

MEETING DATE: December 3, 2024

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Darcey Cook, Director of Community Services

REPORT NO.: PR-10-2024

SUBJECT: Adoption of Recreation Master Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report No. PR-10-2024 be received

AND THAT the Council of the Township of Lucan Biddulph adopt the Recreation Master Plan as presented;

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval for the adoption of the Recreation Master Plan and establish it as a working document for the Township's recreation services, infrastructure, and future planning.

BACKGROUND:

The Recreation Master Plan was created and presented to Council in October 2024 by Monteith Brown Planning Consultants. This Plan was developed to provide a framework for addressing current and future recreation needs, including facilities, programs, and services, to ensure the Township remains aligned with community expectations and trends.

The Master Plan includes 22 actionable recommendations, which have been reviewed and analyzed by staff. Attached to this report is a document summarizing these recommendations, including timelines for completion and staff comments on progress to date.

DISCUSSION:

The Recreation Master Plan serves as a strategic guide to address the Township's recreation priorities, including:

- Upgrading and maintaining aging infrastructure.
- Expanding recreation programming to meet the needs of all age groups and demographics.
- Enhancing partnerships with local organizations.
- Implementing financially sustainable practices for recreation services.

This document attached is intended to be a living document, evolving to reflect progress, challenges, and community input. Staff will present the Plan to Council

annually, providing updates on implementation and facilitating discussions on key recommendations.

IMPACT TO BUDGET:

There is no immediate financial impact associated with adopting the Recreation Master Plan. However, implementation of the recommendations outlined in the Plan will require future investments, which will be brought forward to Council for consideration as part of the annual budget process or through specific funding opportunities.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This matter aligns with the following strategic priorities:

Strategic Direction Three: Healthy Communities Goal 1: Access to high quality leisure programs

COMMUNITY SAFETY & WELLBEING PLAN (CSWB):

While this issue is not specifically dealt with in the Community Safety & Wellbeing Plan it does speak to community safety, in general terms.

ATTACHMENTS: Recreation Master Plan Final
Recreation Master Plan Recommendations

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