existing Conditions

The site is characterized by gently undulating terrain sloping towards the St. Lawrence River, with boulders and gravel along much of the shoreline. The site is primarily open meadow which is mowed periodically, and there is some habitat for common field species.

The site is traversed by the existing bicycle path. The existing Long Sault Marina with boat launch and docks are located to the east of the site.

There is a historical plaque to “Lake St. Lawrence” on site, erected by the Lost Villages Historical Society.

4.2.1 What We’ve Learned

The following is a summary of recommendations from previous studies for the Long Sault Waterfront Park site.

Long Sault Waterfront Park (2010)

- Playground
- Splash pad
- Parking areas
- Open space
- Open views to the water
- Washroom and storage facility
- Gardens
- Ice skating rink
- Seating and pergola
- Stage
- Gazebo
- Waterfront trail
- Picnic areas and BBQ stations
- Boardwalk / dock
- Road along the waterfront

Master Plan (2005)

- Band shell or amphitheatre to provide a venue
- Redevelopment of the marina
- Public dock/wharf facility
- New walkway along the water
- Heritage walk from Long Sault to the waterfront with interpretive signage/monuments
- Defined pedestrian crossings from Long Sault to the waterfront
- Pavilion building/gazebo
- Picnic area
- Active sports/playing fields
- Arboretum and heritage gardens
- Improvements to the waterfront around the marina
- Residential lots surrounding the marina could be redeveloped as mixed-use commercial/residential
- Redevelopment of vacant and underutilized commercial lands at Long Sault Mall
- Support commercial development
- Playground
- Parking area
- The development of a hotel complex
- Restaurants
- Docking facilities for transient boaters

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.1 What We've Learned

Township of South Stormont Waterfront Plan (2000)

- Fishing wharf
- Outdoor amphitheatre
- Walking trails
- Boat ramp
- Plant more trees
- Open area with grass
- Encourage entrepreneurs to open up service-oriented businesses on the waterfront (bicycle rentals, ice cream stand)
- Information centre for tourism

4.2.2 What We Heard from Stakeholders

The following is a summary of comments received during stakeholder and community consultation.

St. Lawrence Parks Commission

- Restaurants, shops, entertainment
- Facilitate activities and events

PIC Feedback

- Long Sault Plaza facade improvements
- Boardwalk
- Waterfront restaurant
- Off-leash dog park
- Beautification of County Road 2
- Wayfinding signage
- Cycling rest stop (bike rental and repair)
- Washroom building
- Event space (movies in the park)
- Outdoor fitness equipment
- Marine rentals (kayaks and canoes)
- Restaurant with licensed waterfront patio
- Splash pad
- Wake board park
- Area for food trucks or pop-up shops
- Market building with vendor space
- Community gardens
- Landmark feature / public art
- Boat storage

Online Public Survey Summary

- Boat launch

Waterfront Development Committee Feedback

- The Yacht Club and marina should be a central focus on the waterfront

Stakeholder Phone Interviews

- Volleyball courts
- Splash pad
- Create activity nodes at each end of the Long Sault Parkway
- Additional retail space
- Improved connectivity across County Road 2 to the waterfront and additional trails to access the water on the other side
- Need more locations for cyclists to park their cars

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.3 Recommendations

Previous studies and stakeholder consultation helped determine the proposed character of Long Sault Waterfront Park and the recommended programming.

Character Statement

Long Sault Waterfront Park will become a destination on South Stormont's waterfront for year-round community events and outdoor recreation.

The park will facilitate both motorized and non-motorized boating and become a focus for water recreation in South Stormont.

The park will also celebrate South Stormont's connection to the St. Lawrence River.

Recommended Park Program

Central Plaza

- Central Plaza
- Flexible, Open Space
- Pavilion / Stage
- Washroom / Storage Building
- Playground
- Parking Area

Beach

- Beach Area
- Volleyball Courts
- Public Fire-pits

Waterfront Walk

- Boardwalk
- Wharf
- Wayfinding / Heritage Signage
- Landmark / Public Art
- Informal Seating
- Waterfront Steps

Picnic Areas

- Picnic Tables
- BBQ Stations
- Shade Structures

Gardens

- Community Gardens
- Interpretive Signage
- Storage Shed

Boat Launch

- Boat Launch
- Canoe / Kayak Launch
- Public Dock
- Boat Trailer Parking

Off-leash Dog Area

- Off-leash Dog Area
- Parking Area

Multi-use Path

- Multi-use Paths



Boardwalk / Wharf



Beach Area



Flexible Central Plaza - Skating Rink

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.3 Recommendations

Long Sault Waterfront Park Conceptual Demonstration Plan



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|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--|
| 01 Central Plaza | 07 Wharf | 13 Waterfront Steps | 19 Naturalization Areas |
| 02 Flexible, Open Space | 08 Landmark / Public Art | 14 Boat Launch | 20 Dog-off Leash Area (Alternative Location) |
| 03 Pavilion / Stage | 09 Picnic Area | 15 Beach Area | |
| 04 Washroom / Storage | 10 Dog Off-leash Area | 16 Volleyball Courts | |
| 05 Parking Area | 11 Community Gardens | 17 Public Fire Pits | |
| 06 Boardwalk | 12 Playground | 18 Multi-use Path | |



Playground



Public Fire Pits



Volleyball Courts

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.3 Recommendations

Vehicular Route & Parking Areas

A new, tree-lined vehicular route is one of the main ways access has been increased to this waterfront site. The main vehicular route connects to the roundabouts at County Road 2. Two parking areas have been included, one at each end of the site.

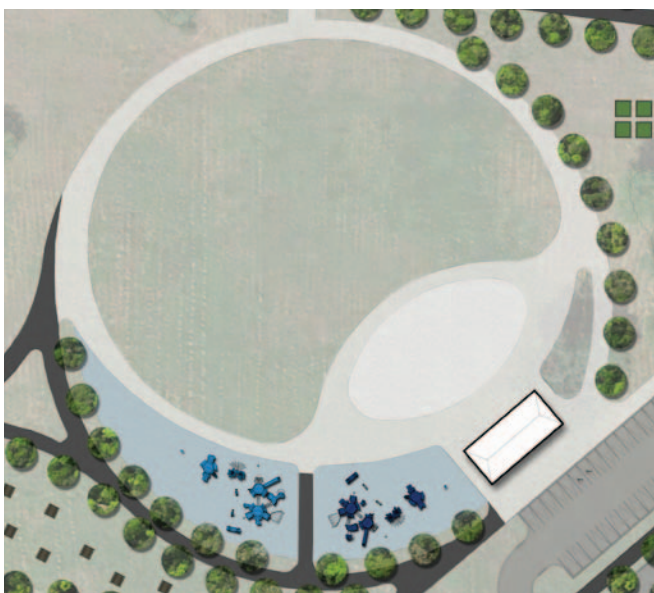
Central Plaza

The Central Plaza will serve as a flexible event space. It's one of the main points of arrival to the site and the main gathering area.

A portion of the plaza could be used for skating in the winter and for events like markets or outdoor festivals. Larger events could spill out onto the adjacent green space.

Functional considerations include:

- Integration with park pavilion / stage;
- Versatile space with ability to accommodate various events;
- Integration of multi-use path around the plaza;
- Capacity to host an event:
 - (i) Electrical servicing
 - (ii) Water servicing
 - (iii) Performance space
 - (iv) Market tents and vendor carts



Central Plaza Area

Flexible, Open Space

The park maintains large areas of open, green space for passive recreation. Some of these areas could include site furnishings like picnic tables and waste receptacles.

Pavilion / Stage

The park pavilion could function as a stage for various performances and events. The pavilion could also include a small washroom and storage area.

Playground

A junior and senior playground is located near the Central Plaza, in close proximity to the parking area.

The playground should be:

- Accessible to all ages and abilities
- Designed with year round usage considerations
- Unique and different play experience than what is offered elsewhere in the Township

Because of its location and other amenities proposed within the park, this Waterfront Plan contemplates the addition of a play structure for use by visitors to the waterfront area in Long Sault. This would go beyond a neighbourhood park level facility, resulting in an increased level of service. While a playground in this location is not required as part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan when considering the existing distribution of playgrounds in Long Sault, it is an important part of the long-term vision for Long Sault Waterfront Park.



Pavilion / Stage



4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.3 Recommendations

The Beach

An area with sand, north of the boardwalk, with informal seating allows visitors the experience of being at the beach near the water. This area would provide a space for passive recreation at the water’s edge.

Beach Volleyball Courts

Four beach volleyball courts are located above the beach area on the north side of the main vehicular route. The volleyball courts are optional and could be considered if there is a demand in this area of the community in the future.



Beach Area and Volleyball Courts

Public Fire Pits

An area along the waterfront, beside the beach, will include fire pits where people could gather during community events in both the summer and winter.



Public Fire Pit Area

Boardwalk & Wharf

A boardwalk will extend along the waterfront, allowing access to the water’s edge. The boardwalk will include seating, lighting and interpretive signage. A wharf will extend out, over the water and include public art or another type of focal feature, acting as a landmark and destination along the waterfront.

Waterfront Steps

Large stone steps extend from the boardwalk down to the water. This provides informal seating and an opportunity to interact with and touch the water.



Waterfront Steps

Picnic Area

A large picnic area is located at the west side of the site, at the end of the boardwalk.

Functional considerations include:

- Standalone shelter
- Immediate access to parking
- Seating
- Accessible surface material
- Lighting and electrical outlets
- Garbage receptacles
- Outdoor grills

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.3 Recommendations

Dog Off-leash Area

This element has been situated close to parking, at a private corner of the site. A dog off-leash area was a popular public request during stakeholder consultation. The area to the west of the entrance to the Long Sault Parkway could also be explored as an alternative location for the dog off-leash area.



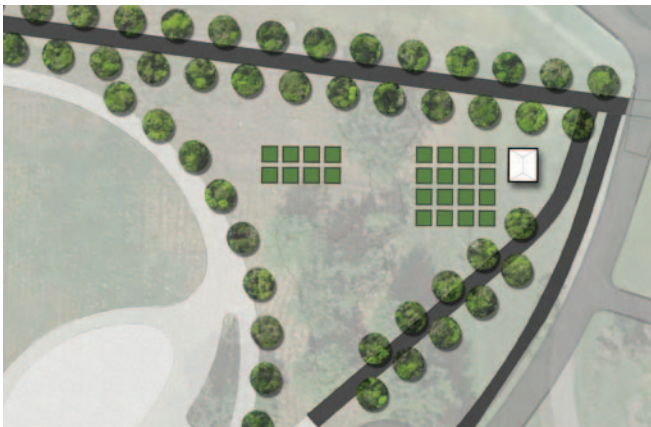
Dog Off-Leash Area

Community Gardens

Community gardens are located in the north-east corner of the site. This area would include numerous raised planter-beds and a small storage building for tools and maintenance equipment.

Functional considerations include:

- Storage
- Water servicing



Community Gardens

Boat Launch

A boat launch, at the east end of the site, includes short-term trailer parking and a dock. An existing, non-operational, boat launch is located directly to the east of the proposed. However, a study would need to be carried out to determine if water depths in this specific location would meet the requirements.



Boat Launch

Multi-use Path

The Waterfront Trail will be enhanced and expanded to loop through the site and along the waterfront.

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.3 Recommendations

Naturalization and Reforestation

Over the years, periodic mowing of the area has kept the growth of woody shrubs and trees under control. This has resulted in a site that is sparsely forested with small pockets of vegetated clusters focused around ditches and other landforms that were unable to be mowed. As the site evolves into a more active community park, it will be necessary to develop a naturalization and reforestation plan that will address the following objectives:

- Enhance ecological diversity and habitat opportunities
- Enhance ecological corridor connections
- Create more shade with mature canopy
- Reduce seasonal mowing and lawn areas
- Maintain views to the water from County Road 2
- Provide educational opportunities

Of special note, naturalization plans should also address and integrate strategies for tick control as it is understood that the tick population in this area is robust. This will be particularly important where actively programmed areas, including the proposed off-leash dog area are close to wooded areas and areas of tall brush.

Winter Use

Based on stakeholder and community engagement, it is understood that South Stormont is a winter community. It will be important that waterfront parks are developed to be comfortable and useful in all seasons including the winter months. Winter infrastructure, programming and maintenance protocols should be well integrated into the plans as the detailed design process progresses. A 'winter overlay plan' should be prepared that shows how winter uses will be accommodated in the site. This will include locations of dual-purpose features, warming hubs, wind blocks/sun traps, plowable walkway systems, program areas and snow removal strategies.

Shoreline

It is intended that the shoreline within the park be accessible to the community. The Plan indicates both formal and informal connections to the water's edge, however, a detailed assessment of the shoreline conditions should be performed to identify any concerns related to both public safety and the health of the environment. This is an important exercise given the fluctuating water levels that have been experienced in the area.



Public Fire Pits











Winter Market

4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.4 Implementation

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Legend

-  Central Gathering Area
-  Site Trails & Open Space
-  New Park Driveway & Parking Areas
-  Multi-use Path Improvements
-  Waterfront Activity Area
-  Boat Launch Area
-  Community Gardens
-  Off-Leash Dog Area



4.2 Long Sault Waterfront Park

4.2.4 Implementation

Please note, that implementation of the demonstration plans will be subject to approvals, detailed design, phasing and funding availability and may take many years to complete. Plans have been designed to be incrementally 'growable' and allow flexibility to respond to changes. The Township is encouraged to implement low cost pilot projects to test success and community support.

Primary Projects:

Area 3 - New Park Driveway & Parking Areas *First Priority

Area 8 - Off Leash Dog Area

Area 1 - Central Gathering Area

Area 6 - Boat Launch Area

Secondary Projects:

Area 5 - Waterfront Activity Area

Tertiary Projects:

Area 2 - Site Trails & Open Space

Area 4 - Multi-Use Path Improvements

Area 7 - Community Gardens

4.2.5 Additional Studies

As noted, the conceptual demonstration plans have been developed as a tool to advance discussions with the land owner; the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. It is understood that the Plans represent what the Community wants for its waterfront area, however; they are not representative of the detail design and approvals process.

To advance the plans, it is recommended that additional site investigation studies be procured to confirm the plan components and to inform the detailed design process. The following additional studies are recommended:

- Detailed Site Topographic Survey
- Traffic Study (at traffic circle driveway extension)
- Geotechnical Investigation
- Coast Study (at launch area)
- Full Shoreline Inspection
- Archaeological Study
- Environmental Assessment

4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park



Key Map

Existing Conditions

Hoople Bay is defined by cattail marshes along much of the shoreline with residential areas to the east and west. The provincially significant Hoople Bay Wetland Complex is situated further east.

The shoreline was the site of a skirmish between British and American forces during the War of 1812.

4.3.1 What We've Learned

The following is a summary of recommendations from previous studies for the Hoople Bay Waterfront Park site.

Previous Study Recommendations

Master Plan (2005)

- Formal water access / boat launch
- Parking area (with trailer parking)
- Picnic area
- Pavilion
- Tourist stop
- Interpretive signage
- Lookout area
- Link from Hoople Bay to the cemetery as a quiet, alternative rest stop with views of the river
- Boat access for fishing using an extension of Colonial Drive
- Improve the Hoople Creek bridge to permit pedestrian, bicycle and potentially snowmobile traffic to cross the structure in a safe manner
- Protection of significant habitat

4.3.2 What We Heard from Stakeholders

The following is a summary of comments received during stakeholder and community consultation.

Waterfront Development Committee Feedback

- Enhance fishing area at Hoople Bay

Stakeholder Phone Interviews

- Have free parking
- Open space

4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park

4.3.3 Recommendations

Previous studies and stakeholder consultation helped determine the proposed character of the Hoople Bay Waterfront Park site and the recommended programming.

Character Statement

Hoople Bay Waterfront Park will provide a destination along South Stormont’s waterfront that will have an environmental focus for anglers, cyclists and nature lovers. The informal, natural state of this park can provide opportunities for multi-season outdoor learning and environmental interpretation.

Recommended Park Program

Boat Launch

- Boat Launch
- Canoe / Kayak Launch
- Public Dock
- Parking Area (trailers and vehicles)

Picnic Area

- Picnic Tables
- Pavilion / Washroom Building
- Open space

Nature Trail

- Walking Trails
- Boardwalk
- Interpretive Signage

Cycling Rest Stop

- Wayfinding Signage
- Bike Repair Station
- Bike Parking
- Seating



Outdoor Classroom



Public Washroom Building



Boardwalk



Wayfinding Signage



Kayak and Canoe Launch



Ice Fishing Derby

4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park

4.3.3 Recommendations

Hoople Bay Waterfront Park Conceptual Demonstration Plan



- 01 Boat Launch
- 02 Canoe / Kayak Launch
- 03 Parking Area
- 04 Picnic Area
- 05 Pavilion / Outdoor Classroom / Washroom
- 06 Boardwalk
- 07 Walking Trails
- 08 Interpretive Signage / Pavilion
- 09 Cycling Rest Stop / Bike Repair Station
- 10 Multi-use Path South of County Road 2
- 11 Fish cleaning station

4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park

4.3.3 Recommendations

Boat Launch

Boat launch for both motorized and non-motorized watercraft with public dock.

Pavilion / Outdoor Classroom / Washroom

The park pavilion includes a washroom and storage area. An outdoor classroom with informal seating would provide a gathering space for community events and school trips.

Fish Cleaning Station

Hoople Bay is a popular destination for anglers and hosts annual fishing derbies. A fish cleaning station will allow anglers a dedicated location for cleaning their catch.

Functional considerations include:

- Water servicing
- Waste receptacles

Picnic Area

The picnic area is located beside the pavilion / washroom building and the outdoor classroom.

Functional considerations include:

- Immediate access to parking
- Seating
- Accessible surface material
- Lighting
- Garbage receptacles



Picnic Area



Picnic area, parking and boat launch



Boat Launch



Fish Cleaning Station

4.0 KEY PROPERTIES & PROJECTS

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4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park

4.3.3 Recommendations

Multi-use Path South of County Road 2

The multi-use path will extend into the site and travel along the south side of County Road 2.

Vehicular Route & Parking Areas

A new vehicular route, off of County Road 2, will provide access to the site and to the formalized parking area (for vehicles and trailers).

Cycling Rest Stop / Bike Repair Station

The cycling rest-stop will include a pavilion with interpretive and wayfinding signage, seating and a bicycle repair station.

Boardwalk

A raised, wooden boardwalk will extend through the wetlands along the edge of Hoople Bay. Interpretive signage along this route will facilitate an educational experience.

Walking Trails

Trails with interpretive signage will connect the main parking area to the most southern point of the site's waterfront.



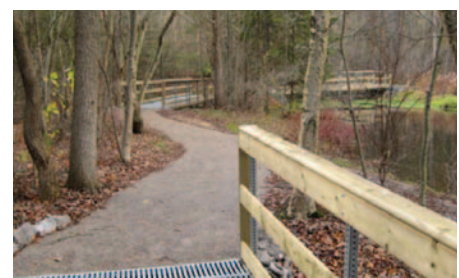
Cycling Station



Boardwalk



Cycling Rest Stop



Walking Trails

4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park

4.3.3 Recommendations

Naturalization and Reforestation

Hoople Bay Waterfront Park is currently a completely naturalized environment accommodating some recreational uses. The plan for the park is to develop the proposed features sensitively, minimizing and mitigating disturbed areas. Park features proposed in this plan, should be re-evaluated during the detailed design process once the characteristics of the existing environment have been fully understood.

Of special note, naturalization and/or mitigation plans should also address and integrate strategies for tick control as it is understood that the tick population in this area is robust. This will be particularly important where actively programmed areas are close to wooded areas and area of tall brush.

Winter Use

Based on stakeholder and community engagement, it is understood that South Stormont is a winter community. It will be important that waterfront parks are developed to be comfortable and useful in all seasons including the winter months. Winter infrastructure, programming and maintenance protocols should be well integrated into the plans as the detailed design process progresses. A 'winter overlay plan' should be prepared that shows how winter uses will be accommodated in the site. This will include locations of dual-purpose features, warming hubs, wind blocks/sun traps, plowable walkway systems, program areas and snow removal strategies. Hoople Bay Waterfront Park is known to be popular with the ice fishing community; this group should be further engaged once the detailed design process is underway.

Shoreline

It is intended that the shoreline within the park be accessible to the community. The Plan indicates both formal and informal connections to the water's edge, however, a detailed assessment of the shoreline conditions should be performed to identify any concerns related to both public safety and the health of the environment. This is an important exercise given the fluctuating water levels that have been experienced in the area and the proximity of a Provincially Significant Wetland.



Winter Fat Biking

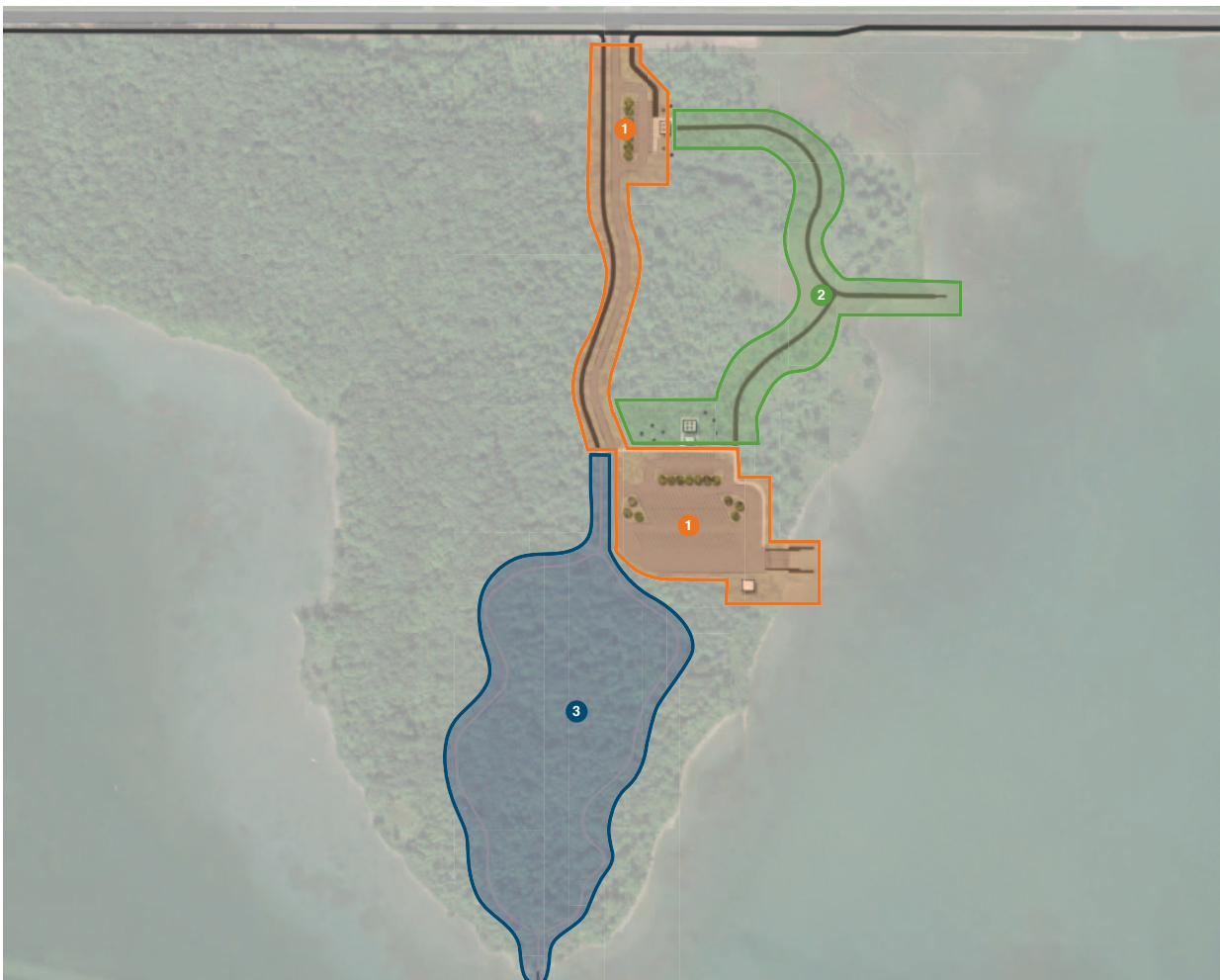
4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park

4.3.4 Implementation

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Legend

- 1 Cycling Rest Stop, New Driveway, Parking Areas & Boat Launch
- 2 Boardwalk & Picnic Area
- 3 Walking Trails



4.3 Hoople Bay Waterfront Park

4.3.4 Implementation

Please note, that implementation of the demonstration plans will be subject to approvals, detailed design, phasing and funding availability and may take many years to complete. Plans have been designed to be incrementally 'growable' and allow flexibility to respond to changes. The Township is encouraged to implement low cost pilot projects to test success and community support.

Primary Projects:

Area 1 - Cycling Rest Stop, New Driveways, Parking Area & Boat Launch

Secondary Projects:

Area 2 - Boardwalk & Picnic Area

Tertiary Projects:

Area 3 - Walking Trails

4.3.5 Additional Studies

As noted, the conceptual demonstration plans have been developed as a tool to advance discussions with the land owner; the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. It is understood that the Plans represent what the Community wants for its waterfront area, however; they are not representative of the detail design and approvals process.

To advance the plans, it is recommended that additional site investigation studies be procured to confirm the plan components and to inform the detailed design process. The following additional studies are recommended:

- Detailed Site Topographic Survey
- Geotechnical Investigation
- Coast Study (at launch area)
- Shoreline Inspection (in areas where park development is proposed to occur)
- Archaeological Study
- Environmental Assessment

4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park



Key Map

Existing Conditions

The site is characterized by gently undulating terrain sloping towards the St. Lawrence River. There are boulders and gravel along much of the shoreline. The vegetation on site is mostly deciduous and early successional forest.

Lakeview Waterfront Park has a beach with a change room/washroom building, and an unpaved parking area. The change room/washroom building is unusable and would require a total retrofit with upgrades to services such as water, electrical, septic, plumbing, structure etc.

There is a cairn reading "Moulinette 1/3 Mile" and a Provincial Heritage Monument for the submerged villages of the St. Lawrence (i.e. Lost Villages) at the entrance to Lakeview Waterfront Park.

The existing cycling trail traverses the site.

4.4.1 What We've Learned

The following is a summary of recommendations from previous studies for Lakeview Waterfront Park.

Previous Study Recommendations

Master Plan (2005)

- Parking area
- Small boat launch at Old Post Road
- Connections to bicycle path
- Picnic area with tables
- Lookout area (clear brush to improve views to the islands)
- Re-establish full services and expand uses at Lakeview Waterfront Park
- Pathway along the waterfront to connect the Lost Villages Museum and area to view the Cornwall dam
- Pursue the establishment of new museums and the expansion of existing museums to celebrate the waterway and pioneer history of the Township (Titanic Museum, Miniature Houses Collection)
- Protection of significant habitat

4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park

4.4.2 What We Heard from Stakeholders

The following is a summary of comments received during stakeholder and community consultation.

PIC Feedback

- Provide enhancements for Lakeview Waterfront Park
- Pavilions and picnic shelters
- Wayfinding signage
- Improvements to the beaches (cleaning and grooming)
- Water play / splash pad along the waterfront
- Historic plaques and interpretive signage
- Area for food trucks

Online Public Survey Summary

- More BBQ areas and picnic tables
- Greater accessibility to the washroom building
- Playground and play structures
- Boat launch
- Dog park at Ault Park or Lakeview Beach

Waterfront Development Committee Feedback

- Enhance the beach for swimming

Park Program Dependencies

- Enhanced beach for swimming should consider safety (currents) and water quality

4.4.3 Recommendations

Previous studies and stakeholder consultation helped determine the proposed character of the Lakeview Waterfront Park waterfront and the recommended programming.

Character Statement

Lakeview Waterfront Park will provide a quiet retreat along South Stormont's waterfront for swimming and picnicking and will provide a rest-stop, with amenities, along the Waterfront Trail.

Recommended Park Program

Picnic Areas

- Picnic Tables
- BBQ Stations
- Shade Structures / Pavilion
- Washroom / Storage Building
- Open Space

Play Area

- Playground
- Splash Pad

Waterfront Walk

- Boardwalk
- Interpretive / Heritage Signage
- Lookout Area
- Seating

Beach

- Improved Beach Conditions
- Accessible Beach Access
- Temporary Volleyball Courts

Parking Area

- Parking Area
- Drop-off / Pick-up Loop

Signage

- Entry Feature / Sign,
- Trail Wayfinding

4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park

4.4.3 Recommendations

Hoople Bay Waterfront Park Conceptual Demonstration Plan



- 01 Picnic Area
- 02 Open, Green Space
- 03 Washroom / Storage
- 04 Playground
- 05 Splash Pad
- 06 Waterfront Boardwalk
- 07 Avonmore Promenade
- 08 Lookout Area
- 09 Improved Beach Conditions
- 10 Volleyball Courts
- 11 Parking Area
- 12 Interpretive / Heritage Signage

4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park

4.4.3 Recommendations

Picnic Area

Two picnic areas are located on the site.

Functional considerations include:

- Standalone shelter
- Seating
- Accessible surface material
- Lighting and electrical outlets
- Garbage receptacles
- Outdoor grills

Open, Green Space

Open, green space will be preserved for passive recreation.

Washroom / Storage

Covered picnic area and washroom building.

Waterfront Boardwalk

A raised, wooden boardwalk will extend through the wetlands along the west side of the waterfront.

Playground & Splash Pad

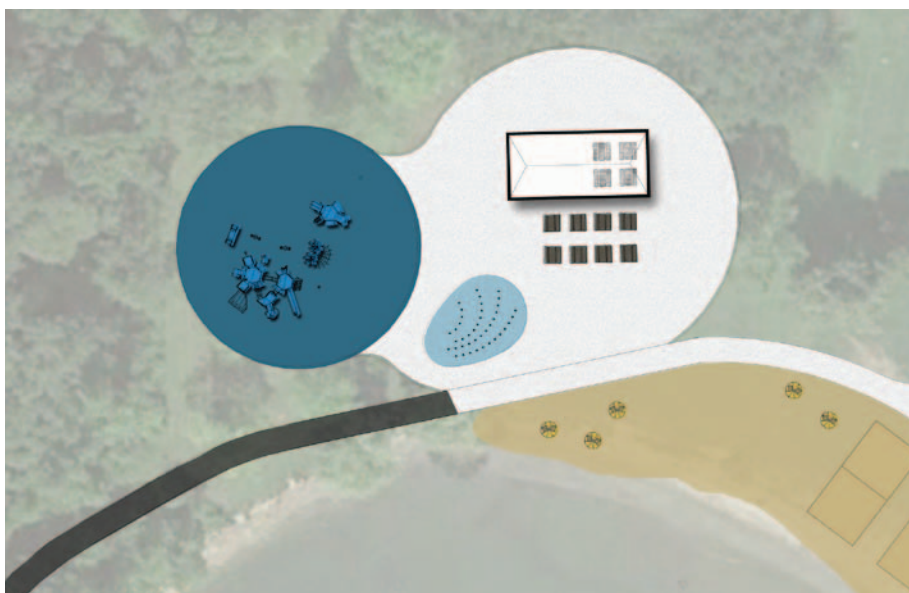
A small playground and splash pad will be located near the picnic area and washroom building.

The playground should be:

- Accessible to all ages and abilities
- Designed with year round usage considerations
- Unique and different play experience than what is offered elsewhere in the Township

The inclusion of a splash pad at Lakeview Waterfront Park is not currently required as part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, however, it can act as a destination for all residents of the Township, beyond those living in the waterfront communities of Long Sault and Ingleside.

While it represents a potential increase in level of service, due to water quality issues at the beach the inclusion of a splash pad in this location is justifiable for continued enjoyment of the park by its visitors.



Play Area, Picnic Area, and Boardwalk



Waterfront Playground and Splash Pad



Picnic Pavilion

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4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park

4.4.3 Recommendations

Avonmore Promenade & Lookout Area

A promenade will extend south from Avonmore Road and culminate at a waterfront pavilion (with views of the submerged roadways). Interpretive, heritage signage along this route will facilitate an educational experience.



Avonmore Promenade & Lookout Area



Avonmore Promenade & Lookout Area

Parking Area

The existing parking area will be formalized. Portions of the parking area could be closed off for events like food truck festivals or markets.

Improved Beach Conditions

Improvements to the beach area, and the potential to include beach volleyball courts. These courts could be considered if there is demand in this area of the community in the future.



Improved Beach Conditions



Improved Beach Conditions



Accessible Beach Mat

4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park

4.4.3 Recommendations

Naturalization and Reforestation

Lakeview Waterfront Park is currently a beautifully forested park space. That said, it appears that many of the trees are of the same species and approximately of the same age. It would be prudent to begin a tree replanting initiative so the shaded character of the site can be maintained in the long term. As the site evolves into a more active community park, seldom used areas can be transitioned into pockets of naturalization. The objectives for this site should be to:

- Enhance ecological diversity and habitat opportunities
- Enhance ecological corridor connections
- Reduce lawn areas
- Maintain views to the water from County Road 2
- Provide educational opportunities

Of special note, naturalization plans should also address and integrate strategies for tick control as it is understood that the tick population in this area is robust. This will be particularly important where actively programmed areas are close to naturalized areas, wooded areas and areas of tall brush.

Winter Use

Based on stakeholder and community engagement, it is understood that South Stormont is a winter community. It will be important that waterfront parks are developed to be comfortable and useful in all seasons including the winter months. Winter infrastructure, programming and maintenance protocols should be well integrated into the plans as the detailed design process progresses. A ‘winter overlay plan’ should be prepared that shows how winter uses will be accommodated in the site. This will include locations of dual-purpose features, warming hubs, wind blocks/sun traps, plowable walkway systems, program areas and snow removal strategies.

Shoreline

It is intended that the shoreline within the park be accessible to the community. The Plan indicates both formal and informal connections to the water’s edge, however, a detailed assessment of the shoreline conditions should be performed to identify any concerns related to both public safety and the health of the environment. This is an important exercise given the fluctuating water levels that have been experienced in the area.



Temporary Public Art



Polar Plunge Event

4.0 KEY PROPERTIES & PROJECTS

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4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park

4.4.4 Implementation

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Legend

- 1 Playground & Picnic Area
- 2 Improved Beach Conditions
- 3 Entrance Drive & Parking Area
- 4 Multi-use Path Improvements (Path Widening and Signage)
- 5 Avonmore Promenade
- 6 Waterfront Walk



4.4 Lakeview Waterfront Park

4.4.4 Implementation

Please note, that implementation of the demonstration plans will be subject to approvals, detailed design, phasing and funding availability and may take many years to complete. Plans have been designed to be incrementally 'growable' and allow flexibility to respond to changes. The Township is encouraged to implement low cost pilot projects to test success and community support.

Primary Projects:

Area 4 - Multi-Use Path Improvements
Area 3 - Entrance Drive & Parking Area

Secondary Projects:

Area 1 - Playground & Picnic Area
Area 2 - Improved Beach Conditions

Tertiary Projects:

Area 5 - Avonmore Promenade
Area 6 - Waterfront Walk

4.4.5 Additional Studies

As noted, the conceptual demonstration plans have been developed as a tool to advance discussions with the land owner; the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. It is understood that the Plans represent what the Community wants for its waterfront area, however; they are not representative of the detail design and approvals process.

To advance the plans, it is recommended that additional site investigation studies be procured to confirm the plan components and to inform the detailed design process. The following additional studies are recommended:

- Detailed Site Topographic Survey
- Geotechnical Investigation
- Coast Study (at launch area)
- Shoreline Inspection (in areas where park development is proposed to occur)
- Archaeological Study
- Environmental Assessment

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park



Key Map

Existing Conditions

The Ingleside waterfront represents 90 acres of land along the St. Lawrence River, south of the Ingleside community. The site is characterized by generally level terrain that gently slopes towards the St. Lawrence River (flooding is possible here as a result). The shoreline is relatively straight with a small inlet at the west end.

The site is primarily open meadow which is mowed periodically, with scattered deciduous trees and a deciduous woodlot along the east side of the site. Some old field and forest edge species are present.

The site is bounded by County Road 2 to the north, and fronted by a car dealership, tennis courts and other under-utilized commercial properties. Further north is a popular retail strip.

The site is traversed by the existing bicycle path and there is an existing water treatment plant on site.

Background information along with current community and stakeholder feedback suggests that Ingleside Waterfront Park could be the focus of more ambitious waterfront park development, more so than the other identified park spaces. A landscape-based conceptual design for Ingleside Waterfront Park will be explored as part of the master plan process, however, an interim step is required to explore the structural arrangement of new development.

The land being examined, spans from County Road 2 to the water's edge (approximately 300m) and from Farran Park to the west entrance of the Long Sault Parkway (approximately 2km). The area being examined is approximately 60 hectares (150 acres). This is not to say that the entire area will be recommended for development. To assist in determining where-best and how-best to develop Ingleside Waterfront Park, the team has prepared three potential structural concepts for consideration.

The key objectives for the master planning of the site are to:

- Strengthen Ingleside as the west gateway to South Stormont;
- Strengthen the relationship between Ingleside and the water's edge;
- Create economic synergies between new waterfront park development and the local business community;
- Create recreational features and programs that enhance both the local community experience and tourists;
- Create a plan that attracts use during all seasons;
- Create a framework that permits flexibility for growing the program; and
- Create a plan that can clearly define areas of ownership models (for example, ownership vs lease vs partnership).

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.1 What We've Learned

The following is a summary of recommendations from previous studies.

Master Plan (2005)

- Band shell or amphitheatre to provide a venue for entertainment
- Develop underutilized sites in the commercial area for commercial purposes (site with slab/tennis court)
- Commercial development within the Villages (including the rehabilitation of any brownfield sites)
- Recreational facilities including soccer pitches and/or baseball diamonds
- Active sports fields
- Golf course (from brief review of the land, the idea doesn't appear to be that viable)
- Picnic area
- Public wharf
- Expand beach
- The development of a hotel complex
- Restaurants
- Protection of significant habitat

Township of South Stormont Waterfront Plan (2000)

- Fisherman's wharf
- Floral park
- Frisbee golf
- Outdoor education centre
- Observation tower as a landmark and tourist attraction
- Encourage entrepreneurs to set up service oriented businesses on the waterfront (bicycle rentals and ice creams stand)

4.5.2 What We Heard from Stakeholders

The following is a summary of comments received during stakeholder and community consultation.

St. Lawrence Parks Commission

- Restaurants, shops, entertainment
- Facilitate activities and events

PIC Feedback

- Need a floating dock for launching small water craft (canoes and kayaks)
- Improved access to Ingleside Waterfront Park and the waterfront across County Road 2
- Boardwalk
- Off-leash dog park
- Beautification of County Road 2
- Pavilions and picnic shelters
- Wayfinding signage (where to find businesses and destinations)
- Historic plaques and interpretive signage
- Cycling rest stops (bike rentals and repair station)
- Festival venue
- Mountain biking trails and pump tracks
- Dock for fishing
- Outdoor fitness equipment
- Marine rentals and docking
- Playground and water play
- Floating play structures
- Winter activities (cross country skiing, show shoeing)
- Market building (with vendor space)
- Lookout point
- Permanent and temporary art
- Washroom buildings
- Rock climbing wall
- Community gardens / agritourism

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.2 What We Heard from Stakeholders

Online Public Survey Summary

- Boat launch
- More walkways and trails
- More bike paths, including separate paths for cyclists and pedestrians/runners on the waterfront trail
- Fairgrounds and market space
- Outdoor skating rink
- Parking area

Waterfront Development Committee Feedback

- Paved connection to the bike path from Ingleside
- Pedestrian access to the water's edge from Ingleside

Stakeholder Phone Interviews

- Volleyball courts
- Splash pad
- Create activity nodes at each end of the Long Sault Parkway
- Provide amenities to support dog sledding
- Hockey tournaments with beer garden and fire pits
- Additional retail space
- Improved connectivity across County Road 2 to the waterfront and additional trails to access the water on the other side
- Need more locations for cyclists to park their cars

 **4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park**

4.5.3 Recommendations

Previous studies and stakeholder consultation helped determine the proposed character of the Ingleside waterfront and the recommended programming.

Character Statement

Ingleside Waterfront Park is envisioned as a family oriented, community node that is anchored by a waterfront centre building and focused around a central spine of flexible and seasonal ‘market-style’ structures.

Recommended Park Program

Central Plaza

- Flexible, Open Space
- Market Buildings
- Parking Area

Waterfront Building

- Flexible Interior Space
- Washroom

Waterfront Boardwalk

- Boardwalk
- Wharf
- Interpretive / Wayfinding / Heritage Signage
- Landmark / Public Art
- Native Planting and Naturalized Areas

Picnic Areas

- Picnic Tables
- BBQ Stations

Public Boat Launch

- Canoe / Kayak Launch
- Parking Area

Beach Area

- Beach
- Seating

Trails

- Additional multi-use trails

Streetscaping

- Landscaping
- Lighting
- Wayfinding / Banners
- Street Furnishing



Waterfront Boardwalk



Multi-Use Trail



Tourism Opportunity

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.3 Recommendations

Ingleside Waterfront Park Conceptual Demonstration Plan



- | | |
|--|--|
| 01 Seasonal Market Building | 09 Canoe / Kayak Launch |
| 02 Waterfront Centre | 10 Tourism Opportunity / Attraction |
| 03 Gathering Circle with Terraced Seating | 11 Landmark / Public Art |
| 04 Picnic Area | 12 Flexible Plaza / Parking Area |
| 05 Open, Green Space | 13 Parking Area |
| 06 Waterfront Boardwalk | 14 Multi-Use Path |
| 07 Beach Area | 15 Traffic Circle |
| 08 Wharf | 16 Naturalization Areas |

 4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.3 Recommendations

Waterfront Centre

The Waterfront Centre will be a community building that serves as a space for various community events throughout the year. Events could include galleries, performances, and educational opportunities.

Seasonal Market Building

Two seasonal market buildings will provide space for outdoor markets.

- Capacity to function at temporary event/ market venue including:
 - (i) Electrical servicing
 - (ii) Water servicing



Waterfront Centre / Community Building



Seasonal Market Building

Vehicular Route & Parking Areas

A new tree-lined vehicular route is one of the main ways access has been increased to this waterfront site. The main vehicular route connects to a new roundabout at County Road 2. Four parking areas have been included.

Flexible Plaza / Parking Area

The parking area along the seasonal market buildings will also function as a flexible event space.

Functional considerations include:

- Versatile space with ability to accommodate vendors;
- Integration with seasonal market buildings;
- Flexible seating and gathering areas;
- Capacity to function at temporary event/ market venue including:
 - (i) Electrical servicing
 - (ii) Water servicing
 - (iii) Market tents, food trucks and vendor carts



Seasonal Market Buildings and Waterfront Centre

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

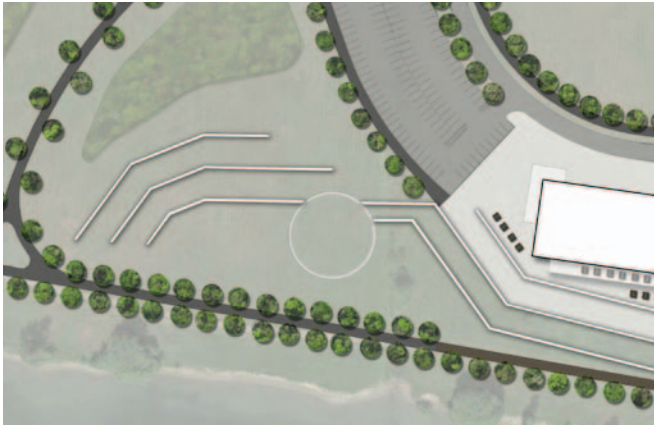
4.5.3 Recommendations

Gathering Circle with Terraced Seating

A gathering circle with terraced seating could provide a stage for outdoor theatre, outdoor learning and other community events. This has been situated close to the Waterfront Centre.



Gathering Circle



Gathering Circle with Terraced Seating

Open, Green Space

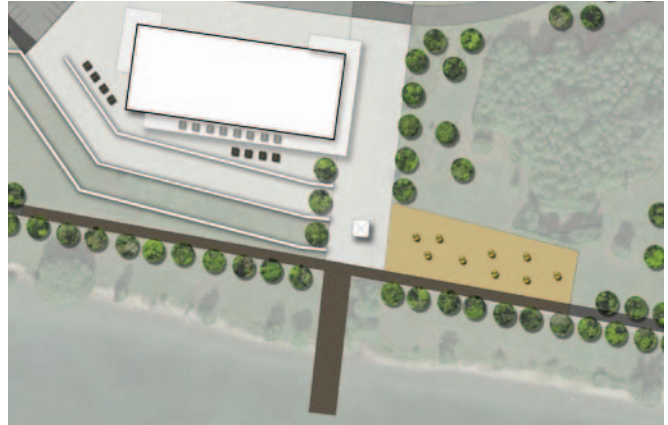
Open, green space will be preserved for passive recreation.

Waterfront Boardwalk and Wharf

A boardwalk will extend along the waterfront, allowing access to the water's edge. The boardwalk will include seating, lighting and interpretive signage. A wharf will extend out, over the water.

Landmark / Public Art

A landmark work of public art will be located at the end of the site's main axis, providing a destination along the waterfront. The theme of the art could reflect the history of South Stormont.



Waterfront Boardwalk and Wharf



Landmark / Public Art

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.3 Recommendations

Canoe / Kayak Launch

Boat launch with parking area for non-motorized watercraft, including canoes and kayaks.



Canoe / Kayak Launch & Storage



Canoe / Kayak Launch

Multi-Use Path

The multi-use path will extend along the south side of County Road 2, along the waterfront and connect through the site.

Beach

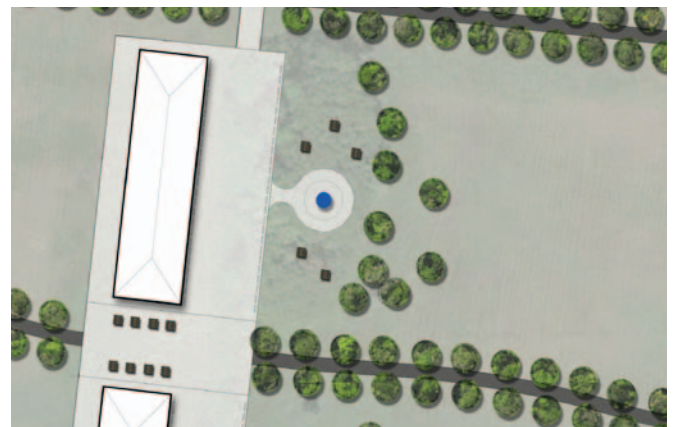
A beach is located north of the waterfront boardwalk. This area would provide an area for passive recreation next to the water.



Beach with Umbrellas

Tourism Opportunity / Attraction

There's an opportunity for an attraction on the site, creating a tourism link between the Bird Sanctuary and the Lost Villages Museum.



Tourism Attraction Area

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.3 Recommendations

Picnic Areas

Several picnic areas are located across the site.

Functional considerations include:

- Access to parking
- Seating
- Accessible surface material
- Lighting
- Garbage receptacles
- Outdoor grills



Picnic Area

Traffic Circle

A new traffic circle is proposed to connect County Road 2 to the new vehicular route through the site. The proposed traffic circle would be similar to the ones implemented in Long Sault.

The County would need to approve this initiative and undertake the necessary studies and design work.



Traffic Circle

Naturalization and Reforestation

Over the years, periodic mowing of the area has kept the growth of woody shrubs and trees under control. This has resulted in a site that is sparsely forested with small pockets of vegetated clusters focused around ditches and other landforms that were unable to be mowed. As the site evolves into a more active community park, it will be necessary to develop a naturalization and reforestation plan that will address the following objectives:

- Enhance ecological diversity and habitat opportunities
- Enhance ecological corridor connections
- Create more shade with mature canopy
- Reduce seasonal mowing and lawn areas
- Maintain views to the water from County Road 2
- Provide educational opportunities

Of special note, naturalization plans should also address and integrate strategies for tick control as it is understood that the tick population in this area is robust. This will be particularly important where actively programmed areas, including the proposed off-leash dog area are close to wooded areas and areas of tall brush.

Winter Use

Based on stakeholder and community engagement, it is understood that South Stormont is a winter community. It will be important that waterfront parks are developed to be comfortable and useful in all seasons including the winter months. Winter infrastructure, programming and maintenance protocols should be well integrated into the plans as the detailed design process progresses. A 'winter overlay plan' should be prepared that shows how winter uses will be accommodated in the site. This will include locations of dual-purpose features, warming hubs, wind blocks/sun traps, plowable walkway systems, program areas and snow removal strategies.

 4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.3 Recommendations

Shoreline

It is intended that the shoreline within the park be accessible to the community. The Plan indicates both formal and informal connections to the water's edge, however, a detailed assessment of the shoreline conditions should be performed to identify any concerns related to both public safety and the health of the environment. This is an important exercise given the fluctuating water levels that have been experienced in the area.



Ice Sculpture Event

4.0 KEY PROPERTIES & PROJECTS

January 21, 2021

4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.4 Implementation

It is understood that it will not be possible for the Township to implement all aspects of the proposed conceptual demonstration plan at one time. To assist in planning for the implementation and pursuing funding, the concept plan has been broken down into distinct 'Project Areas' and classified as Primary, Secondary or Tertiary projects. Primary Projects are recommended as the essential first works required to initiate park development. Secondary Projects and Tertiary Projects have a lesser priority and can be implemented separately. Project Areas could be implemented as individual projects or in interrelated bundles subject to funding.

Legend

- 1 Central Market Area
- 2 Site Trails & Open Space
- 3 New Park Drive & Parking Areas
- 4 Waterfront Centre & Activity Area
- 5 Multi-use Path Improvements



4.5 Ingleside Waterfront Park

4.5.4 Implementation

Please note, that implementation of the demonstration plans will be subject to approvals, detailed design, phasing and funding availability and may take many years to complete. Plans have been designed to be incrementally 'growable' and allow flexibility to respond to changes. The Township is encouraged to implement low cost pilot projects to test success and community support.

Primary Projects:

Area 3 - New Park Drive & Parking Areas

- *The traffic circle could be implemented as a separate project following the construction of the New Park Drive and Parking Areas.*

Area 4 - Waterfront Centre & Activity Area

Secondary Projects:

Area 1 - Central Market Area

Tertiary Projects:

Area 2 - Site Trails & Open Space

Area 5 - Multi-use Path Improvements

4.5.5 Additional Studies

As noted, the conceptual demonstration plans have been developed as a tool to advance discussions with the land owner; the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. It is understood that the Plans represent what the Community wants for its waterfront area, however; they are not representative of the detail design and approvals process.

To advance the plans, it is recommended that additional site investigation studies be procured to confirm the plan components and to inform the detailed design process. The following additional studies are recommended:

- Detailed Site Topographic Survey
- Traffic Study (at traffic circle driveway extension)
- Geotechnical Investigation
- Coast Study (at launch area)
- Shoreline Inspection (in areas where park development is proposed to occur)
- Archaeological Study
- Environmental Assessment

4.6 County Road 2 Multi-Use Path

During field investigations it was noted that there are significant gaps in off-road multi-use path service across the South Stormont waterfront. Connecting these gaps would benefit the local community by providing active transportation opportunities between Long Sault and Ingleside and would benefit tourism by providing pedestrian and cycling linkages to retail/commercial areas, restaurants and other recreational amenities.

There is a multi-use path west of the western entrance of the Long Sault Parkway, however, it follows the shoreline which is approximately 300m from the County Road 2 corridor, and has few north-south connections to Ingleside. A multi-use path exists east of the eastern Long Sault Parkway entrance and links to trail systems in Cornwall. There is currently no off-road multi-use path between the west and east entrances to the Long Sault Parkway, which is approximately a 7km stretch. To note, there are also no off-road multi-use path facilities along the Long Sault Parkway itself.

4.6.1 What We've Learned

The following is a summary of recommendations from previous studies for a Multi-use Path along County Road 2.

Master Plan (2005)

- Increase connectivity between Upper Canada Village, the Bird Sanctuary, and the Lost Villages Museum
- Join snowmobile trails, cycling trails and trails linking the waterfront north of County Road 2. Explore linking this group of trails with other systems in the area
- Provide linkages to adjacent communities
- Signage and marketing along the pathway (for cyclists). Identification of existing businesses (restaurants, bed and breakfasts)
- Develop the marketing tools for the Lower Ontario Waterfront Trail, including additional signage
- Develop appropriate crossings of the Heritage Parkway for access by residents to the Lower Ontario Waterfront Trail
- Opportunity to explore equestrian pathway links
- Use the service roads, such as Colonial Drive and Manning Road, as an alternative to the Long Sault Parkway to provide people with a choice of route through the Township
- Improve the Hoople Creek bridge to permit pedestrian, bicycle and potentially snowmobile traffic to cross the structure in a safe manner

4.6 County Road 2 Multi-Use Path

4.6.2 What We Heard from Stakeholders

The following is a summary of comments received during stakeholder and community consultation.

PIC Feedback

- More bike paths, including separate paths for cyclists and pedestrians/runners on the waterfront trail
- Dedicated bike lanes to improve safety
- Bike lanes along the roadway through the Parkway
- Improved maintenance of the Waterfront Trail

Online Public Survey Summary

- Maintain views along the waterfront
- Better maintenance
- Better connectivity
- More pedestrian crossings

Stakeholder Phone Interviews

- Could have another tier of trails for ATV's (in addition to walking, cycling, snowmobiling)
- Would be great to have a bike lane between Ingleside and Long Sault along County Road 2

Park Program Dependencies

- If proposing the Heritage Parkway as a portion of the Lower Ontario Waterfront Trail, specific pavement marking and potential roadway improvements may be required. The Township will have to be involved to promote the proper design of a road with a dedicated bicycle lane.

4.6.3 Recommendations

It is recommended that the Township consider implementing the following multi-use trail projects to establish a full east-west active transportation corridor:

- Multi-use trail segments between Kilarney Road (Farran Park) and the western entrance of the Long Sault Parkway, along the south side of County Road 2. Include multiple north-south connections to the existing waterfront trail.
- Multi-use trail segments between the western and eastern entrances to the Long Sault Parkway.
- Implement button activated crosswalks where north-south connections across County Road 2 are appropriate.

Field investigations generally indicate that there appears to be room on the south side of County Road 2 to accommodate a multi-use path. There are however pinch points that would have to be resolved, for example, where topography, swales or other landforms may impede the alignment or at the Hoople Bay Bridge. This is a potential partnership opportunity as the multi-use path may be need to be aligned within both the county road right-of-way and properties owned by the SLPC.



Multi-use Trail Crossing, Kemptville



Multi-use Trail, Kemptville



Multi-use Trail, Kemptville

4.6 County Road 2 Multi-Use Path

4.6.3 Recommendations

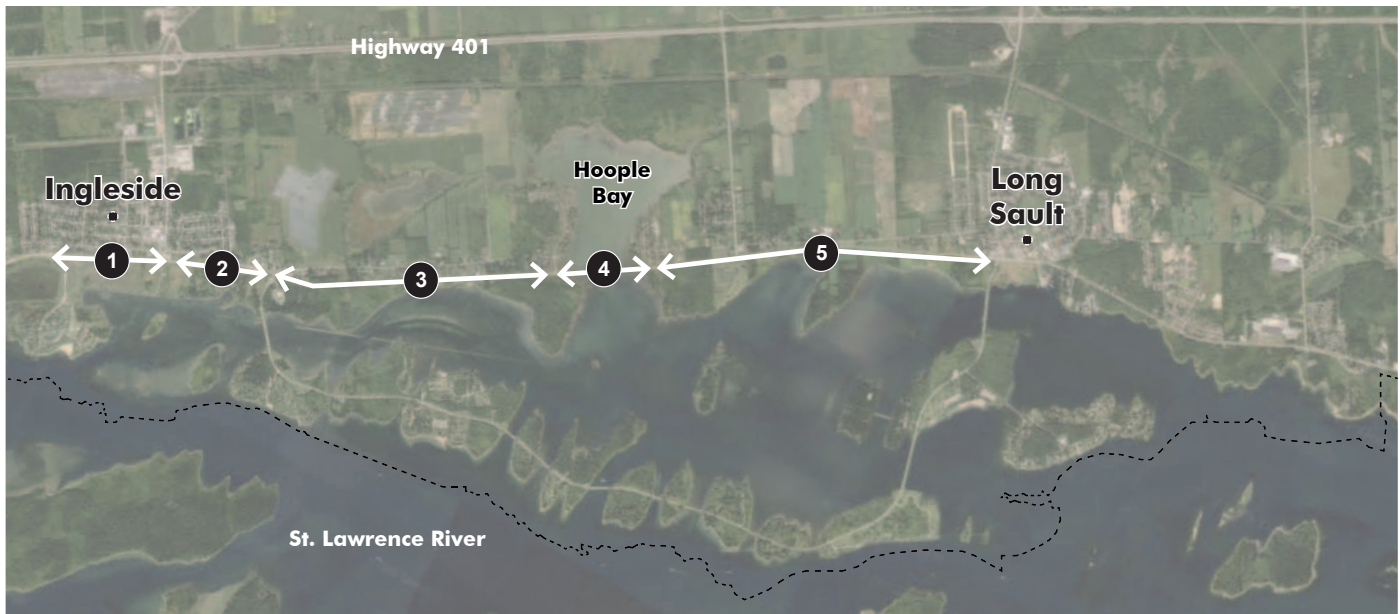


Diagram showing segments of the Multi-use Trail

 Township of South Stormont Boundary

- 1** Segment 1 - Kilarney Road (Farran Park) to Highway 14 (1.058km)
- 2** Segment 2 - Highway 14 to Long Sault Parkway - West Entrance (1.034km)
- 3** Segment 3 - Long Sault Parkway - West Entrance to Hoople Bay West Shore (2.818km)
- 4** Segment 4 - Hoople Bay Crossing (0.778km)
- 5** Segment 5 - Hoople Bay East Shore to Long Sault Parkway East Entrance Crossing (3.432km)



Pinch point at Hoople Bay bridge

4.6 County Road 2 Multi-Use Path

4.6.3 Recommendations



South of County Road 2 at Ingleside



Grade challenges at roadside

4.6 County Road 2 Multi-Use Path

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Segment 1 - Kilarney Road (Farran Park) to Highway 14

Segment 2 - Highway 14 to Long Sault Parkway - West Entrance

Secondary Projects:

Segment 4 - Hoople Bay Crossing

Tertiary Projects:

Segment 3 - Long Sault Parkway - West Entrance to Hoople Bay West Shore

Segment 5 - Hoople Bay East Shore to Long Sault Parkway East Entrance Crossing

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**Additional
Recommendations**

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5.1 Additional Recommendations

Site Wide Improvements

In addition to the site specific recommendations made for the key properties, there are a number of additional recommendations that could be applied to the entire waterfront.

Wayfinding & Signage

- Wayfinding signage
- Interpretive signage
 - » History
 - » Ecology
- Maps (identifying waterfront routes and distances to destinations)
- Community branding (street banners etc.)
- Consistent park signage

Coordinated Furnishings

- Seating
 - » Benches
 - » Picnic tables
- Lighting
- Waste and recycling receptacles
- Water bottle filling stations

Trails & Connectivity

- Expanded and improved walking and cycling trails
- Cycling and pedestrian rest stops (seating, bike racks, signage, shade structures)
- Regular trail maintenance

Accessibility

- Meet the standards of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)
- Clear trails of debris and snow

Environmental

- Plant more trees (native trees and shade trees)
- Allow naturalization of some waterfront areas
 - » Naturalize some lawn areas (less geese and less maintenance)
- Maintain vegetation
 - » Tick control (cut long grass along trails)
 - » Enhance and preserve views to the water
- Erosion control and shoreline protection

Water Safety

- Life saving equipment at beaches
- Regular lake water testing at swimming areas

Shoreline Access Opportunities

- It is recommended that the Township continue to work with the community and the St. Lawrence Park Commission to identify any other areas along the waterfront that provide public access to the water. It is understood that there are a number of locations, outside of the project areas described in this report, where the community informally accesses the water for recreational purposes. Formalizing these locations would be in the best interest of public safety and the integrity of the environment.

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Next Steps

6.1 Next Steps

Site Wide Improvements

Having been developed through an integrated planning process, the Waterfront Plan and the Parks and Recreation Master Plan are in conformity with each other. Upon approval, these two plans must be viewed as one consolidated vision for the Township. Implementation of the Waterfront Plan is ultimately the same as implementation of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, as it relates to budgets, resources, rationale, etc. Each project must be considered through this lens.

While the concept plans developed as part of this plan are more tourist-focused than the facilities provided for in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan (more community-focused), the implementation and operation of all of these facilities will fall to the Township's Parks and Recreation Department regardless of the partnership agreements in place. Therefore, next stage planning and implementation of both plans should be undertaken in an integrated manner.

Specific next steps associated with pursuing any of the recommendations outlined in this Plan are listed below:

1. Develop a Funding Strategy (Immediate Next Step)

The Township should utilize the findings of this report as a basis for the application to upper levels of government for funding support and further discussion with the public as to the likely level of development that is warranted.

2. Establish Partnership Agreements (In-Principle; Detailed Discussion Pending Achievement of Capital Funding)

Commencing discussions to draft new agreements, or redraft existing agreements, is where ongoing design and costing information is critical to scoping the overall envelop of capital and operational costs which are central to any quantification of impact

on the partners of an agreement. The details of the agreement model will be further informed by the ongoing planning that will be required for these projects.

3. Site Assessment (Immediate Next Step)

As an immediate next step, the Township should undertake the necessary site assessments to include geotechnical investigation and environmental assessment for preferred project(s), as necessary. This work is required to verify the appropriateness of the site for development, inform the location and design of amenities on the site, and provide necessary input for the capital costs and design solutions for servicing and construction.

4. Design Progression

If funding commitments are in place, and if the project(s) do not generate insurmountable challenges because of the required initial due diligence, the project(s) can move into design and engineering as follows:

- Advance the site program to a detailed level.
- Initial Schematic Design (typically this equates to about 12.5% of the total design fees to completion).
- Design Development (typically takes the project to 25% of the total design fees to completion). As part of design development, the Township should expect to receive a capital costing estimate equivalent to a Class B level of estimation.

The project can then progress to final design, construction, and commissioning. Execution of the partnership agreements would likely occur during the early design progression stages.

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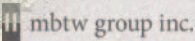
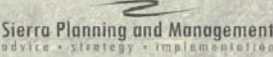
Waterfront Plan

Public Meeting: Intelligence Gathering & Listening Session
Tuesday August 13, 2019 | South Stormont Community Hall



Presentation Outline

- Team Introduction
- Project Process, Timeline + Consultation Details
- Building on Previous Work: Overview of Previous Plans
- What has Changed?
- Breakout: Discussion Topics / Questions



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Team Introduction



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- Recreation Facilities
- Parks
- Programming
- Service Delivery
- Financials
- Implementation



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- Waterfront Planning
- Conceptualization

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One Process – Two Plans

Parks and Recreation Master Plan

- Facilities – Indoor & Outdoor
- Parks & Trails
- Programming
- Service Delivery

Waterfront Plan

- 26km of St. Lawrence River shoreline, as per 2005 Waterfront Plan

- 10 year time horizon
- 2 phase approach
- Achievable capital and operating plans
- Elevating the importance of public assets
- Harmonized consultation

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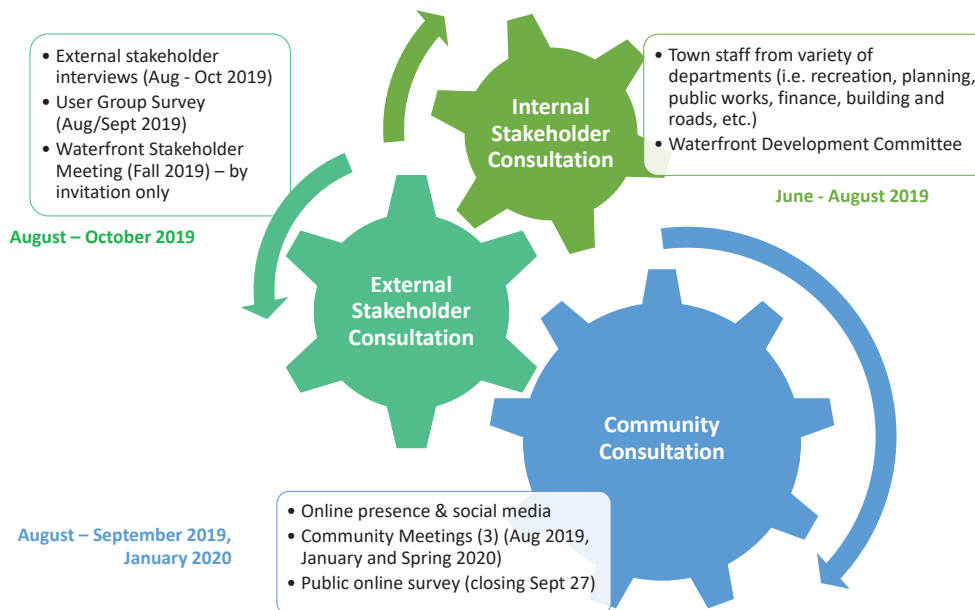
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Project Timeline



Consultation Details





Overview of Previous Plans

Building on Previous Work:

Parks & Recreation Plan

- Previous **Recreation Master Plan** completed in **2007**
- Recreation Development Plan** completed in **2009**
 - Key Recommendations:
 - **Strategic planning and investment** to preserve and extend the life of key recreation facilities (i.e. Long Sault Arena, St. Andrews West pool);
 - Develop and recognize three areas as **Community Parks**;
 - Create **new soccer fields** in Long Sault to grow minor soccer program;
 - Create new **water feature opportunities** in Community Parks (Splash Pads);
 - Improve **outdoor courts** and create **multi-use** opportunities;
 - Improve **program opportunities** and **levels of service**; and
 - Providing **accessible facilities** to meet or exceed current legislation.

Building on Previous Work: Waterfront Plan

- Previous **Waterfront Plan completed in 2005** by JL Richards & Associates

- Study outcome included recommendations for:
 - Development of a Waterfront Philosophy;
 - Short, medium and long term projects;
 - Design Framework to organize and explain improvements;
 - Trail system development;
 - Branding;
 - Land use planning; and
 - Approvals.

- Community and stakeholder engagement informed the study.



Building on Previous Work

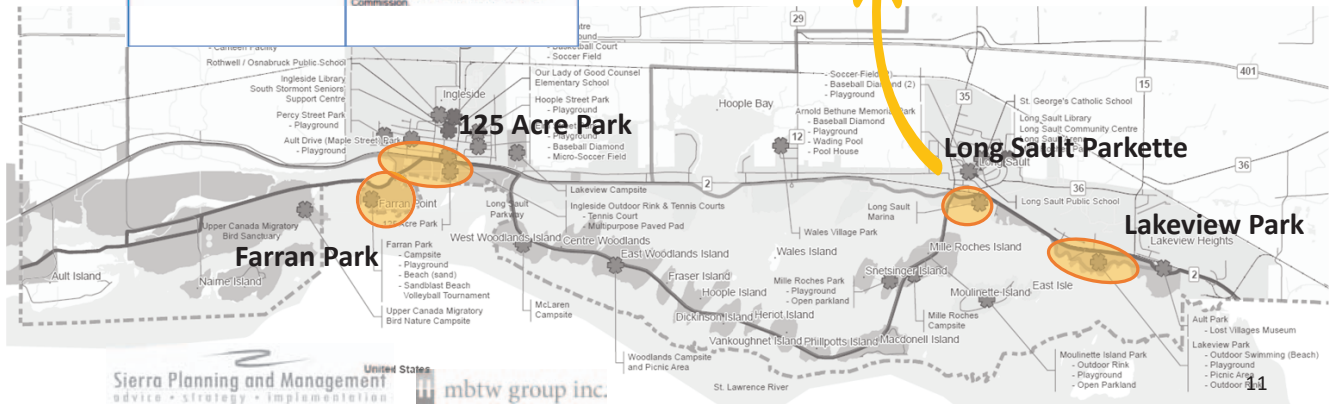
- Example **2005 Waterfront Plan projects**



Building on Previous Work

- ❑ 2007/2009 Recreation Master Plan also included recommendations for waterfront assets.

Key Action 17: Waterfront Park Development Projects	
Recommended Action	Status
Waterfront parks that have a low impact on the natural environment should be developed for recreational activities such as sports fields, trails and benches. The Township should invest major capital expenditures in the following recreational facilities: Farran Park, 125-Acre Park, Lakeview Park, and Long Sault Parkette.	There is a requirement to renegotiate long term leases for Farran Park as well as 125-Acre Park. The need to renegotiate a long term lease extends to Lakeview Park which is also recommended for a detailed park development plan and construction program to include a field house, picnic area and beach area. In addition, the Long Sault Parkette should also be considered under any long term lease arrangement with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission.

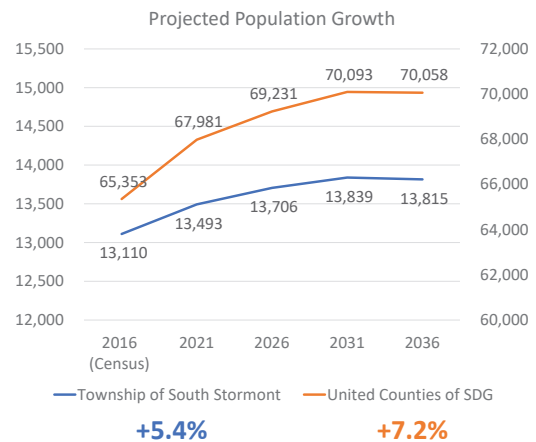


South Stormont is Changing

- ❑ South Stormont is growing.
- ❑ Between 2011 and 2016, the Township grew faster than Cornwall and all of SDG combined.
- ❑ Majority of growth occurring in Long Sault.

Municipality	2016 Pop.	Pop. Change	% Change
South Glengarry	13,150	-12	-0.1%
South Stormont	13,110	+493	+3.9%
North Dundas	11,278	+53	+0.5%
South Dundas	10,833	+39	+0.4%
North Glengarry	10,109	-142	-1.4%
North Stormont	6,873	+98	+1.4%
City of Cornwall	46,589	+249	0.5%

- ❑ The Township is expected to continue to grow (+705 people by 2036).

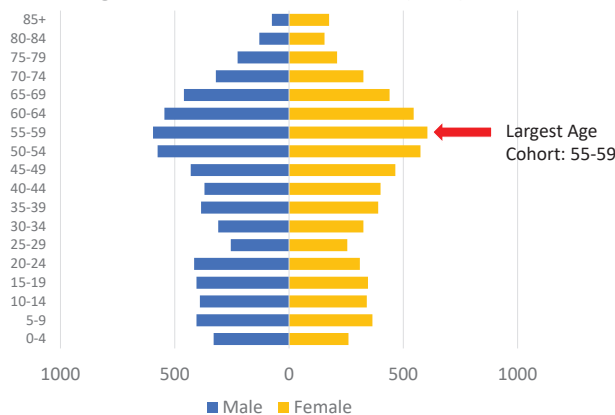


How is it Changing?

- ❑ The Township is growing older.
- ❑ South Stormont is expected to experience aging like other Ontario communities.



Age Breakdown, South Stormont (2016)



Age Cohort	2011		2016		Change
	Pop.	%	Pop.	%	
Children (0-9)	1,220	9.67%	1,360	10.37%	↔
Youth (10-19)	1,745	13.83%	1,485	11.32%	↓
Young Adult (20-29)	1,125	8.91%	1,240	9.45%	↔
Adult (30-64)	6,510	51.58%	6,515	49.68%	↓
Older Adult (65+)	2,020	16.01%	2,515	19.18%	↑
TOTAL	12,620	100%	13,115	100%	

New Recreation Opportunities: What has Changed?

2009 Recreation Development Plan Key Accomplishments:

- **Long Sault Arena (2011 to 2019)** –Refrigeration plant upgrades, lobby & changeroom renovations, facility expansion, accessibility improvements.
- **3 Community Parks** - Strategically located to serve all residents and tourists in South Stormont.
- **Simon Fraser Park (St. Andrews West) (2012-2018)** – Pool and deck retrofit, washroom renovation (AODA), repaired play structure, and addition of community meeting room at new fire hall.



New Recreation Opportunities: What has Changed?

2009 Recreation Development Plan Key Accomplishments (Cont'd):

- **Arnold Bethune Park (Long Sault) (2010-2016)** – Developed 8 soccer fields, outdoor rink, splash pad, beach volleyball courts, and washroom renovation (AODA).
- **Ingleside Community Park (2014-2019)** – Strategic planning of location and amenities, washroom renovation (AODA), developed play structure, multi-use courts, and splash pad.
- **Multi-Use Courts (2012-2014)** – Upgrades to 3 existing courts (rubberized paint, pickleball lines). A fourth court was part of the Ingleside Community Park project.



New Recreation Opportunities: What has Changed? ■.....

Recreation Facility Inventory

Facility	2007 Plan	2019	Change
Indoor Arena	1	1	-
Ball Diamond	3	3	-
Soccer Field	3	10	+7
Tennis / Pickleball Court	8	8	-
Basketball Court	3	2	-1
Parks with Play Structures	14	16	+2
Outdoor Rink	6	7	+ 1
Splash Pad	0	2	+2
Outdoor Pool	2	2	-
Beach Volleyball	2	4	+2
Community Halls	0	1	+1
Meeting Room	4	4	-
Library	3	2	-1

- Extended ice rental season at Arena
- Increased program offer (wellness, aquatics, etc.)
- Improved support / services for volunteer organizations
- Updated Department Structure



New Waterfront Opportunities: What Has Changed? ■.....

- Renewed working relationship with the **St. Lawrence Parks Commission** and ongoing discussions regarding further long-term partnerships on waterfront projects and land uses.
- Township of South Stormont** has renewed interest in developing recreational opportunities along the waterfront and has retained consulting team to **update the Recreation Master Plan and the Waterfront Plan** in a parallel and coordinated process.
- Waterfront Development Committee** has been reinstated.
- Community and stakeholders need to be re-activated** to assist in guiding updates.



Moving Forward

2019/2020 Recreation and Waterfront Plan Updates will build on past work by:

- **Assessing the status** of previous initiatives, actions and design framework;
- **Exploring the feasibility** and relevancy of uncompleted projects;
- **Inventorizing** other township/county initiatives that have been implemented (e.g., soccer fields, traffic circles); and
- **Re-engaging the community and stakeholders** to refresh understanding of the Township’s parks, recreation facilities, and waterfront area and document new ideas.

It is important that the Township has plans in place in order to help secure future grant opportunities.



Soccer Fields



Traffic Circles



Topics for Discussion

Discussion Questions

Current Use

1. How do you and/or your family currently use recreation assets and waterfront areas in the Township?
 - Consider parks, recreation facilities, and/or waterfront areas.
2. What is your favourite place or space in the Township and/or along the waterfront?



Discussion Questions

New Ideas

3. What improvements would you like to see to make your recreation experiences better?
 - Consider parks, recreation facilities, and/or waterfront lands.
4. What improvements to the waterfront lands do you think would attract and enhance seasonal tourism?



Discussion Questions

☐ Placemaking

5. When you imagine the future of South Stormont's parks, recreation and waterfront assets, what do you see?



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Resource Slides

Map for Discussion

Source: 2007 Recreation Master Plan, Stantec.



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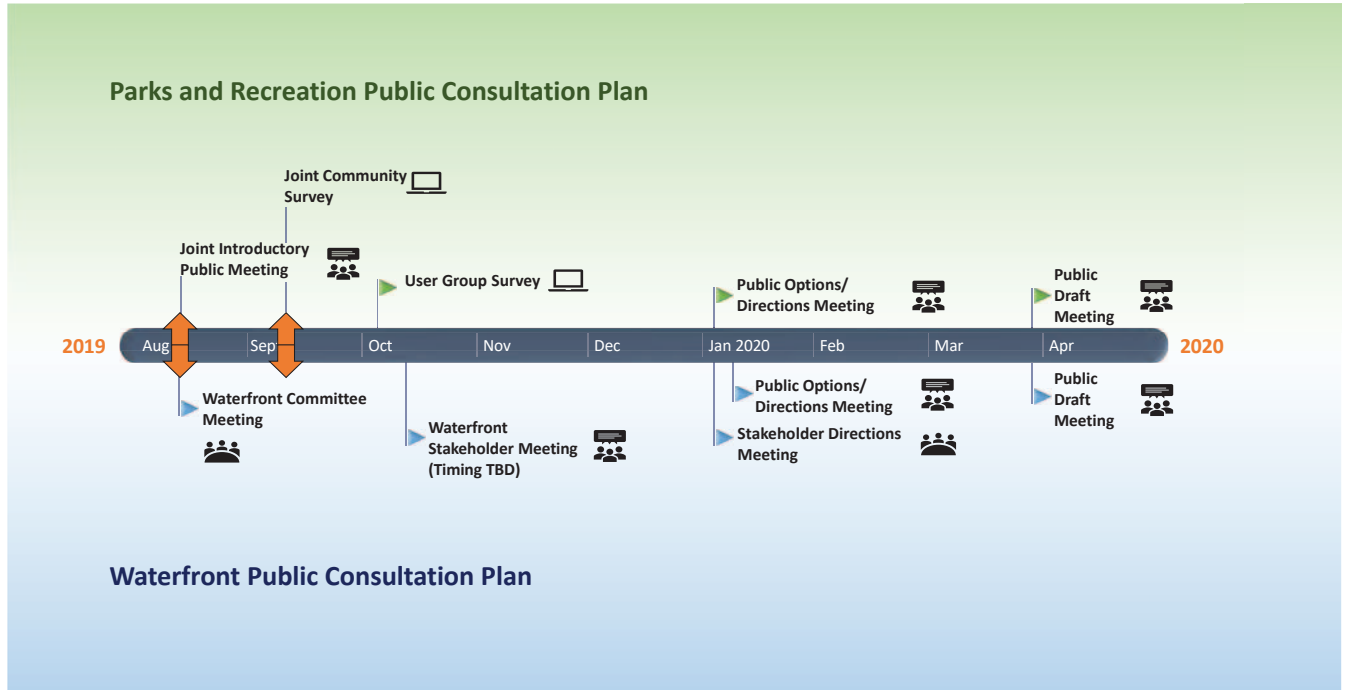
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Consultation Timeline





**Message from the Mayor
Bryan McGillis**



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Presentation Outline

This Presentation will Include the Following Information:

- Introduction of the Consulting Team
- Overview of the Public Engagement Process
- Recreation Master Plan Update
- Waterfront Plan Update
- Next Steps

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Team Introduction



- Recreation Facilities
- Parks
- Programming
- Service Delivery
- Financials
- Implementation



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- Waterfront Planning
- Conceptualization

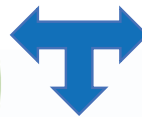
One Process – Two Plans

Parks and Recreation Master Plan

- Facilities – Indoor & Outdoor
- Parks & Trails
- Programming
- Service Delivery

Waterfront Plan

- 26km of St. Lawrence River shoreline, as per 2005 Waterfront Plan



- 10 year time horizon
- 2 phase approach
- Achievable capital and operating plans
- Elevating the importance of public assets
- Harmonized consultation

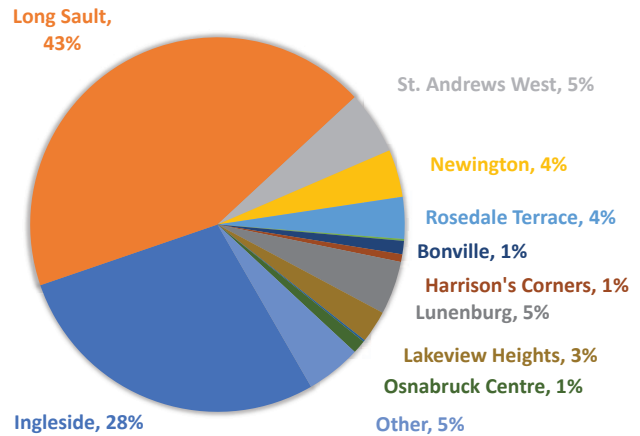
Who We Heard From



➤ **618** responses to the public survey

➤ **94%** of respondents are permanent residents

Which community do you live in or closest to:

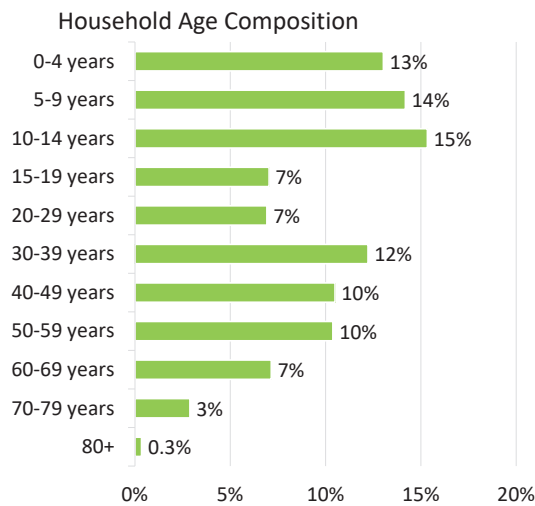


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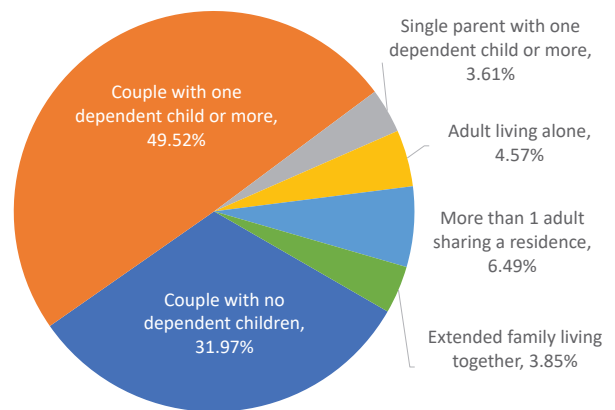
Who We Heard From



➤ The majority of respondents represented the Township's younger families



What description best fits your household?



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What We Heard

Common Themes:

Celebrate Existing Assets
Build on what is already in place and recent achievements



Service Delivery
Provide a variety of events and programs for all



Economic Development
Recreation facilities and events to attract visitors and tourists



Accessibility
Improve access to, and within facilities







Facilities Require Investment
Aging infrastructure, maintenance considerations



Project Overview & Scope



Parks and Recreation Master Plan to guide municipal planning in the sector over the next 10 years.

Indoor Facilities	Outdoor Facilities	Parks & Trails	Service Delivery & Programming
 <p>Arena Community Hall Meeting Rooms</p>	 <p>Sports Fields Sport Courts Outdoor Rinks Pool & Splash Pad Playgrounds</p>	 <p>Parkland Trails Open Space</p>	 <p>Programming Partnerships Staff Resources & Organization</p>

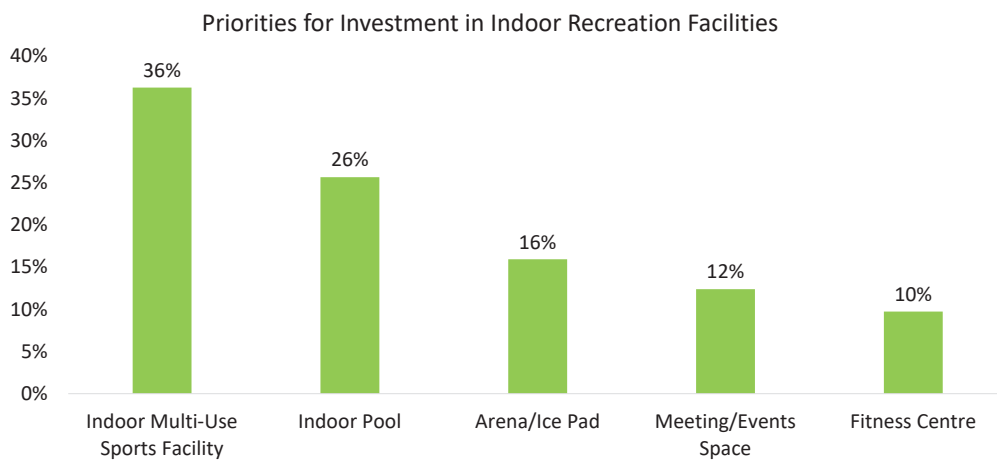
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Indoor Facilities: What We Heard



77% of respondents use indoor facilities

39% of respondents felt that the Township needed additional indoor facilities



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Indoor Facilities: Arena

Current Situation:

- 75% of survey respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with the arena.
- Township has undertaken continuous general improvements to the arena since 2009 Plan to maintain it in good condition for use by the community.
- No immediate pressure on ice demand in region.



Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- No additional ice to be developed during plan period.
- Maintain current planning approach for arena – support continuous incremental improvements to building as required.
- Longer-term planning: Protect land base at Arena property for potential future modest expansion (multi-use dry amenities, community space).

Township owned properties

Property at arena is constrained for major expansion.

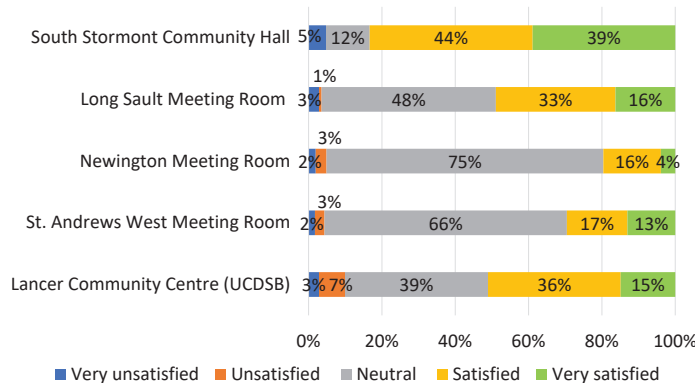
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Indoor Facilities: Community Hall, Meeting Rooms, Lancer Centre

Current Situation:

- Township has undertaken general and accessibility improvements to these spaces in recent years.

How Satisfied are you with the quality of the indoor facilities?



Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Continue partnership with school board for priority use of Lancer Centre (hub for indoor recreation in Ingleside).
- Maintain community hall and meeting rooms in good condition for use by community.
- Improve use of meeting rooms through expanded program / workshop opportunities.

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Parkland



Current Situation:

- Township has focused on developing the 3 Community Parks as hubs for recreation.
- New parkland is being acquired through residential development.



Future Park (Arrowhead Estates)

Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Adopt a parkland classification to guide future investment.
- Continue investment in the 3 Community Parks as hubs for outdoor activities.
- Focus on investing in existing neighbourhood parks through prioritized renewal and replacement to address lifecycle requirements.
- The Plan will provide a strategy for investment in new/future parkland development.

Parkland Classification: Why is it important?



- Sets a standard of quality for each parkland class (size, amenities included, location, etc.).
- Proportionate access to parkland and open space for residents.
- Capital and operating expenses distributed across Township.

Regional Parks



Examples:

- Waterfront Parks

Community Parks



- Arnold Bethune Memorial Park
- Ingleside Community Park
- Simon Fraser Memorial Park

Neighbourhood Parks

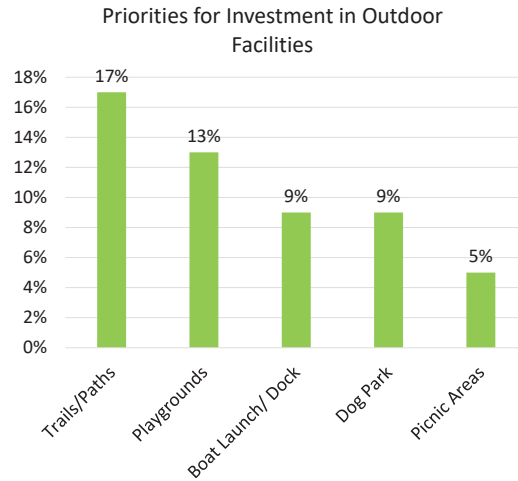
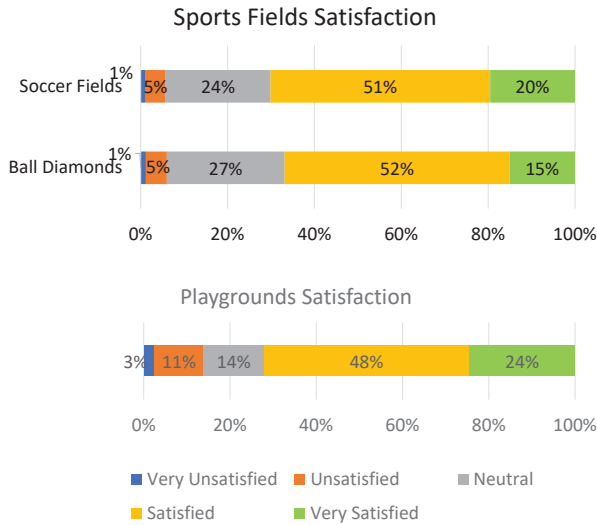


- Westview Acres Park
- Maple Street Park
- MacLennan Park
- + Others

Outdoor Facilities: What We Heard

57% of respondents use outdoor facilities

25% of respondents felt that the Township needed additional outdoor facilities



Outdoor Facilities: Active Amenities

- Soccer fields
- Basketball courts
- Ball diamonds
- Outdoor rinks
- Tennis/pickleball courts
- Outdoor pool
- Beach volleyball courts
- Splash pads

Current Situation:

- Planning in 2009 led to major investment in active fields and developing 3 activity hubs.



Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Build on success of previous planning.
- Maximize use of outdoor facilities focused in the 3 recreation hubs over the Plan period.
- Plan for renewal of active amenities at neighbourhood parks.

Outdoor Facilities: Playgrounds



Current Situation:

- 16 Township parks with playgrounds.
- Supply is supplemented by playgrounds provided in school properties.
- Good playground distribution based on 800m walking distance, with small gap in east end of Long Sault (Lakeview Heights).

Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Address playground gap in Long Sault, as appropriate.
- Adopt a program of prioritized replacement through good Asset Management planning.
- Renew parks infrastructure based on changing recreation and demographic needs, best practice and industry trends, proximity to existing facilities, etc.



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Outdoor Facilities: Off-Leash Dog Facilities



Current Situation:

- No existing off-leash dog facilities in Township.
- Dog parks are becoming increasingly popular in both the urban and rural context.

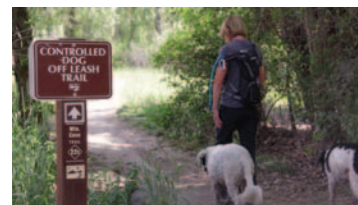
Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Plan for the development of off-leash dog park(s) / area(s).
- E.g. Dog park at waterfront, naturalized off-leash area.
- Complementary to SLPC recreation uses.

Type 1: Off-Leash Dog Park



Type 2: Off-Leash Natural Area / Trail



2 types of off-leash dog facilities:

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Outdoor Facilities: Waterfront



Current Situation:

- Waterfront lands largely undeveloped within Township.
- Collaboration with SLPC required to resolve land issues associated with waterfront development to provide a basis for Township to invest in infrastructure and programs efficiently.

Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- The Waterfront Plan is the essential driver to create renewed partnership with SLPC, other agencies and landowners for effective development of the assets and maximize the value of the waterfront for public use.



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Trail Network



Current Situation:

- 2 trails within Township:
 - Great Lakes Waterfront Trail (SLPC)
 - South Stormont Recreational Trail (Township)
- Township has employed effective common signage as part of 2012 strategy.



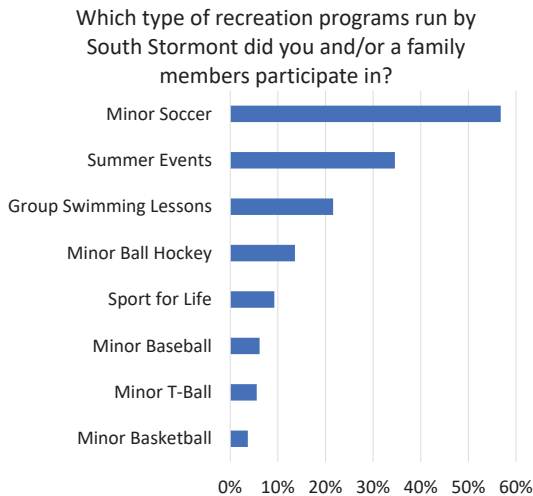
Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Local connections (on-road/off-road) within the 3 hubs.
- Identify important connections within the broader trail network.
- Priority for implementation of the dedicated multi-use pathway along County Road 2 (between Ingleside and Long Sault).
- Further develop / implement a consistent signage and wayfinding suite for parks, trails and facilities.

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Programming: What We Heard

50% of respondents have participated in Township-run programs in past 12 months.



15% of respondents felt that additional programs were needed.

Program Ideas from Respondents:

- Photography
- Visual Arts
- Crafting
- Woodworking
- Book Club
- Coding / Tech
- Dance
- Adult Fitness
- On-water programs (fishing, sailing, paddle boarding)

Programming: Recreation & Culture

Current Situation:

- Township has continued to improve the program offer to residents:
 - Minor sports programs
 - Summer events
 - Swimming lessons, classes
- 85% of survey respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with the recreation programs offered by the Township.

Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Expanded program suite to address the needs of a variety of groups (e.g. seniors, youth, adults, etc.) through tracking trends and best practice.
- Culture is seen as regional in nature - opportunity to work with partners to improve localized programming and events related to culture and heritage.
- Township may need to promote cultural programs and take the lead by providing direct programming.

Service Delivery

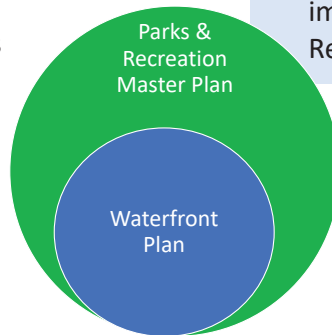


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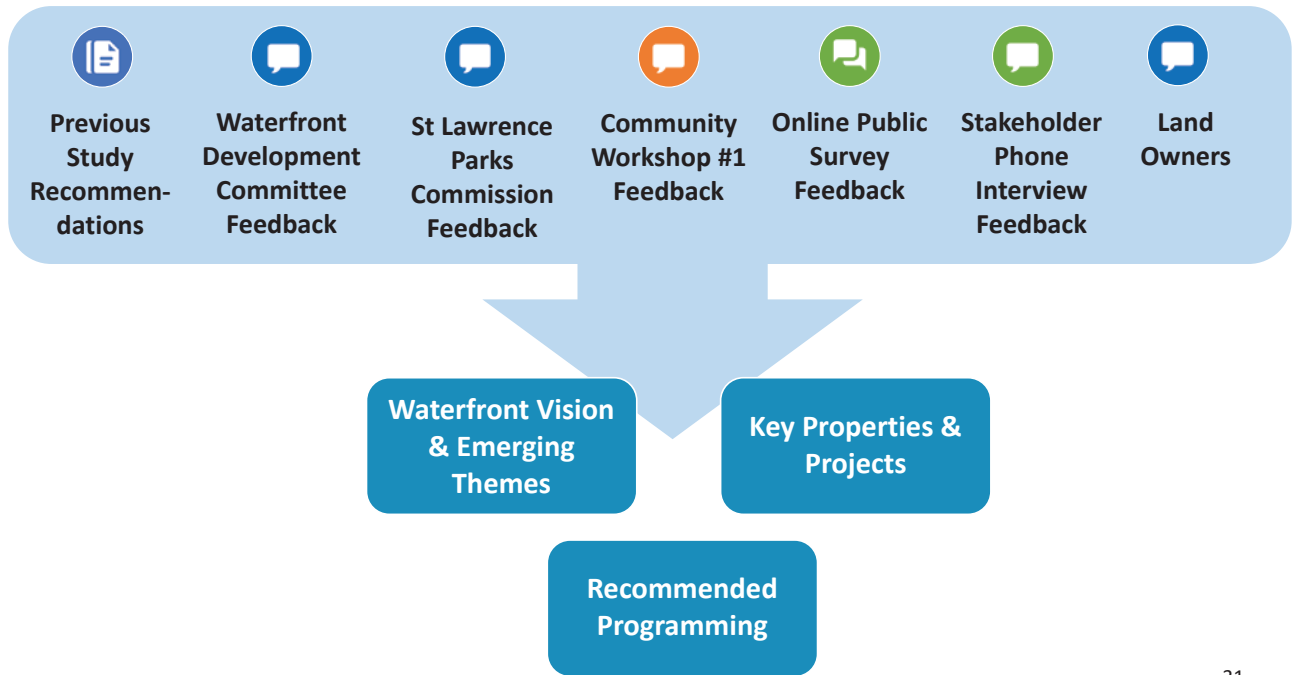
- Township has expanded the suite of programs offered.
- Expanded portfolio of recreation and cultural assets since 2009:
 - Splash pads, washroom facility
 - 5 cemeteries
 - Lost Villages Museum
 - Community Hall
 - Waterfront parks (as developed in future)

Master Plan Key Areas of Focus:

- Resource implications related to:
 - Programming
 - Operations & maintenance
- Partnerships to enhance service levels and leverage public funds.
- Operating impacts from Waterfront Plan – implemented through the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.



Feedback Sources and Outcome



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Key Properties & Projects

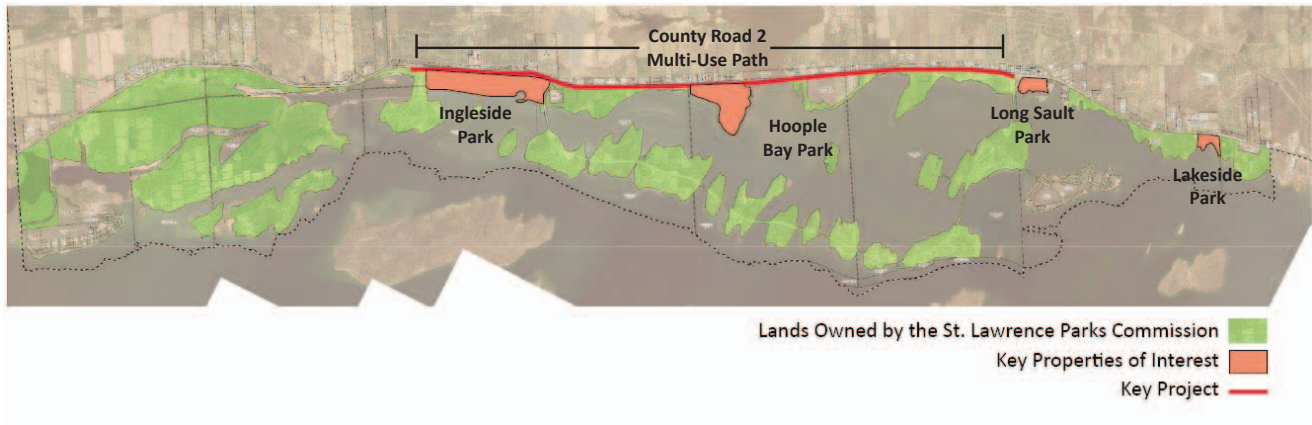


South Stormont’s waterfront is a massive land holding owned primarily by the St. Lawrence Parks Commission.

The Commission is open to proposals for use of waterfront lands for the benefit of people visiting and living in South Stormont. To assist in discussions and decision-making the Commission needs details on what it is that the community wants, and which properties are of interest.

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Key Properties & Projects



Feedback and input collected from the Community and Stakeholders has provided guidance on what is wanted on the waterfront and which properties and projects will be important.

The Waterfront Plan, when complete, will be the tool used to move forward with discussions with the Commission. It will include details on the Key Properties and Projects that are envisioned to transform South Stormont’s waterfront areas.

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Key Properties & Projects

Please note, although there are general, site-wide improvements proposed, such as, improved maintenance of the Waterfront Trail and more way-finding signage, the focus of this presentation is on the Key Properties and Projects.

The Community also wants **Site-Wide Improvements** such as...



Improved Maintenance



More Shade Trees



Way-Finding Signage



Seating Opportunities



Trail Connectivity



Cycling & Pedestrian Rest Stops

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Key Properties & Projects



Details on the Key Properties and Projects have been developed over the last several months in conjunction with the Waterfront Development Committee and Council. The details are shown as **Conceptual Demonstration Plans only** which are a representation of the spatial arrangement of proposed amenities.

The Demonstration Plans will be used to advance discussions with the land owner; the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. It is understood that the Plans represent what the Community wants for its waterfront area – that is why we need to hear what you think.



Conceptual Demonstration Plans are available on the Township’s website for downloading and viewing in larger format.

Key Properties & Projects



Through the study process, Four Key Properties & One Key Project was identified. They are:

				
Ingleside Park	Hoople Bay Park	Long Sault Park	Lakeview Park	County Road 2
Family & Community Park	Small Craft & Anglers Park	Entertainment Venue & Marina	Beach & Picnic Park	Multi-Use Path

The team created character profiles for each of the properties to assist in organizing all the waterfront improvements and amenities desired by the community.

 **Ingleside Waterfront Park Conceptual Demonstration Plan** 

The Big Idea

Ingleside Park is envisioned as a **family oriented, community node** that is anchored by a waterfront centre building and focused around a central spine of flexible and seasonal ‘market-style’ structures.

The Key Big Moves of the Concept Demonstration Plan include:

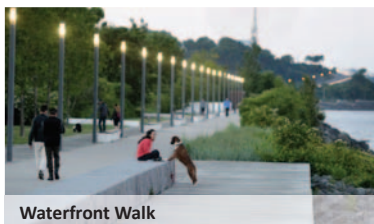
- New traffic round-about at the County Road 2/14 intersection;
- New central park drive with parking;
- Network of trails and waterfront boardwalk;
- Roadside Landmark features;
- Gathering areas;
- Flexible open lawn areas; and
- A canoe and kayak put-in area and storage.

Please note that the potential redevelopment of the commercial area on the north side of County Road 2 was explored to locate possible crosswalks on County Road 2.

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 **Ingleside Waterfront Park Conceptual Demonstration Plan** 

Preliminary Recommended Park Program



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Ingleside Waterfront Park Conceptual Demonstration Plan



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Long Sault Waterfront Park Demonstration Plan

The Big Idea

Long Sault Park is envisioned to become a destination on South Stormont's waterfront for **year-round community events and outdoor recreation**. The park will facilitate both motorized and non-motorized boating and become a focus for water recreation in South Stormont.

The Key Big Moves of the Concept Demonstration Plan include:

- New south bound entry drive at the traffic circle;
- Amenity node with event infrastructure, plaza space and washrooms;
- Public boat launch;
- New central park drive with parking;
- Network of trails and waterfront boardwalk;
- Waterfront Focused Gathering areas; and
- Flexible open lawn areas.

 **Long Sault Waterfront Park Demonstration Plan**

Preliminary Recommended Park Program



Amenity Node



Events Venue



Faux Beach



Waterfront Walk



Play Areas



Boat Launch



Volleyball Courts



Dog Off-leash Area



Fire Pits

 **Long Sault Waterfront Park Demonstration Plan**



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Lakeview Park Demonstration Plan

The Big Idea

Lakeview Park will provide a **quiet retreat** along South Stormont’s waterfront for swimming and picnicking and will provide a rest-stop, with amenities, along the Waterfront Trail.

The Key Big Moves of the Concept Demonstration Plan include:

- Formalization of parking;
- Improvements to the beach area;
- Refurbished washroom facility;
- Promenade and waterfront pavilion;
- Accessible pathways;
- Picnic Areas; and
- Optional play areas (spray pad and/or dry play area).

Lakeview Park Demonstration Plan

Preliminary Recommended Park Program



Promenade & Lookout Area



Waterfront Boardwalk



Waterfront Playground & Splash Pad



Improved Beach Conditions



Accessible Beach Mat



Floating Pier & Waterfront Access Point



Flexible Parking Area



Volleyball Courts



Picnic Area

 **Lakeview Waterfront Park Demonstration Plan**



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 **Hoople Bay Park Demonstration Plan**

The Big Idea

Hoople Bay Park will provide a destination along South Stormont’s waterfront that will have an environmental focus for **anglers, cyclists and nature lovers**. The informal, natural state of this park can provide opportunities for multi-season outdoor learning and environmental interpretation.

The Key Big Moves of the Concept Demonstration Plan include:

- Formalization of a park driveway and parking for vehicles and trailers;
- Boat launch for both motorized and non-motorized watercraft;
- Outdoor educational area;
- Walking trails with environmental interpretation opportunities;
- Picnic Areas; and
- Fish cleaning station.

Hoople Bay Park Demonstration Plan

Preliminary Recommended Park Program



Boardwalk



Picnic Area



Cycling Station



Boat Launch



Fishing Amenities (Cleaning Station)



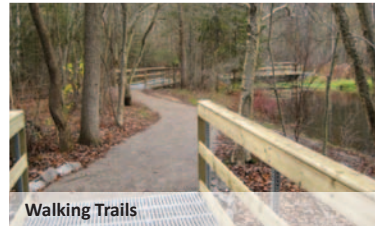
Kayak and Canoe Launch



Ice Fishing Derby



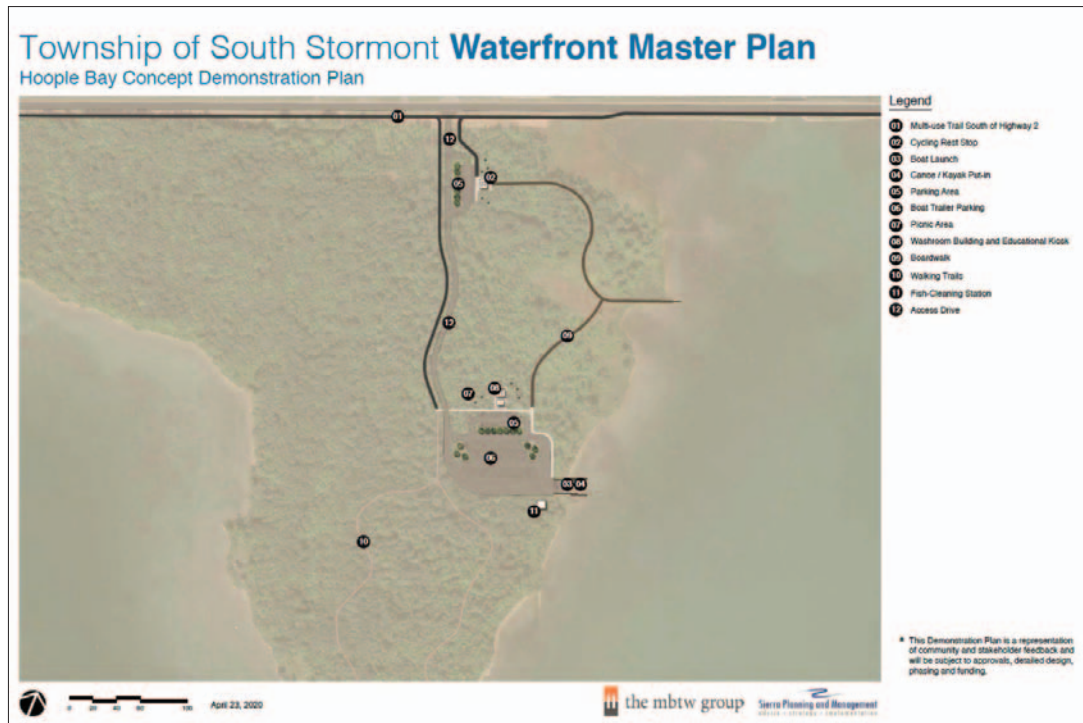
Outdoor Classroom



Walking Trails

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Hoople Bay Park Demonstration Plan



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 **County Road 2 – Multi-Use Path**

The Big Idea

A new 9km long, multi-use path is proposed on the south side of County Road 2 linking Farran Park on the west to Long Sault to the east. This multi-use path would provide an important **east-west active transportation corridor**, improving village linkages to existing and new waterfront facilities, in all seasons.

The Key Big Moves of the County Road 2 Multi-Use Path Project include:

- Off-road, wide (4-5m) mixed-use multi-use path paralleling County Road 2;
- Strategically located new road crossings;
- Linkages to the Waterfront Trail;
- Wayfinding signage;
- Improved security due to proximity to County Road 2; and
- Rest stops.



 **County Road 2 – Multi-Use Path**

South of County Road 2 at Ingleside



This is a graphic rendering of what this section of Multi-use Path may look like. Actual Path will be subject to approval and detailed design.

 **County Road 2 – Multi-Use Path**

Pinch point at Hoople Bay



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 **County Road 2 – Multi-Use Path**

Grade Challenges at Roadside



This is a graphic rendering of what this section of Multi-use Path may look like. Actual Path will be subject to approval and detailed design.

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Implementation

- Please note, that implementation of the Demonstration Plans will be subject to approvals, detailed design, phasing and funding availability and may take many years to complete.
- Improvements will likely require phasing of build-out as funds become available.
- Plans to be designed to be incrementally growable and allow flexibility to respond to changes.
- Be open to trying temporary situations to test success and support.

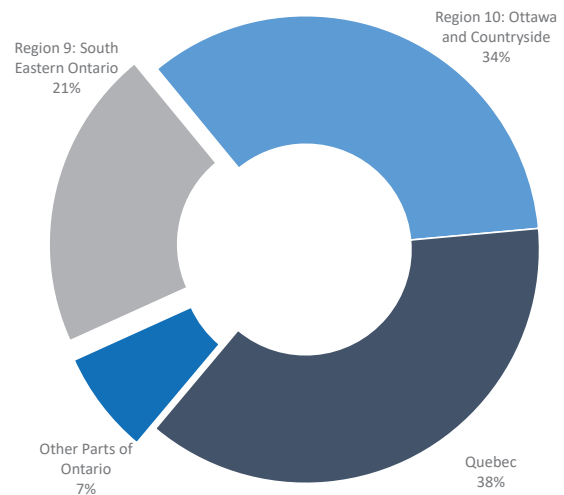


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Regionality

- The nature of proposed waterfront enhancements in both Long Sault and Ingleside have significant tourism benefits.
- Accordingly capital investment as well as the approach to programming and operations is regional in nature.
- Regional tourism potential will support the use for upper level government grant support.

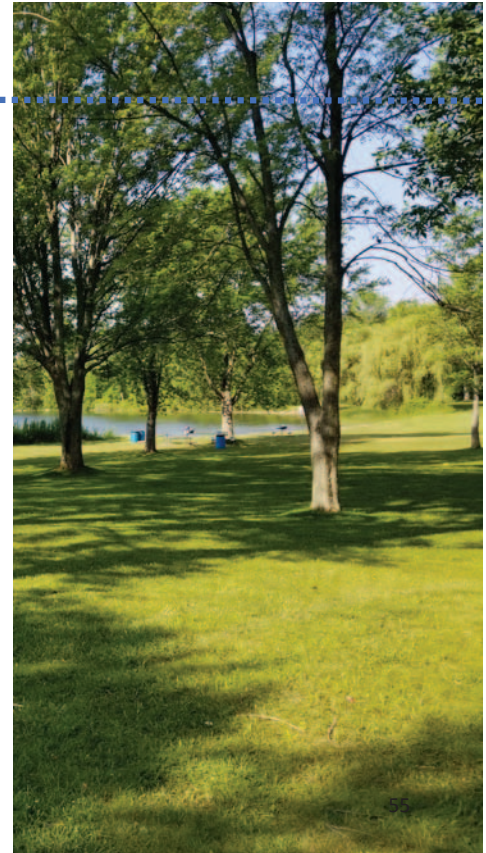
Person Visits to UCSDG based on Visitor Origin (2016)



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Implementation

- Implementation of these signature projects will still require municipal parks operations control - and associated costs.
- The operating costs associated with these need full understanding and quantification in due course as phased build-out occurs.
- Doing more with less has very real limits and can minimise the impact of these projects.
- It will fall to the recreation and parks master plan to resource the operation and maintenance of these waterfront assets. Accordingly these two plans become one for purposes of resource needs.



Project Next Steps

June - August 2019

August - December 2019

January – June 2020



Project Start-Up &
Data Collection

Phase 1:
Situational
Analysis



Phase 2: Parks &
Recreation Plan

WE ARE HERE



- Develop Directions
- **Community & Stakeholder Consultation (May 2020)**
- Draft Plans
- Presentation to Committee / Council
- Plan Finalization

Instructions to Viewer



What is Next?

We would like to hear about what you think.

Please click the link to the feedback form, located below the video, to provide your comments.

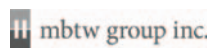
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Thank you!

Summary of Public Survey Results



October 2019



Township of South Stormont Waterfront Plans & Parks and Rec Master Plan Public Survey Results

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Appendix A: Responses to Open-ended Questions

1 Township of South Stormont Waterfront Plans & Parks and Rec Master Plan Public Survey Results

1. Introduction

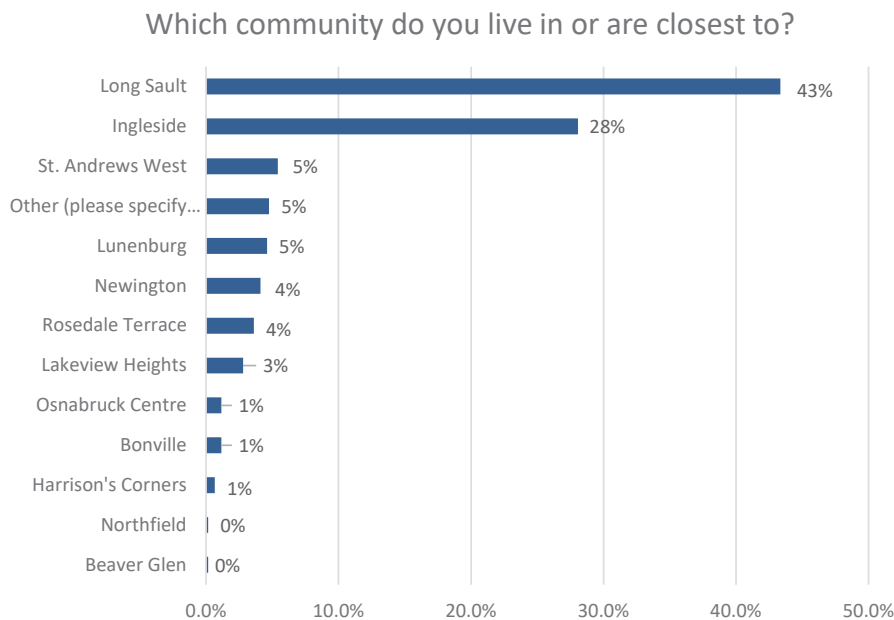
The following provides a summary of the results of the Public Online Survey undertaken as part of the project processes for the Township of South Stormont Waterfront Plan and Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The survey was available online via the Township’s public website between August 11 and September 27, 2019.

In total, 618 respondents participated in the online survey and provided their views and experiences with Township-owned facilities, programs and services. The survey was divided into two sections: questions related to the Waterfront Plan and questions related to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. 68% of respondents provided input to both plans, while 20.5% only responded to question related to the Waterfront Plan and 11.3% only responded to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The input received provides insight on the public’s perception of existing facilities in terms of quality, function, maintenance and ability to meet resident needs, as well as identifies needs and wants in the future.

2. Profile of Respondents

Place of Residence

Of the 618 respondents, the majority indicated that they live in the main urban centres of Long Sault (43.5%) and Ingleside (28%).

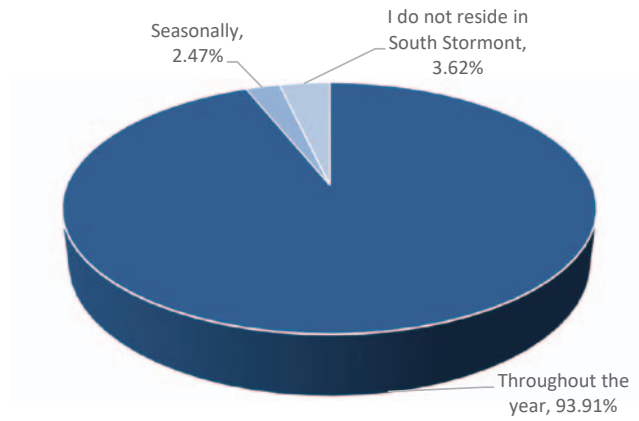


The majority of respondents (94%) reside in South Stormont throughout the year, 2.5% are seasonal residents and 3.6% did not reside within South Stormont. Of those respondents who live outside the Township most indicated they reside in Cornwall.



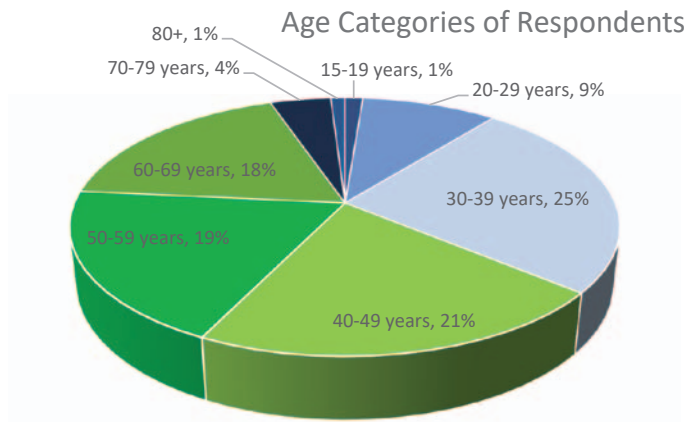
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Do you reside in South Stormont throughout the year or on a seasonal basis?



Demographic Profile

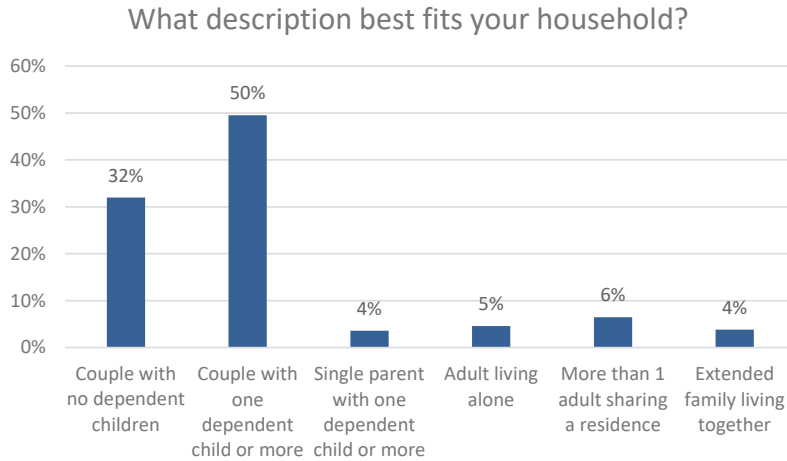
The age of respondents (n=402) is fairly well distributed with 25% of respondents between the ages of 30-39, followed by 40 to 49 at 21%. Respondents between the ages of 50 to 59 (19%) and 60 to 69 (18%) were the next most common. The least represented age categories are 70+ and 15 to 19. No responses were received from the under 15 age category.



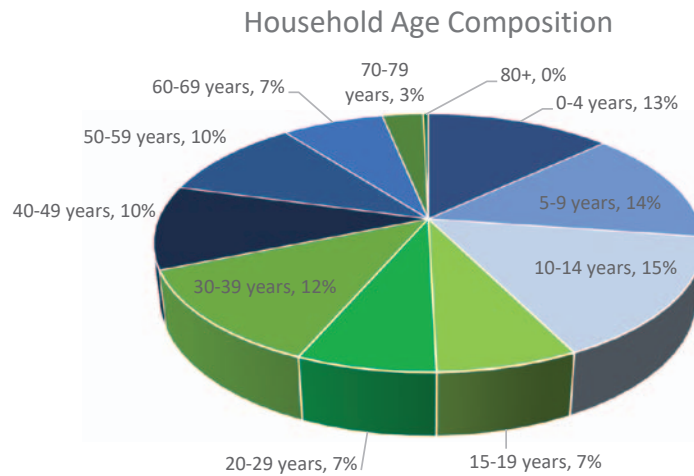
Respondents (n=416) were mostly from households consisting of a couple with one dependent child or more (50%), or couples with no dependent children (32%).



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As can be seen in the exhibit below of the age categories of respondent’s household members, 50% of household members other than the respondent are 0-19 years of age. The next largest age bracket is the 30-59 years (33%). This date reflects the above household composition data in that most couples are within the 30-59 age bracket, and if they have children the majority are between 0 and 14 years old.

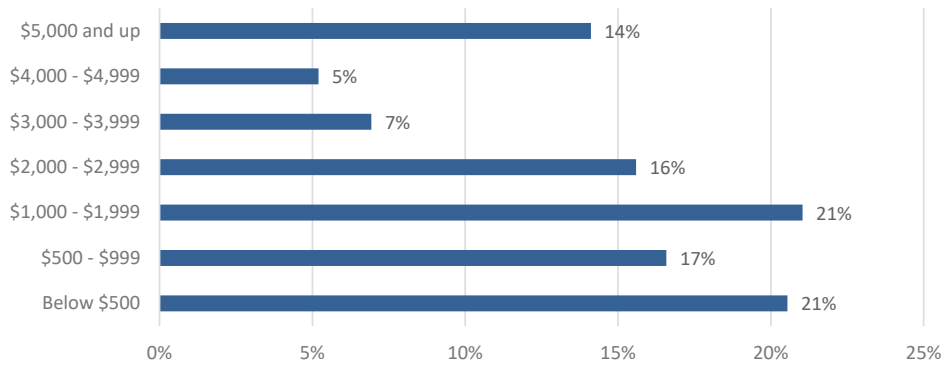


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Income and Spending on Recreation

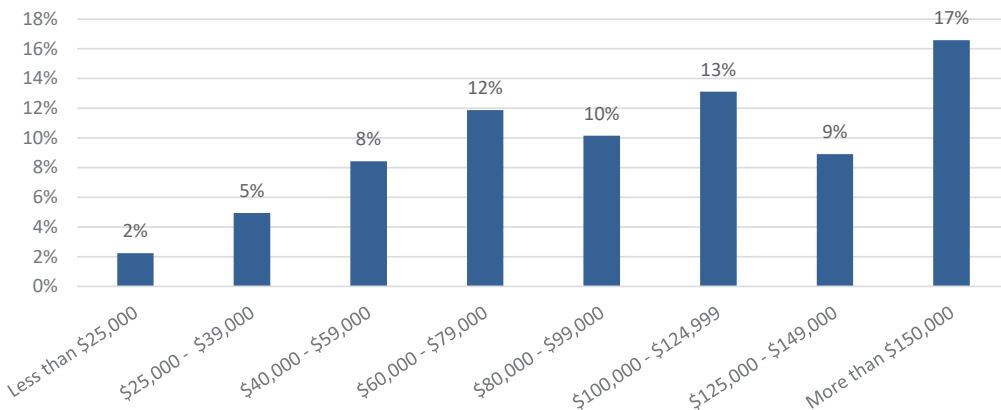
Respondents varied in their annual spending; however, nearly 60% of respondents spent less than \$2,000 annually on recreation.

How much would you say you spend on recreation annually as a household?



Respondents (n=404) were evenly split between incomes of below \$100,000 and above \$100,000 at 38% for each category.

What is your approximate household income?



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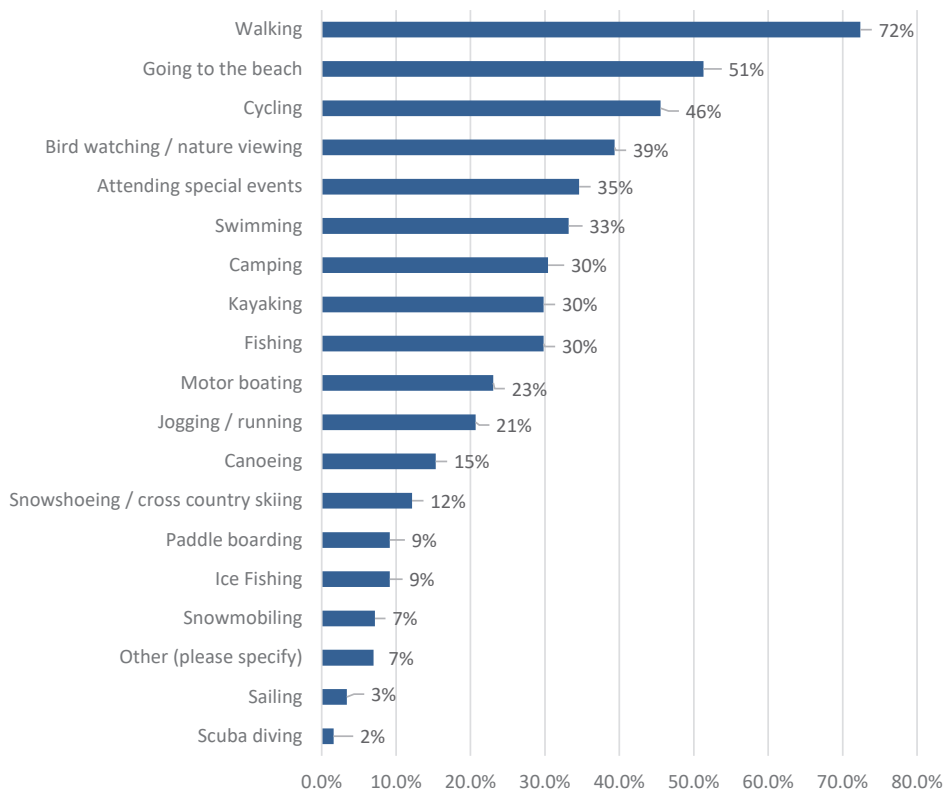
3. Waterfront Plan

The waterfront provides access to a variety of outdoor recreational opportunities including, parks, trails, boating, and swimming. The responses in this section relate specifically to the waterfront areas within South Stormont.

Use of the Waterfront

Survey respondents were asked which activities they participate in at the Waterfront. The most common usages of the waterfront are walking (72%, n=364), going to the beach (51%, n=258) and cycling (46%, n=229).

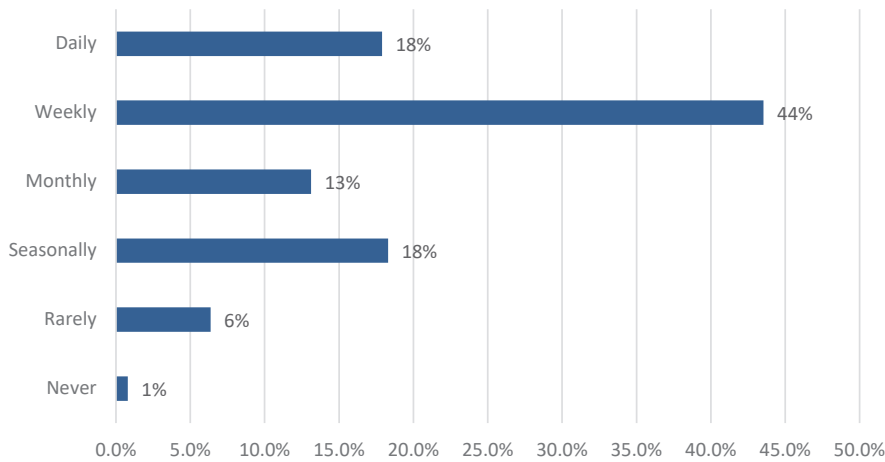
How do you use the Waterfront Lands?



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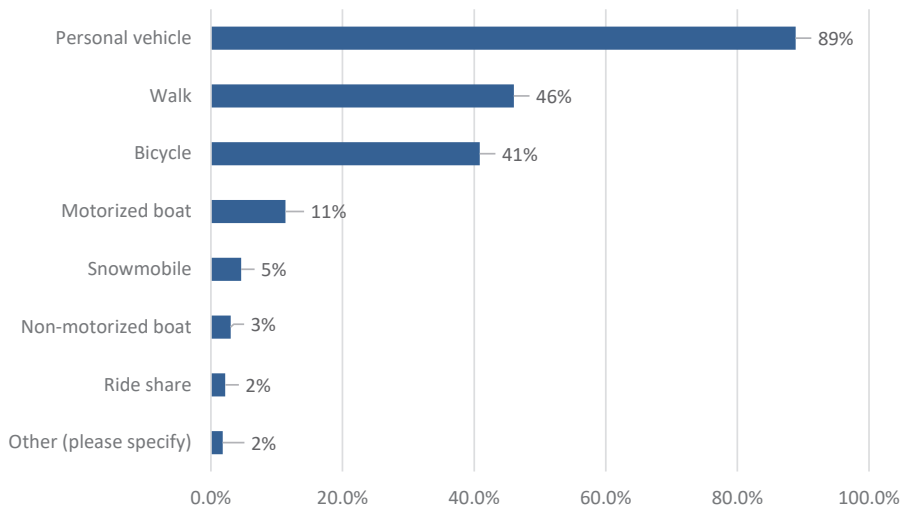
44% (n=219) indicated that they visit the Waterfront weekly, while 18% (n=90) visit daily and seasonally.

How often do you visit the Waterfront Lands?



The most commonly reported means of transportation to and from the waterfront was personal vehicle (89%, n=446), followed by walking (46%, n=231), and bicycle (40.8%, n=205). As people likely access the waterfront by a variety of means depending on situation and season respondents were asked to choose more than one mode of transportation (does not add to 100%).

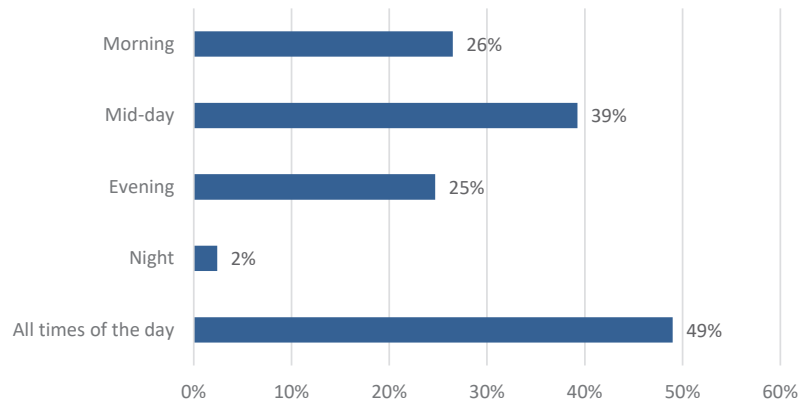
How do you typically travel to and from the waterfront?



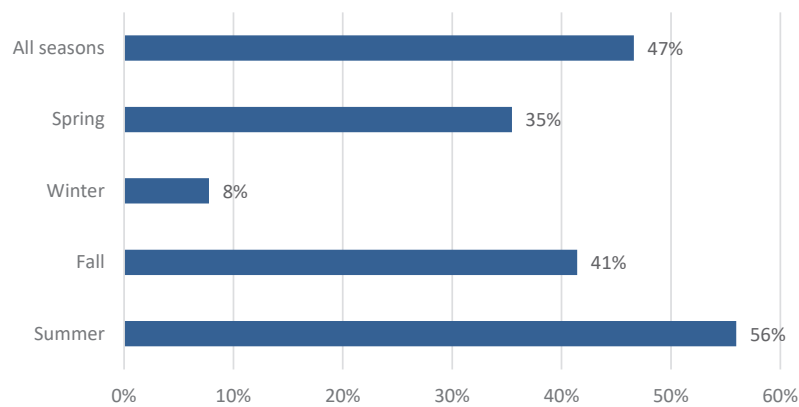
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In terms of timing of visits, 49% of respondents indicated they visit the waterfront all times of the day, 39% visit mid-day. The most common time of year to visit is the summer and fall. Although 47% indicated they visit the waterfront throughout the year.

What Time of day do you visit the Waterfront?



What time of year do you visit the Waterfront?



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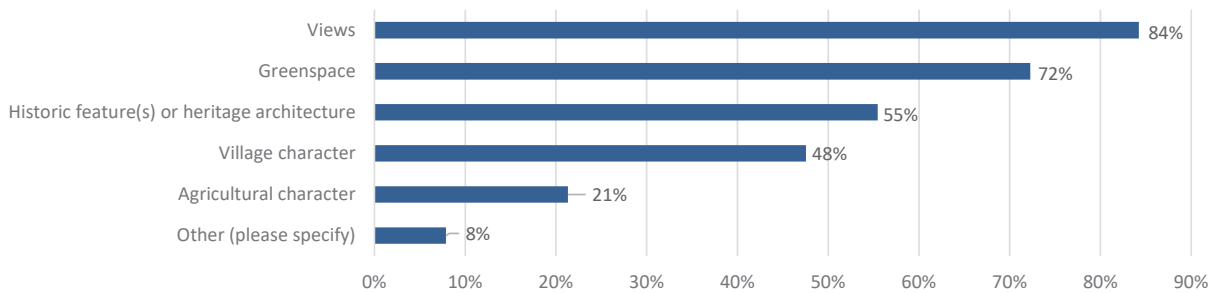
3.1 Waterfront Features

Respondents had the opportunity to indicate which features of the Waterfront were their favourite, what should be protected, and what additional programming and improvements are needed.

When asked what their favourite part of the Waterfront is, commonly cited features were Long Sault Parkway for its beauty and variety of stopping/picnic places, the bicycle paths, and the bird sanctuary. See Appendix for full open-ended responses.

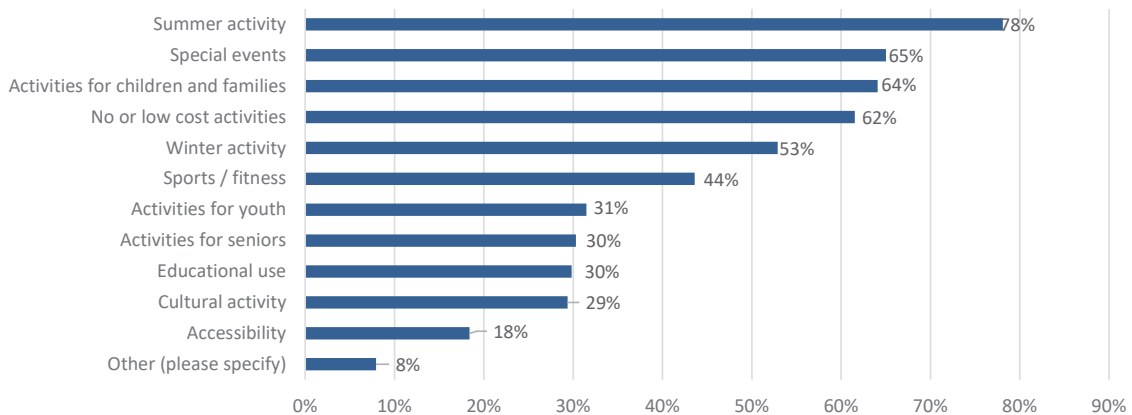
According to respondents, views and greenspaces are the waterfront features that should be the most protected. Of those that indicated other, protecting shorelines and water access were priorities.

What communities, qualities and features should be protected along County Road 2 and the waterfront lands?



When asked what activities would bring respondents to the waterfront more often, additional summer activities generated the most interest (78%) from respondents, compared to the next three most commonly selected answers: special events (65%), Activities for children and families (64%) and No or Low Cost Activities (62%).

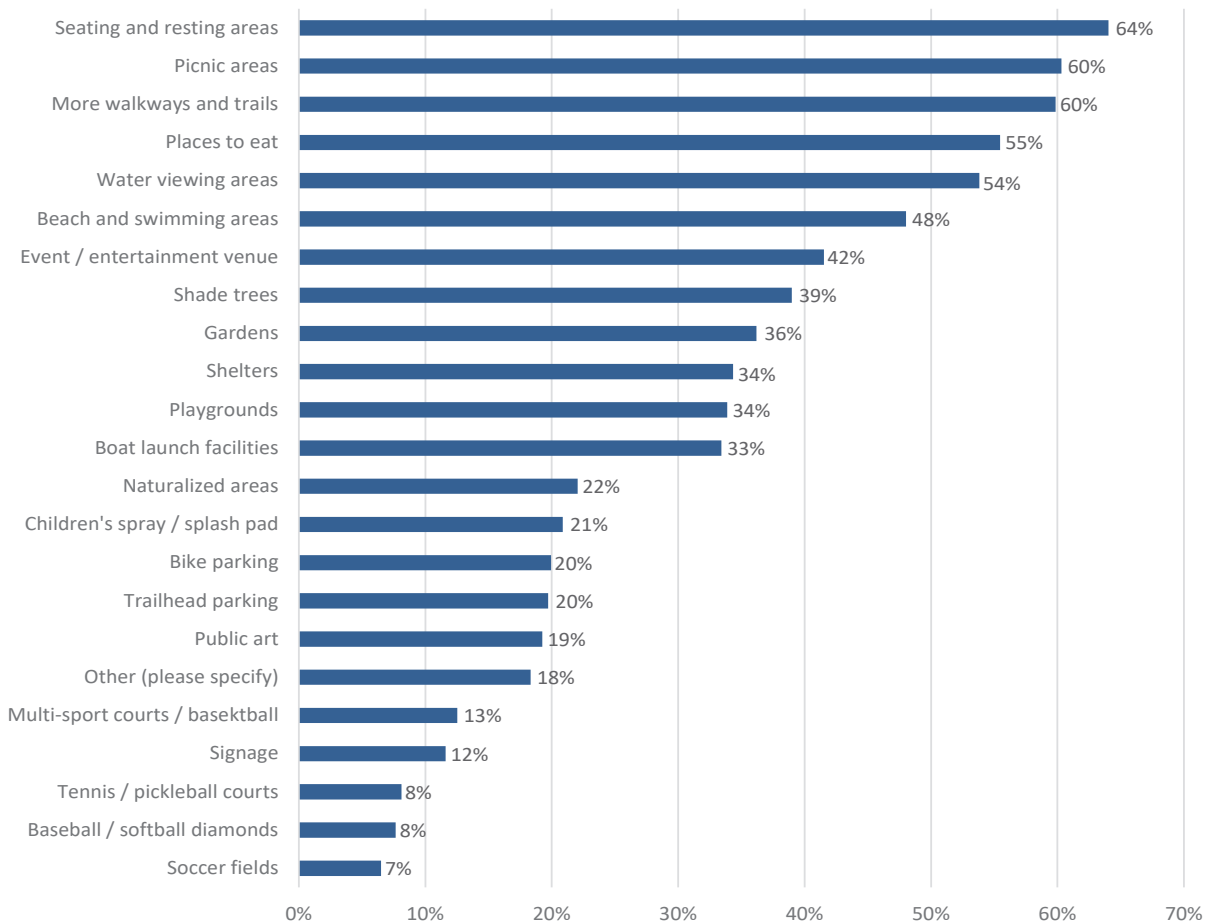
What activities or programs would bring you to the waterfront more often?



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The top 5 improvements respondents would like to see garnered responses from between 50% to 65% of respondents and included: Seating and resting areas (64%), Picnic Areas (60%), More walkways and trails (60%), Places to eat (55%), and Water viewing areas (54%). These preferences are also reflected in the Parks and Recreation survey questions on the need for additional outdoor facilities.

What improvements would you like to see to make your recreational experience better?



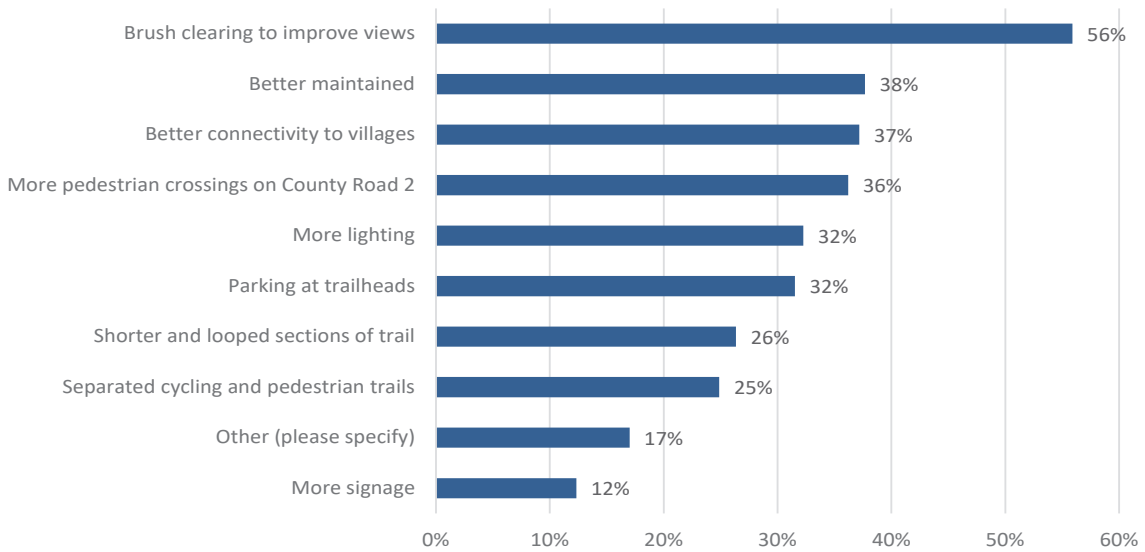
Some commonalities between those that wrote responses to 'other (please specify)' were more restaurants, and vendors, and more events such as live music, eco education, and other cultural events and activities. Some also expressed the need for more events catered toward adults and young adults. A few also cautioned overdevelopment of the waterfront, expressing the importance of maintaining the naturalized state of the waterfront.



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When asked what would increase their usage of trails, responses again reflected the importance of maintaining views along the waterfront (56%), followed by better maintenance (38%), better connectivity (37%), and more pedestrian crossings (36%) all within one or two percentage points of each other. The need for better trail and pathway connectivity was also expressed in the Parks and Recreation section of the survey.

What would increase your usage of the waterfront trail system?



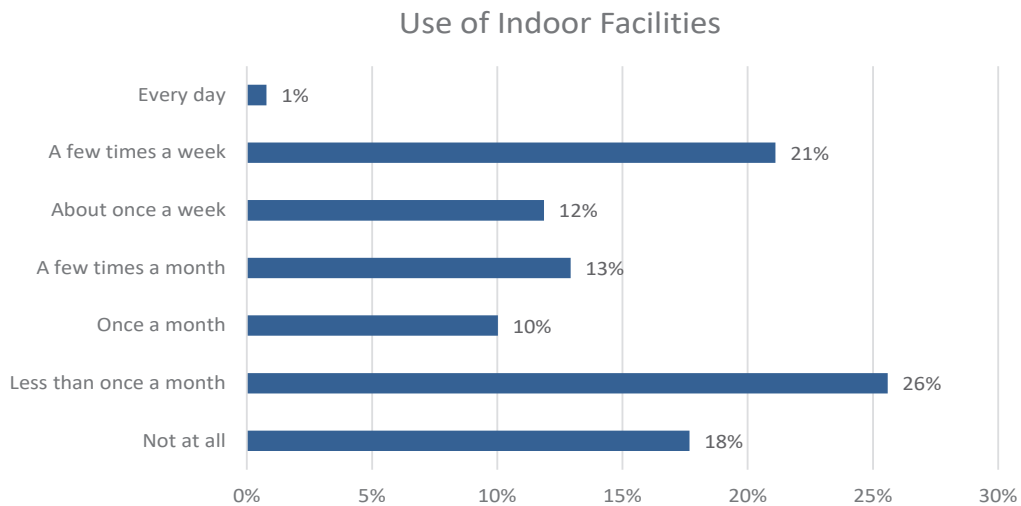
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4. Parks and Recreation Master Plan

South Stormont is home to a variety of indoor and outdoor facilities that provide recreational and leisure opportunities for residents. Responses included in this section relate specifically to the parks and recreational facilities within South Stormont.

4.1 Indoor Facility Use and Satisfaction

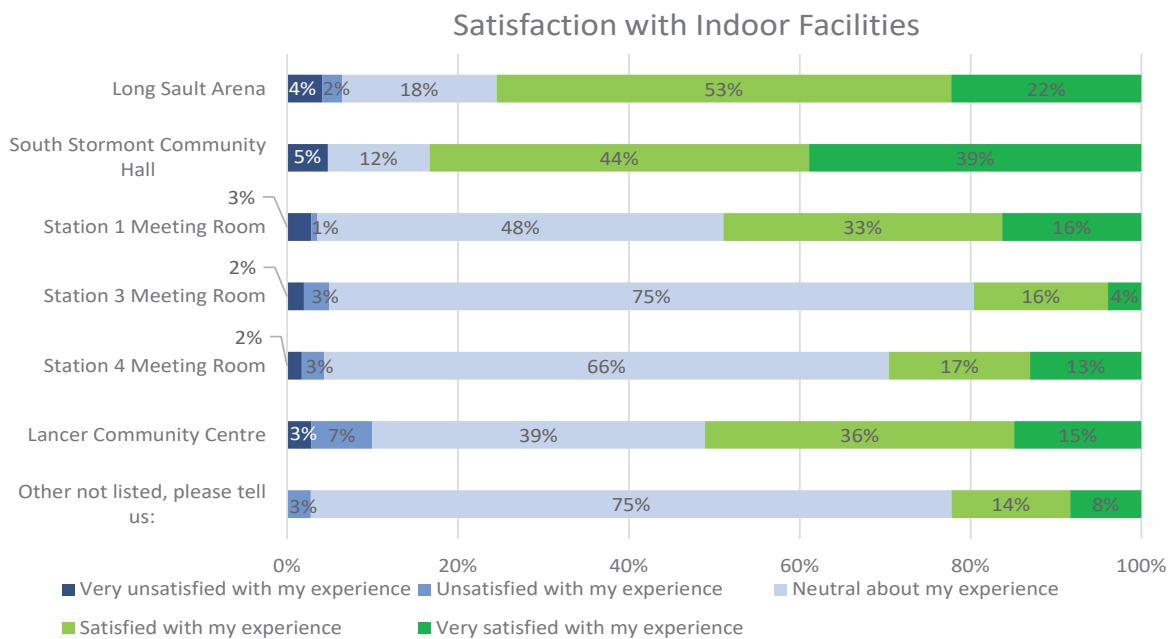
Indoor recreation facilities include the municipally-owned arena, community halls and meeting rooms, in addition to the school board owned Lancer Community Centre. 26% (n=97) of respondents indicated they use these facilities less than once a month, while 21% (n=80) use them a few times a week and 17% (n=67) do not use the facilities at all. A small percentage (1%) use indoor facilities everyday.



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The South Stormont Community Hall has the highest rate of satisfaction among users with 39% ‘very satisfied’. This compares to the lower percentages of users who were ‘very satisfied’ with the Long Sault Arena (22%), Station 1 meeting room (16%), Lancer Community Centre (15%), Station 4 Meeting Room (13%), and Station 3 Meeting Room (4%).

Levels of dissatisfaction were low across the board with the Lancer Community Centre having the highest level of dissatisfaction by a small margin (10% of respondents were ‘very dissatisfied’ or ‘dissatisfied’, compared to 6% dissatisfaction with the Long Sault Arena and 5% dissatisfaction with the Station 3 and Station 4 Meeting Rooms). Respondents indicated that with the closure of the high school, the Lancer Community Centre is underused and difficult to access due to lack of availability for booking, the high cost of rental and difficulty in navigating the rules of the School Board’s community use agreement. Some respondents identified the need for an updated speaker system in the Lancer Centre as well.



In regard to the Long Sault Arena many indicated the need for aesthetic improvements and maintenance to the building, improved cleanliness, and more heating. Specifically, the showers were identified as in need of more regular cleaning and repairs. Respondents also identified that the arena could be better utilized in the summer months. Many called for additions and expansions to the arena. Suggestions include:



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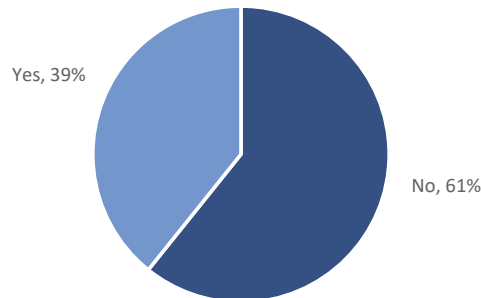
- Community hall
- Walking track
- Indoor pool
- Fieldhouse
- Fitness facilities
- Second level eating and licensed area
- More seating
- Longer and more public skating times, organized by age group or purpose (learn to skate times) and to accommodate working families
- Additional ice pad- arena space is at a premium
- Allow usage for other events in the off-season
- More lighting in the parking lot

Many respondents, overall, were more neutral about their experiences with the meeting rooms, particularly with the Station 3 and 4 Meeting Rooms having the highest levels of neutrality (75% and 66% respectively). The main complaint about the Meeting Rooms were their small size. It was also noted that there is no certified kitchen for community events in Newington (Station 3 Meeting Room).

4.2 Priorities for Future Investment

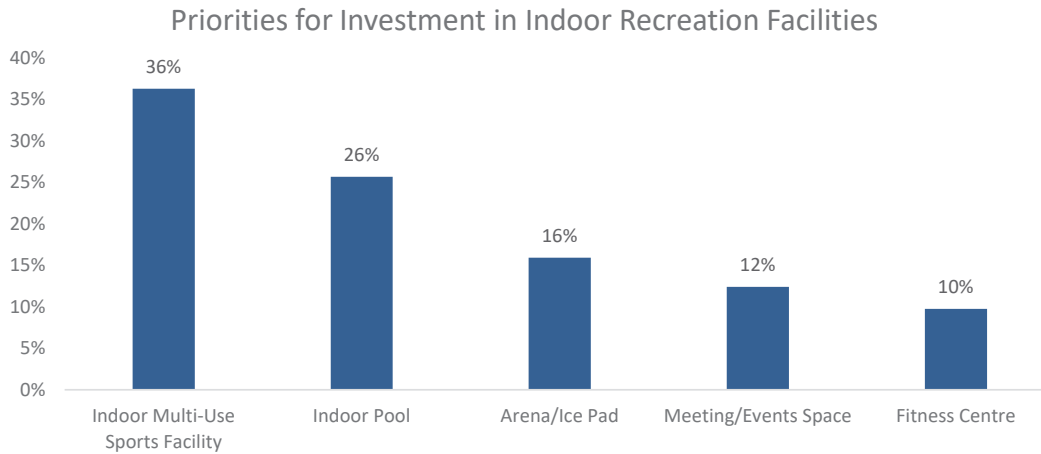
Respondents are generally satisfied or neutral about the indoor recreation facilities currently provided by the Township and the majority do not identify a need for additional facilities.

Do you feel that the Township of South Stormont needs any additional indoor recreation facilities?



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The most common additional indoor facilities that respondents (n=124) felt are needed are summarized below.



Specific comments related to the suggestions include:

- **Indoor Multi-Use Sports Facility**
 - The most common types of use mentioned for an indoor facility was indoor soccer and a walking track. A gymnastics facility, indoor basketball, ball hockey, racquet sports, skatepark, climbing walls, and a trampoline park were also mentioned. A walking track was identified as in need for seniors to walk during the winter months.
 - The most preferable location identified was next to the current arena in Long Sault; although the north end of Arnold Bethune Memorial Park in Long Sault was also mentioned along with Ingleside. The Lancer Centre was also suggested as a location for a walking track.

- **Swimming Pool**
 - The majority of respondents who indicated a need for a pool specified an indoor pool. An outdoor pool was mentioned twice, while 7 respondents didn't specify which type of pool.
 - Location suggestions include: Next to or as part of an arena expansion in Long Sault, near the playground on Farran Drive, the north end of Arnold Bethune Memorial Park in Long Sault, and Ingleside.



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- **Arena/Ice Pad**
 - Respondents indicated the need for an additional ice pad by either expanding the existing arena or building a new one. If a new arena is to be built respondents suggested Ingleside as the location.

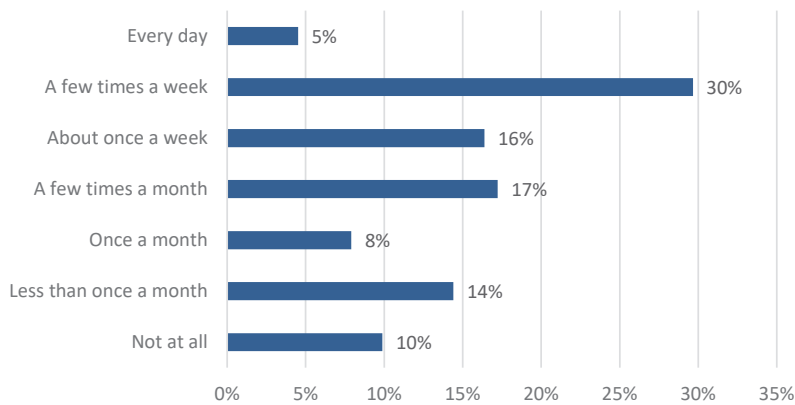
- **Community Meeting/Event Space**
 - St. Andrew West and Newington were identified as places in need of a community hall or meeting place where cultural events, activities and classes can be hosted.
 - Age-specific spaces such as a youth centre and older adult centre were also mentioned.

- **Fitness Centre**
 - Long Sault was identified as a location for a fitness centre.
 - Senior specific fitness spaces were also identified.

5. Outdoor Facility Use and Satisfaction

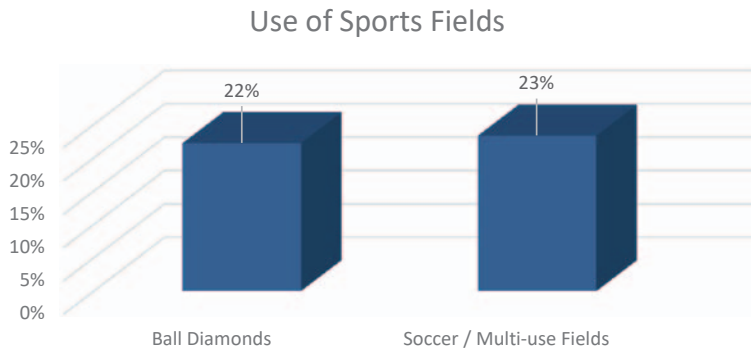
Outdoor recreation facilities in South Stormont include ball diamonds, soccer fields, tennis/pickleball courts, outdoor rinks, basketball & volleyball courts, playgrounds, trails and waterfront amenities. 30% of respondents (n=354) indicated that they use these facilities a few times a week.

Use of Outdoor Recreation Facilities

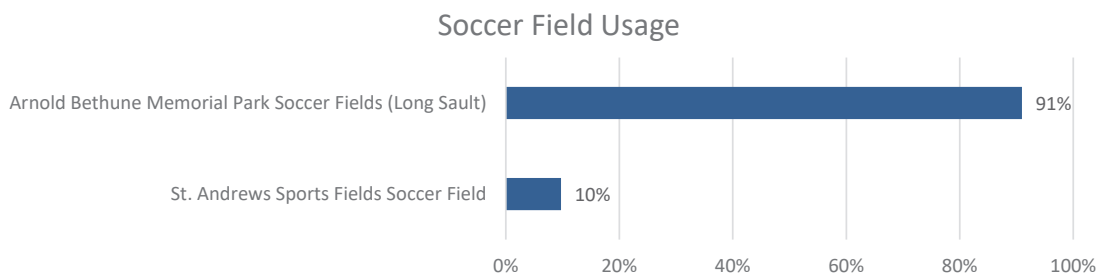
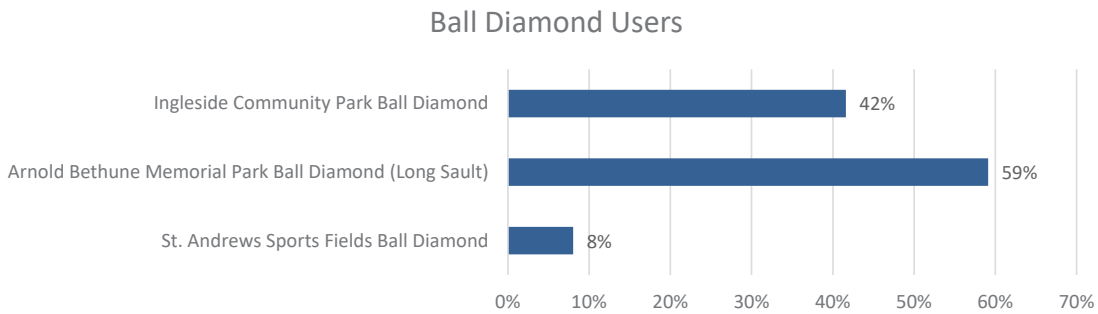


5.1 Sports Fields

Nearly one quarter of respondents utilize the ball diamonds (22%, n=137) and soccer / multi-use fields (23%, n=144) owned by the Township.



Of the respondents who use the Township’s ball diamonds and soccer fields, Arnold Bethune Memorial Park is the most frequently used (60% of soccer field users, and 90% of ball diamond users).

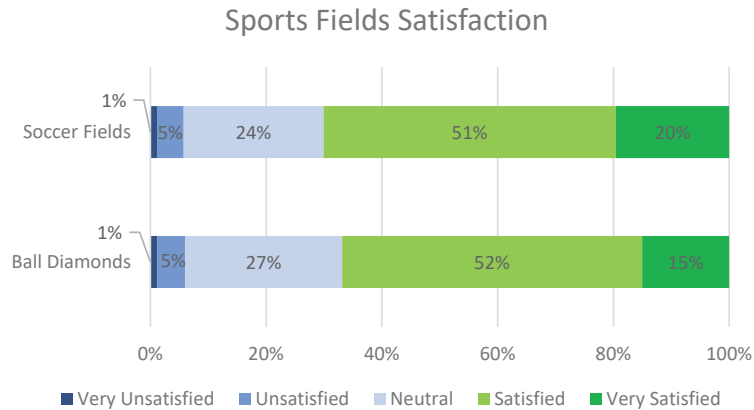


In terms of satisfaction 71% of soccer field users were ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’ with the quality of these facilities. Respondents were asked to consider facility age, associated amenities, condition and maintenance to rate their satisfaction.



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67% of users of the Township’s ball diamonds were ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’ with the quality of the facilities when considering the same factors as identified above.



Lack of proper drainage in the soccer fields that cause them to be wet or flooded except for a few months in the summer was identified as a major issue. Improvements to the soccer fields identified by respondents include tile drainage, leveling, spectator seating, and more bathrooms.

Comments related to dissatisfaction with the ball diamonds indicated that better maintenance was needed in general. Specifically, drainage problems at the St. Andrew’s ball diamonds was identified as well as the lack of a proper diamond. The Arnold Bethune field is in need of lighting and it was also noted that it is not regulation size.

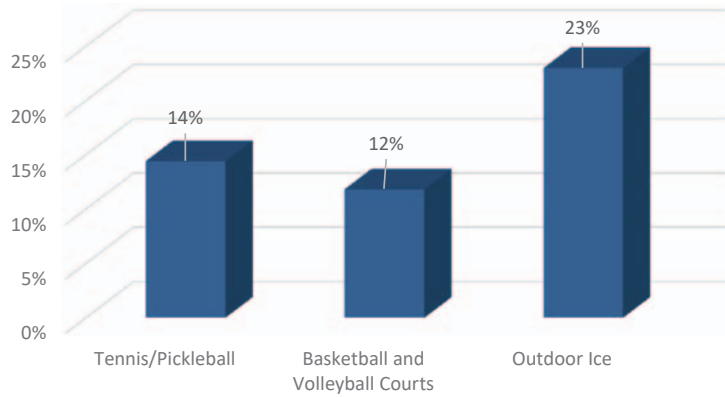
5.2 Sports Courts

Tennis / pickleball courts were used by 14% of respondents (n=89), basketball and volleyball by 12% (n=73), and outdoor ice rinks were used by 23% (n=142) of respondents.



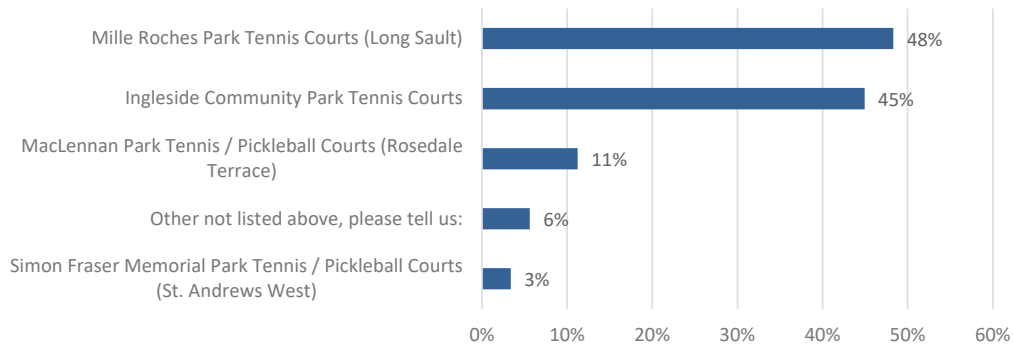
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Use of Sport Courts



Of the tennis and/or pickleball courts Mille Roches Park (Long Sault) and Ingleside Community Park are utilized the most (48% and 45%, respectively).

Tennis / Pickleball Court Usage

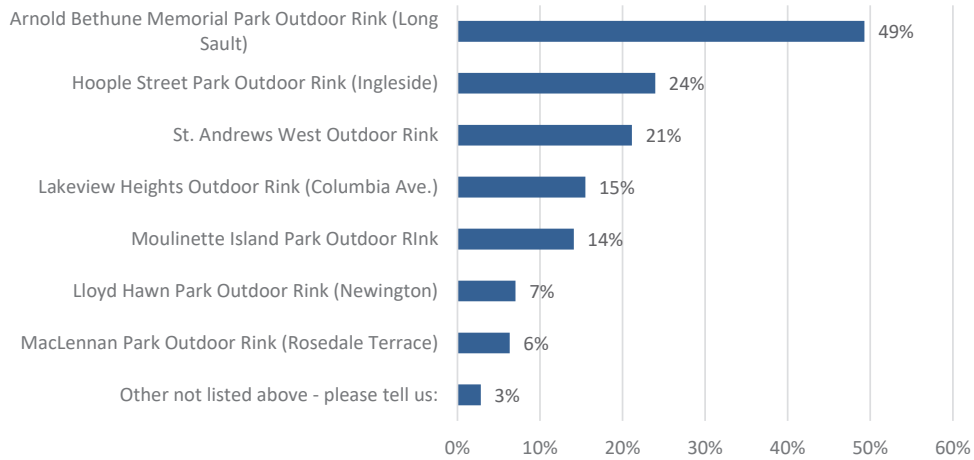


For outdoor rinks, Arnold Bethune Memorial Park had the most frequent use (50%) by approximately 25% in comparison to the next most used rink at Hoople Street Park.



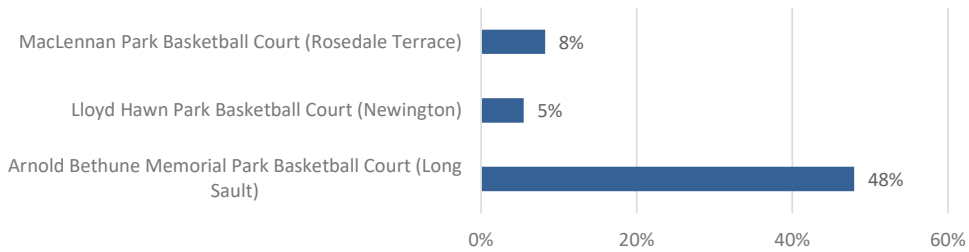
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Outdoor Rink Usage

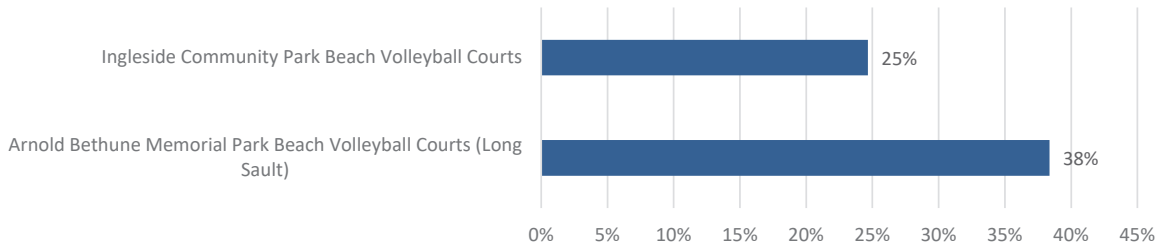


Users indicated that the basketball and beach volleyball courts at Arnold Bethune Memorial park are the most used courts (48% and 38% respectively), compared to the next most used courts at Ingleside Community Park at 25%.

Basketball Court Usage



Beach Volleyball Court Usage

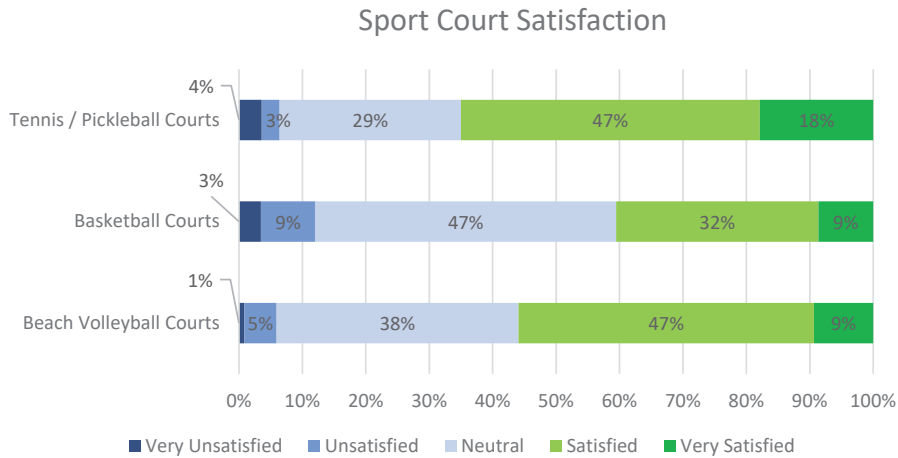


Overall, respondents were satisfied with sport court facilities ranging between 41% to 65% of respondents indicating they were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied'. Basketball courts had the least



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‘satisfaction’ 47% indicated they were neutral as opposed to 42% who indicated ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’.



Specific improvements to tennis / pickleball facilities identified by respondents included:

- Tennis court resurfacing and repairs are needed at Mille Roches Park (Long Sault) and Ingleside Community Park. The court door at MacLennan Park (Rosedale) needs repairs.
- More courts with lighting to enable extended play times.

Regarding basketball courts, respondents would like to see the following:

- Basketball court in Ingleside
- Resurfacing to basketball court in Long Sault to prevent water pooling
- More courts with lighting to enable extended play times

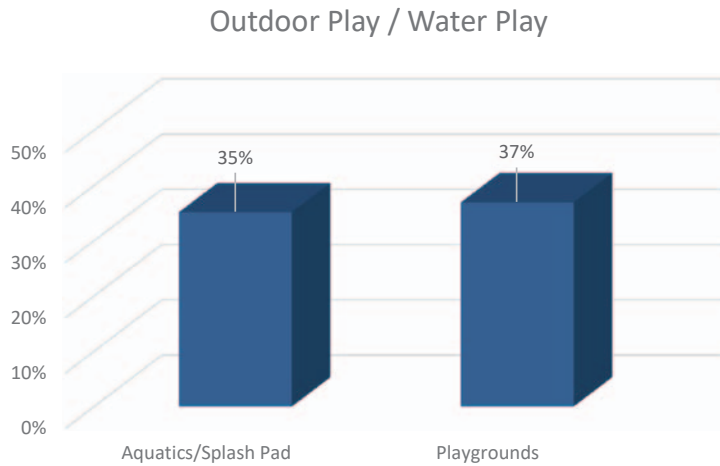
For beach volleyball courts respondents indicated a need for general/regular maintenance on the nets, lines, and play area. The outdoor ice rinks at Lloyd Hawn Park and Newington Fair Grounds (owned by the Stormont Agricultural Society) were also identified as in need of paving.



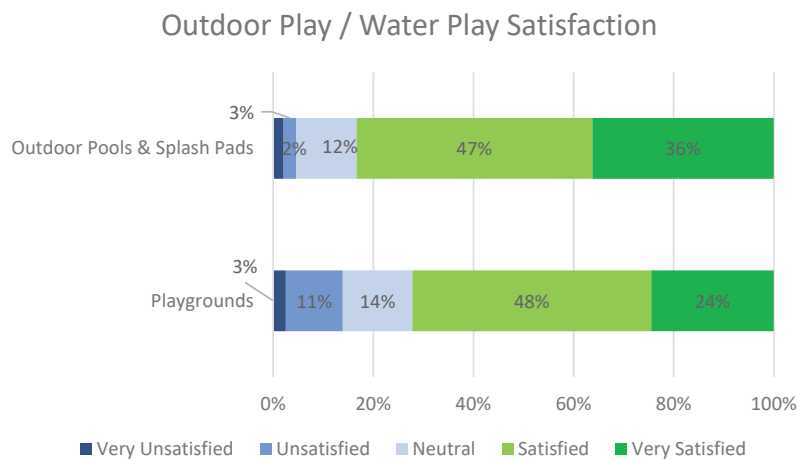
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5.3 Outdoor Play / Water Play

35% of survey respondents (n=217) indicated they use the splash pads, wading pools, and outdoor pools in South Stormont, while 37% (n=228) indicated they use the playground facilities.



Overall, respondents are quite satisfied with the Township’s playgrounds and outdoor aquatic facilities with 72% of respondents indicating ‘satisfied or ‘very satisfied’ for playgrounds and 83% for aquatics.



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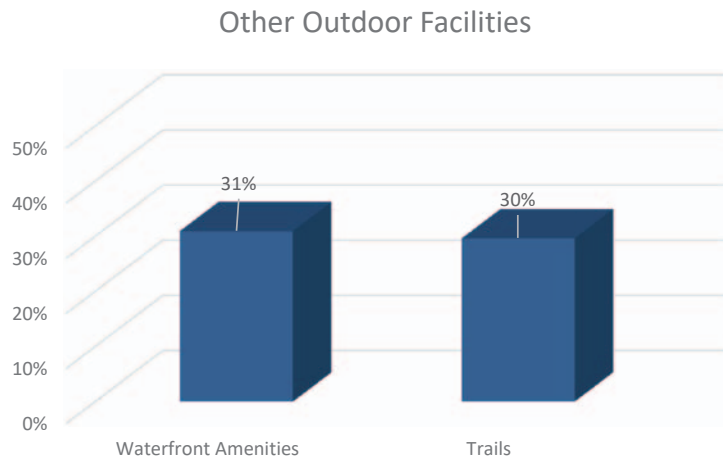
Specific suggestions from respondents to improve playgrounds and outdoor aquatics include:

- Playground equipment in Arnold Bethune Memorial Park and Milles Roche Park (Long Sault), Hoople Park, MacLennan Park is in need of replacement, upgrading and additional structures;
- Shade trees or gazebos are needed near playgrounds and splash pads in many parks (suggestions include Long Sault playgrounds, Ingleside Splash Pad, Arnold Bethune Memorial Splash Pad, and St. Andrew’s West Swimming Pool);
- Clearer ‘Children at Play’ road signage at Mille Roches Park and an additional entrance for children off of Mille Roches Road;
- Cleaning in Arnold Bethune Memorial Park to remove broken glass from naturalized play elements;
- New toys and flutter boards at Long Sault Wading Pool and new life jackets at St. Andrew’s Pool;
- Need for a play structure, benches and bathroom in Lakeview Heights Park (Long Sault).

5.4 Other Outdoor Facilities

The Township also manages a number of additional outdoor recreation facilities including waterfront amenities such as beaches, picnic areas and trails.

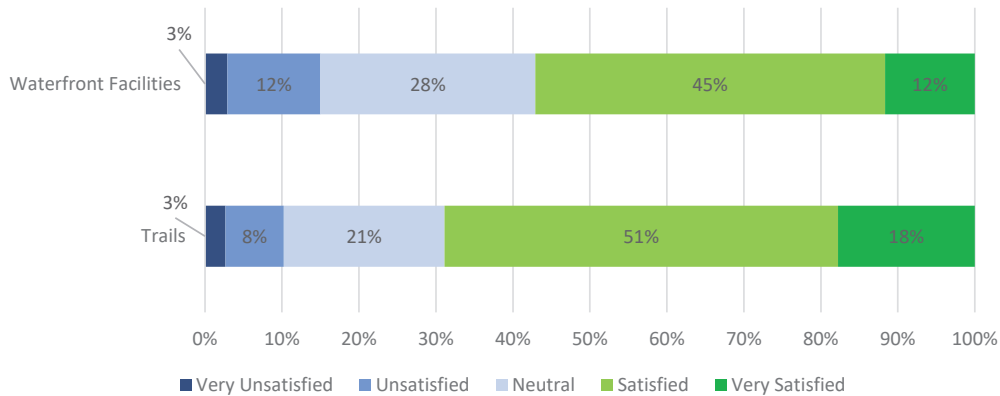
Survey respondents indicated they used waterfront amenities and trails an equal amount (31%, n=191 and 30%, n=183 respectively).



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Respondents were also generally ‘satisfied’ with the waterfront amenities and trails. Respondents indicated higher satisfaction with the trails at 69% ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’, and 57% for the waterfront amenities.

Waterfront Amenities and Trails Satisfaction



Specific suggestions in regard to waterfront amenities and trails include:

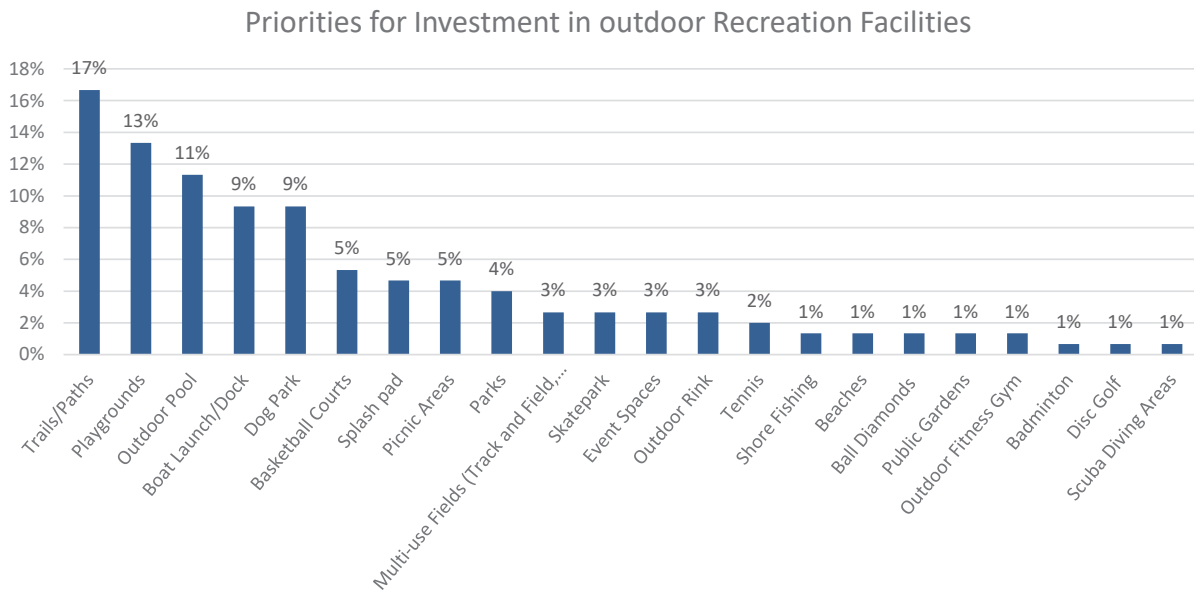
- More bike paths, including separate paths for cyclists and walker/runners on the waterfront trail, and bike lanes along the roadway through the Parkway;
- More trails along the waterfront, in the Parkway and/or Moulinette Island, as well as more hiking trails and advertising of group hiking trips;
- Keep trails open in the winter for snowshoeing and skiing;
- More BBQ areas and picnic tables at Ault Park;
- More picnic tables, park benches and viewing areas along waterfront;
- Improved maintenance of the Waterfront Trail (Tree/Brush trimming, resurfacing);
- Accessibility to bathrooms in Lakeview Park;
- More boat ramps and access to waterways.

Respondents also noted that low water levels make enjoyment of the beach and launching boats difficult.



5.5 Priorities for Future Investment

When asked if they felt that South Stormont needs any additional and new outdoor recreation facilities respondents were very evenly split with 51% answering no and 49% answering yes. Of those that did feel the need for more outdoor recreation facilities (n=152) their responses are summarized below.



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Specific comments related to the suggestions include:

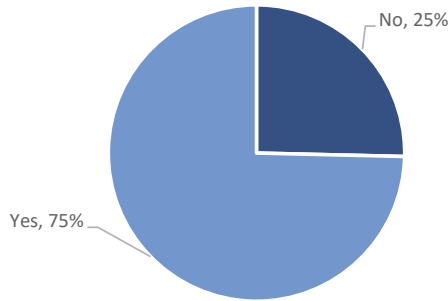
Facility	Comments
Trails (Walking/biking)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dedicated bike lanes to improve safety (Moulinette Road, Post Road, Manning Road, Mille Roches Road; • More paths, trails and boardwalks along the waterfront, within the village and connecting to other parts of the Township; • Outdoor walking track.
Playgrounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested locations for additional playgrounds or new play structures include: Lakeview Heights, Rosedale Terrace, Moulinette Island, and along the waterfront.
Outdoor Pool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested locations in Long Sault or Ingleside
Boat Launch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested locations in Long Sault, Ingleside and Lakeview Park.
Dog Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested Location in Long Sault (Arnold Bethune Park, Ault Park), Ingleside, along the waterfront, Lakeview Beach, and Forest Hills subdivision.
Basketball Courts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The majority of respondents who indicated a need for a basketball court suggested the location should be in Ingleside.
Splash Pad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested locations in Newington, Rosedale, Bonville and along the Parkway.
Picnic Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-use covered areas (gazebos, pavilions).
Parks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested locations for a new park include Moulinette Island, Ingleside, Bonville, Arrowhead Estates, Chase Meadows and the lot of land across from the mall.
Multi-Use Sports Fields	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More sports fields along the waterfront.
Event Spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandshell along the waterfront; • Fairgrounds; • Market Space.
Outdoor Rink	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covered rink; • Skating on river.

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6. Travel Outside of South Stormont

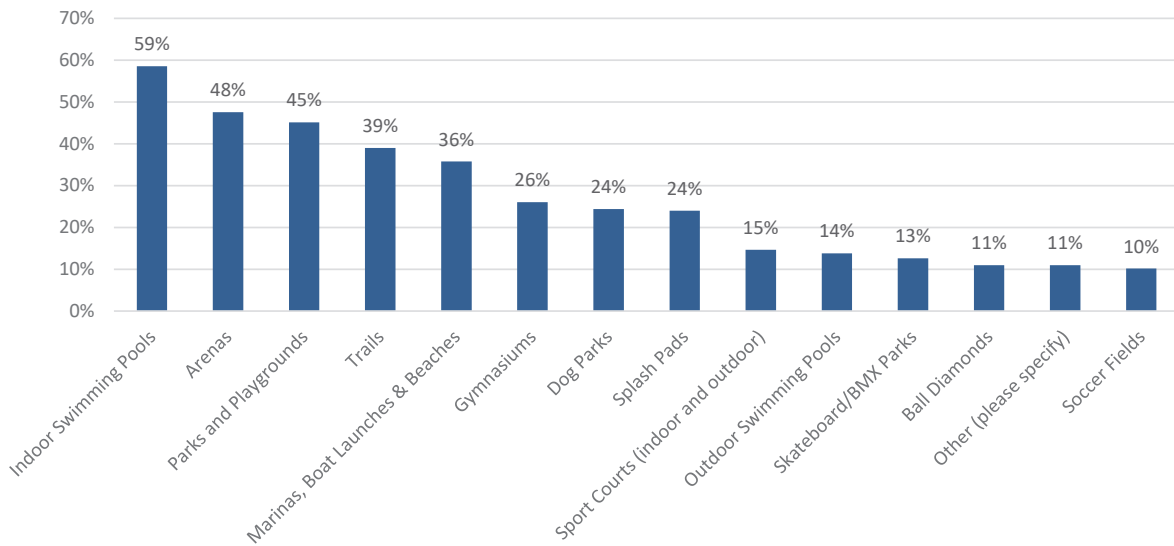
75% of respondents who answered (n=335) indicated that they do travel outside of South Stormont to use recreational facilities.

Do you and/or family members travel outside of South Stormont to use recreational facilities?



The top 5 recreational facilities residents of South Stormont travelled to use were indoor swimming pools, arenas, parks and playgrounds, trails, and marinas and boat launches, followed by gymnasiums, dog parks and splashpads. These results align with the identified additional facility needs in the previous questions.

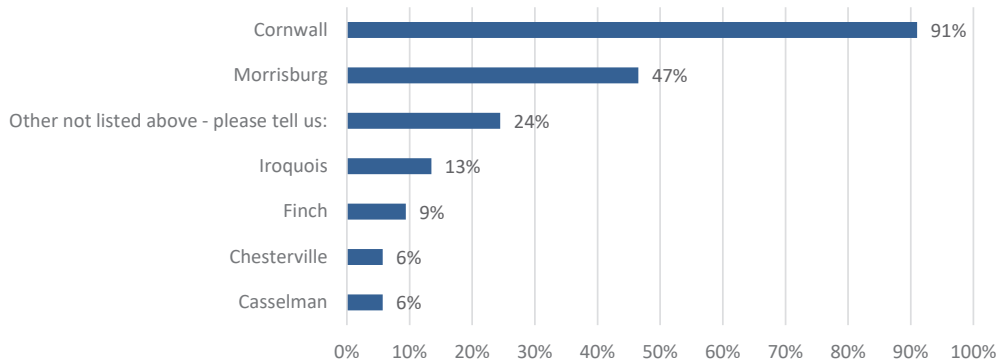
Which types of recreational facilities do you use the most outside of South Stormont?



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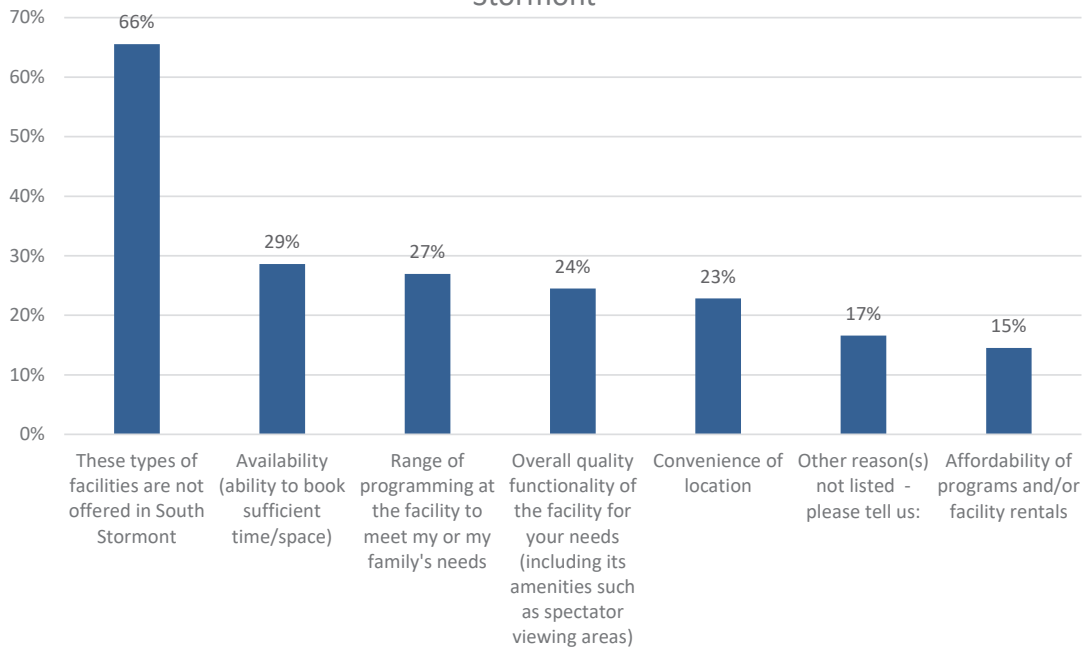
As the exhibits below show, most respondents travelled to Cornwall (91%) or Morrisburg (47%) to use recreational facilities outside of South Stormont. From the ‘Other not listed category’ the most commonly travelled to locations were Ottawa and Brockville.

Please let us know where you travel to use recreation facilities



The most common reason for using recreation facilities outside of South Stormont is the lack of these types of facilities in the Township (66%).

Please tell us why you use recreation facilities outside of South Stormont

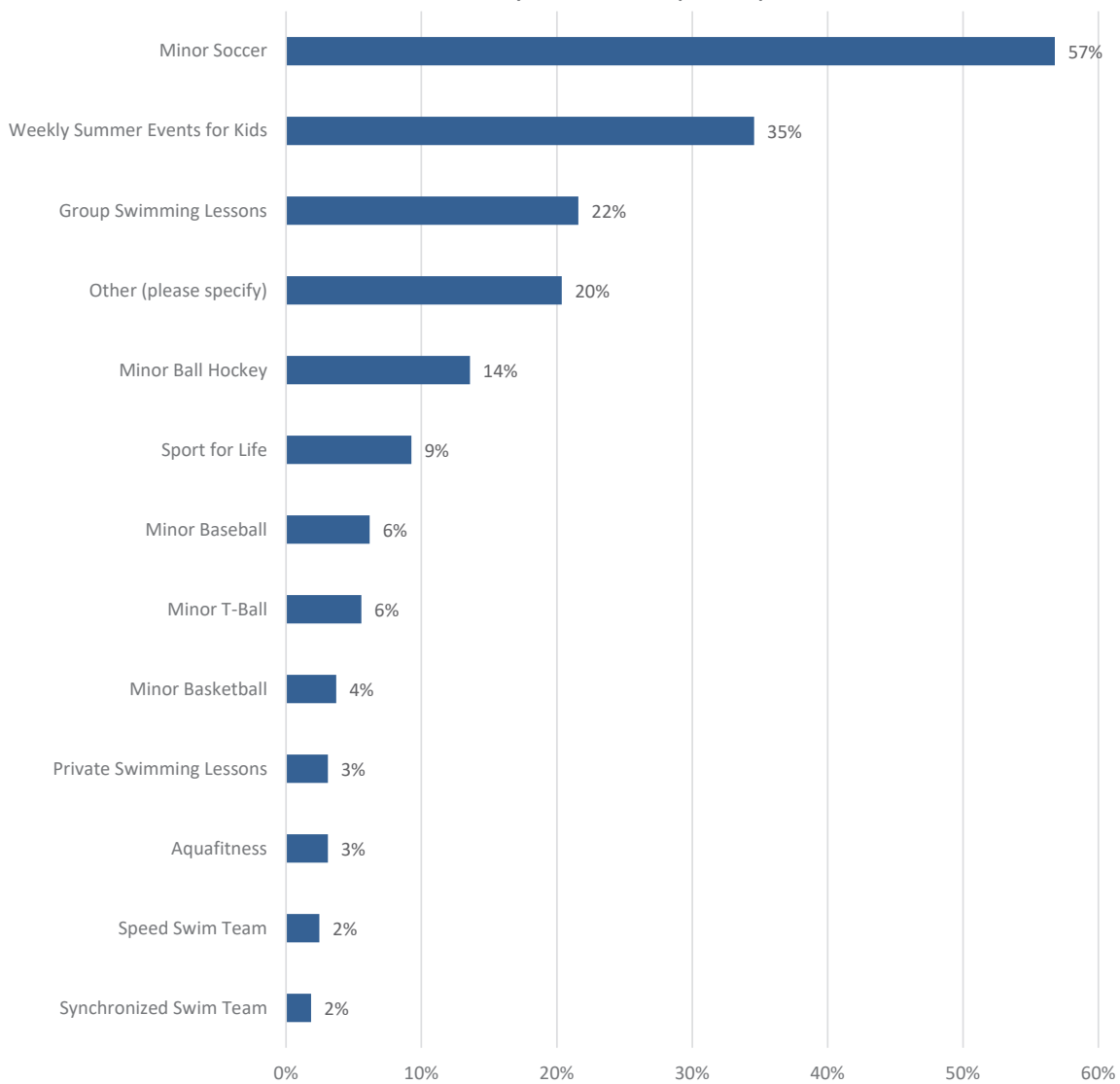


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7. Programming and Service Delivery

36% of respondents (n=162) identified that they had participated in Township-run recreation programs. Minor Soccer (57%) was the most common by a large margin, followed by weekly summer events for kids (35%), and group swimming lessons (22%). Taking all swimming programs together (Group swimming lessons, private swimming lessons, aquafitness, speed swim team, synchronized swim team) these programs were the second most popular (37%, n=52).

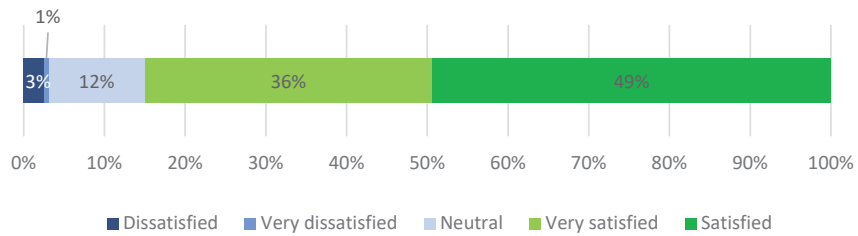
Which type of recreation programs run by South Stormont did you and/or a family members participate in?



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The majority of respondents (n=160) indicated they were ‘satisfied’ or very ‘satisfied’ with the recreation programs delivered by the Township.

Recreation Program Satisfaction

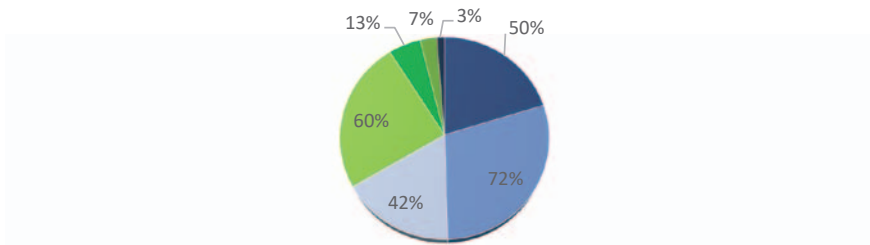


Areas identified by respondents for improvement include:

- More variety in youth summer program activities
- Access in terms of availability of programs at different times could be improved (summer programming after work hours was not available for some)
- Soccer program is in need of more organization and direction, as well as guidance for coaches and referees

Respondents (n=167) indicated that printed community guides were the most effective means of communicating with 72% (n=120), followed by social media (60%, n=100), word of mouth (50%, n=83), and website (42%, n=70).

How do you learn about South Stormont recreation programs and activities?



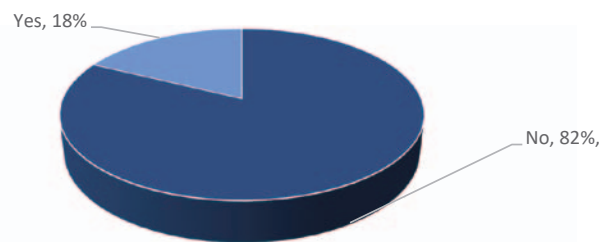
- Word of mouth
- Printed Community Guide
- Website
- Social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter)
- Signage, banners or other print advertising
- Local media coverage
- Other (please specify)



7.1 Barriers to Participation

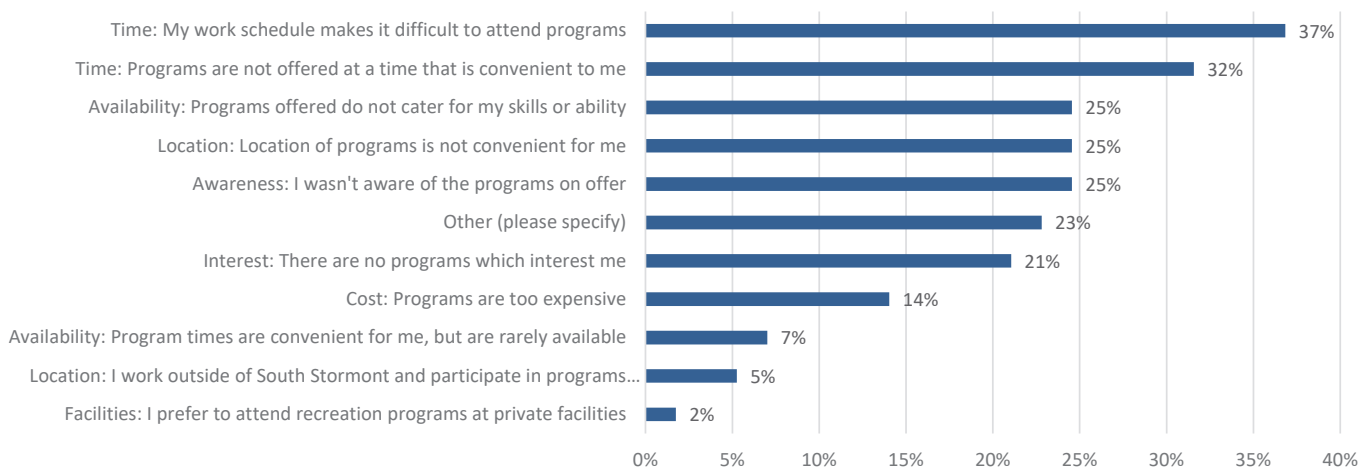
Most respondents (n=333) indicated that they did not experience any barriers to participation in recreation programs with 82% (n=274) selecting yes, and 18% selecting no (n=59).

In general are there any barriers limiting you/your family's participation in recreation programs?



Of those that indicated they did experience barriers (n=57), the most common barriers were timing related with work schedule making it difficult to attend (37%, n=21), and programs not offered at a convenient time (32%, n=18). Programs that catered to respondents' skills, location of programs, and awareness of programming were also common barriers at 25% each. For those that selected other (23%, n=13), being to old or to young to participate in programs is a barrier, and not enough programming for adults. Accessibility for special needs and older adults was also identified as a barrier.

What are the barriers limiting participation in recreation programs in South Stormont?

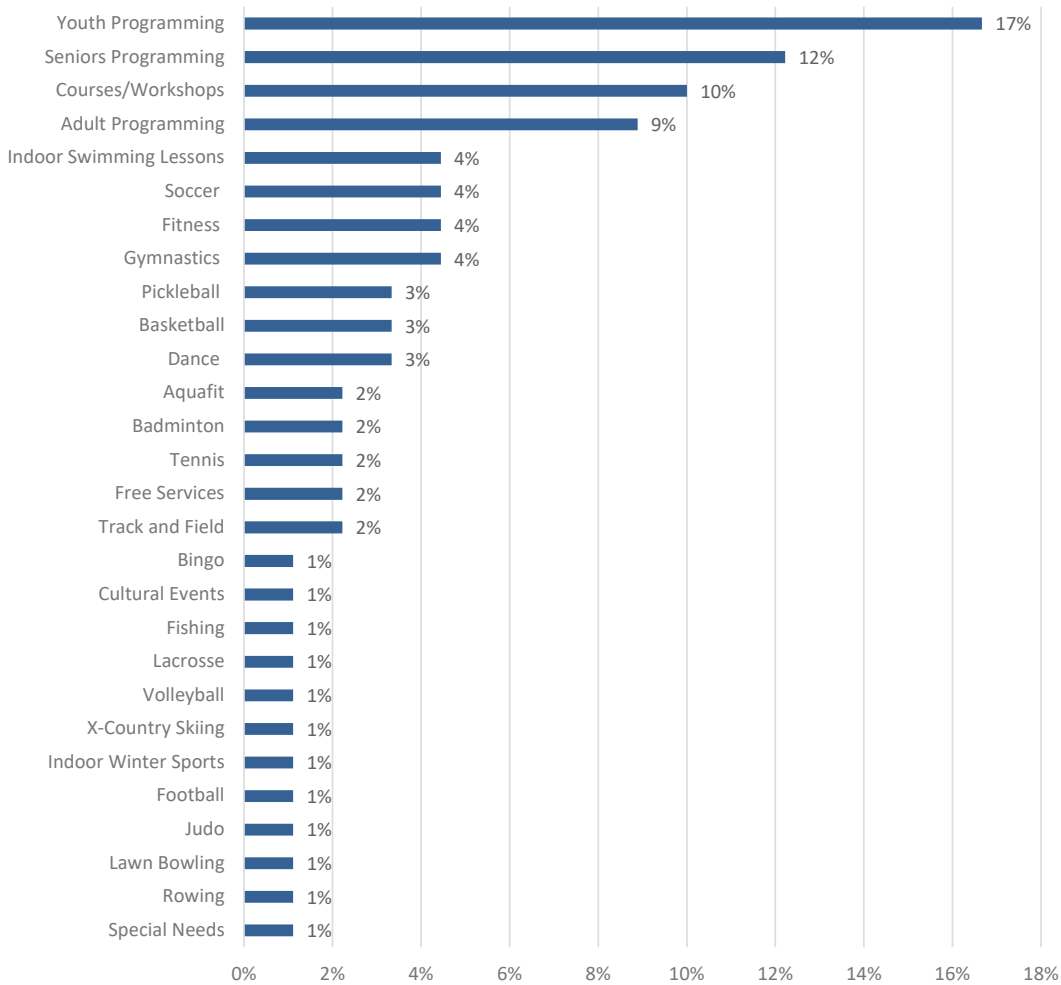


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7.2 Additional Programming Needs

Respondents (n=94) had a wide variety of suggestions when asked if there are additional programs they would like to see offered in South Stormont. A common theme that emerged was the need for more programs that catered to a wider range of age categories such as adults, young adults and people that work during the day, reiterating some of the barriers to participation indicated above. Some respondents said they must drive to Cornwall or South Dundas to find teams for their teenage kids. Specifically, respondents expressed the need for more baseball, soccer, and basketball teams for ages 7+ and young adults. Youth broomball, badminton and tennis were also suggested, as well as having free time or access to free equipment at recreation centres for youth and adults to practice and play pick-up games.

Are there additional programs you would like to see offered in South Stormont



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Respondents also suggested more courses and workshops for all ages such as arts, crafts and skills workshops, outdoor education, and hobby courses. Specific suggestions include:

- Natural heritage education
- Woodworking
- Cooking
- Sewing
- Kite making and flying
- Coding
- Science courses
- Book clubs
- Job Skills (First AID/CPR, Smart Serve)
- Photography
- Pottery
- Bike Safety

Additional programming suggestions specific to adults included:

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Dance
- Fitness

Respondents also indicated the need for more seniors programming and activities in general. Specific suggestions include:

- Indoor walking
- Fitness
- Curling
- Aquafit
- Crafts and hobby courses

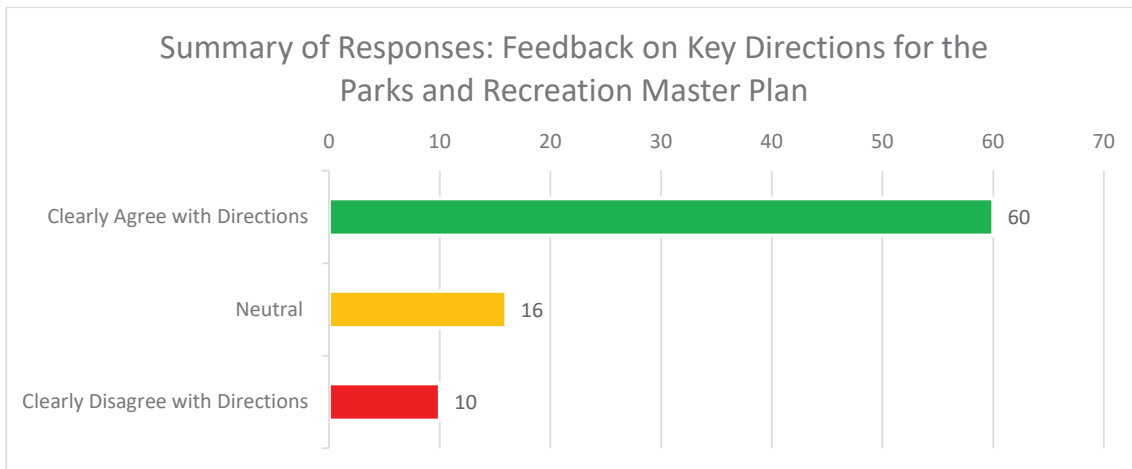
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The following provides details of the responses received through the online feedback form related to the key directions presented for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and the Waterfront Plan for the Township of South Stormont. A total of 96 respondents submitted their feedback using the online survey tool, available from May 19 to June 5, 2020.

While many of the questions were open-ended, an effort to quantify the results of these questions has been made. In addition to the responses received to each open-ended question, a chart showing the agreement or disagreement with the key directions or concepts is provided, the results of which were manually categorized by the Consulting Team. Those responses categorized as 'Neutral' did not expressly say they were either in agreement or not in agreement with the directions proposed.

It should be noted that the responses have been edited for spelling and grammatical errors and any personal information provided by the respondents has been removed.

Question 1: Are you in agreement with the key directions proposed for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan? Are any changes needed? Please provide your comments below:



Responses Received:

- Priorities are required. I love the extension of the bike path along Hwy. 2 from Ingleside to Long Sault. A hall in Ingleside is very needed. Continued discussions with UCDSB for further use of the Lancer Centre is desired.
- Start the Longue Sault and Ingleside areas first. Need better parking and canoe and kayak launch facilities in Ingleside immediately.
- NO

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- Yes, I agree with the key directions. I think it is most important to focus on the waterfront development for the local communities, as well as to boost tourism in South Stormont.
- Yes, I am in agreement.
- Yes, but is it attainable? Funding projects of this scale would be difficult given the size of the community.
- Not in agreement. We are again destroying our natural eco systems...that provides us with oxygen, cleaning our air. Destroying habitats for so many animals - we already have deer on main streets in Ingleside because we are destroying the forest for solar farms and home. Why do we always have to change what we have? People drive to our area for the natural beauty. Don't fix what doesn't need to be fixed.
- I think its stupid to get rid of our beautiful waterfront property just to satisfy other peoples views I've lived her for 15 years and love the way Ingleside is the way it is.
- Yes, I think those are excellent directions.
- I am in agreement.
- Love all the plans, especially the boardwalk.
- Yes.
- I am only in agreement with the indoor facilities for the village of Ingleside. However, expanding the bike path and trail along the village of Ingleside will inevitably cost us our beautiful old pines along the river along with songbird habitat. Please try and keep all building north of Hwy 2.
- Yes! I would like to see more trees planted in the open spaces.
- I agree with the key directions proposed.
- Let's take "action" sooner rather than later for the off-leash dog park, not just "investigate options".
- Yes
- I am in agreement with the key directions proposed for the parks and recreation master plans. The only changes needed are that our trees and waterfront ecosystems are extremely important to the local area and the overall health of our environment. We already have so little green space available for wildlife, vegetation, and proper undisturbed ecosystems. The development should investigate other options in order to not adversely effect the limited trees and ecosystems present.
- Not in agreement. People choose Ingleside for its natural, undeveloped look. leave it for nature. We have an unused visitor centre at the bird sanctuary, we have a community centre already not used, we have green space in front of the mall unused. why not enhance the songbird habitat, the pines need to be left alone, residents already complain about basic critters being in view and wandering into their yards, we already have a lack of bush, trees, and habitat for a healthy ecosystem. Your plan is overdeveloped, basic and generic - its the same as everywhere else. How about being different, progressive and visionary think about what it will look like in 5, 10, 50 years from now - be forward thinking, land stewards vs developers.
- No. I don't agree with any of them. Keep the buildings IN THE TOWN. Leave the natural riverfront alone for the wildlife. People come to Ingleside to walk the bike path because it

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is kept pristine and natural. We NEED our trees for oxygen, we need our shrubs for the songbirds. PLEASE leave the ONLY NATURAL wildlife we have in Ingleside alone.

- No. I am not in agreement. Keep the waterfront how it is. Natural. Leave it for the wildlife and the people. Build in the town, build where buildings are. The walking path is perfect the way it is. People come to Ingleside to walk the path because its left untouched and within nature. Building down there will result in wildlife heading into people's backyards like they already are and that's very very bad. Ingleside is losing its nature areas. Leave it be.
- If only these great plans had been put forth several years ago. We really missed the boat compared to, say Morrisburg. But, never too late to get started.
- I love the concept! I would suggest including a "cultural" space that could be used for outdoor concerts, plays, etc.
- Not in agreement with off leash dog park. Everything else yes.
- Yes
- Yes
- Yes
- Love these ideas! I hope to see these plans a reality.
- No. It needs to be more robust with bigger ideas. This isn't a master plan. It's a master maintenance plan.
- I agree.
- Yes I agree, would like to prioritize the expansion of the multi-use pathway along County Road 2 between Ingleside and Long Sault.
- Add a second ice pad. The current one is constantly booked and does not allow for additional rentals.
- I'm in agreement with all but one proposal. I disagree with the need it a dog park.
- I think the plan is excellent but perhaps a little too ambitious. A focus on the waterfront park areas at Ingleside, Long Sault, and Lakeview Heights is an excellent approach.
- Yes
- Yes I agree. I especially love the idea of the bike path across Hoople Bay bridge. This is necessary as it is a dangerous place to bike, especially when cars are parked on the bridge (fisherman).
- In agreement.
- Not pleased with the plans, leave our small beautiful community the way it is. Work to repair our parks and keep them the way they are
- Yes
- Great ideas, looking forward to the next phase.
- Yes
- Yes

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- No - Costs need to be kept extremely low as generations to come are going to be saddled with the current government debt levels (at all levels). Existing buildings need to be kept in working order only. No other taxpayer money should be spent on items 2-5 until the 94.85% of the South Stormont taxpayers receive mail outs or calls (synervoice) from the Township to allow them an opportunity to decide (democratic). Facebook is not a reliable news source. Most people rarely look at the Township website. Why was this not posted outside on the sign in front of the Township buildings, so daily South Stormont commuters could see it? Accountability at all levels of government is essential as the public trust is being eroded. Recommendation: Council provides Open Forums for all affected residents and personally invites them to the Meeting Room (taxpayers paid for it - How many taxpayers have seen it or know its purpose?) Having 5 people in a Consultation process out of 12000 is not acceptable. Who are the 5% who were allowed to weigh in on our Waterfront plan and why do people who do not live here cast votes on how we as residents choose to live?
- I am in complete agreement. This plan is ambitious and revolutionary. If we are able to achieve even 50% of what is planned, it will vault South Stormont into an even more desirable community than it already is.
- The proposed plans are excellent particularly in current times when families and tourists may consider vacationing close to home
- yes.
- Yes
- Yes
- In agreement with Master Plan.
- It was indicated crosswalks at Ingleside, they exist in Long Sault, now (great), but no mention of crosswalks at Lakeview park...Highway#2 very busy for residence of Lakeview to cross there. The multi-use path at the pinch point at Hoople Bay is not acceptable as planned, there should a separate pathway on the south side of the metal barrier (that runs along side the road).
- In total agreement.
- Yes
- I was very impressed by the plan!
- The key directions seem sound.
- Really like the idea of a multi use path between Ingleside and long sault as Highway 2 is too busy and the parkway can be closed.
- 1/ Continued maintenance of existing facilities.
 2/ Off leash dog park; survey from owners (through dog licence records) as to where and how big.
 3/ New roundabout at Ingleside not needed, traffic is not sufficiently dense to warrant the expenditure.
 4/ Proper beach facilities needed both at Ingleside and Long Sault.
 5/ Hoople Bay Park/recreation area not needed.
 6/ Cycle/multi use trail beside Highway 2 roadside would not be safe unless specific concrete barriers are installed, there is, at times, very high traffic.

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7/ The existing pathway along waterfront from Farran Park to Ingleside entrance to Long Sault parkway needs updating, i.e. widening, additional pathway to link up from Ingleside to Long Sault necessary to avoid having to enter and travel the length of Long Sault Parkway.

8/ Feasibility and survey for an indoor pool in village of Long Sault.

9/ With aging populations both in Long Sault and Ingleside more adult/older adult recreational and cultural activities.

10/ The possibility of public beach areas at both the entrances to Long Sault Parkway at Long Sault and Ingleside with accompanying boat launch facilities, dependent on water depths and/or modification of same, i.e. trenching, back filling with sand.

- Well researched plan, looking very good.

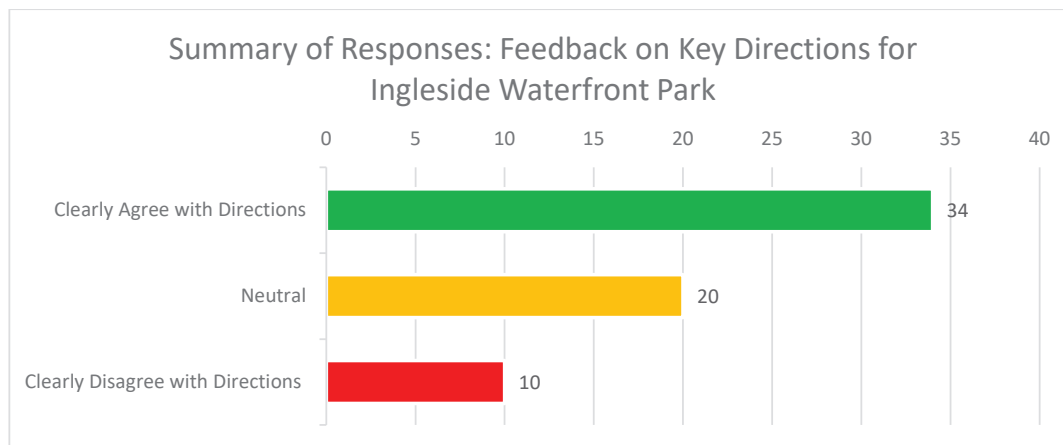
Q: Is the multi-use pathway from Ingleside to Long Sault along Hwy 2 shoulder really necessary, since we already have the Long Sault Pkwy, which is more scenic and safer?

- The presentation was flat and pretty boring. Try to engage people.
- Yes
- agree with the proposal
- Yes
- Other than the waterfront development plans I agree with the rest of the contents. I have not seen the SLPC as a real partner and am concerned about how much it is going to cost us to access this land. Without us getting ownership of the land we would be investing money into places that they can add fees to milk us for more.
- In agreement.
- I am in agreement.
- I love the proposed plan. Looks like you took our community feedback and truly listened.
- No, too much commercialization, takes away small-town living.
- Yes, I'm in agreement with the key directions proposed. Very good work! I'm pleased that off-leash dog parks are being considered.
- Yes, in general. I have some specific concerns and suggestions with respect to the use and development of waterfront lands.
- Yes
- As a resident of St. Andrews West, would like to ensure that consideration of existing facilities is recognized. Frequent user of the recreation path.
- Yes I agree.
- I am in agreement; I would have liked to see more specific timelines in relation the parks and playground development. Families with young children are hopeful that this may be something of concern sooner than later, especially in Long Sault where the population of young families is growing, but parks appropriate for young children are sparse.
- Fully support the plan.
- Yes

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- I believe the best recreation investment is in outdoor facilities with relatively low cost for development and maintenance. Recreation/transportation pathways for cycling, walking, etcetera, water access for manually propelled watercraft, dog walking or off leash areas, and outdoor winter activities including snowshoeing, cross country skiing and skating. Possibly one refrigerated outdoor rink. These are all relatively high use at low cost.
- Yes
- Multiuse pathway=excellent. Reviewing neighbourhood park changing needs=excellent. Can we have toilet facilities for Ingleside area pls.
- Agreed but maybe we don't need to double dog parks have 1 between both Long Sault & Ingleside halfway between maybe at or around Hoople area?
- Agree with all but the dog park. There are places available in the area for this already.
- Wonderful ideas. Would love to see community gardens in Ingleside as well.
- yes, I am in agreement.
- Yes. I would suggest re-allocating funding as well as a resident who lives near the park behind Piercy St, this is a poor use of space. It is awkward and unclear how to access the park and it is so isolated that children cannot go and play on their own. There is a lot of unused space.
- You need to further investigate off leash dog parks. They are a cause of injuries, left behind dog feces, and disease. Many breeders insist that their puppies never be allowed in them.
- Definitely agree with the dog park.
- As long as equal amount of effort is put into following through with the 5 key directions... I am in agreement.
- Yes I am in agreement

Question 2: Please share any thoughts you have about the proposed Concept Demonstration Plan for Ingleside Waterfront Park.



Responses Received:

- Brilliant.
- Given the seasonal market buildings identified here, will the seasonal market cease to exist in Long Sault? The buildings are a great idea for this space, but I hope that the market will also continue in Long Sault. There isn't a supermarket in Long Sault so the seasonal farmers market is important for the village.
- Start with parking and watercraft launch area, improve picnic area in launch area.
- I love the plans; I would like to see more information on what a waterfront centre would consist of. Possibly combining this with the seasonal market buildings would be more feasible. I think this plan is missing more for families, and I would like to see a park area here as well.
- I really like the idea of the waterfront centre. They have one at Kitsilano beach in Vancouver and it gets a lot of use. I also really like the idea of seasonal market buildings, its a great way to support local vendors. I do not like the idea of a faux beach; I feel like it would be overrun by out of towners. I love the idea of a Boardwalk because it keeps people off of the grass. There are a lot of animals that live around the water and the boardwalk would be good to keep people in one place. Not really into the public art. Let's try and keep it as much as a natural green space as possible.
- It looks good. However, in the past there was being considerable push back in the community anytime a roundabout is suggested. Could a different entrance be possible and equally as functional? The biggest thing people want is easy access to the water, places to sit and see the views.
- The "beach" is not a beach. it fits three people. We don't need more pavement...we need more trees.
- I don't think any of it should be done because people are greedy, and we don't need this in our little town.
- Love the idea of the seasonal market building, would be great draw to the area. Would also love to see development take place in the #13 areas.
- I would suggest having unique park features. i.e.: pump track, outdoor rock-climbing wall/ bouldering wall, outdoor/indoor archery range with rental. Wakeboard cable park. Unique features would help differentiate these parks from other cities, standard park features (benches, kids play structures...) It would attract more people to come to these parks, increase tourism and desire to move here.
- I look at this and am both saddened and outraged. Why are we going to destroy nature...old pines and shrubs and small trees that house so many songbirds...where will they go? Other countries, towns, cities are trying to get their natural eco systems back and we in South Stormont are set on destroying our beautiful natural waterfront for cosmetic nonsense. I use the bike path almost on a daily basis for walking, cycling, bird watching or just for quiet mediation down by the river...People come from Montreal, Ottawa and closer communities to do the same. We will not be able to watch birds as they will be gone...it will be a noisy plastic mess.
- The plan looks amazing. It would add to the town of Ingleside.
- I think this is an amazing plan.

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- The only changes needed are that our trees and waterfront ecosystems are extremely important to the local area and the overall health of our environment. We already have so little green space available for wildlife, vegetation, and proper undisturbed ecosystems. The development should investigate other options to not adversely effect the limited trees and ecosystems present.
- its really overkill, considering our community needs more greenspace.
- Put all the buildings and roads north of Hwy 2. The plans are UNBELIEVABLY RIDICULOUS. Everywhere else in the world people are trying to bring back the natural ecosystem. Here your plan is to CUT and remove ALL the small amount of green space in our small town rather using the free space north of Hwy 2.
- My thoughts? We lose our wildlife, Our trees, Our nature. Please leave our beautiful waterfront alone. Put the buildings and activities in the town.
- Get started, no matter how much can be done now.
- I love that natural spaces have been included.
- I think it is awesome that the town of Ingleside will have a waterfront area. I love that it has the potential to be used by the schools, locals, and visitors.
- I really like the proposed plan, a little concerned about the two crosswalks in this plan.
- It looks nice although you can consider charging access to non-residents of SDG.
- Intriguing & interesting.
- This looks like a great plan. If there can be some revenue from the market to offset the cost of maintenance at this park that would certainly help get the park built.
- Would look nice.
- Terrific.
- Leave it the way it is.
- I believe this plan is perfect. It will be great to have a market in our community.
- Great idea
- I love the kayak put in and would like a spot somewhere to store them for the summer. Great idea for a market area - income from vendors, more visitors. Tourism opportunity will invite people to our community
- I am opposed to this plan. As an Ingleside resident for twenty years and a landscape designer (University of Guelph) for longer than that:
 - 1) Faux beach is a ridiculous idea. Put sand along the shoreline like in Morrisburg and let families gather and children play in real sand along the entire shoreline.
 - 2) There is no need to cut down the existing healthy trees. A general tidying, like Mr. Konink has done along the shoreline, respecting nature, greenspace, and the integrity of the land and waterfront (less is more) is less costly and all residents would continue to have an unobstructed view of the river.
 - 3) A Waterfront Centre can be accomplished without a building. As in previous summers, we gather for Movies in the Park, the greenspace where the proposed centre would be is

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enough to accommodate people while respecting ecosystems and the river would provide a beautiful backdrop. The natural slope of the land can accommodate this at very low cost. Ruining greenspace with pavement is absurd, especially when parking lots are placed where lawn can be. Parking lots should be placed along the edges (N, W, E) to allow people an opportunity to navigate through paths to see nature not another commercial area.

4) Affordability - this plan is not affordable. A simplistic green-focused design with access to water and a beach area like in Morrisburg would be much cheaper and affordable to maintain. The medians in Long Sault look like hell. No plans are ever factored in for maintenance.

It seems bizarre that all of the beautiful gardens at Upper Canada Village were removed due to expense and now taxpayer money is being spent on these elaborate plans without the majority of taxpayers being aware or even contributing ideas (shows lack of respect) that satisfy their individual communities. The government debt levels are too high to take on more expense.

5) This design is not compatible with the true needs of our small, quaint, quiet community. If you are trying to attract more people, be sure that you consider the noise issues that are a major problem when city dwellers from both Montreal and Ottawa invade the public parks and campgrounds with their loud music, large groups, and their garbage strewn everywhere. There are an endless array of factors to consider from an Ingleside resident who lives here full-time and who thoughtfully considers the reason why people choose to live here. If someone from Toronto thinks he/she knows what we want, then he/she should live here, work here, socialise here, and truly understand the wonderful businesses and residents here.

No thanks to the landscaping, let nature win. Roundabouts have been utilised in Britain and Australia since roads were installed and they make perfect sense from an environmental perspective. FYI - Their roundabouts are not landscaped with anything other than grass, hardscaping, or a combination thereof with minimalistic planting because they understand the demands of plant maintenance.

- My first concern is maintenance. Will there be a plan in place to employ the necessary workers to maintain the beach (from goose droppings), and the maintain the cleanliness and general order of this area? The outdoor fire pit concept for the Long Sault park should also be added to the Ingleside park as well!

Has lighting for evening use been considered for this park (and Long Sault)?

From a community standpoint, I think it is an ambitious, yet outstanding plan! I hope to see this come to fruition.

- Development of waterfront boardwalks and walking/biking trails is imperative if we want to encourage tourism and future residential development
- I notice that earlier in the presentation you talk about cultural development. an open-air amphitheatre for summer concerts and plays would be a welcome addition. It would also provide a venue for local artists groups/bands and emerging artists to showcase their art free or in a pass-the-hat mode in order to obtain more exposure.

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- Great
- To have lunch and a beer with out of town visitors we need to drive to Blue Anchor in Glen Walter on the east or to Chrysler Marina to the west. Either Ingleside or Long Sault NEED a commercial space for a restaurant and bar along the waterfront...not near the waterfront but right on the waterfront overlooking the water. This would be a significant tourism draw provided it has appropriate signage to draw attention to the location.

LOVE the terraced seating idea.

Ensure enough trees for picnic areas. Seems to be more trees over walkways. Also consider off leash area in this park.

- Again, (always comes up in these plans) working with the SLPC will be a BIG issue. We have parks within the Hamlets of Ingleside, Long Sault...maybe they should be planned with some similar ideas?
- Hope they have at least one crosswalk with lights so I can get across busy highway with bike or kayak.
- It's a good idea to have a better trail system between Farran Park and Long Sault, but why not improve the current trail instead? The only part that really needs to follow the Highway is in front of the Parkway because that's the dangerous part, and no one wants that big bike detour through the Parkway. But in Ingleside it should stay further from the residential First Nature 3090 32 OZ Hummingbird Feeder. Don't block our view of the River! Also, how about noise or light pollution with increased evening activities? There are already so many trees taken down north of town with the new construction and solar farm, which increased highway noise. Plant trees there, not in front of our view
- It needs toilets or Big out-houses made of cedar.
- I like the idea of this park and better use of that land and mini beach we already use. I am concerned about the type of trees that will be used along the Highway 2 multi-use path. We live on that stretch of road close to this development plan and enjoy our river view. I do not want to lose our view. I also want to make sure there will be noise curfews, so we won't be disturbed by noise, music or parties late into the night. We moved here for the view and the quietness of the town -- if this becomes a busy hub it will seriously impact our enjoyment of our own property.
- Demonstration plan is much too ambitious given number of residents, more usage might only occur through tourism/campers and then only in the summer months. As previously already commented on, the round-about is unnecessary and not cost-effective given traffic volume and an entrance to a proposed park space would still not warrant the cost.
- I have detailed series of proposals for this area, especially regarding the canoe/kayak launch area and 'tourist opportunity' features nearby.
- It's very typical. If you want success do something unique.
- I think this is a good idea, but not to be considered the first priority.
- It looks wonderful with many uses for local residents and tourist.
- looks good, too bad 60 years have gone by and little to nothing done.
- Put the buildings and market spaces closer to the mall area in town and leave the waterfront more natural.

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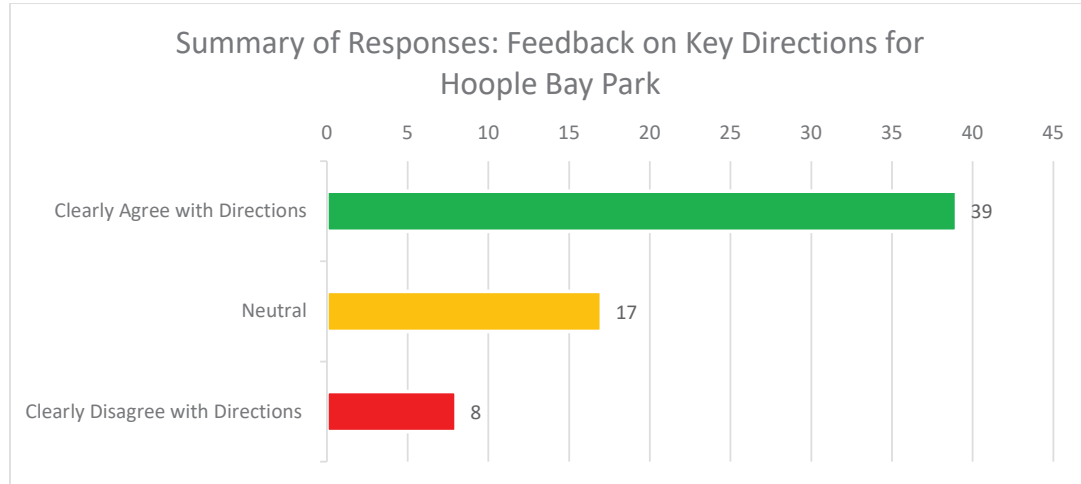
- I think its a great idea.
- Larger boardwalk.
- Looks great.
- Who will maintain & cost? You can't just build things for building them gets run down quickly if no upkeep.
- Ingleside Park's design is great! I would enjoy going to that park.
- The kayak/canoe launch and dock is an excellent idea, and builds on current use as such at the site.

The "curvy" concept obliterates remaining evidence of the small pre-Seaway fields running to the river's edge, and compromises significant wildlife habitat. I would suggest working within the existing small-fields lay of the land, and integrate a community orchard and garden within it (as more in keeping with the land's historical use).

My view is that many of the objectives here can be reached within the existing landscape, rather than obliterating it (the waterfront has had enough of that over the years!).

- Impressed with the discussion around of the off-leash dog park, as well as the waterfront trail.
 - No
 - Love it
 - If this is going to cost local residents \$\$\$ to use then don't bother, it's already bad enough we can't use the LSP unless we pay a fee which was never it's intent when building for the seaway. The LSP is a mess in the visitor season mostly from the visitors from Quebec who have no concept of respect for property, but then again if it wasn't for Quebec Visitors there wouldn't be a LSP as most people (I know) wouldn't use it during tourist season, simply far too expensive for passes and camping.
 - Excellent.
 - Love it.
 - Pls have lots of benches + single seats with & without shading; lots of trees & picnic tables + dedicated cycle lanes & walking/running lanes.
 - I enjoy the use of the space for the community.
 - This is great- a currently wasted space with a lot of potential!
 - Looks great. Traffic volumes may not warrant it but look at implementing another roundabout at westernmost park entrance also. At very least, drastic traffic calming is required to allow ped/cycle crossing CR2 into the park. Possibly look at prohibiting that section of Bank Street completely to vehicular traffic?
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Question 3: What do think about the proposed Concept Demonstration Plan for Hoople Bay Park?



Responses Received:

- Brilliant but concerned on water levels for boat launch.
- Good use of space.
- Would the Township receive revenue for fishing huts. Would not like to think that the township would improve this area and a private operator reap all the financial benefits.
- Like this idea, it would get the cars off County Road 2. It is an extremely popular spot especially in the winter, and I think this plan could take advantage of that and make it more of a tourist draw.
- I like that this one appeals more to the locals. It looks like a nice quiet getaway for people who live in the area.

I love the idea of walking trails and the boardwalk. These are great ways for people to see and feel close to nature without too much disruption.

The fish cleaning station would be a great idea for this area as there are so many people who would use this. We should promote ice fishing here for sure.

- This is great! Can you provide detailed estimates as to the costs?
- The parkway has enough beaches, places to bike, sit and walk. Another boat launch area maybe beneficial. They rent kayaks at the beach in long sault and that is sufficient. Leave the parkway open all year so people can ski, snowshoe and walk. charge an entrance fee.
- Its a spot where I have went fishing for years and I don't want that to go away by putting the park in.
- This is great! I would also suggest unique features such as a boarded mountain bike course. The water is also deep enough to accommodate a wakeboard cable system. A

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definite tourism attraction. Perhaps zip line, tree to tree courses. Also, an obstacle course (spartan race/mud hero style).

- It's great that something is being done with the area.
- I live in Ingleside and already I am too upset to comment on the other proposed plans. You cannot improve on nature...just let it alone, perhaps with simple nature paths, period.
- I have never used the Hoople Creek area. Any improvements to provide parking, trails and hiking would be welcome.
- I'm indifferent to this plan. It doesn't interest me.
- The only changes needed are that our trees and waterfront ecosystems are extremely important to the local area and the overall health of our environment. We already have so little green space available for wildlife, vegetation, and proper undisturbed ecosystems. The development should investigate other options to not adversely effect the limited trees and ecosystems present.
- not a priority, especially considering you have no control over water levels. welcome to a mud view vs water view?
- Why bother.
- As long as the ice fishing will still be a part, it is a great area to improve.
- Love that there are walking trails as well as a place to put in my kayak!
- Having a boat launch at Hoople Bay is an awesome idea. That area is primarily used for fishing all season long. Having a safe way for people to access the water is great.
- Tourists and local residents and users of the multi-use path would definitely enjoy this area.
- Love it.
- This is a nice realistic proposal. I like the approach of maintaining the natural environment.
- Love trails. We own a canoe. Great ideas.
- Don't agree with the bicycle lane along side the highway, cyclists can bike through the parkway
- I think this plan is a great idea! I especially support the boat launch!
- Water levels for a boat launch in this area must be addressed.
- Lots of fishing at Hoople Creek, love the cleaning station!
- I like it.
- I am opposed to this plan. This is a mosquito infested area. Have the local fishermen who frequent this area to fish quietly been consulted? Also, the water levels are so low as a result of improper government oversight that the fish and birds are dying. The boat traffic area will pollute the water and kill wildlife and vegetation. This wildlife sanctuary should be left undisturbed. There is a marina in Long Sault that would serve this purpose if people are willing to work together with local business owners.

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- Is there a plan in place to ensure proper safety of traffic in and out of this proposed park? Look to the Bird Sanctuary for boardwalk construction. As a Vin Vista resident, this looks outstanding and I look forward to enjoying these trails.
- Any development along the waterfront which includes providing easy access to the water is a great idea
- Probably insufficient parking in area 5 for patrons wishing to use the boardwalk. The fish cleaning station is a nice idea, but will this attract unwanted wildlife such as vermin and seagulls?
- Looks good.
- Good.
- Check water level at boat launch...may need to dredge to provide reliable level of water for launchings...water levels here fluctuate greatly BUT boat launch is an absolute necessity.

Will the cycling rest stop have washrooms.

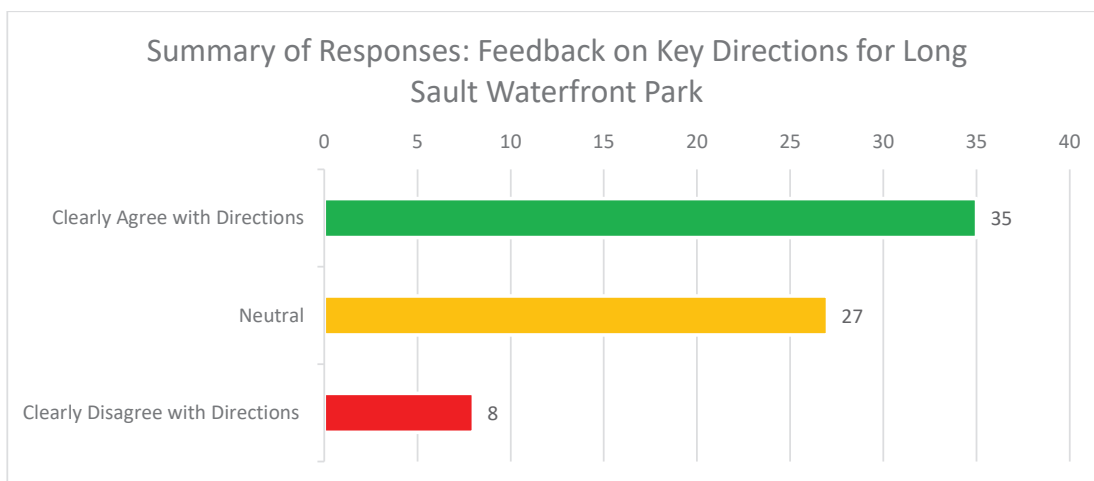
Love this park idea.

- Expanding what is already there, but not liking the idea of a parking lot in which trees will have to be sacrificed - not a good solution.
- Looks great.
- A nice natural spot for anglers.
- Great idea!
- I love the idea! I would be curious about what will be done with the fish waste from the fish cleaning area.
- Hoople Bay Park is unneeded and wasteful of financial resources and taxpayer dollars to maintain in the long term.
- Looking good; I'm glad you don't plan to over-develop it. Leave something for nature.
- It is also a good concept, not a priority.
- Love the idea of another small area to observe nature.
- We definitely need a good boat launch for our area as the SLPC has no interest in providing anything other than very poor quality ones, again this has been way too long coming.
- Wonderful concept but on SLPC land what fees are we going to have to pay to access these facilities. How will this affect the ability for the fishermen to get their huts in and out, or what damage with them doing that have on these plans.
- I like it.
- As someone who loves the parkway this would be amazing as it would be great to have other areas to incorporate.
- Garbage.
- It's a good plan for that area. A lot of fishermen use the area & it's a good idea to keep it natural but still accessible by car.

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- An excellent idea that builds on current use of the site and that directly addresses one major concern--that of reduced boat access to the river along the waterfront. I would add that there are significant opportunities at this site for historical interpretation.
- Great multi use park. Multi use is important.
- Like the walking and cycle trail concept.
- Great.
- Looks awesome.
- Good.
- Very good.
- Love it.
- Pls see comments for Ingleside.
- Good area where both Ingleside & Long Sault wanting similar things maybe only 1 needed to share? i.e. Dog Park.
- Wonderful. Its a very much used area that needs development. Would be wonderful if there could be boat, kayak, canoe, boards and paddle boat rentals too.
- I had no idea this space was there so it is great to see it used but worried about the impact on the animals that currently live there and how this would impact their homes.
- Lovely idea.... ticks are a big problem in the parkway you know.
- OK... but with water levels almost unusable during most of the summer. May be futile to develop. Lower to bottom of list.

Question 4: Are you in agreement with the proposed Concept Demonstration Plan for Long Sault? Are any changes required? Please provide your comments below:



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Responses Received:

- Brilliant idea but what about the marina? The town could use info on that.
- The community gardens are great as is the off-leash dog park. Like the other plans, it is a good use of space. I just hope that the seasonal farmers market continues in Long Sault - as previously mentioned, there is not food store in Long Sault so the market is important. There is a large unused area; will that be for general use, i.e., sitting, playing, etc. - will it be maintained? will it be an open lawn area or naturalised area?

Could someone launch a canoe or kayak here? I would think so.

- Volleyball courts should be the last think constructed. Very low utilization in this area.
- Yes, this is an extremely busy area with a lot of potential. I think the plans are great and would draw tourists in.
- I do not like the faux beach idea. There is already a beach in Long Sault and I think adding one here would make it too crowded. I also do not like the fire pit idea. Seems like it would be hard to maintain and not easily shared.

Off leash fenced area would be great for this park. So many people in Long Sault are always out walking their dogs along the water.

I like the waterfront Pavilion; it would get people that much closer to the water.

Instead of the waterfront steps, I would suggest a boardwalk. A boardwalk is less devastating on the ecosystems and keeps the people along one path along the water, therefore not disrupting animals who live and nest along the water.

- It's very good, but a little too much. Scale it back a bit given the size of the community and lack of funding.
- This area is congested already especially in the summer. Again, add more greenery where people and bike, stop and picnic in the shade from the trees.
- I don't like any of the plans that are for Long Sault and i think it will be a downfall to the town
- Really like the Long Sault plan. Public boat launch is important, really like the idea of the sand volleyball courts that. I like that there seems to be a good mix of things for families to do, but also for young adults without children.
- I would suggest having unique park features. i.e.: pump track, outdoor rock-climbing wall/ bouldering wall, outdoor/indoor archery range with rental. Wakeboard cable park.

Unique features would help differentiate these parks from other cities, standard park features (benches, kids play structures). It would attract more people to come to these parks, increase tourism and desire to move here.

- We are within walking distance of the roundabouts in Long Sault. Additional development as proposed would be terrific for residents and visitors to enjoy the waterfront.
- This is nice.
- The only changes needed are that our trees and waterfront ecosystems are extremely important to the local area and the overall health of our environment. We already have so little green space available for wildlife, vegetation, and proper undisturbed ecosystems.

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The development should investigate other options in order to not adversely effect the limited trees and ecosystems present.

- Ridiculous, it should be left alone.
 - Leave it alone and leave our natural land.
 - The plan looks really good. What about the old marina?? Also suggest free passes for township persons & a day use fee for others.
 - This looks incredible!
 - I don't believe an entrance on the west side is necessary. It will only attract out of province visitors on the weekends, and once again we've lost our space. Why would anyone pay to go to the Parkway when they can picnic here for free.
 - Yes.
 - I have always dreamed of a day Long Sault would make use of the potential for a beautiful waterfront. I love this idea. I feel it will only add more to the already amazing town of Long Sault.
 - Why can there be no mixed-use commercial? Restaurants, bars, boardwalk etc?
 - Would like to see this plan implemented soon.
 - Love it.
 - I really like the public boat launch and the Pavilion for community events or outdoor concerts. I'm concerned about the costs and whether this park can actually get built. Consider in your recommendations how this park may be built in a phased approach so that at least some portions get built.
 - In agreement.
 - No, we are a small community and don't need all these bells and whistles. If you are looking for entertainment go to Cornwall to visit.
 - I am in agreement with this plan! I feel that this will help bring our community together. It creates a great way for new members to meet friends!
 - Additional boat dockage and marina would be more of a tourist attraction that just having a launching area.
 - Community gardens and off leash area are top priority.
 - Yes
 - The community of Long Sault needs to decide and be aware of this plan.
 - My concern would be maintenance of the grounds, in particular the beach areas and the fight to keep goose droppings off of them.
- Will there be lighting in the park for both Ingleside and Long Sault to ensure safety at night?
- An area with a bandshell east of the Long Sault entrance to the parkway and west of the nautical grill restaurant would encourage local artists and musicians and promote local tourism. We attract hundreds of people in that area for fireworks. I think it would be an

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ideal spot for small concerts. Research Kingston's Blues Fest which has remained a small but fantastic venue for years.

- Comments regarding the Ingleside Park are also appropriate here, although it might be harder to find a location minimizing background noise from Hwy 2. Perhaps the park amenity building (12) could be changed to a bandshell?
- Yes.
- Consider commercial opportunity for restaurant bar situation as outlined in the Ingleside comments we made. Pavilion would be excellent idea for this but we can see how it would also be a nice place for small entertainment...music, choir, children, etc.

Ingleside could do with community gardens as well.

Opportunities for music in both Ingleside and Long Sault.

Outdoor firepits need to be in Ingleside as well.

Love the central gathering area.

- SLPC property...council must have something hanging over the SLPC head?!
- Agree.
- Looks like a good growth plan where people already naturally gather- like on July 1st for fireworks. At least that spot is not in front of residences.
- Will the pavilion include washrooms?
- This looks like a good development project, located in an area already for public use and below stores, etc.
- Quite ambitious. I would have to see a proposed budget for this project. I would also like to see more information on the proposed park amenities building and waterfront pavilion, are both necessary or could one serve the purpose?
- The waterfront has been under-utilized for too long; it would be a great tourist attraction, especially in winter now that the Long Sault Parkway is gated. Adjacent commercial areas in Ingleside and Long Sault (restaurants, grocery store etc.) would benefit greatly.
- This is a very good concept and should be considered the first priority in the Township.
- Love it! I would be there all the time!
- Excellent.
- Agree that we need a boat launch some where and this seems like a good spot for one. Do not agree with putting so much development on somebody else's land.
- Absolutely.
- Play structure.
- I love that the land will finally be put to use. It is such a beautiful spot.
- South Stormont will never be happy until all the waterfront is covered with something, what no hotel? Amusement park? - that will be next. There is so little open space left, let's build a parking lot!

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- I live in Long Sault & I'm very happy with the imaginative design! Again, the off-leash dog park will be very appreciated. The road & boardwalk by the water will give us access to this beautiful area & I am looking forward to picnicking there. Great job!
- Major problems with this concept, the primary being that it opens up what is a green vista and landscape to too much vehicular traffic.

Again, I would advise against any measure that cuts off this waterfront view from the village--this view is a definite community asset (albeit an intangible one). The point with the pine trees is a longstanding attraction that is used casually by a number of different user groups, and must be left intact.

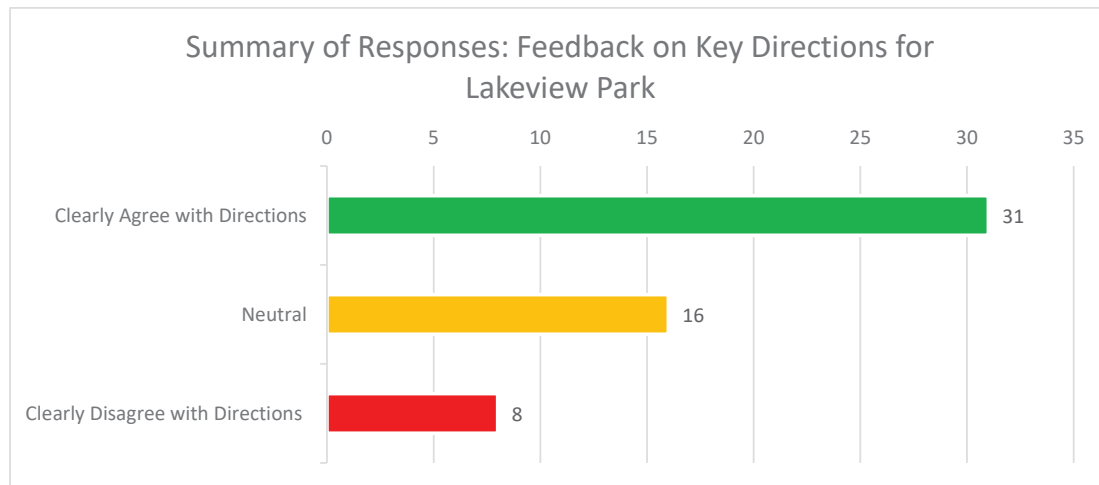
There are also opportunities for historical interpretation at this site.

- Trees and greenery! Focus on flowering, fruiting, possibly edible species that could be a draw in the spring (blooms) and provide edible food sources for both people and wildlife.
- The area invites large numbers of out of province visitors during the summer months so important to plan the area so as to intrigue the number of people involved.
- Yes, I agree, no changes required.
- Totally in agreement.
- Very Nice.
- Would be nice to include a museum there.
- Yes, I agree. No changes needed. Very good plan.
- I don't think the fire pits are necessary. Most people have bonfires at home. Could put charcoal grills in the picnic areas. Seadoo rentals and wakeboarding (via winch) would be interesting.
- Please see Ingleside comments. For all sitting areas please have lots of shading as sun is hotter every year; kids love splash pads.
- Yes.
- Washrooms year round, which means park will be open year round.
- Living in Long Sault I think this use of space is wonderful. My mom tells me stories of how this area was used so much more when she was young. It is nice to see it used. Also being a resident that lives very close to this area and having a very small yard this would be great for our children and ourselves. I like seeing lots of trees put in also.
- It would be great if the existing marina could be cleaned up or worked into the plan somehow. It has been an eyesore since its creation and has never taken advantage of the potential in its location. It will be further neglected with a municipal boat launch and facilities right beside it.
- We need a beach area that we do not have to pay to use.
- Where is this going to be? Have you considered the rights and needs of those living on Moulinette Island? We already have to put up with the noise and rudeness of people at the beach, especially those renting paddle boats. They come on our property and the police have to be called. We need some kind of supervision plan if you're going to open the area up to so-called tourists. We have come to dread the summer and this is not right!

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- Emulating Cornwall's "bandshell" and gathering area is great idea for both local population and nearby campers. Improvements to boat launch are long overdue. Dedicated area for seasonal "pop-up" businesses? Nice to see off-leash dog area too.
- I love it. Can we have playground for kids and Pump track for scooter?

Question 5: Please share any thoughts you may have about the proposed Concept Demonstration Plan for Lakeview Park.



Responses Received:

- Looks good. Will there be a crosswalk with lights to cross HWY 2 from Avonmore Rd or Lakeview Heights? It is not easy for pedestrians or cyclists to cross.
 Glad to see that there is a proposal to have a new, improved heritage signage.
 I would imagine that one could launch a canoe or kayak at the waterfront here.
- This should be the absolute last area to renew. Its in too close proximity to Long Sault. Replication is not necessary.
- Like the plans for this popular local spot.
- Love the lookout area here, a great idea. Also love the waterfront walk and the waterfront pavilion. I find this beach to be the locals best kept secret. I would love to see it made better, but not too big that it would attract people from out of town.
- Improving the beach area here would be fantastic!
- Ingleside and Long Sault already have a splash pad and playgrounds so why waste money on that. Outlook are would not be used. Bird Sanctuary has one and it is never used. With COVID-19 people are going back to nature and we must add to it, not tear it down to build a parking lot.
- I don't like the plans that have been made and I don't think they should be done.
- A great location that could use the enhancement of the beach area. This area is often used by people with dogs. This should be considered when planning this area and a

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determination if that should be permitted or not. Perhaps separate the area where dogs are permitted and where they are not.

- I would suggest having unique park features. i.e.: outdoor rock-climbing wall/ bouldering wall, Wakeboard cable park. Unique features would help differentiate these parks from other cities, standard park features (benches, kids play structures...) It would attract more people to come to these parks, increase tourism and desire to move here.
 - The washroom facilities and beach and parking area would make this park much more user friendly.
 - I like the idea of improving the beach. I think that should be the focus of this plan. There is limited beach along the St. Lawrence Seaway and this is a perfect spot.
 - The only changes needed are that our trees and waterfront ecosystems are extremely important to the local area and the overall health of our environment. We already have so little green space available for wildlife, vegetation, and proper undisturbed ecosystems. The development should investigate other options in order to not adversely effect the limited trees and ecosystems present.
 - RIDICULOUS, leave our ecosystems ALONE.
 - It could use some work, But not this plan.
 - This area is getting more use at present, and locals will soon be forced out by out of province as this is free, compared to SLPC. The plan is great. "Giterdun"
 - I would like to see a spot to put in canoes and kayaks. Otherwise, this is fabulous!
 - It seems to be a fairly busy spot in the summer. It will be nice for those living in Lakeview Heights to have an area within walking distance. It also gives others the option between ingleside, Long Sault and Lakeview. This would maybe help spread out overcrowding in each spot.
 - I think it would be good. I live across from it so it would be used by the neighbors daily.
 - Love it.
 - This is a very nice park design. Formalizing the parking is a good idea and some improvements to the beach would be very welcome. The path from the parking area to the beach is a great idea to help save the grass in this park.
 - Beach dog use area maybe.
 - Leave this land the way it is.
 - I think this is a great idea!
 - What's the plan to limit geese infiltration?
 - The cost of all of these plans for future generations on top of already out of control government debt is unreasonable.
 - Look to the Bird Sanctuary for proper boardwalk construction. They did the research for you!
- Looks awesome!

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- The idea to clean up the beach area is important. Many locals gather there in the summer. Our waterfront is a gem. Anything you can do to improve the sites and access to the St Lawrence River is commendable.
- Nice.
- Ingleside needs a pavilion too. Parking area is great idea.

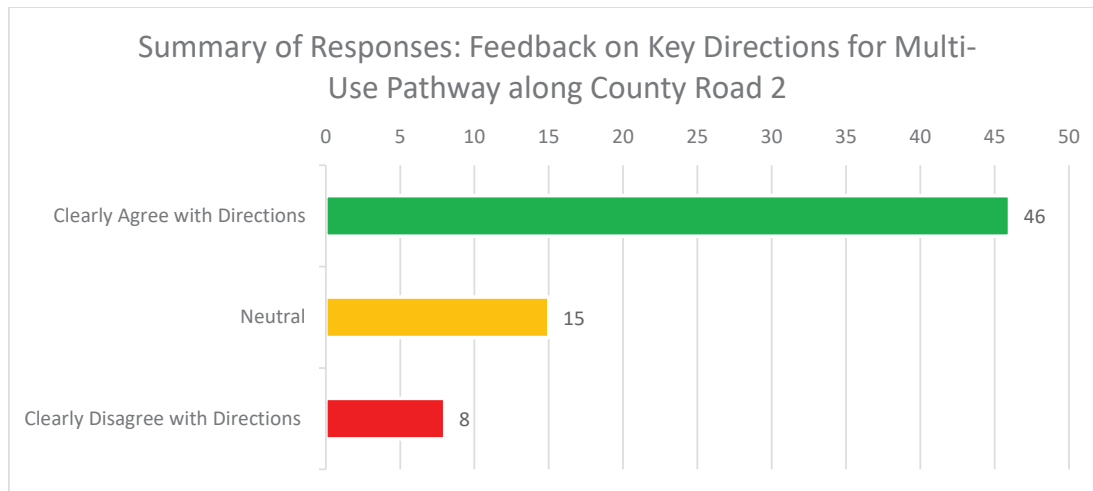
I always think this area is called Moulinette Park...and so do others. Need to revisit signage to 1) acknowledge past and 2) have appropriate signage to identify actual park name or change the name of the park to Moulinette.

- As previously stated, crosswalks needed.
- Certainly need the washroom in use whatever else you do.
- Looks Interesting.
- I like the idea of the playground!
- No waterfront pavilion, no splash pad, beach upgrade needed.
- About time we had good public washroom facilities in all three areas. The absence of public washrooms in the area is a big turn-off for visitors.
- This is a good concept; this is a busy area and well attended by local people as well as tourists.
- This is a better balance between natural and development than the other parks.
- Nice idea.
- Garbage.
- Lakeview Heights needs a good cleanup & I love the changes proposed.
- A good concept. Again, possibilities for historical interpretation are present at this site.
- Look out area provides interest and is appropriate.
- Great, no changes.
- Great plan.
- Good.
- Very good.
- Looks nice.
- Please see previous comments. Shade & water cooling off areas = greatly needed as sun is hotter every year. How can protect from ticks?
- We have pads both in Ingleside & Long Sault I don't believe anything needed here. Less is more as more chance of people destroying things as this area is isolated & are vulnerable to mischief.
- Washroom at beach to be updated and re opened.
- Looks great!

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- This area has really been in need of a clean up. I like the ideas and the use of what is already there.
- I thought that there was a water quality issue here.
- No comment.
- I love it. The playground is a must.

Question 6: What do you think about the proposed new Multi-use Path along the south side of County Road 2?



Responses Received:

- Looks ok and, from a safety aspect, is a great idea - it will alleviate cyclists from using HWY 2. The HWY is not wide enough for automobile and bicycle & foot traffic. Will the current path continue to exist in conjunction with the new path (it appears so in some of the concept plans)? Will the path be wide enough for both cyclists and pedestrians or runners going in the same direction? Sometimes this can be an issue and often to the dismay of the cyclists if the pedestrians or runners cannot move aside quickly enough.
- I feel this would be great. I think a dedicated space for cyclists is key, and it is not always feasible to go through the parkway and County Road 2 is extremely busy.
- YES! Great idea! It does not make sense for the waterfront trail to go onto the islands since the Parks do not have a sidewalk or bike path. This is a much better and safer idea.
- Good, but I have some safety concerns around the pinch points (Hoople Bay area)
- Yes, I love this idea...get people off the road and onto the path...great from a safety point of view. Add garbage cans since along the bike path you see a lot of water bottle and bar wrappers.
- It will get rid of a snowmobile trail that 1000's of people use every year for their enjoyment.
- Excellent!

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- We already have a bike path that is wonderful and clean to cycle in this area...why spend the money to build a cycle path along a highway where we can breathe in gasoline fumes. Who comes up with these unhealthy ideas...unhealthy for us, for nature, for the wildlife??
- This path would be a perfect way to travel between Ingleside and Long Sault by bicycle without having to ride on the road. Bicycle stops with washrooms and repair facilities would be excellent and the artist picture shows more trees which would be a great feature.
- It's fine. I personally wouldn't use it though.
- This is a great idea.
- TERRIBLE!!!! Horrible!! I use the bike path everyday and I would NEVER use this ridiculous pathway. No one feels safe being close to the hwy. The beauty is ALONG our bike path. This is A POINTLESS WASTE OF MONEY.
- That's awful. We have a bike path. Beautiful in nature on the waterfront. People come to Ingleside for its undeveloped waterfront. There is many spaces in the village for the things you want to build. Leave our waterfront alone. Anybody can be a developer but it takes a special kind of community to be progressive and leave our wildlife alone.
- Define "multiuse", Have noticed that 4 wheelers & dirt bikes tearing up the grounds along side the Cornwall section of the path. How will it be enforced? Will this include the current snowmobile trails?
- This will allow a safe space for those who do not use the waterfront trail.
- I'm not sure it is necessary when we can use the parkway. How would going over Hoople Creek be handled?
- Love it!
- I think this is something that should have been done long ago! Long Sault to Ingleside is the only area that doesn't have a bike path. You can use the parkway, but with so much traffic in the summer, it isn't safe for families. Having a bike path to connect the two is definitely a smart plan.
- Great idea.
- This would work a lot of people enjoy biking it would keep them off the side of the road.
- Would like this art of the plan implemented soon.
- I think this should be on the bottom of the list. Not as important compared to the other plans.
- The existing path design works great. Continuing with that theme is good. Shade is very important and keeping the path separate from the road is also important for kids. Ideally there would be a guardrail or a line of trees between the path and the highway at almost all locations.
- Would love this!
- Great idea! Will make it much safer for cyclists.
- Ok.
- I think this pathway is a great idea. It allows bikers to skip the parkway if they wish as it can get lengthy.

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- Should have temporary pylon mounted along the rumble strip.
- As long as it is well maintained I would feel safer with lighting and more clearing of brush
- Good idea.
- Good idea. Next, put a quiet monorail south of the path, so commuters can travel from town to town efficiently like in Europe. Now that is environmentalism.
- I specifically requested this, so I am thrilled to see this as one of the key features of this Master Plan.
- Great idea! Biking in the parkway is dangerous during busy season. It may encourage cyclists to drop into local businesses along the route as well.
- My concern is the areas where the path is at the side of the road. There should be some sort of barrier between the roadway and the path, otherwise it will be treated as a shoulder my unconcerned motorists or as an emergency get-around in case of a collision. In any case the direct connection between the road and trail represents a hazard to trail users. Such a barrier need only be something like a flex-stake or flexi-bollard.
- Yes.
- Enthusiastic.
- This makes a lot of sense. We like the off-road aspect in this picture. There is need for parking for fishing off the bridge. This bridge attracts a lot of fisher people and they have nowhere to park except the side of the road. Your plan in this area will create conflict between bikes, walkers, and parked cars. To correct this put a parking area in for the fisher people to ease the conflict. This will need monitoring and the parking needs to be easily accessible to encourage use. Same comments a little further east past the bridge. There is a popular fishing hole that generates a lot of parking...this will again, cause conflicts and bikes needing to go over into the traffic to avoid.
- This part of the path looks great for individuals and families...far enough from cars. People living on the north side are not going to be too happy with the proposed shade trees along there...as it stands now, people take it upon themselves to manicure the property across from them,
- Looks good. Will use it a lot.
- It's a good idea to have a better trail system between Farran Park and Long Sault, but why not improve the current trail instead? The only part that really needs to follow the Highway is in front of the Parkway because that's the dangerous part, and no one wants that big bike detour through the Parkway. But in Ingleside it should stay further from the residential First Nature 3090 32 OZ Hummingbird Feeder. Don't block our view of the River! Those trees would block our view and one key reason why we moved here. Improve the existing trail near the River to the west entrance of the Parkway instead
- It is absolutely needed!
- I prefer the multi-use path directly along the River; we use it every day. I honestly don't think we need a second trail, just fix up the existing one. Those who do tourist-cycling use the Highway directly; I don't think it's a problem. I am really concerned about the trees that will block our view of the River. The concept photo is pretty much the view from our back yard and I'm concerned that the tall trees will leave no view at all. Also, this is the

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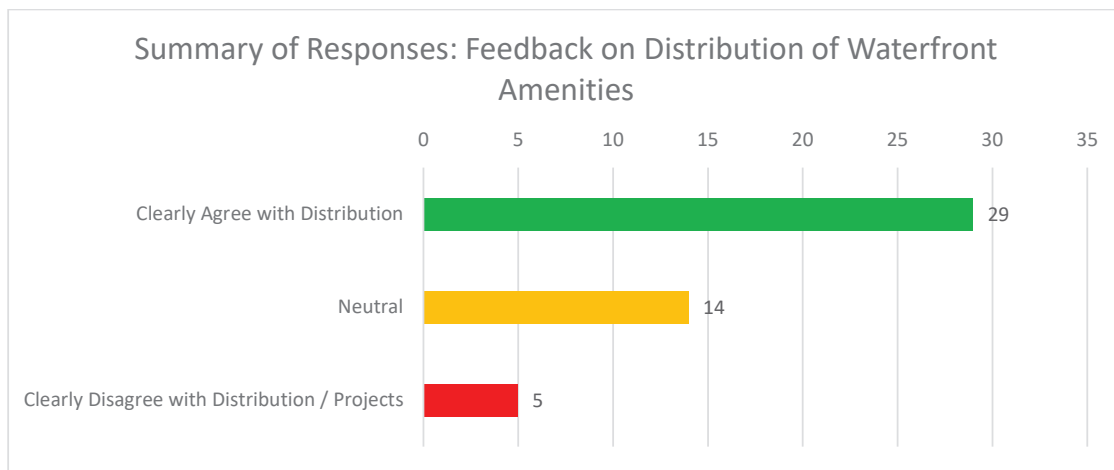
current skidoo trail which is busy (and can be loud) in winter - will that trail be relocated or on top of the path?

- New path not needed, upgrades to existing pathway and link to a new pathway from Ingleside to Long Sault needed but not along the side of highway 2 unless properly protected.
- There is an existing bike path. Building another on the shoulder of Hwy 2 is too close to traffic and dangerous.
- Link desired beginning and end facilities. Make it a real active trans plans
- This is a great path and would be beneficial to the Township as a whole, considered 2nd priority.
- will be a needed tie in if the waterfront development ever proceeds.
- Under control of SLPC so they can close it to us completely like it is now. The mental health of our community needs access to our parks and to have the Commission have that much control of our recreational facilities I do not agree with.
- Well needed.
- Yes please..... this would be such a great addition.
- Why bother, the bikes use Hwy 2 now even though there is already a bike path. Why would they use a Multi-use Path anymore? Again maintenance, nice when brand new, the bike path now has tree roots, etc. Why would a new one be different?
- This path is a great idea. I never liked biking through the parkway as I did not feel safe because of the traffic and the rough road. A path along the water will be greatly used!
- Mixed thoughts on this. Nice, but somewhat redundant. A lot of money and effort for what might simply mirror what already exists along the shoreline trail.
- Yes! Yes! Yes! Recreation and trails are so important a can be a big draw for the municipality. Being an accessible path is important as well!
- Excellent!
- Great idea. Very much needed to make County Rd 2 more bicycle friendly.
- Great initiative
- Good but who will keep Dog walkers off the pathway? Unfortunately, our current walkway and entrance to LSP is loaded with dog crap irresponsible dog owners just leave and do not clean up.
- Excellent idea.
- Great!
- Excellent! Can there be shaded rest areas along the way please.
- Perfect.
- Should be year-round.
- Great idea! My kids always went onto the parkway because the highway was far to busy but thus put a lot of extra mileage to their trips.

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- Often there are a lot of cyclists on the side of the road this is great and so much safer. This should have been done when they first did the bike path years ago. A great way to link the communities.
- Yes. Yes.
- Good idea.
- #great #overdue. Please ensure to keep it "off-road" when possible.
- Great idea!

Question 7: What are your thoughts on how new waterfront amenities are proposed to be distributed across South Stormont's waterfront?



Responses Received:

- The amenities seem to be well thought out and distributed across the waterfront. My main concern is the market for the reasons mentioned before. Ingleside would have both a supermarket and seasonal market. Given that there is no supermarket in Long Sault, hopefully the seasonal market would still be able to function at the Long Sault Plaza or the Market building on Post Rd. in Long Sault.
 With respect to ranking the projects, it is difficult as they all offer something different and each have important aspects.
- Should concentrate on Ingleside and Long Sault.
- I feel the plan is spread out across South Stormont with all communities benefiting. I feel that this is a very aggressive plan, and I think it would need to be slowly phased in and possible scaled back.
- Good, I think its important to develop Long Sault and Ingleside the most as they are the biggest communities. I like the idea of updating Hoople and Lakeview a bit but keep it small and keep it local.
- I think the whole plan is garbage and shouldn't be done.

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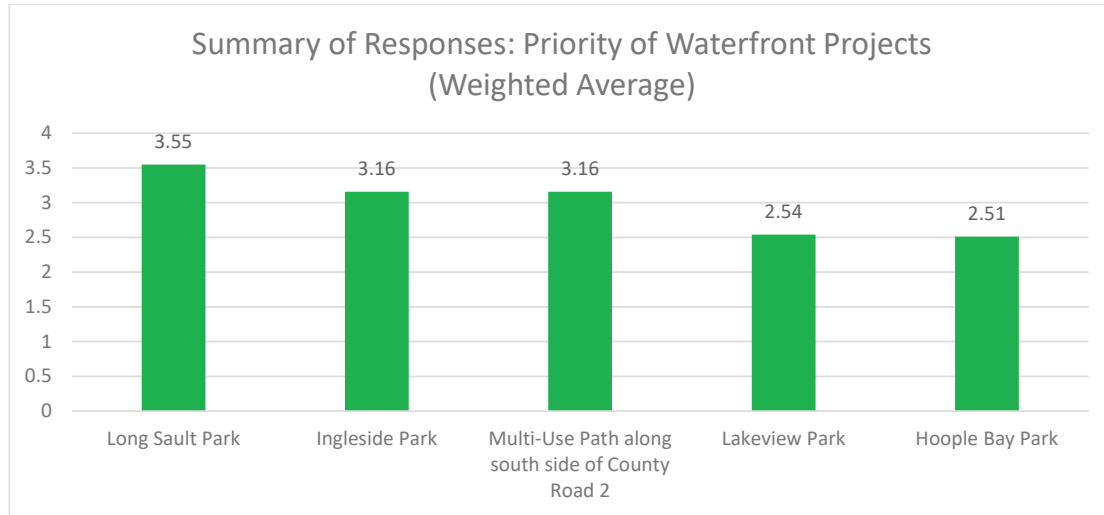
- I think it makes perfect sense to focus on the Long Sault and Ingleside centres, while still providing improvements to the tertiary locations. I think it is properly distributed.
- I would suggest having unique park features. i.e.: pump track, outdoor rock-climbing wall/ bouldering wall, outdoor/indoor archery range with rental. Wakeboard cable park. Unique features would help differentiate these parks from other cities, standard park features (benches, kids play structures...) It would attract more people to come to these parks, increase tourism and desire to move here.
- It's nice that there will be multiple new sites so everybody doesn't congregate at one site and make it unpleasurable to be at. There is something for everybody to enjoy and the boardwalks will be an attractive addition to our small towns. It will be nice to not have to travel far to enjoy all that is being offered. Wonderful ideas. Can't wait to see it when it is finished.
- It looks good to us!
- I think the distribution of the amenities is fair.
- The proposal distributes the amenities well.
- It makes me sick to hear this. Why are even spending money something that's already PERFECT. People come from all over the place to enjoy our beautiful, natural bike path along the river. Just to sit and enjoy nature and all of our natural ecosystems.
- Leave the waterfront alone and natural.
- I think that a little for each area should be started now, and advanced as money and interest develop.
- The distribution is equitable.
- Love the idea.
- I think it is fair.
- It would be nice, but it will be always filled with Quebec people like our beaches. Maybe have free passes for the local people and charge visitors from other municipalities.
- The amenities are spread out but seem to be targeting long sault and Ingleside. What development are you considering for all other areas of south Stormont like St Andrews and Newington?
- No thoughts at this moment.
- I think this is a good approach. The vacant lands on the St Lawrence should be developed into parks for everyone to enjoy. It's Greta that the plan considers how each segment will be connected through bike trails.
- I personally don't feel like we need them.
- I believe the waterfront amenities will add value to our community and bring people together.
- Is there going to be user fees applied to any of the amenities?
- I dislike the parking in Ingleside when compared to the more logical placement in Long Sault.

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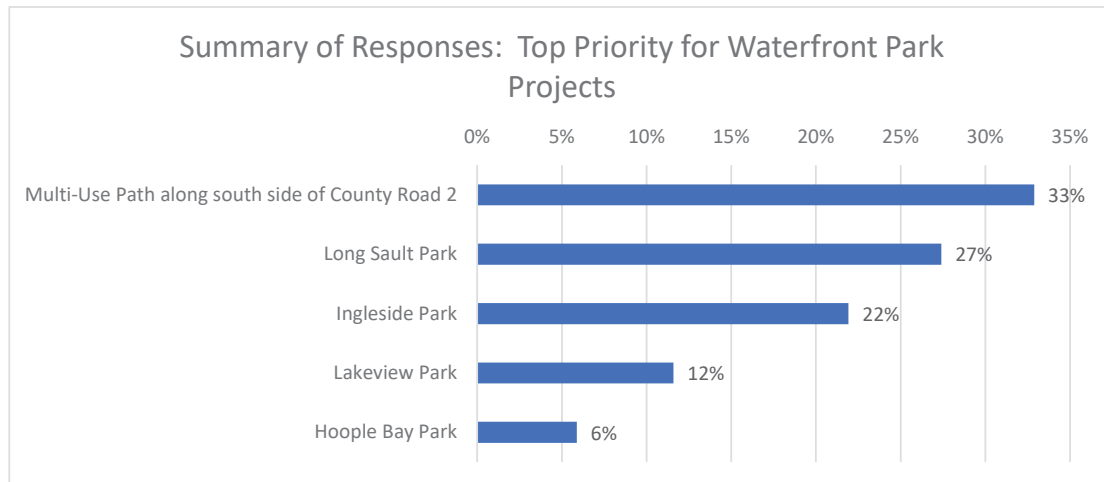
- I think it's a fair distribution for all of South Stormont. I am particularly fond of the marketplace going to Ingleside. Some features (outdoor fire pits as mentioned) could be shared in both the Long Sault and Ingleside parks.
 - Great ideas and well distributed
 - Some of them (off leash, fire pits, community gardens) could be made available in each community. Make them accessible for the small community residents to walk to.
 - The title states" South Stormont Waterfront Plan& Parks Recreation Master Plan, where is the plans for the existing parks...where the township owns the properties? What about plans for Newington, Rosedale...also in South Stormont in which residences exist?
 - Much needed.
 - Looks like a good distribution so to avoid congestion in any one area.
 - It's perfect.
 - The distribution of parks is nice. For Ingleside, I think something more west of town would be better, not in the middle of town.
 - I think expanding the waterfront in the Township is long overdue.
 - I like the balance across the Township. As mentioned previously I have issues that this is on SLPC land and how much that will cost us in the long run.
 - I think this is a great plan and exactly what the community needs.
 - I think it is fair.
 - Very little space for wildlife. If I wanted amenities, I'd move to the city. Question 8 should have included, 'None of the Above'.
 - I think the distribution is very fair and includes all the waterfront communities.
 - I think these amenities will bring more activity and economic influx to our community.
 - Evenly spread out. Very good.
 - I think it makes sense that they are focused around the village "hubs".
 - Love it, but what about ticks? HUGE deterrent to sit & relax/picnic/play on grass. Have multi-use path start at west end Ingleside with shaded benches. More trees?
 - Good balance between Ingleside & Long Sault.
 - They seem to be well distributed, with different things in each place. lots of waterfront space for everyone.
 - Do not add anything more to the beach across from Moulinette Island! Move it away from where people live to the second beach area. It is not fair that we have to put up with drunken "tourists" all summer long!
 - Great.
 - Lakeview needs to be modernized.
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Question 8: Out of the five proposed waterfront projects, which one do you think is most important? How would you rank them? Rank Priority 1 as your most important project and Priority 5 as your least important project.

Weights were assigned to the priority ranking of each response, with Priority 1 being weighted as 5, Priority 2 being weighted as 4, and so on to Priority 5 having a weight of 1. When combined, the waterfront park project in Long Sault had the highest resulting priority.



When looking only at the responses for the top priority (Priority #1), the Multi-Use Pathway along the County Road 2 was the highest priority for the most respondents (33%, N=76). This was followed by Long Sault Waterfront Park (27%) and Ingleside Waterfront Park (22%).



Question 9: Is there anything else you would like to share? Do you have any other comments? Please tell us below.

- Marinas built again in our area.
- Thank you for the opportunity to provide input. I noted that the questions were all on the waterfront and multi use plan, and not on the park or open space areas in the villages/urban areas or paths/trails in the villages/urban areas. Does this mean it will be status quo?
- Playground behind the arena in Long Sault needs to be updated. It is very old and unsafe looking. The playgrounds in St. Andrews West and Newington could also be replaced.
 Sidewalk along the Long Sault Parkway is a must.
 Shade and seating at the park/pool in St. Andrews West.
 Outline the costs of the various proposals.
 ff leash fenced in dog park. I would prefer the fenced in one over the dog trails.
 I do not think public would like roundabout in Ingleside.
 Some type of crosswalk at the end of Fikes Rd. When crossing to the waterfront trail from there, it is very dangerous as cars go flying by and there is a big curve you cannot see the cars coming.
- Sidewalk on parkway causeway would be great.
 Playground equipment near Long Sault Fire Hall needs updating badly. Playground equipment in Newington and St. Andrew's needs to be updated.
 More shade and seating at St. Andrews West pool.
 Boardwalk in Ingleside or Long Sault would be great.
 More access to water trail from communities needed (crossing at Fickes Road/County Road 2 is dangerous).
 Space needed for pop-up shops in concept plans in Long Sault/Ingleside.
 Roadside attraction for Ingleside is a great idea.
 Beatification projects should be undertaking along paths, in parks, etc. (flowers, plants, trees can be added).
 Lookout point at the end of Avonmore Road would be a great idea.
- We are not a big city...this plan will make us lose that homey country atmosphere we are blessed to have....we need to focus on keeping green, that is why people choose to live here and why people come here to visit and spend money here. With everything going on in the world right now people are looking for more natural, outdoorsy things to do and see, not a parking lot and zero trees.
- I believe our whole town would be better off the way it is now, small and friendly.
- I think it is important to provide activities for the varied demographics within the Township. I think play equipment and things for kids are very important, but areas for socializing for

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young adults and seniors is also just as important. Overall, I think the proposals are great and would certainly improve our area.

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- I think these upgrades, especially the Long Sault and Ingleside parks, will create a very special atmosphere in our small towns.
- Yes. please proceed with the planned indoor amenities - this we do need, and please leave our natural eco systems as is...and PLEASE, PLEASE do NOT cut the old beautiful pines in front of Ingleside waterfront...that would be a tragedy.
- Trees! Trees! Trees! Plus ongoing maintenance of the roundabouts and medians in Long Sault. It was beautiful when it was completed but has seen little or no routine maintenance since then.
- I live in Lakeview Heights. It's dangerous to cross County Rd 2 to get to the park. Can you consider crosswalks from the communities to the parks across the road? It would apply to the other communities in the township.
- The only changes needed are that our trees and waterfront ecosystems are extremely important to the local area and the overall health of our environment. We already have so little green space available for wildlife, vegetation and proper undisturbed ecosystems. The development should investigate other options in order to not adversely effect the limited trees and ecosystems present.
- This whole plan is just a total destruction of our beautiful waterfront. I AM OUTRAGED. LEAVE OUR NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS ALONE!!!!
- Yes. I hope you take in to account how naturally beautiful our waterfront is without turning it into the generic over developed area that other towns have. Leave our waterfront natural.
- This plan is thoughtful and comprehensive. Kudos to the consultants. I hope we can move forward on this in a timely manner!
- With the City of Cornwall struggling to make progress on waterfront and recreation strategies, I feel South Stormont is in much better position to grow from a residential and tourism standpoint if we just be a little more bold. Yet, what this proposes is much of the same as they have. How many parks and bike trails do we need? Where is the vision? As a younger person with a young family nothing about this appeals to me. I put a large value on recreation facilities, but we have enough. We need more new ideas not just the reinvention/maintenance of old ones.
- Thank you for the opportunity to participate.
- Ingleside and Long Sault are not the only parts of south Stormont. Seems the township has forgotten that and is doing nothing in developing other areas like at St Andrews and Newington.

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- I am intrigued & excited of all of the ideas & plans. But I'm also concerned about an over load of tourists taking over and locals not being able to use over crowded eras.
- Good job!
- My family would love to see an outdoor skate park for kids as they have in Brockville for example. Perhaps beside the arena in Long Sault.
- Please ensure that we are kept informed of the next phase, additional costs, environmental concerns, etc.
- Use the existing « dog beach » (end of Avonmore Road) as the off leash dog park.
- Having a 5.15 % public input rate is not a public consultation process.
- I think I've laid out my thoughts. This all looks outstanding, and I hope to see these ideas come to fruition!! Thank you for consulting us and asking for our input. This is all very exciting!
- Long Sault and Ingleside are growing communities attracting young families. Let's do everything we can to continue the growth and keep them here.
- We are excited about these future plans. Sure would love to take visitors to a restaurant/bar on the water instead of going to Glen Walter or Crysler!!!
- We, as a community, have not heard from the Waterfront Committee yet. Where is it, in the plans, indicating there should be NO high rise apartments on the north side of highway#2...there should be height restrictions written in - no structure higher than 3 storeys!!! and for that matter if the SLPC ever build there should be building and height restrictions in the plan. Parks & Rec are only qualified for Rec not PARKS.
- What impact will this have on taxes?
- There are many turtles, foxes, eagles, and other wildlife that need consideration. Will their habitat be endangered? So much habitat has already been destroyed north of town with the construction and solar farm.
 We keep picking up garbage in the ditches near Highway 2, I'm afraid pollution would get worse with increased use of the area.
 A second roundabout would be good west of Ingleside perhaps at Farran Drive to reduce speed through the residential area, and make our crossing safer from the village to the park and trails
- I would like to see an automated fence at the entry point of Long Sault provincial park for people to pay before entering the park. This way it would reduce the flow of traffic in the park and it would be safer for children.
- A smaller scale development might be sufficient for Ingleside; better parking and canoe put-in at the water plant. Repave some section of the existing bike trail to fix potholes. Just build on what we already do. I honestly don't wish for more. I'd rather a boardwalk or bridge to the small island across from where we put in our canoes and turn that into a picnic area.
- I would like to see a breakdown of financial obligations and any possible provincial contributions for the fore mentioned proposed new installations/updates as the existing tax base would have to cover such expenditures.

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- With the downturn in the economy following COVID-19 and the resulting fiscal struggles we'll all be facing this is beginning to look like pie in the sky. If you do nothing else, put in decent public washrooms and some support for tourists (e.g., picnic shelter and more information) in the two communities, please.
- No.
- Do not let us get taken advantage of by SLPC. They have not been a good partner to the Township. We should be dealing with province instead of the parks commission.
- I guess the mayors and councillors always have to make it look like they are doing something to justify their salaries and make sure their names make it into the Ingleside history books.
- Great job! Hope everything gets done!
- This is an area for which I have a great affinity, having spent a great deal of time along the Stormont Co. waterfront in my younger years. That experience and knowledge is something I express most frequently now through a range of historical pieces on the St. Lawrence Seaway that I have written. Many thanks--and keep up the good work!
- Please stick to native tree, shrub, grass and perennial species whenever possible.
- Agreed that the two plans should be done in together, budget always remains a critical issue so if tow plans can work together may have more leverage.
- Good Luck!
- I own one of the largest James Cameron titanic prop and wardrobe collections from the movie in all of Canada. I would be interested in starting a museum. The museum was actually included in our last waterfront development plans. I would go halves with the township on the sale of admission tickets.
- Focus on the outdoors, where the largest number of people may benefit from the availability of facilities, and maintenance costs are relatively low.
- Concerned about ticks. Hot, burning sun: cool off w/shade trees + lots of splash pads + shaded benches. Washrooms? must with so many people. Faux beaches in front of river good. But what about geese and/or goose poop?
- Great job planning!
- Pickleball is becoming very popular & hope that these new plans have looked at increasing outdoor areas for this in both towns. Trails outdoors we have Bird Sanctuary & I don't feel these are a big necessity. Walking along bike path is more than enough. They had made small ones off path in Ingleside that no one ever used especially with increase Ticks & Lyme disease anymore.
- Would love to have indoor pool and would like to see shuffleboard.
- I hope I have made my concerns clear. Development is fine as long as you respect the people affected and those living across from the beach would be significantly affected. Not only does it affect our wellbeing but also our property values. Please focus your plans on land away from Moulinette Island. Thank you.
- That will be so perfect when everything will be done!



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