City of Parksville Parks, Trails and Open Spaces Master Plan

August 20, 2018

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OUTLINE

Community Engagement Events

Engagement Summary

Next Steps

PARKS ON THE STREET

March 17, 2018 - Streets of Parksville

~188 responses

3 questions

- 1) Apart from the Community park, what other parks or open spaces do you use frequently, and why?
- 2) What changes would you like to see in these parks or open spaces?
- 3) What is your favourite trail around Parksville?



PARKS ON THE STREET

Results

- Parks: Community Park, Top Bridge, Springwood
- 2) Themes: Dogs, Services & Amenities, Connectivity and Future Acquisition, Wildlife & Accessibility
- 3) Trails: Community Park, Top Bridge, Springwood



PICNIC TABLE TALKS

March 2017 - August 2018

22 user groups

- 1) Understand how groups use the parks and trails
- 2) Gain general feedback on what groups like about the parks and trails
- Determine what groups needs are for future development of the parks and trails

SPRING MINI

June 9, 2018 - Foster Park

~50 people

- Gain opinions on precedent images through dotmocracy posters
- Gain general feedback and comments on residents' vision for parks and trails
- Introduce the Comment Boxes and gain comments for Foster Park



SPRING MINI

Results - Main themes

Maintenance

Mapping

Safety

Multi-use



SPLASH PARK OPENING

June 22, 2018 - Splash Park Opening

~20 people

- 1) Provide community members with information about the project
- 2) Gain opinions on precedent images through dotmocracy posters
- 3) Gain general feedback and comments

COMMENT BOXES

June 15 - July 20, 2018 Parks/Trails in Parksville

~548 responses

- 1) Gain feedback on each individual park and trail
- Use accessibility and ease to access a larger respondent demographic



COMMENT BOXES

Results - Main themes

Better maintenance

Keep it the same

More amenities (garbage cans, dog

bag dispensers)

*Themes vary for each park



SURVEY STATIONS SERIES

July 19, 25, & 31, 2018 - Parksville Civic Centre

~80 people

- 1) Feedback on what types of amenities community members want in parks
- 2) Vote on the guiding principles for the plan
- 3) Obtain general comments and concerns
- 4) Allow community members to fill out a hard copy of the online survey

SURVEY STATION SERIES

Results

Top 8 Amenities

Benches Skate park

Playground Natural features

Trails Bicycle racks

Lighting Garbage cans

Top 3 Guiding Principles

- Preserves and enhances sensitive ecological areas, natural resources and wildlife habitat
- 2) Sets aside valuable greenspace to build climate resiliency
- 3) Provides connection and active transportation options

SURVEY

July 15 - August 11, 2018

~120 Responses

- 1) Obtain information to determine guiding principles
- 2) Gain an understanding of accessibility and usage of parks and trails
- 3) Gain general feedback on current status and desires for future development of the parks and trails

SURVEY

Results - Main themes

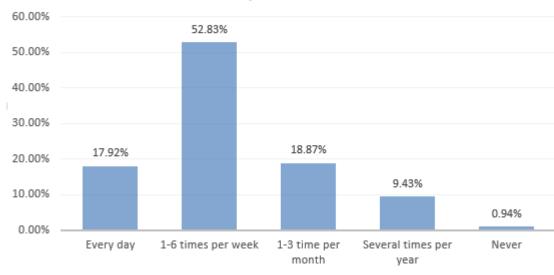
Keep it natural

More maintenance

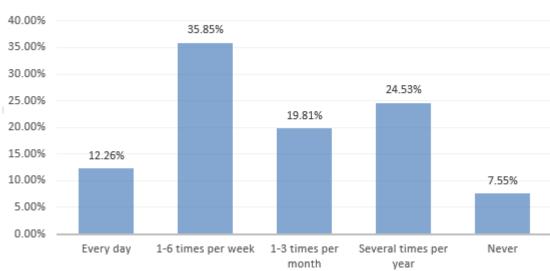
Better connectivity

*Still analyzing

Q1 How often do you use Parksville's parks?



Q2 How often do you use Parksville's trails?



ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

March - August 2018

+1000 Responses

30 VIU students & 4 VIU staff/faculty so far



NEXT STEPS

First Draft of Master Plan Parksville Staff: review Master Plan

Open House Present Master Plan to Council

THANK YOU!

A giant thank you to Deb, Warren, John, Randy, and all Parks Staff!

On behalf of VIU and MABRRI, we thank the Mayor, Council and the Community for their time!



