Introduction to the Recreation & Parks Master Plan Process

Presentation to

Township of Puslinch Council

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Township of Puslinch Recreation & Parks Master Plan

The Master Plan will:

- include a comprehensive review and analysis of recreation facility, parks, and service needs
- contain an extensive public engagement program
- provide a clear action plan and strategy to guide the development of future recreation and parks facilities and services
- serve as a 10-year guideline for Township staff, Council, and the community

Scope of the Plan

1. Recreation Services and Facilities

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2. Parks, Open Space, Trails, and Environmental Areas

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3. Special Events
4. Opportunities for all residents including youth, children, adults, seniors, and persons with disabilities

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Planning Process

1. Building Blocks

- Background Document Review
- Socio-Demographic Profile
- Trends & Best Practice Review
- Asset Inventory & Mapping
- Public & Municipal Engagement (see next slide)

2. Draft Plan

- Facility Needs Assessment
- Parkland & Trails Assessment
- Service & Program Delivery Audit
- Implementation Strategy
- Draft Master Plan

3. Finalize Plan

- Public & Municipal Engagement (see next slide)
- Finalize Master Plan

Public Engagement – Slide 1

1. **Community Awareness**
   - Posters
   - Web page
   - Farmer's Market
   - Puslinch Pioneer
2. **Community Launch Event**
   - October 4, 2014 from 10am to 1pm
   - Drop-in event
   - Opportunity to review baseline information, speak to consultants, and complete survey
3. **Online Community Survey**
   - Now active until October 20: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PUSLINCH

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Public Engagement – Slide 2

4. **Stakeholder Group Survey**
   - To be distributed shortly to local organizations
5. **Focus Groups & Interviews**
   - To be initiated in October 2014
6. **Public Meeting / Open House**
   - to present Draft Plan in 2015
7. **Sessions with Township Staff and Council**
   - ongoing
8. **Regular meetings with the Recreation Committee**
   - ongoing

Discussion

1. Do you have any questions about the proposed planning process?
2. What is your vision for parks and recreation in Puslinch?
3. How can we achieve this vision? Are there things that we need to:
   - START doing?
   - STOP doing?
   - KEEP doing?
4. If you could pick only three or four issues that the Master Plan needs to address, what would those be?

Thank You!
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