Let's Talk About Parks & Open Spaces

DISCUSSION GUIDE

This Discussion Guide is meant to raise awareness about the Official Community Plan (OCP) Review, get people talking about parks and open spaces and let the community know how to get involved in the planning process.

Help plan your city's future by taking part in the OCP Review and sharing your ideas.

An OCP ...

- · Communicates a community's vision, goals and objectives
- · Outlines long-term development plans for a community
- Guides planning and land use management.

The City of Prince George kicked off the OCP Review in fall 2023. The City's existing OCP was adopted in 2011 and a lot has changed since that time.

BACKGROUND

Prince George has a lot of parks and open spaces we can use to explore and have fun outdoors. Residents and visitors alike have a lot of options – one can picnic in a park, go for a hike in the woods, ride a bike along the riverfront, kick a ball down a field, play on the swings at a playground – the list is endless.

Our city has ...

- 48 playgrounds
- 10 nature parks
- · 46 sports fields
- 106km maintained trails
- * These community amenities add up to over 19km² of parks and open space across PG.

The OCP Review will build on other municipal plans including our Park Strategy (2017), Community Recreation and Services Plan (2014) and Ball Diamond and Sport Field Strategy (2018). Together, these plans guide how we manage our parks and open spaces and make decisions about how we fund services and infrastructure.







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WHAT WE HEARD

During the first round of engagement, we heard you say:

- Our parks and open spaces are the things you love the most about PG.
- The OCP Review is an opportunity to protect our parks and open spaces.
- You love having access to parks and open spaces for walking, hiking and biking.
- You love spending time in areas like Ginters Green, Moore's Meadow, Otway and the Pidherny recreation site.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

- Are there parts of the city that need more parks and open spaces?
- Where could our parks and open spaces be better connected?
- 3. How can the parks and open spaces be more accessible to all user groups?
- 4. How can our existing parks and open spaces be improved?
- 5. How can our sport fields and recreation centres better meet your needs?

The OCP Review team would like to hear your thoughts at a community open house or through a written submission to: ocp@princegeorge.ca.



GET INVOLVED

Attend a Community Open House

House of Ancestors, 355 Vancouver Street

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 4:30-8:00 PM

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 4:30-8:00 PM



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