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### Interim Review of Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan

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#### Resolution

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#### Relationship to the Strategic Plan / Health Impact Assessment

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan in the area of Creating a Healthier Community as it aligns with the Population Health Priorities of Play, Age Friendly Strategies, Compassionate City and Families. An interim review of the Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan Review (2014) is noted as a deliverable under the strategic objective of Investing in Infrastructure to Support Community Recreation with Focus on Quality of Life (Section 6.2).

#### Report Summary

The Parks, Open Space and Leisure Maser Plan Review was received by Council in 2014. The plan identifies key parks, open space and leisure trends and establishes facility and service provision levels. As part of the plan, 86 action items were identified based on community priorities and set a general course for meeting parks, open space and leisure needs. This report provides on update on the status of the 86 action items as well as emerging topics in the leisure services industry.

#### Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

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# **Parks Open Space and Leisure Master Plan Interim Review**

## **Purpose**

This report provides Council with an update on the 86 action items identified in the Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan Review (2014) (POSLMP).

## **Background**

The City of Greater Sudbury's Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan was completed in conjunction with the Parks, Open Space and Leisure background study for the City's new Official Plan in 2006. Master plans are updated every five years and rewritten every ten years to reflect emerging needs and issues.

Monteith Brown Planning Consultant (MBPC) was hired in August 2013, to conduct a review of the original plan. At the June 16, 2014, Community Services Committee meeting, Council received the POSLMP report.

The POSLMP provides recommendations on 86 potential action items.

Recommendations were not intended to be a definitive list as priorities may change due to factors such as legislation changes, emerging trends, changes in participation rates, availability of alternate providers, sociodemographic changes and facility capital requirements. The POSLMP provides guidance on community priorities and action items are utilized to prioritize projects, develop work plans and determine budget submissions.

The POSLMP also includes the following information:

- Guiding principles
- Parks and leisure trends
- Results from community engagement on leisure priorities (online survey)
- Inventory of leisure facilities and amenities along with recommended provision levels

Action item number 86 of the POSLMP calls for a review after a five year period to reconfirm the direction, priorities and accomplishments of the plan.

## Accomplishments and Action Items Update

The POSLMP contains recommendations on 86 action plans intended to provide guidance on community priorities with respect to the provision of parks and leisure services and sets a general course for meeting needs. The priority and timing of action plans are organized into the following categories:

### Priority

- High Priority - Immediate attention is recommended during the indicated timeframe.
- Medium Priority - Attention is required when high priority actions have been initiated or completed, or when suitable partners have been identified for funding.
- Low Priority - Attention is required when high and medium priority actions have been initiated/completed.

### Timing

- Short-term - 2014 to 2018
- Medium-term - 2019 to 2023
- Ongoing - 2024 and beyond

A number of accomplishments have been achieved since the presentation of the POSLMP, including:

- Accessibility enhancements at Bell Park Main Beach, including the addition of a floating water chair available to the public.
- Fully accessible family changeroom developed at the Howard Armstrong Recreation Centre.
- Completion of a Children and Youth Programming Review and the development of a Play Charter.
- Initiation of the Playground Revitalization Project in partnership with United Way Centraide North East Ontario.
- Improvements to the Terry Fox Sports Complex including LED light upgrades (in partnership with Sudbury Minor Baseball Association) and installation of artificial turf (in partnership with the Fabio Belli Foundation).
- Development of off-leash dog parks in Rayside Balfour and at the Gerry McCrory Countryside Sports Complex site (to be opened in 2020).
- New splash pads realized in Capreol, Coniston (Adelie Splash Pad), Garson, Onaping, Minnow Lake (Morel Family Foundation Park) and Sudbury's South End (DJ Hancock Memorial Park) - Splash pads to be initiated at Azlida (Whitewater Lake Park) and Twin Forks in 2020.
- New modular skate parks realized at Lions Park (Hanmer) and Berthiaume Park (Chelmsford).
- New quad chairlift installed at Adanac Ski Hill.
- Development of an Affordable Access to Recreation Strategy.

- Development of pickleball courts at O'Connor Playground and Côté Park.
- Launch of a new recreation management software system for program registration and facility booking.
- Development of a Framework for Partnership Opportunities to guide decisions related to collaborating with third parties to deliver leisure programs and facilities.

Appendix A contains a status update on each of the 86 action items contained in the POSLMP. Status of action items has been categorized as follows:

- Achieved (22 items)
- On-going / In Progress (52 items)
- To be Initiated (8 items)
- No Action Required (4 items)

## Guiding Principles

The following principles were initially developed for the City's 2004 Master Plan and were modified and/or reaffirmed as part of the Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan review in 2014. The guiding principles are grounded in the recognition that parks and leisure provide numerous physical, social, economic, and environmental benefits that are essential to creating a healthy community for all current and future citizens:

- The long-term **financial sustainability** of the City's parks and leisure delivery system will be ensured through the cost-effective and efficient management of resources, the appropriate and reasonable application of user fees, and the maximization of community resources.
- Generally speaking, the City's parks and leisure infrastructure is aging and in need of **strategic renewal** - Sustainable investment in parks and leisure infrastructure provides physical, social, cultural, environmental, and economic benefits that help to build a healthy community.
- The City will continue to implement a **community development approach** to leisure service delivery through the support of volunteers, community engagement, and capacity building.
- The City will continue to be the **primary provider** of parks and leisure infrastructure within the community.
- The City will be a **direct provider of leisure programs** that benefit core markets and the community at large.
- **Multi-purpose leisure facilities** are preferred over single purpose facilities, although these may not be appropriate for all communities.
- The City's **natural environment** is a key contributor to a healthy community and this asset will be protected and integrated into the leisure system wherever possible.

- Within the parks and leisure system, the City will continue to foster and support **sustainable mobility** opportunities for residents and visitors.
- **Partnerships and collaborations** with outside parties in the provision and delivery of parks and leisure facilities and services are desired where there is sufficient benefit to the City and community.
- All citizens deserve universal access to inclusive and responsive parks and leisure opportunities; **children, older adults, and vulnerable populations** will continue to be priority markets.
- The City will strive to provide an **affordable, accessible, and equitable distribution** of parks and leisure facilities and services, recognizing the City's large geographic area and the unique local values of Greater Sudbury's distinct ethnic, cultural, and geographic communities.
- All **decisions** with respect to parks and leisure will be based on a balance between the impact on individual well-being, community benefit, and financial sustainability.

Overall, the guiding principles of the POSLMP closely align with the 2019-2027 City of Greater Sudbury Strategic Plan and the City's Population Health Priorities. No modification of the plan's guiding principles are suggested as part of this interim review.

## Key Parks, Open Space and Leisure Trends

The POSLMP included trends based on provincial and national research relating to potential demand, usage, design and operation of parks and leisure facilities:

### Healthy Communities

- Green Technologies – LEED and energy efficient designs; green roofs; energy recovery systems.
- Local Opportunities – Demand for trails and sustainable transportation with connections; neighbourhood-level facilities.
- Sustainability – Recognition of recreation's contribution to economic, environmental and social quality of life objectives; greater focus on sustainability and cost recovery.

### Demographic Shifts

- Aging Population – Baby boomers; older adults vs. seniors; declining volunteer base.
- Diversity – Increasing ethnic diversity; greater focus on family/social activities; seeking connection with nature; emerging activities (pickleball, cricket).
- Accessibility & Affordability – Removal of physical barriers; removal of financial barriers.

## **Busy Lifestyles**

- On-Demand Activities – Demand for drop-in, self-scheduled activities; decreasing interest in organized sports and membership based clubs; meaningful activities for youth in high demand.
- Convenience – Multi-use facilities preferred; prime time hours in high demand.
- Physical Inactivity – Increasing rates of inactivity and obesity; year-round activity options being sought.

## **Facility Provision**

- Aging Infrastructure – Older facilities are often less energy efficient and have high lifecycle costs; often undersized, single-use and not barrier-free; recent grant programs focused on facility renewal.
- Multi-use & Specialized Facilities – Flexible space is a must; enhanced focus on player development is creating new requirements; specialty camps and activities on the rise.
- Partnerships – New construction and management models being considered; recreation spans many sectors (health, tourism, culture, etc.).

As part of the interim review, staff inquired through various professional associations on current issues and opportunities and emerging trends. The following is a summary of insights gained on provincial and national issues and trends.

## **Canadian Parks and Recreation Association**

The Canadian Parks and Recreation Association (CPRA) is a national organization dedicated to realizing the full potential of parks and recreation as a major contributor to community health and vibrancy. Membership includes the 13 provincial and territorial parks and recreation associations and their extensive networks of service providers in over 90% of Canadian communities.

In 2015, CPRA released “A Framework for Recreation in Canada – Pathways to Wellbeing” which is a guiding document for public recreation providers in Canada. The framework notes the following challenges and opportunities:

### **Challenges**

- Demographic changes, e.g. aging population, diversity (newcomers, Aboriginal communities), rapid urbanization, decreasing populations in rural/remote areas.
- Negative health trends: risk behaviours, chronic diseases, mental health issues.
- Economic inequities.
- Social challenges, e.g. unemployment, inequities, social media vs face-to-face
- Technology vs active/unstructured play.
- Infrastructure deficit, e.g. walking/cycling route development, facilities, green spaces.
- Threats to natural environment, e.g. extreme weather, destructive species, urban sprawl.

## **Opportunities**

- Enriched recreational experiences from cultural diversity.
- Innovation and connectivity (with youth) via new technologies.
- Recreation in integrated community infrastructure and design planning.
- Environmental stewardship role in recreation.

## **Parks and Recreation Ontario**

Parks and Recreation Ontario is a non-profit association that advances the health, social and environmental benefits of quality recreation and parks through evidence-based practices, resources and collaborative partnerships. In recent years, PRO has developed the following programs and authored discussion papers on the following topics:

- High Five Principles of Health Aging.
- Advancing Outdoor Play & Early Childhood Education.
- Design of parks and open spaces for disaster situations.
- Position papers on Provincial legislation changes (AODA, Rowan's Law, amendments to the Developmental Charges Act and the Planning Act).
- Open data and benchmarking in the recreation sector.

## **Ontario Recreation Facilities Association**

The Ontario Recreation Facilities Association Inc. (ORFA) is a not for profit organization that provides leadership in the development and delivery of innovative training and education programs, value-added services, and quality products for the benefit of the recreation facility profession. During its recent Annual General Meeting, the following emerging trends and topics were discussed:

- Emergency management of facilities within the recreation sector (preparedness, mitigation and response).
- Harm reduction strategies in recreation facilities including the use of Naloxone.
- Accessibility of park and recreation facilities.
- Funding challenges and opportunities related to recreation infrastructure.
- Climate and environment stewardship programs in recreation facilities.

## **MBNCanada Expert Panels on Parks and Sports & Recreation**

The City of Greater Sudbury is one of 16 municipalities that participates in the Municipal Benchmarking Network Canada (MBNCanada) partnership. As part of this interim review of the POSLMP, staff contacted members of the Sports & Recreation and Parks Expert Panels regarding trends and challenges that MBNCanada municipalities are experiencing in these areas. Major themes noted:

### **Affordability/Accessibility/Inclusivity**

- Increased numbers of residents qualifying for affordable access to recreation programs.

- Increased requests for additional free and low cost activities.
- Increased requests for accessible and inclusive spaces.
- Challenges to provide program locations that meet accessibility standards.

#### Aging Infrastructure / Facility Development

- Insufficient funding for maintenance and refurbishment of existing facilities.
- Dated infrastructure and challenges to meet accessibility requirements.
- Residents drawn to more modern/new facilities, finding older facilities less attractive.
- Residents requesting the inclusion of age-friendly and comfort amenities in park design (shade structures, seating, and washrooms).
- Residents requesting a variety and higher standard of play equipment (e.g. challenging play).

#### Changing Demographics and Expectations of Residents

- Less participation in traditional minor sports.
- New demands for more community events, unstructured activities and services.
- Increased focus on older adult programming.
- Increased focus on programming for new Canadians.

#### Meeting Current and Future Recreation Needs

- Municipalities reducing the quantity and enhancing the quality of leisure facilities (arenas, ball diamonds, outdoor basketball courts).
- Development of new types of facilities (off-leash dog parks, picnic sites, accessible playgrounds, cricket pitches, outdoor skate parks and pods).
- Some municipalities experiencing an excess demand for swimming lessons.
- Increased interest in pickleball, nature play, inclusive play, splash pads, and wilderness/nature parks.
- Programming focusing on physical literacy.

## **Community Engagement and Online Survey Results**

As part of the development of the POSLMP, an online survey was created and posted on the City's website in April 2014. The purpose of the survey was to identify leisure participation levels and barriers, as well as opinions on park and facility needs. A total of 491 responses were received.

As part of this report, the original survey was replicated and promoted through the City's civic engagement tool ([overtoyou.greatersudbury.ca](http://overtoyou.greatersudbury.ca)). The new survey was posted in September 2019 with a total of 517 online surveys completed.

Below is a summary of the 2019 responses received to key questions, as well as a comparison to answers received previously in 2014. Due to the self-selected and non-random nature of the survey, it cannot be considered statistically significant. The comparison does provide some insight into trends in leisure participation and facility

needs of the public. The complete results of the 2019 online survey can be found in Appendix B.

<b>Participation</b>			
In the past 12 months, which of the following activities have you or anyone in your household participated in? (Multiple responses permitted. Top 10 responses shown)			
<b>2014</b>		<b>2019</b>	
Walking or Hiking for Leisure	90%	Walking or Hiking for Leisure	89%
Swimming (outdoor)	60%	Swimming (outdoor)	66%
Cycling or Mountain Biking	53%	Use of Playground Equipment	53%
Ice Sports / Skating (outdoor)	51%	Water Sports	46%
Swimming (indoor)	49%	Ice Sports / Skating (outdoor)	45%
Use of Playground Equipment	47%	Cycling or Mountain Biking	41%
Water Sports	47%	Swimming (indoor)	39%
Running or Jogging	43%	Use of Spray Pads in Parks	37%
Aerobics, Fitness or Weight Training	43%	Ice Sports / Skating (indoor)	30%
Ice Sports / Skating (indoor)	38%	Running or Jogging	30%
Other (most popular answer)		Other (most popular answer)	
Snowshoeing		Pickleball	

<b>Desired Travel Time for Most Common Activities</b>			
What is a reasonable length of time for you to travel for the leisure activities that your household does the most.			
<b>2014</b>		<b>2019</b>	
Less than 10 minutes	30%	Less than 10 minutes	16%
10-19 minutes	57%	10-19 minutes	45%
20-29 minutes	23%	20-29 minutes	19%
30-44 minutes	14%	30-44 minutes	13%
45 minutes or more	7%	45 minutes or more	5%

<b>Barriers to Participation</b>			
Why are you and members of your household not able to participate in parks and leisure activities as often as you would like? (Multiple responses permitted.)			
<b>2014</b>		<b>2019</b>	
Lack of desired facilities/programs	33%	Lack of personal time/too busy	45%
Lack of personal time/too busy	26%	Lack of desired facilities/programs	39%
Not offered at convenient time	20%	Lack of information	32%
Lack of information	16%	Not offered at convenient time	29%
Lack of transportation/location too far away	15%	Lack of transportation/location too far away	21%
Lack of money or equipment	15%	Lack of money or equipment	17%

<b>Facility Priorities</b>			
To what degree do you oppose or support spending additional public funds on the following facilities – either to improve existing facilities or build new ones?			
<b>2014</b>		<b>2019</b>	
Nature Trails (unpaved)	86%	Nature Trails (unpaved)	87%
Beaches	81%	Playgrounds	81%
Playgrounds	79%	Beaches	80%
Outdoor Rinks	75%	Multi-use Trails (paved)	79%
Multi-use Trails (paved)	75%	Youth Centres	74%
Arenas	67%	Splash Pads	72%
Swimming Pools (for therapy/leisure)	67%	Seniors Centre	72%
Youth Centres	66%	Swimming Pools (therapy/leisure)	71%
Splash Pads	66%	Outdoor Rinks	71%
Seniors Centres	64%	Fitness Centres	64%
Ski Hills	64%	Swimming Pools (lanes)	56%
Other (most popular answer)		Other (most popular answer)	
Bike lanes / paths		Pickleball	

<b>Statements regarding Leisure Services</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2019</b>
Respondents were asked to identify their level of agreement with the following statements.		
Investing in parks and leisure services should be a high priority for City Council.	86%	82%
Leisure activities in Greater Sudbury are generally affordable to your household.	59%	57%
The amount of time it takes your household to travel to leisure activities is reasonable.	52%	67%
The City should place a higher priority on the attraction of sports tournaments and competitions to Greater Sudbury.	51%	38%
There are sufficient parks and open spaces in your area to meet the needs of your household.	48%	62%

In addition to feedback received through the online survey, the City also received submissions from the following organizations (which are attached as Appendix C):

- Coalition for a Livable Sudbury
- Minnow Lake Restoration Group
- Vermillion River Stewardship

## Inventory of Leisure Facilities and Recommended Provision Levels

The POSLMP provided an inventory of leisure facilities and established target provision levels for various facility types. The following table illustrates the provision levels of major municipal indoor and outdoor leisure facilities at the time of the POSLMP and at present.

Facility Type	2014	2019	Provision Target
Ice Pads	16	16	One ice pad for every 405 youth registrants
Indoor Pools	5	5	One indoor aquatic facility for everyone 25,000 residents (includes CGS, YMCA and University facilities)
Fitness Centres	6	6	POSLMP does not recommend a target provision level.
Community Centres & Halls	27	27	POSLMP does not recommend a target provision level.
Playground Structures	179	190	Distribution-based provision target of one play structure within an 800-metre radius of every urban residential neighbourhood, without crossing a major arterial road or physical barrier.
Play Fields (unlit equivalent)	93	93	One soccer field (unlit equivalent) for every 65 active participants.
Ball Diamonds (unlit equivalent)	73	73	One baseball diamond (unlit equivalent) for every 80 active participants.
Tennis Courts	59	53	One court per 5,000 persons with 1.0 km service radius considerations.
Pickleball Courts	0	10	POSLMP does not recommend a target provision level.
Basketball Courts	30.5	31	One full court equivalent per 750 youth (ages 10 to 19 years) with 1.0 km service radius considerations.
Outdoor Rinks	56	56	Distribution-based provision target of one outdoor rink within a 1.0 km radius of all urban residential areas.
Skate and BMX Parks	10	10	One park per 3,000 youth (ages 10-19 years) with 2-kilometre service radius considerations.
Splash Pads	8	14	Distribution-based provision target of one splash pad within a 1.5 km radius of all urban residential areas.
Off Leash Dog Parks	1	2	POSLMP does not recommend a target provision level.
Ski Hills	3	2	POSLMP does not recommend a target provision level.

Provision targets and service levels of parks and leisure facilities were also recently reviewed through the City's Core Services Review. No service level adjustments or changes to provision levels were made. Rather, policy describing minimum utilization rates and other similar criteria will be developed to support further deliberations to rationalize facilities and parkland.

## **Summary**

There have been a number of significant achievements with respect to leisure programming and facilities since 2014, and the City has achieved or significantly advanced the majority of action items identified in the POSLMP.

Based on the interim review completed, the POSLMP continues to be a relevant guiding document with respect to parks and recreation needs in Greater Sudbury over the next 5 years. The POSLMP is aligned with Council's Strategic Plan 2019-2027 and supports the City's Population Health Priorities.

The industry scan confirms that the POSLMP still considers emerging trends and challenges. Community feedback received through the 2019 online survey largely validates that the priorities and recommended actions of the POSLMP are still relevant.

## **Next Steps**

The POSLMP and contained action items will continue to be reviewed and used as the basis for annual work plan development, capital budget submissions and business cases.

The City of Greater Sudbury will undertake a complete review and update of the POSLMP in the year 2024.

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**Appendix A – Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan Interim Review**

Action Plans	Priority	Timing		Status	Comments
		2014-18	2019-23		
<b>Arenas (Section 5.3)</b>					
<p>1. Continue to implement the Arena Renewal Strategy, which found a current and long-term demand for 15 total indoor ice pads across the entire City (resulting in a surplus of one ice pad). This will require:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a continued focus on maintaining existing arenas in a safe and community responsive condition, with consideration to the City's recent building condition assessments;</li> <li>• monitoring of usage trends and community demands to assess the possibility of decommissioning one existing ice pad; and</li> <li>• continued progress on the eventual renovation or replacement of the Sudbury Community Arena.</li> </ul>	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updated Building Condition Assessments completed in 2018.</li> <li>• Ice utilization monitored on an annual basis.</li> <li>• Valley East Twin Pad Multipurpose Sports Complex project presented to Council on September 16, 2019</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1357">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1357</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council has approved a new Arena/Event Centre to be located at the Kingsway Entertainment District.</li> </ul>
<p>2. The decision to decommission any arena should be accompanied by a community engagement process, capital lifecycle analysis, evaluation of alternate uses, and options for the continued delivery of leisure services within the affected community.</p>	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Valley East Twin Pad Multipurpose Sports Complex report noted that should the project advance, a community engagement process regarding decommissioned ice pads would be initiated as per the Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan.</li> </ul>
<b>Indoor Pools (Section 5.4)</b>					
<p>3. Implement the City's Therapeutic Pool Feasibility Study to realize the provision of a therapeutic/leisure pool at the Lionel E. Lalonde Centre in Rayside-Balfour.</p>	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application has been made for Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program funding under the Community, Culture and Recreation Stream as directed by Council. To date, approximately \$1.5 M has been secured towards estimated capital costs of \$5.5 M for the project.</li> </ul>

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Action Plans	Priority	Timing		Status	Comments
		2014-18	2019-23		
<b>Indoor Pools (Section 5.4) Continued</b>					
4. Undertake a review of the City’s indoor pools to identify opportunities for operational efficiencies, increasing utilization, and an evaluation of capital requirements and options for facility renewal/closure. The decision to close or re-purpose any facility should come after a one-year review period following the development of a new facility.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pools Infrastructure and Recreation Capital Update report presented to Council on June 19, 2017.</li> <li><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;item_id=7&amp;id=1152">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;item_id=7&amp;id=1152</a></li> <li>• City pools were also part of the scope of the Core Service Review.</li> <li>• A more comprehensive review of City pools would take place should the Therapeutic/Leisure Pool project be realized.</li> </ul>
<b>Fitness Centres (Section 5.5)</b>					
5. Seek opportunities to expand the City’s focus on fitness programs and active living through the maximization of space within community facilities (e.g., multi-purpose rooms, fitness centres, halls, libraries, schools, etc.).	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City continues to offer adult interest programs such as yoga, tai chi, aerobics, etc.</li> <li>• Implemented indoor walking for older adults in community hall facilities.</li> </ul>
6. Maintain existing fitness centres as long as these centres are financially and operationally viable.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capital investments approved at the Dowling Leisure Centre and Howard Armstrong Recreation Centre to ensure these facilities remain in a good state of repair.</li> </ul>
7. Assess demand for a fitness centre in Walden, should a viable co- location and/or partnership opportunity arise.	Medium		•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A private fitness centre has opened in the Walden area satisfying demand for this type of facility.</li> </ul>

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		2014-18	2019-23		
<b>Gymnasiums (Section 5.6)</b>					
8. To facilitate continued community access to school facilities (e.g., gymnasiums, classrooms, sports fields, etc.), maintain joint use agreements with school boards.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council has directed staff to work with local school boards to establish mutually agreeable terms regarding the shared use of facilities.</li> <li>• Agreement to provide a fair matching of costs and benefits while maintaining the fundamental principles which have guided shared use arrangements over the years/</li> <li>• Formal agreement for Council's review and approval by the end of the third quarter of 2020.</li> </ul>
9. Future indoor leisure facility capital projects should consider opportunities to include gymnasiums.	Low	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Valley East Twin Pad Multipurpose Sports Complex proposes the inclusion of gymnasium space as part of its recommended program elements.</li> </ul>
<b>Community Centres &amp; Halls (Section 5.7)</b>					
10. Continue to seek opportunities to streamline hall operations, including contracting out the operation of community halls as a way to mitigate costs and directly engage local communities in hall management.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Community Halls Review was presented to Council on May 15, 2017. As part of the report recommendations, the management of community halls connected to municipal arenas was transferred to the Arenas Section to streamline operations.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;item_id=4&amp;id=1202">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;item_id=4&amp;id=1202</a></p>
11. As opportunities arise, seek ways to improve the flexibility and multi-use nature of existing community halls to facilitate a wider range of activities and age groups, including activities that focus on the increasing number of older adults.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of walking programs for older adults in community halls.</li> <li>• Kitchen facilities available for bookings for community cooking classes, groups requiring access to commercial kitchens.</li> <li>• Community halls available at no charge for non-profit organizations for meetings.</li> </ul>

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<b>Community Centres &amp; Halls (Section 5.7) Continued</b>					
12. Guided by sound asset management practices, maintain and/or upgrade existing community centres and halls to the degree possible, with priority placed on high-use facilities. Alternative options may need to be explored for under-performing halls, in consultation with the affected community.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Community Halls Review was presented to Council on May 15, 2017. The report identified potential alternate options for under-performing facilities. <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1202">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1202</a></li> <li>Business case and capital submissions for hall investments have been submitted through the budget process.</li> </ul>
<b>Dedicated Space for Youth &amp; Seniors (Section 5.8)</b>					
13. As opportunities arise, retrofit existing leisure facilities to ensure that these facilities are age-friendly (e.g., welcoming for children/youth, older adults, and all ages in between). This may include relocating services to more accessible locations or the provision of lounge areas, dedicated spaces, storage, accessible washrooms, etc.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accessibility enhancements completed at Bell Park Main Beach, including the addition of a floating water chair available to the public.</li> <li>Fully accessible family change room developed at the Howard Armstrong Recreation Centre.</li> </ul>
14. Should the City establish any new youth or seniors' spaces, strong consideration should be given to co-locating these spaces with community centres, rather than creating new stand-alone facilities.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Children and Youth Programming Review was presented to Council on July 9, 2018 which provides considerations for new youth spaces. <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1264">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1264</a></li> </ul>
15. Maintain and/or upgrade existing youth and seniors' facilities to the degree possible, with priority placed on high-use facilities. Alternative options may need to be explored for under-utilized and/or deteriorating facilities, in consultation with the affected community.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Children and Youth Programming Review was presented to Council on July 9, 2018 which provides considerations for existing youth drop-in centres. <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1264">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1264</a></li> </ul>

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<b>Indoor Turf Facilities (Section 5.9)</b>					
16. Municipal development, administration, and/or operation of an indoor sports/soccer facility is not recommended at this time.	Low	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Rainbow District School Board, in partnership with the Fabio Belli Foundation, opened an indoor sports facility at the Lasalle Secondary School location in February 2020.</li> </ul>
<b>Arts &amp; Culture Facilities (Section 5.10)</b>					
17. Participate in the development and implementation of the City's Cultural Plan being developed by the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation.	Low	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leisure Services Division staff participated in the development of the Greater Sudbury Cultural Plan and continue to support corresponding actions.</li> <li>Leisure Services has assisted in implementing policies and helping to position Greater Sudbury as more friendly to event organizers and film productions.</li> </ul>
18. Continue to implement the 2013 Grace Hartman Amphitheatre Business Plan Review, with priority given to enhancements that promote use by local not-for-profit community groups.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Grace Hartman Amphitheatre Business Plan review continues to guide the mandate for the facility. Capital investment options were presented as part of the 2014 budget process.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=1&amp;id=673">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=1&amp;id=673</a></p>
<b>Playgrounds (Section 5.11)</b>					
19. In new or redeveloping urban residential areas, ensure that play structures are provided within an 800-metre radius of every residence without crossing a major arterial road or physical barrier. As per City policy, all new play structures must have a minimum of one play component that is fully accessible. Signage that identifies age-appropriate information should also be provided.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gaps in the provision of playground structures are addressed through subdivision development using the 800 meters service radius provision level.</li> <li>New or redeveloped playgrounds meet or exceed the Design of Public Spaces Standard of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.</li> </ul>

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<b>Playgrounds</b> (Section 5.11) Continued					
20. To improve geographic distribution, locations in Rayside-Balfour, Nickel Centre, and Walden should be considered for the installation of fully accessible barrier-free playgrounds.	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fully accessible playgrounds for Rayside-Balfour, Nickel Centre and Walden to be addressed through future phases of the Playground Revitalization project.</li> </ul>
21. Council may consider the disposition or re-purposing of surplus playground sites (e.g., those within 400 metres of another playground) within the context of its Parkland Disposal Policy and Green Space Advisory Panel recommendations. Equipment in good repair should be moved to other sites.	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Playgrounds within 400 meters of one another have been identified in previous reports for Council’s consideration.</li> <li>Direction has been to maintain existing provision levels.</li> </ul>
22. For municipal playground sites that are to remain in the active inventory, continue to place a high priority on the maintenance and replacement of play equipment, with consideration to accessibility regulations.	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council has approved the Playground Revitalization project which will see the replacement of 58 playgrounds rated in poor condition.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=7&amp;id=1353">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=7&amp;id=1353</a></p>
23. Fully integrate the City’s inventory of playgrounds (and other leisure assets) within the Geographic Information System to improve analytical tools and future planning.	High	•			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City’s Recreation App includes playgrounds and other leisure assets and is used for analysis and planning purposes.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://www.greatersudbury.ca/play/maps/recreation-app">https://www.greatersudbury.ca/play/maps/recreation-app</a></p>

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<b>Soccer Fields</b> (Section 5.12)					
24. Develop a soccer complex with three full size lit fields at the Gerry McCrory Countryside Sports Complex. Consideration should be given to developing one field as artificial turf, as well as a support building (dressing rooms, storage, concession, washrooms).	Medium	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The development of a soccer complex at the Gerry McCrory Countryside Arena was explored as part of the City's bid to host the 2021 Canada Summer Games.</li> <li>Capital costs were estimated at \$4.2 M (2016 estimate).</li> <li>Based on current participation rates, and with the development of the indoor turf facility at Lasalle Secondary School, the need for a new soccer complex is not anticipated in the next five years.</li> </ul>
25. Provide three additional mini fields in Walden and one additional full field in Rayside-Balfour through park development/expansion or agreement.	High		•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Additional play fields are not required at this time.</li> <li>Participation rates (registration data) continues to be monitored on an annual basis.</li> </ul>
26. Continue to upgrade existing soccer fields to meet local needs, including the identification of additional fields suitable for lighting installation. Preference should generally be given to fields in areas of need and park sites with multiple fields.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participation rates (registration data) continues to be monitored on an annual basis.</li> <li>Information will be utilized to determine where investment in play fields is required.</li> </ul>
27. Maintain access to the parking lot at the former Barrydowne Arena in order to provide parking for the newly established mini fields at Adanac/Rotary Park.	High	•	•	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Designated parking spaces at the former Barrydowne Arena for Adanac and Rotary Park users completed in 2016.</li> </ul>

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<b>Ball Diamonds (Section 5.13)</b>					
28. Demand for additional diamonds is not anticipated during the timeframe of this Plan. Nevertheless, the City should continue to monitor registration data, with particular focus on the Sudbury and Rayside-Balfour areas.	Low	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth and adult registration data collected on an annual basis.</li> </ul>
29. Upgrades may be made to selected diamonds with the assistance of local organizations, including the installation of lights at the Terry Fox Complex (Diamond #2). Preference should generally be given to fields in areas of need and park sites with multiple fields.	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LED lights installed at Terry Fox Sports Complex (field #2) in partnership with Sudbury Minor Baseball Association.</li> <li>Artificial turf installed in the infield of Terry Fox Sports Complex (field #1), in partnership with the Fabio Belli Foundation, providing opportunities for accessible use.</li> <li>Upgrades to baseball diamond at Kivi Park in partnership with the Clifford &amp; Lily Fielding Charitable Foundation.</li> </ul>
30. Lower quality practice or scrub diamonds should be evaluated and redeveloped for other uses, where appropriate.	Medium	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North-end baseball diamond was repurposed to create the Rayside Balfour off-leash dog park.</li> </ul>
<b>Other Sports Fields (Section 5.14)</b>					
31. Ensure that the artificial turf field recommended for the Gerry McCrory Countryside Sports Complex is designed to accommodate a wide range of field sports, including football, field lacrosse, ultimate frisbee, etc.	Medium	•			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Action Item 24.</li> </ul>

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<b>Outdoor Basketball Courts (Section 5.15)</b>					
32. Undertake an “observation project” to document usage and assist in prioritizing opportunities for the re-purposing, repair, and/or expansion of unscheduled and casual use park amenities, such as tennis courts, basketball courts, bocce courts, playgrounds, etc.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As a result of the Core Service Review, Council has directed staff to prepare a report and policy describing minimum utilization rates and other similar criteria to support Council's further deliberations about KPMG's recommendations to rationalize facilities and review maintained parkland requirements to be presented to Council by the end of the third quarter of 2020.</li> </ul>
33. New basketball court development may be considered within noted gap areas and new residential subdivisions that do not have any municipal courts within 1-kilometre. New facilities should be designed as half courts unless the goal is to create opportunities for outdoor ice skating on the same pad.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New courts realized at York Street Playground, St. Joseph's Playground, Howard Armstrong Recreation Centre and Kivi Park.</li> <li>New basketball standards installed as part of improvements at Percy and Ridgecrest outdoor rinks.</li> </ul>
<b>Outdoor Tennis Courts (Section 5.16)</b>					
34. No additional courts are required in any area of the City during the timeframe of this Plan. The City should convert under-utilized tennis pads in over-supplied areas to other alternative uses (e.g., pickleball) or remove the courts entirely to mitigate capital requirements.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Courts at O'Connor Park repurposed as dedicated pickleball courts.</li> <li>Courts at Cote Park (Chelmsford) refurbished to include pickleball courts.</li> <li>The City continues to work with the Greater Sudbury Pickleball Association to identify opportunities.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=7&amp;id=1262">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=7&amp;id=1262</a></p>

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<b>Splash Pads &amp; Beaches</b> (Section 5.17)					
<p>35. Continue to expand the municipal splash pad inventory through application of a 1.5-kilometre service radius within urban residential areas. Based on the present distribution, seven to eight new splash pads would be required to meet this target, including sites within Garson, Onaping/Dowling, Capreol, Sudbury (South End, Minnow Lake, and Bell Park), and possibly Azilda and/or Val Caron. Splash pads should be provided in community parks that have access to washrooms, change areas, and off-street parking.</p>	Medium	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New splash pads realized in Capreol, Coniston (Adelie Splash Pad), Garson, Onaping, Minnow Lake (Morel Family Foundation Park) and Sudbury’s South End (DJ Hancock Memorial Park).</li> <li>• Splash pads to be initiated in Azilda (Whitewater Lake Park) and Twin Forks in 2020.</li> <li>• Funding commitments in place for splash pad development in Copper Cliff, Delki Dozzi and Val Caron. Projects to be advanced once fund-raising goals are met.</li> <li>• As per the Splash Pad Update 2020 report presented to Council on February 10, 2020 no further development of these types of assets beyond committed projects is recommended as provision targets in the Parks, Open Space &amp; Leisure Master Plan Review (2014) have been met, and provision levels of spray pads in comparison with other municipalities in Canada is exceeded.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=2&amp;id=1495">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=2&amp;id=1495</a></p>
<p>36. Continue to maintain municipally supervised beaches and to ensure that beach access routes meet or exceed the technical requirements of the <i>Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act</i>. Additional public engagement should be undertaken to determine possible areas for improvement to beach areas.</p>	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessibility improvements completed at Bell Park Main Beach, including addition of a floating wheel chair for the public.</li> <li>• Kalmo Beach 10-Year Plan to be presented to Community Services Committee, which will provide recommendations for improvements.</li> </ul>

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<b>Off-Leash Dog Parks (Section 5.18)</b>					
37. Establish formal criteria for identifying and evaluating potential sites for future off-leash dog parks, with consideration to those identified in this Plan.	High	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Site selection criteria and design guidelines approved as per the Off-Leash Dog Park Update report presented to Council on April 15, 2019.</li> </ul> <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=3&amp;id=1352">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=3&amp;id=1352</a>
38. Engage local communities and organizations in the planning, creation, and operation of future off-leash dog parks, with priority given to the City's larger urban areas, including: Sudbury (south/southwest area); Rayside-Balfour; and Valley East.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North End baseball diamond was repurposed to create the Rayside Balfour off-leash dog park.</li> <li>Construction of an off-leash dog park at the Gerry McCrory Countryside Sports Complex to be completed in 2020.</li> </ul> <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1359">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=4&amp;id=1359</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing Terms of Reference with defining roles and responsibilities for off-leash dog park organizations..</li> </ul>

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<b>Outdoor Ice Rinks (Section 5.19)</b>					
39. Establish a policy to address the rationalization of existing rinks and provision of new outdoor rinks, as well as to undertake a review of the outdoor rink program to ensure that it is making the most effective use of available funding.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As a result of the Core Service Review, Council has directed staff to prepare a report and policy describing minimum utilization rates and other similar criteria to support Council's further deliberations about KPMG's recommendations to rationalize facilities and review maintained parkland requirements to be presented to Council by the end of the third quarter of 2020.</li> <li>This review will include outdoor rinks as part of the scope of work.</li> </ul>
40. Maintain existing outdoor rinks to the degree possible, with priority placed on high-use facilities. Alternative options may need to be explored for under-utilized and/or deteriorating facilities, in consultation with the affected community.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A key deliverable identified as part of the 2020 budget process was to establish asset management plans for park and recreation amenities including outdoor rinks to identify an appropriate mix of maintenance and replacement needs to sustain service level targets. Asset management plans will be developed for the City's 56 outdoor rinks in 2020.</li> </ul>
<b>Running Tracks (Section 5.20)</b>					
41. Continue to maintain and support the Laurentian Community Track for local use and to ensure its viability for hosting regional and provincial-level track and field competitions.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leisure Services continues to maintain and facilitate community, regional and provincial events at Laurentian Community Track in collaboration with Laurentian University and other community stakeholders.</li> </ul>

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<b>Skate &amp; BMX Parks (Section 5.21)</b>					
42. Develop up to four additional skate parks in Sudbury (gaps include the South End, New Sudbury, Downtown, and Copper Cliff) as well as one additional skate park in Valley East to improve geographic distribution. Skateboarders should be engaged in the design, creation, and operation of new facilities.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New modular skate parks realized at Lions Park (Hanmer) and Berthiaume Park (Chelmsford).</li> <li>• New modular skate park to be opened at Victory Playground in 2020.</li> <li>• Community consultation hosted for new permanent skate park in Val Caron.</li> </ul>
43. Explore options for bike pump parks/tracks as needs arise (instead of BMX parks that tend to require greater maintenance and volunteer support).	Low	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To date there has been no demonstrated community support or demand for these types of facilities.</li> </ul>
<b>Ski Hills (Section 5.22)</b>					
44. Ensure the sustainability of municipal ski hills through responsible asset management, customer-responsive programs and services, and four-season opportunities. Lifecycle analysis indicates that the replacement of lift equipment at the Adanac and Lively ski hills will be required in the near term.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New quad chairlift installed at Adanac prior to the 2018/2019 season.</li> <li>• As a result of the Core Service Review, Council has directed staff to prepare a plan for Council's approval to have ski hill operations delivered by a private or not-for-profit third party provider.</li> </ul>
45. Given the low utilization of the Capreol Ski Hill, its continued operation must be rationalized. A detailed operational review should be undertaken, including the exploration of alternate uses and consultation with stakeholders. Major capital investment at this location is not recommended without a proper business plan and strategy.	High	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capreol Ski Hill was repurposed as a sliding facility in 2016.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=2&amp;id=846">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=2&amp;id=846</a></p>

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<b>Other Leisure Facilities</b> (Section 5.23)					
46. Develop a formal partnership framework to evaluate municipal involvement in unsolicited proposals for specialized leisure facilities. At a minimum, this framework should require proponents to prepare comprehensive business plans (completed to the City's satisfaction) to enable the evaluation.	Medium	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework for partnerships approved as per the Framework for Partnership Opportunities for Indoor Turf and Multipurpose Facilities Final Report presented to Council on October 23, 2017.</li> </ul> <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=1&amp;id=1154">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=1&amp;id=1154</a>
<b>Parkland Classification</b> (Section 6.1)					
47. Consider the park classification system created by the Green Space Advisory Panel as part of the City's Official Plan Review; dividing the classification system into two groups: (1) Active Parkland (Neighbourhood, Community, and Regional Parks) to which the per capita provision target will apply; and (2) Open Space (Linear, Natural, and Special Purpose Parks and Ecological Reserve).	High	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The park classification system recommended by the Green Space Advisory Panel has been incorporated into section 7.2 of the City's Official Plan through the Phase 1 review, which was approved by the Province on April 26, 2019.</li> </ul>
<b>Park Beautification</b> (Section 6.1)					
48. Establish maintenance and capital objectives specific to various park types.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The date for municipalities to have an approved asset management plan for all municipal infrastructure (including parks) that identifies levels of service and the cost of maintaining levels of services is July 1, 2023.</li> </ul>

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<b>Parkland Inventory &amp; Requirements</b> (Section 6.1)					
49. Maintain an updated inventory and geographic database of municipal parks, open space, and landscaped/horticultural properties (including a standardized property name, classification, and listing of assets) and establish a protocol for updating the database.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An updated inventory of municipal parks and open spaces which includes property name and classification is included in both the public facing GIS system (Recreation App) as well as the City’s internal GIS system.</li> <li>• Additional work on a complete listing of assets within each park type is required.</li> </ul>
50. Consider amending the park-specific provision targets for Neighbourhood, Community, and Regional Parks, while continuing to maintain an overall target of 4.0 hectares of active parkland per 1,000 residents.	High	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The following park-specific targets recommended have been incorporated:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Neighbourhood Park - 1.0 ha / 1,000 residents</li> <li>○ Community Park – 1.25 ha / 1,000 residents</li> <li>○ Regional Park – 1.75 ha / 1,000 residents</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Parkland Gaps</b> (Section 6.1)					
51. The City should use a variety of tools and mechanisms to identify and address priority gaps in the active parkland inventory; these options are identified in the Green Space Advisory Panel reports.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tools and mechanisms identified by the Green Space Advisory Panel are utilized to identify parkland opportunities and to address gaps.</li> </ul>
<b>Surplus Parkland</b> (Section 6.1)					
52. The City should continue to evaluate and implement its Parkland Disposal Policy, with reference to this Master Plan and the Green Space Advisory Panel reports.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The City’s Parkland Disposal Policy (By-Law 2010-158) continues to be utilized as the process for the evaluation and notification of potential parkland disposition.</li> </ul>
<b>Parkland Policy &amp; Dedication</b> (Section 6.1)					
53. Seek to maximize <i>Planning Act</i> provisions in acquiring parkland (or cash-in-lieu) and establishing a linked open space system, with consideration to the findings of this Master Plan and Green Space Advisory Panel Reports.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The City continues to monitor proposed regulations related to the Community Benefits Authority (under the Planning Act, the Development Charges Act and the Building Code) with respect to potential changes to parkland acquisition.</li> </ul>

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<b>Parkland Policy &amp; Dedication (Section 6.1) Continued</b>					
54. Through the City's Official Plan Review, consider options for providing parkland within areas of residential intensification. This may include (but not be limited to) changes to the alternate parkland requirement (1 hectare per 300 units) for the highest density applications, new park types in urban areas, and options for renewing and revitalizing existing parks intended to serve areas of residential intensification.	Low	•			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Was incorporated into Section 7.3 of the Official Plan through the Phase 1 review, which was approved by the Province on April 26, 2019.</li> <li>Bill 108, which received Royal Assent on June 6, 2019, amended the Planning Act to repeal Section 51.1 (2) which provided municipalities with the ability to impose alternate parkland dedication requirements. As a result, the City will be amending the Official Plan, at a later date, to remove this policy in accordance with the changes to the Planning Act.</li> </ul>
<b>Parkland &amp; Facility Development and Design (Section 6.1)</b>					
55. Develop a Leisure Facilities Standards Manual to identify facility design standards (e.g., signage, accessibility, support amenities, etc.) to guide the development and redevelopment of leisure facilities.	Medium	•			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Design guideline principles developed for Neighbourhood and Community Parks.</li> <li>Additional work required on design standards for leisure facilities such as outdoor rinks, outdoor courts, play fields, etc.</li> </ul>

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<b>Parkland &amp; Facility Development and Design</b> (Section 6.1) Continued					
<p>56. In designing parks, continue to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• incorporate spaces and amenities encouraging physical activity, wellness, and informal use opportunities;</li> <li>• consider the needs of a diverse and aging population through the provision of washrooms, seating, shade/shelter, drinking fountains, pathways, and picnic areas;</li> <li>• follow accessibility legislation and guidelines to accommodate persons with disabilities;</li> <li>• apply CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) principles;</li> <li>• promote designs that encourage sustainable maintenance practices;</li> <li>• incorporate a balance of native, drought-resistant, and colourful vegetative features;</li> <li>• utilize materials that are robust, durable, and mindful of future maintenance requirements;</li> <li>• seek innovative and engaging initiatives that encourage environmental stewardship (e.g., recycling bins);</li> <li>• encourage public art; and</li> <li>• encourage active transportation connections and a linked open space system.</li> </ul>	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design guideline principles developed for Neighbourhood and Community Parks as per the Playground Revitalization Final Report presented to Council on December 4, 2017.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=3&amp;id=1155">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=3&amp;id=1155</a></p>
<b>Trails &amp; Connectivity</b> (Section 6.2)					
<p>57. Continue to work with partners on the expansion of recreational trails, active transportation choices, and associated support infrastructure, as guided by the City of Greater Sudbury Sustainable Mobility Plan, Official Plan, and related initiatives.</p>	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The City continues to work with the Rainbow Routes Association and other community partners on the development of non-motorized trails.</li> <li>• Leisure Services Division staff work with the City's Active Transportation Coordinator on active transportation routes and the connectivity to the City's non-motorized trail network.</li> </ul>

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<b>Trails &amp; Connectivity</b> (Section 6.2) Continued					
58. In the Official Plan Review, the importance of trails and active transportation should be strengthened through the identification of a preferred network and implementation policies. A policy to allow for the conveyance of land for pathways within new subdivisions (as permitted by Section 51 of the Planning Act) should also be considered.	High	•			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New policies for park design including active transportation connections and a linked open space system have been incorporated into section 7.0 of the City's Official Plan through the Phase 1 review.</li> </ul>
<b>Healthy Community Challenges &amp; Priorities</b> (Section 7.1)					
59. Consider the findings of this Master Plan as part of the City's Healthy Community initiative.	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In accordance with the HCI Policy (By-Law 2018-129), proposed capital projects are evaluated for eligibility against the POSLMP to ensure they align with its priorities.</li> </ul>
<b>Municipal Role in Service Delivery</b> (Section 7.2)					
60. Evaluate the delivery of leisure services on a regular basis, including consideration to new approaches that may improve service efficiency and cost effectiveness.	Medium	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Core Service Review included an in-depth review of arenas, parks and recreation, which provided recommendations for new approaches for service delivery and efficiencies.</li> </ul>
<b>Affordable Access to Recreation</b> (Section 7.3)					
61. Formalize the Affordable Access to Recreation policy in order to bolster universal access to physical activity and recreation opportunities based on an ability-to-pay model.	High	•			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Affordable Access to Recreation Strategy report presented to Council on June 26, 2018.  <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=16&amp;id=1243">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=16&amp;id=1243</a></li> </ul>

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<b>Affordable Access to Recreation</b> (Section 7.3) Continued					
62. Build on the existing program offerings to maximize opportunities for free access to municipal facilities (for all age groups) where expenses would be neutral (e.g., drop-in programs, open gym, open houses at fitness facilities, public skating / swimming, etc.). In doing so, create pilot program opportunities at municipal facilities to evaluate public interest and to further evaluate the net budget impact. Explore funding opportunities to cover cost for staff wages, benefits, etc.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City has introduced additional free access programs including indoor walking at community halls and free public skating.</li> <li>• Business cases prepared for additional universal programs through 2019 and 2020 budget deliberations.</li> </ul>
63. Create and maintain an updated list of agencies that fund and/or provide subsidies, in order to refer citizens that require financial assistance to participate in municipal recreational programs.	Medium	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leisure Services Division maintains a list of referral agencies who provide program subsidies.</li> <li>• The City's Affordable Access to Recreation Strategy noted the need to strengthen relationships with funding agencies.</li> </ul>
64. Build on the community mapping initiative (GIS and online) to identify leisure facilities and programs that are free to the community.	High	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feel Free to Feel Fit Healthy Community Maps posted online. <a href="http://www.greatersudbury.ca/?LinkServID=1640F831-A624-CBA9-717B9F11CA1BC69F">http://www.greatersudbury.ca/?LinkServID=1640F831-A624-CBA9-717B9F11CA1BC69F</a></li> <li>• City's website includes a section for Affordable Fun which promotes no cost and low cost leisure activities.</li> </ul>

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<b>Affordable Access to Recreation (Section 7.3) Continued</b>					
65. Develop a communication strategy and create a brand for affordable access that could be incorporated within the City's "Healthy Community" initiative.	Medium	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As part of the City of Greater Sudbury website redevelopment, affordable fun activities are featured prominently providing residents with information about no cost and low cost activities and recreation opportunities.</li> <li>The City also produces the Active Living Guide on a quarterly basis. This publication provides information about low and no cost activities for older adults and is circulated to various locations such as local older adult centres, retirement homes, and public libraries.</li> </ul>
66. Encourage all agencies and leisure organizations to be advocates by recognizing, celebrating, and advertising their support towards affordable access.	Medium	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City's Affordable Access to Recreation Strategy made recommendations that when leasing municipal space to third parties, language is included to ensure that universal and low cost programs and services are provided. This language has been included with agreements with the Northern Water Sports Centre and the Sudbury Indoor Tennis Centre.</li> <li>The Affordable Access to Recreation Strategy recommended that the City take a lead role in reconvening the Greater Sudbury Physical Activity and Recreation Roundtable to ensure that other associations and organizations are following the City's lead in advancing affordable access to recreation.</li> <li>Affordable Access to Recreation Strategy report presented to Council on June 26, 2018.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=16&amp;id=1243">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=16&amp;id=1243</a></p>

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<b>Program Delivery (Section 7.4)</b>					
67. Continue to undertake program planning in coordination with community partners and in response to local needs, with an emphasis on services that promote physical activity and social inclusion.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City continues to collaborate with recreation stakeholders regarding recreation and leisure programming to promote inclusive play opportunities.</li> </ul>
68. Utilize “older adult” (not “senior”) as the preferred term in all City publications regarding the 55+ age cohort, including (but not limited to) the Leisure Guide, communication and promotion materials, and signage. Encourage partners to adopt a similar practice.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The new definition of Older Adult approved by Council is 65+ (per resolutions FA2015-56 and CC2015-403).</li> <li>City has discontinued printing of the Leisure Guide but now produces an Active Living Guide for Older Adults.</li> </ul>
69. Undertake an Older Adult Strategy and pursue “age-friendly” community status for the City of Greater Sudbury. This will require an action plan for ensuring that leisure policies, services, and infrastructure enable people of all ages – particularly older adults – to be active in the community.	High	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An Age-Friendly Community Action Plan was presented to Council on November 22, 2017. <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=1&amp;id=1137">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=1&amp;id=1137</a></li> <li>The City of Greater Sudbury received a Category 1-Age-Friendly Community Recognition Award in March 2018. <a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=5&amp;id=1264">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=5&amp;id=1264</a></li> </ul>

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<b>User Fees &amp; Cost Recovery (Section 7.5)</b>					
70. Regularly assess rates and fees for leisure programs and facilities to ensure that they represent a fair and equitable balance between true costs and public benefits. Include annual capital requirements within cost recovery targets to provide a true indication of the balance between user fee contributions, taxation, and other funding sources.	High	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As a result of the Core Service Review, Council has directed staff to update the User Fee Policy to include a framework that guides what portion of recreation costs should be recovered by user fees and the rate of subsidy that should be provided by taxpayers for Council's review and approval by the end of the third quarter of 2020</li> </ul>
71. Evaluate the City's policies on user fee waiver/space donation relative to leisure services.	Medium	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City's User Fee By-Law provides provisions for free space for non-profit organizations for meetings and special events.</li> </ul>
72. Should the City close or dispose of any parks or leisure facilities, consideration should be given to reallocating the operating funds from these former assets to the capital renewal of retained assets within the same community.	Low	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City has not realized any significant disposal of parkland to date which would result in the reallocation of operating funds.</li> </ul>
<b>Community Engagement, Marketing, and Customer Service (Section 7.6)</b>					
73. Review the Communication and Marketing Strategy to ensure that it is effective in creating awareness and engaging all members of the community. The Strategy should reflect the continued development of new technologies, including social media, and explore new means to reach younger demographics.	High	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City is currently undertaking a Communications Review and developing a Civic Engagement Strategy.</li> </ul>
74. Upgrade the City's recreation management software to improve customer service, customer intelligence, trend tracking, and performance indicators.	High		•	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City's new recreation management software for program registration and facility booking launched on March 4, 2020.</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;attachment=28083.pdf">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;attachment=28083.pdf</a></p>

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<b>Sport &amp; Leisure-Based Tourism (Section 7.7)</b>					
75. Continue to foster relationships between the City, Sport Tourism Advisory Panel, SportLink, and other partners (e.g., hospitality sector, sports groups, volunteers, etc.) to strengthen sports tourism in Greater Sudbury.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City has successfully hosted the 2018 Telus Cup, 2019 Esso Cup and has secured the U18 National Curling Championships.</li> </ul>
76. With sectoral partners, create an Event Hosting Strategy to define roles and responsibilities, funding guidelines, potential bids to pursue, etc.	Medium	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommendations from the Sports Tourism Advisory Panel presented to Council on October 7, 2014.</li> <li><a href="https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=12&amp;id=789">https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&amp;action=file&amp;agenda=report&amp;itemid=12&amp;id=789</a></li> <li>Recommendations are used to help shape the City's approach to event hosting, definition of roles and identifying potential bid opportunities.</li> </ul>
77. Give consideration to regional, provincial, and national design and hosting standards when upgrading, redeveloping, and developing indoor and outdoor sports facilities.	Medium	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As part of the City's Canada Summer Games Bid, technical requirements from relevant National Sporting Organizations were reviewed and capital upgrades identified.</li> </ul>

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<b>Staffing &amp; Volunteer Management (Section 7.8)</b>					
78. Undertake a scoped review of staffing gaps, responsibilities, efficiencies, and training requirements within the Leisure Services Division.	<b>High</b>	•		●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As vacancies occur within the Leisure Services Division, roles are revised to address gaps and needs.</li> <li>Over the last number of years, roles in Leisure Services have been modified to provide resourcing around project management, special event support, customer service support, policy development and process improvement.</li> </ul>
79. Identify opportunities to strengthen the City’s role in supporting volunteerism within the leisure delivery system.	<b>Medium</b>	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City continues to collaborate with Volunteer Sudbury to promote volunteer opportunities with Leisure Services and on recruitment, retention and recognition of volunteers.</li> </ul>
<b>Partnerships (Section 7.9)</b>					
80. Where appropriate, consider partnerships with public, not-for-profit, and/or private organizations in financing, developing, operating, and/or maintaining parks and leisure facilities and services in an effort to improve cost efficiency and enhance community benefit.	<b>High</b>	•	•	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Action Item 46.</li> </ul>
81. Seek corporate sponsorships to enhance the delivery of leisure programs and services.	<b>High</b>	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A key deliverable identified as part of the 2020 budget process was to review and update the City’s Corporate Sponsorship Policy in order to secure funding and develop partnerships for investment in new leisure infrastructure</li> </ul>
82. Develop a standardized partnership framework to guide decisions relating to new and existing relationships with outside groups in the delivery and provision of leisure services and facilities.	<b>Medium</b>	•		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Action Item 46.</li> </ul>

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<b>Implementation Strategy (Section 8.1)</b>					
83. Ensure that sufficient annual operating funds are allocated to approved capital projects.	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As per Capital Budget processes, all capital prioritization submissions and business cases include considerations for operational costs associated with projects.</li> <li>• As per Healthy Community Initiative (HCI) policy, operating costs associated with HCI Capital projects are included.</li> </ul>
84. Continue to seek alternative funding sources (e.g., fundraising, sponsorships, grants, etc.) to supplement existing resources and to enable full implementation of the Master Plan.	High	•	•		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The City continues to seek alternative sources of funds for capital investment of existing and new leisure infrastructure.</li> <li>• The City has received significant investment from local businesses and foundations to realize projects such as the Adelie Splash Pad, Kivi Park development, Howard Armstrong Recreation Centre beach volleyball and basketball courts, Morel Family Foundation Park redevelopment and Terry Fox Sports Complex improvements.</li> <li>• Provincial and federal grants have been leveraged for programs and projects such as Ridgecrest Playground improvements, O'Connor pickleball courts, Ryan Heights After School Program and the Therapeutic/Leisure Pool.</li> <li>• Community fund-raising has led to the realization of numerous playground improvements, splash pad projects and park enhancements.</li> <li>• HCI Capital Grants continue to be leveraged towards advancement of POSLMP action items and investment in leisure infrastructure.</li> </ul>

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<b>Monitoring and Updating the Master Plan (Section 8.2)</b>					
85. Implement a system for the regular implementation, monitoring, and review of the Master Plan.	<b>High</b>	•	•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan Review (2014) contains action items that are reviewed and used as the basis for annual work plan development, capital budget submissions and business cases.</li> <li>Recommended provision levels and targets are reviewed and monitored through benchmarking and dashboard reporting.</li> </ul>
86. Reconfirm the direction, priorities and accomplishments of the Master Plan in 2019. Undertake a complete review and update of the Master Plan in the year 2024.	<b>High</b>		•	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interim review of the Parks, Open Space and Leisure Master Plan Review presented to the Community Services Committee in April 2020.</li> </ul>

Legend:    ✓ Achieved    ● Ongoing/In-process    ● To be Initiated    ● No Action Required

# Survey Report

September, 2019

# How are we doing with Parks, Open Spaces and Leisure?

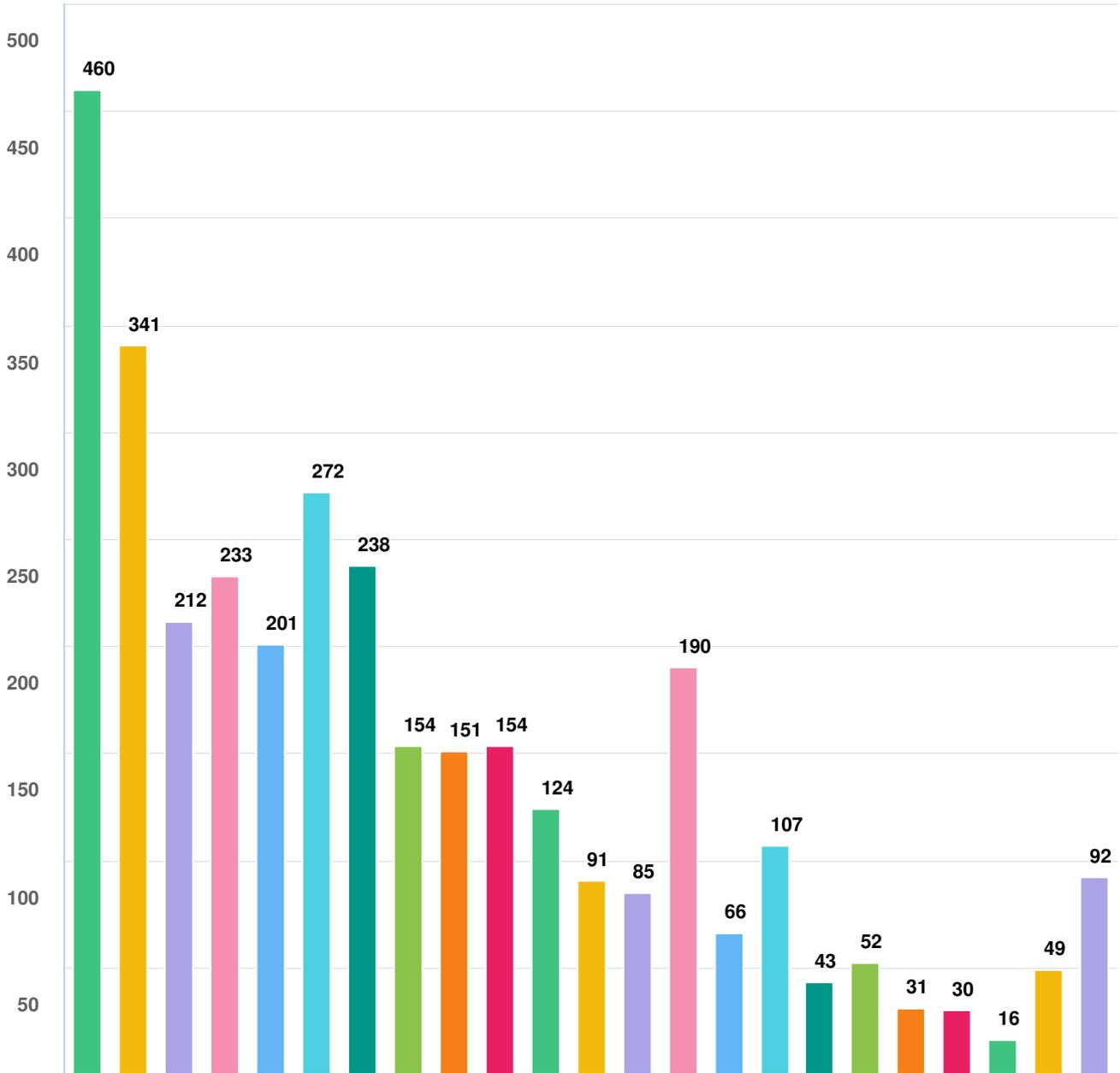
PROJECT: Parks, Open Space & Leisure Master Plan

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**Q1** In the past 12 months, which of the following activities have you or anyone in your household participated in? By participation, we mean situations where you or a member of your household actively participate (which does not include attending an event or watching others), either at home or in public.



**Question options**

- Walking or Hiking for Leisure    ● Swimming (outdoor)    ● Cycling or Mountain Biking    ● Ice Sports / Skating (outdoor)
- Swimming (indoor)    ● Use of Playground Equipment    ● Water Sports (e.g. canoeing, kayaking, etc.)
- Running or Jogging    ● Aerobics, Fitness or Weight training    ● Ice Sports / Skating (indoor)    ● Cross-country Skiing
- Soccer    ● Downhill Skiing    ● Use of Spray Pads in Parks    ● Gymnasium Sports    ● Baseball or Softball
- Tennis    ● Basketball (outdoor)    ● Skateboarding    ● Organized Teen Programs (e.g. drop-in activities, youth club, etc.)
- Football    ● Organized Seniors Programs (e.g. luncheons, cards, special interest courses, etc.)    ● Other

Optional question (515 responses, 2 skipped)

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**Q2** Please specify:

Anonymous 8/29/2019 05:05 PM	Pickleball
Anonymous 8/29/2019 07:25 PM	Gathering place for youth groups
Anonymous 8/29/2019 10:52 PM	snow shoeing. Tracking - dog sport where dog has to follow a previously laid track - needs lots of space, both open high grass field and groomed park.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 10:52 PM	Hubs
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:44 AM	Meetups with Friends Group
Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:26 PM	Gardening
Anonymous 8/31/2019 04:32 PM	Boxing
Anonymous 8/31/2019 06:59 PM	snow shoeing
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:38 AM	Golf, snowshoeing
Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:19 PM	Pickelball
Anonymous 9/01/2019 04:25 PM	Martial Arts
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:01 PM	Indoor ball hockey
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:51 PM	Kickboxing
Anonymous 9/02/2019 07:36 AM	Splashpad
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:28 AM	Dog parks
Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:09 PM	Senior programme to maintain balance ie 'Stand Up' through the Older Adults Centre.
Anonymous	snowshoeing camping

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Anonymous Pickleball

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Anonymous pickleball

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Anonymous Pickle ball

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Anonymous Pickle ball at Oconnor

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Anonymous Pickle ball

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Anonymous Pickleball

9/02/2019 09:07 PM

Anonymous Play pickleball several times a week at O'Connor Park

9/02/2019 09:30 PM

Anonymous Pickleball

9/02/2019 09:38 PM

Anonymous PICKLEBALL ( indoor & outdoor court ) at present no courts available in the Valley area where I reside!

9/02/2019 10:15 PM

Anonymous Pickleball inside and outside

9/03/2019 08:14 AM

Anonymous RUGBY PICKLEBALL (Outdoor)

9/03/2019 09:26 AM

Anonymous pickleball

9/03/2019 10:15 AM

Anonymous Pickleball

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Anonymous Pickleball at O Conner Park

9/03/2019 01:07 PM

Anonymous Played indoor pickleball at two schools rented by GSPA 4 days /week during school year 2018 -2019. No school rented for 2019-2020. Also played outdoor pickleball at O'Connor park 5 days a week.

9/03/2019 02:29 PM

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Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:30 PM	Played indoor pickleball at two schools rented by GSPA 4 days /week during school year 2018 -2019. No school rented for 2019-2020. Also played outdoor pickleball at O'Connor park 5 days a week.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:45 PM	Playing indoor Pickleball at two schools rented by Greater Sudbury Pickleball association 4 day a week during the school year of 2017/2018 and 2018/2019. There are no schools rented for 2019/2020. Also played outdoor Pickleball at O'Connor Park 5 days a week
Anonymous 9/03/2019 03:25 PM	Spend a large amount of time playing pickleball at local fascilities
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:55 PM	snow shoeing
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:13 PM	Pickle Ball
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:56 PM	I play pickleball 4 times a week 2 hours each time.
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Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:06 PM	Pickleball at O'Connor Park
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:00 PM	Pickleball
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:04 PM	Playing Pickleball at O'Connor Park
Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:52 AM	Pickleball inside and outside
Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:25 AM	pickleball
Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:25 AM	Sbow Shoe
Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:06 AM	pickleball
Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:14 AM	pickle ball. Where is PICKLE BALL. IT was started at o,connor last year with great success. I THING TENNIS IS GOING DOWN THE HILL . It should be replace by pickle ball court. Lots of tennis court were empty most of the time
Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:28 AM	Pickleball at Oconnor Park
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Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:58 PM	Pickleball Yoga
Anonymous 9/04/2019 04:13 PM	Pickle Ball
Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:25 PM	snowshoeing
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:26 PM	DOG PARK We need more designated off leash dog areas. PLEASE
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:42 PM	Sitting at bell park enjoying a coffee, watching the sail boats or reading
Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:30 PM	Bushwhacking
 9/05/2019 07:37 PM	Pickle ball
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Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:25 AM	Organized programs for adults
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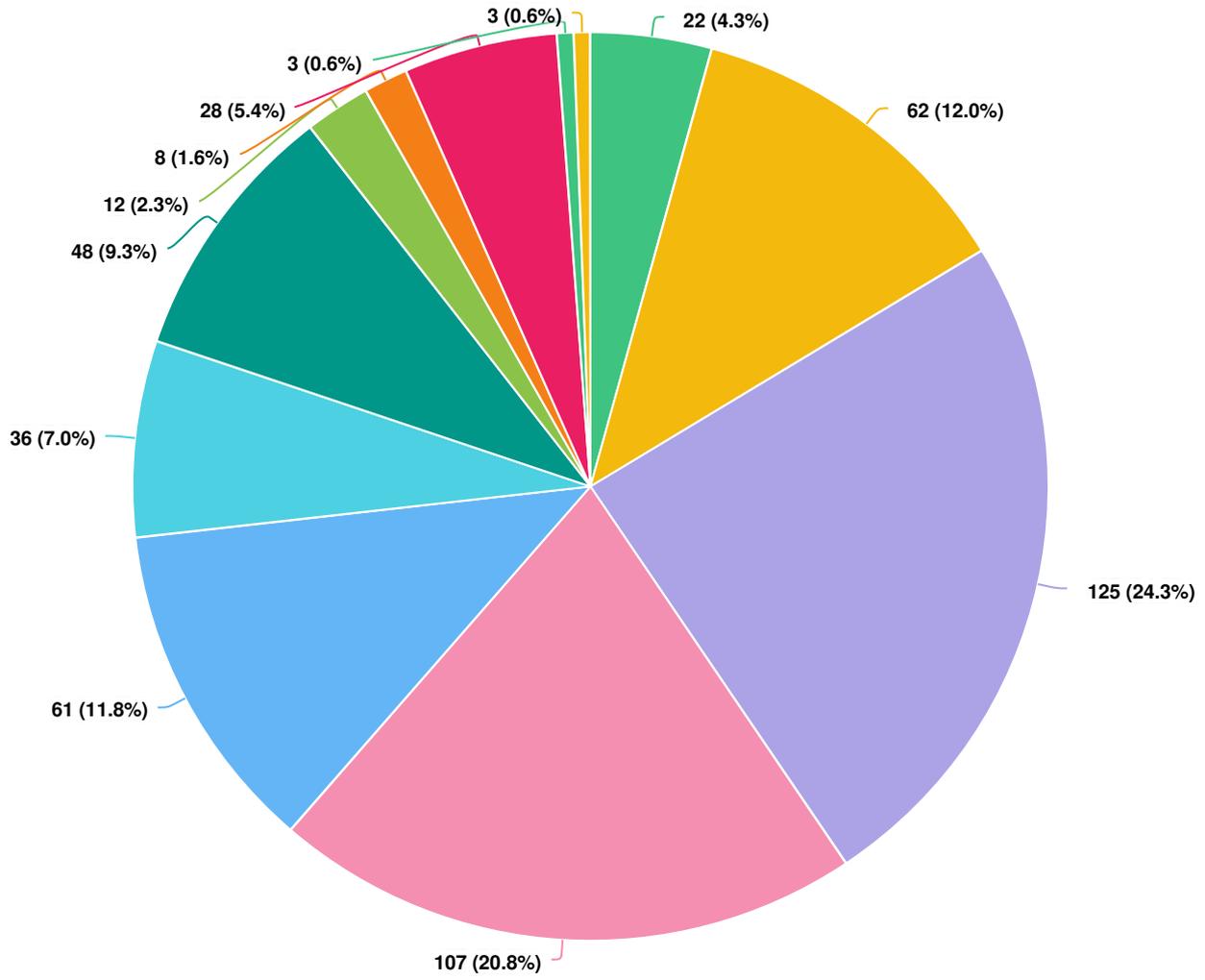
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Anonymous 9/11/2019 10:52 AM	Kite flying
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Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:42 AM	Martial arts
Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:39 PM	Golf
Anonymous 9/14/2019 09:49 PM	Toddler programs like best start hubs /drop in programs for toddler
Anonymous 9/14/2019 10:58 PM	yoga
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:51 AM	I used the squash backboard in gatchell.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 10:51 AM	Splash pads
Anonymous 9/16/2019 12:39 PM	Outdoor and indoor Pickleball. 30 minutes. I would love to see outdoor courts for Pickleball in the Valley. Elmview would be a great location for many Seniors to gather for games.
Anonymous 9/16/2019 12:47 PM	Outdoor and indoor Pickleball. 30 minutes. I would love to see outdoor courts for Pickleball in the Valley. Elmview would be a great location for many Seniors to gather for games.
Anonymous 9/16/2019 09:30 PM	pickleball 2 times a week outdoor and indoor, not enough outdoor courts and places to play in the greater city of Sudbury. It is the fastest growing sport in North America. Some tennis courts rarely in use should be converted to pickleball courts throughout the region
Communications Proxy 9/20/2019 01:39 PM	Pickleball wit the Sudbury Pickleball Association at College Notre Dame and O'Connor Park. Dance/Zumba with a volunteer at the Legion on Weller Street.
Communications Proxy 9/23/2019 12:29 PM	Pickleball: College Notre Dame and O'Connor Park organized by the Sudbury Pickleball Association. Dance/Zumba: with volunteer at the Legion on Weller Street

**Optional question** (86 responses, 431 skipped)

**Q3** What is a reasonable length of time for you to travel for the leisure activities that your household does the most?



**Question options**

- 0-4 minutes
- 5-9 minutes
- 10-14 minutes
- 15-19 minutes
- 20-24 minutes
- 25-29 minutes
- 30-34 minutes
- 35-39 minutes
- 40-44 minutes
- 45 minutes or more
- Don't Know/Not Applicable
- Other

Optional question (515 responses, 2 skipped)

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**Q4** Please specify:

Anonymous

9/03/2019 02:29 PM

Due to a lack of facilities, I am not able to enjoy playing pickleball as often as I would like. Because the facility is only open after school in the evening, it is not always as easy to access as in other communities who offer pickleball in the afternoon. Therefore, it is not the length of time as it is the time of day.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 02:30 PM

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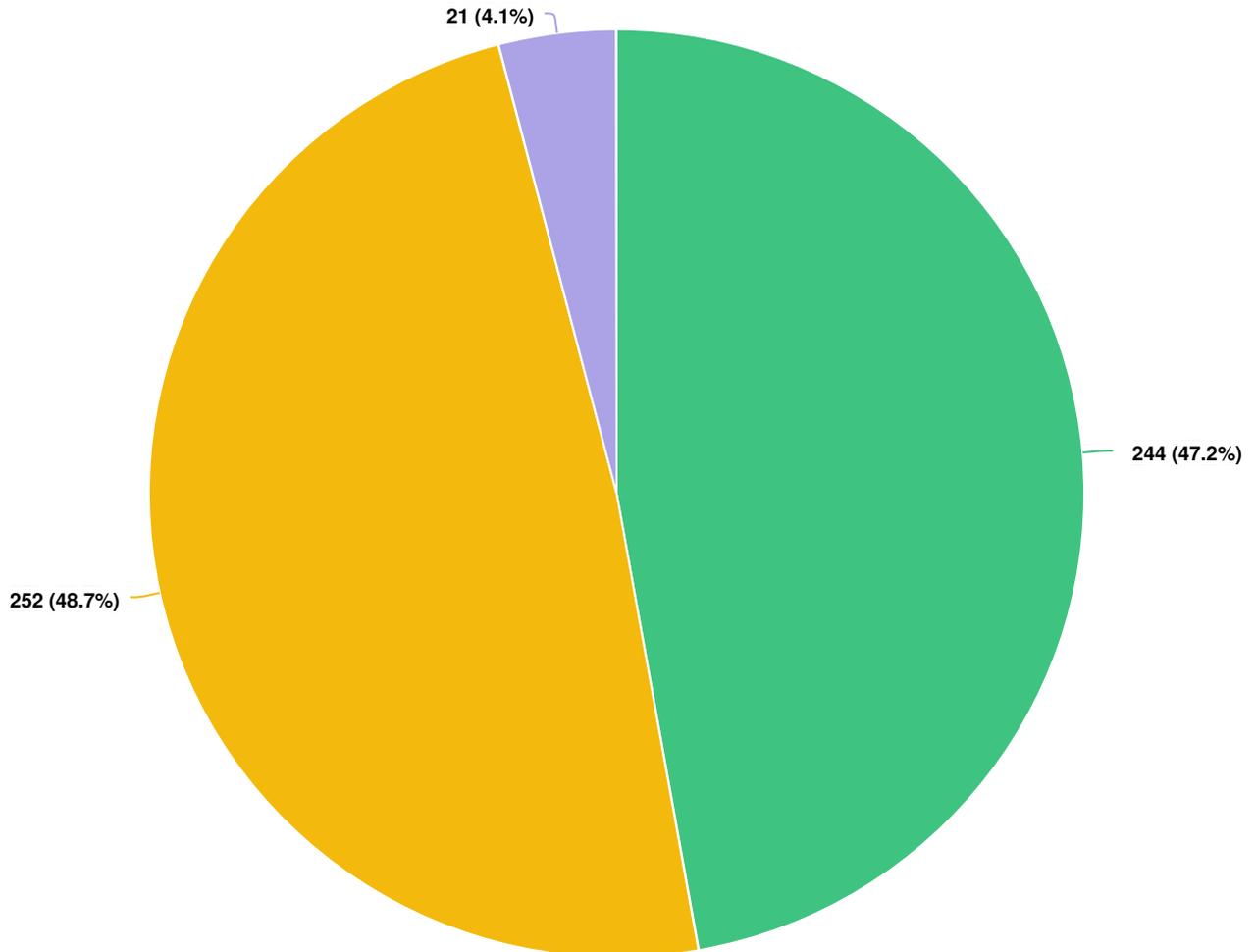
Anonymous

9/03/2019 02:45 PM

If the city had some indoor facilities in the city core as well as large gyms in Chelmsford and the Valley East any Pickleball any player travel time would be reasonable.

**Optional question** (3 responses, 514 skipped)

**Q5 | Are you and members of your household able to participate in parks and leisure activities as often as you would like?**

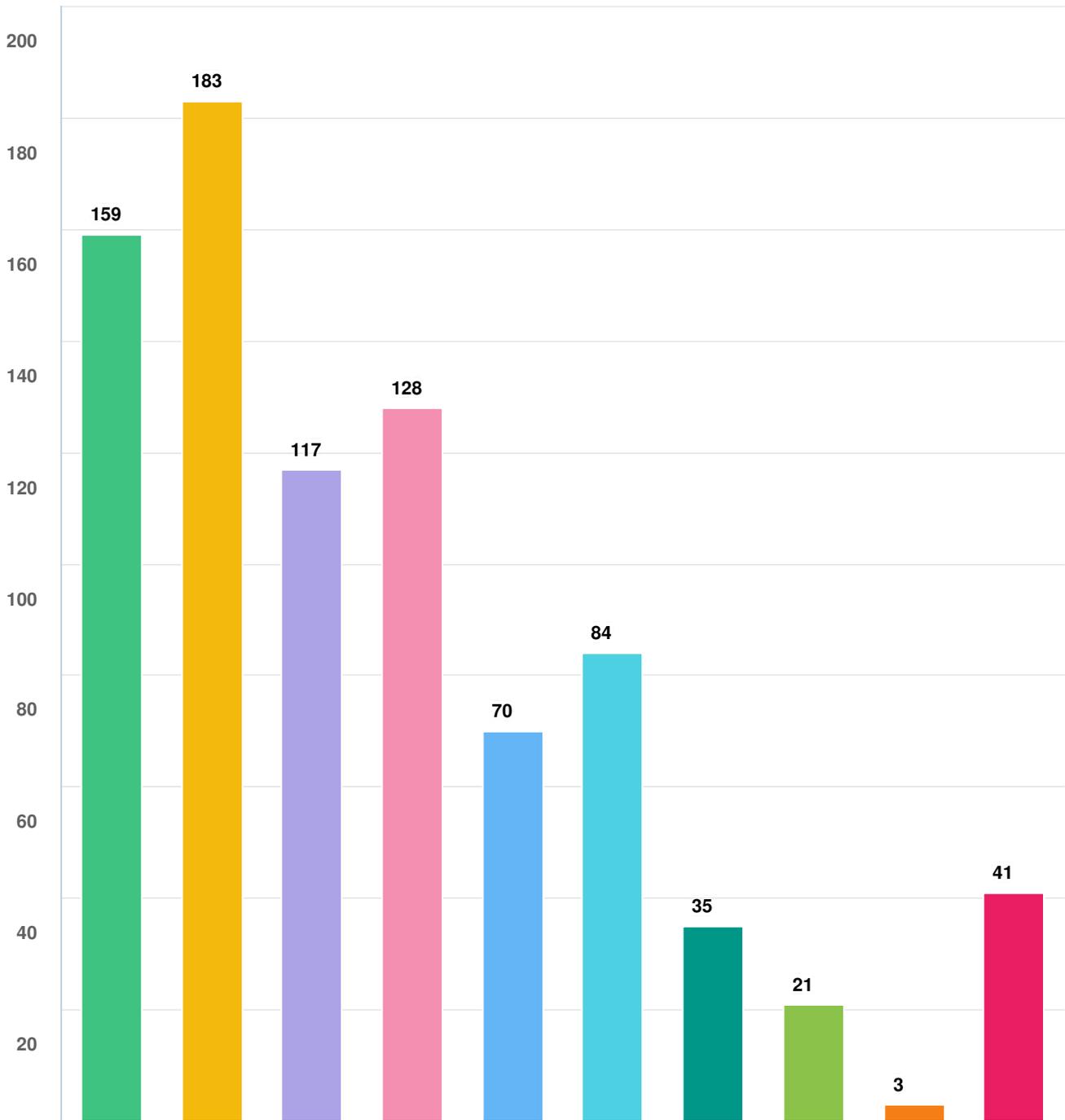


**Question options**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

(517 responses, 0 skipped)

**Q6 Why are you and members of your household not able to participate in parks and leisure activities as often as you would like? (multiple responses permitted)**



**Question options**

- Lack of desired facilities or programs
- Lack of personal time / Too busy
- Program not offered at a convenient time
- Lack of information / Unaware of opportunities
- Lack of money or equipment
- Lack of transportation / Facility too far away
- Health problems / Disability
- Age
- Language / Cultural Barrier
- Other

*Optional question (405 responses, 112 skipped)*

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## Q7 Please specify:

Anonymous

8/30/2019 08:14 AM

Other priorities

Anonymous

8/31/2019 09:14 PM

Backyard wood burning. The smoke from the community curtails and often stops our activities, even walking the dog. We are aware of the health concerns with smoke from wood burning. Often even our own backyard and home are totally consumed by wood smoke. We can't smoke cigarettes in a park, but we can have a backyard bonfire and completely cover a kilometre of residential and park area, with harmful wood smoke. When is the last time you observed someone standing over a wood fire, breathing the fumes. As soon as the smoke moves towards them, either standing or sitting, they move immediately. They don't want the smoke in their eyes. But this is ok for everyone else down the street. It is 15 degrees a beautiful evening to walk the dog. No way, I have to turn on the AC and close the windows, the fog of smoke is so thick. So I have just gone and got an address and contacted the fire department. They are dispatching a crew to respond to my burning complaint of the irritation and nuisance from the household I reported. Nice I just spent a weeks wages on sending a crew to tell someone to put out their fire. The walking and hiking trails throughout the region that have been built are dangerous. ATV's and dirt bikes ridden by youth and adults are travelling at outrageous speeds on these trails. With signage that says no motorized vehicles.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 08:38 AM

Lack of parking

Anonymous

9/01/2019 09:21 AM

Lack of parking at MacKenzie and South Branch Libraries

[REDACTED]

9/01/2019 01:56 PM

lack of bridges and trails that would cut travel time by 75%. time and money and energy burnt just to reach hard to reach yet central facilities, such as Adanac.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 09:04 AM

Trail closest to me where I used to walk and bike is not upkept. I have almost injured myself biking because of ruts and holes. As a senior in the Flour Mill, I feel I could hurt myself seriously trying to keep fit.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 10:11 AM

There are so many activities to participate in that I run into schedule conflicts.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 10:16 AM

Can't swim in a lake that has blue-green algae, which seems to happen every summer

Anonymous

9/02/2019 11:32 AM

Smell of the dump is horrible this year and makes outdoor activities awful when the wind is calm or comes from the north

Anonymous

9/02/2019 05:09 PM

In regards to parks with playground equipment, we do not have a park in our neighbourhood that is within a 15-20 minute walk. We live in Uptown and we

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<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:02 PM</p>	<p>need to walk to a playground at Memorial Park, Worthington Park or ElmWest Park. With children in tow, it is a much longer trek, therefore, we don't go as often as we would like to. In the evenings, we make use of the school yards in our neighbourhood but none have playgrounds, just open space for running/soccer. Lack of venues for pickle ball</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:07 PM</p>	<p>no indoor space to play,,,we only have O'Connor, numerous times too busy, no courts available</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:38 PM</p>	<p>Pickleball courts at OConner are quite far from Lively</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:15 PM</p>	<p>We are pensioners living in Valley East and are on a budget, costs related to travelling because of no playable pickleball or tennis courts in our vicinity can be very costly!</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:37 PM</p>	<p>no pickleball court in the valley area / cycling paths</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:29 PM</p>	<p>Due to a lack of facilities, I am not able to enjoy playing pickleball as often as I would like. Because the facility is only open after school in the evening, it is not always as easy to access as in other communities who offer pickleball in the afternoon. Therefore, it is not the length of time as it is the time of day.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:30 PM</p>	<p>Due to a lack of facilities, I am not able to enjoy playing pickleball as often as I would like. Because the facility is only open after school in the evening, it is not always as easy to access as in other communities who offer pickleball in the afternoon. Therefore, it is not the length of time as it is the time of day.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:45 PM</p>	<p>Due to a lack of facilities, I am not able to enjoy playing pickleball as often as I would like. Because after the summer season is over, there are no facilities available to play indoor Pickleball. This winter there are no rented schools by the local Pickleball Club for indoor play. Other communities offer pickleball in the afternoon and evenings. Sudbury does not have any choice. Therefore, do to the explosive growth of Pickleball, Sudbury needs to have its own Sports Complex in the city core with several large gyms.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 03:25 PM</p>	<p>We are restricted by the facilities times available, in our case it is held in a school gymnasium and it has to follow when activities are available,</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:56 PM</p>	<p>There is only one dedicate Pickleball court in the city located at O'Connor park. Many more less used tennis facilities should be shared and some converted to usable Pickleball courts. However the only other downtown location is the YMCA and financially expensive. We have no community centre in the downtown area. We have however many in the surrounding area.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:05 PM</p>	<p>Not enough bike paths in south end as the traffic is horrible to ride your bike</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:04 PM</p>	<p>pickleball courts are too crowded on some nights, we have to wait for a court while the surrounding tennis courts are empty ;(</p>

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Anonymous

9/04/2019 10:28 AM

There are no pickleball facilities in any of the outlying areas and come winter there is nowhere to play as an organized group. We need some indoor facility as pickleball like tennis is a year round activity and the tennis club even got a "Tax Exemption" from you because they cannot keep there facility open. It would be a perfect venue to share with the Pickleball Group.

Anonymous

9/04/2019 12:22 PM

Cycling is dangerous in this city

Anonymous

9/05/2019 10:45 AM

I feel some parks or certain areas of popular parks unsafe due to drug related pariphenailia (needles etc) with a curious toddler. Worry about needlestick injuries in our local playground and in grassy out of the way areas in larger parks.

Anonymous

9/05/2019 11:53 PM

Spend lots of time at a summer cottage

Anonymous

9/06/2019 08:26 AM

Ballfields are not readily available or properly maintained. Basketball Courts are few and far between and are not lighted. There is no washroom facility available yet an Arena with facilities is locked. The Laval Tot Park overlooks a very unsafe and loud Industrial facility.

Anonymous

9/06/2019 08:48 AM

Fields are in an unsafe state.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 10:43 AM

available ice times (adult groups play very late and it is difficult for the average person)

Anonymous

9/11/2019 07:38 AM

Lake water to dirty to swim in (algae)

Anonymous

9/11/2019 12:02 PM

lack of activity offered; my daughter would like to play volleyball more often its just not offered

Anonymous

9/12/2019 08:46 AM

weather

Anonymous

9/12/2019 10:58 AM

Sometimes there is no parking near trails. Some activities take place while I am working during the day especially for seniors. Work out Centers not open long enough on weekends- Azilda. Workout centers closed on Stats.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 11:12 AM

The great hiking areas are too far from me. We need more hiking trails in Garson.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 07:27 PM

Lack of shade/trees

Anonymous

9/14/2019 09:49 PM

By lack of facilities I mean not all parks have bathrooms close by. I have IBS and my son is potty training. Close bathrooms would make a world of a difference for us and other members of the community.

Anonymous

9/15/2019 02:42 PM

Somerset and howey mandatory stop crosswalk not available for kids as traffic doesn't slow down or stop for crossing families.

Anonymous

Used to travel from Wahnapiatae to Kivi park to walk the trails with my dogs.

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9/15/2019 04:19 PM

However, now there may be a fee attached? I don't rent or buy anything there, I simply want to walk the trails. Charge a fee? Not going. Doubt others will as well, which is sad considering the land was donated.  
Ease of general access and lack of fun, novel, opportunities.

Anonymous

9/15/2019 11:26 PM

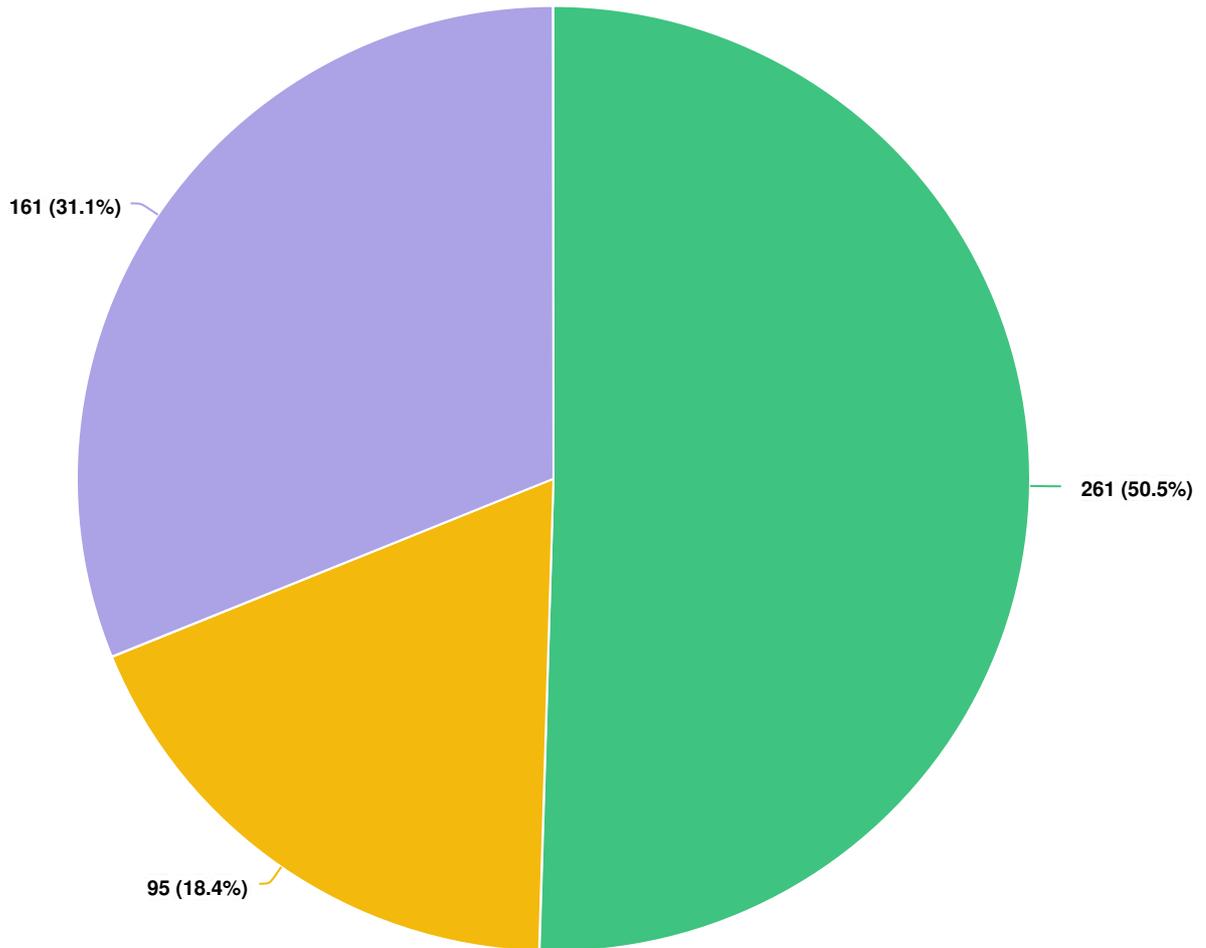
Communications Proxy

9/23/2019 12:29 PM

The city should make available the spaces requires to play pickleball, such as gymnasiums/community centres and outdoor parks with paved and lined courts because the popularity of this sport is growing tremendously province-wide and interests young adults to seniors.

**Optional question** (40 responses, 477 skipped)

**Q8** Are there any parks or leisure activities that you or members of your household would like to see offered in the City of Greater Sudbury that are not currently available?



**Question options**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

(517 responses, 0 skipped)

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**Q9 | What new or additional parks and leisure activities would you like to see offered?**

Anonymous 8/29/2019 05:59 PM	Ball hockey league for youth. Either indoor during winter or outdoor during summer.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:50 PM	A ski hill that opens before Dec. 15th snowboard terrain park
Anonymous 8/29/2019 08:36 PM	Very limited activities for teens. Programs that provide equipment for teens to participate. For example, kayaking, paddle board, canoe. Need to promote more of the activities. Invest in skateboard park, fees for teens should be lowered to encourage youth
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:23 PM	An outdoor bar/cafe with small fire or Warmers on the ramsey skate path
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:50 PM	Better bigger pools with more offerings
Anonymous 8/29/2019 10:52 PM	Dog permitted beaches and off leash trails.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 10:52 PM	Splash pad in Copper Cliff
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:46 AM	Guelph allows off leash dog walking on park trails during posted hours. Trails similar to Kivi and Conservation. This is in addition to their 7 full time off leash trails. I would like to see this during low participant time, say 10- noon week days.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:55 AM	indoor sports structure, 2 fields, multiple sports (not a bubble or dome)
Anonymous 8/30/2019 08:14 AM	Pickleball in New Sudbury
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:15 AM	Organized hiking groups; better access to trails at Laurentian conservation area and kivi park, affordable kayaking/canoeing on Ramsey; funding to support more bike exchanges, adult cycling training (some adults don't know how to ride!)
Anonymous 8/30/2019 10:43 AM	more classes (i.e. work out - aerobics, boot camp, etc) at indoor facilities in New Sudbury/Garson area
Anonymous 8/30/2019 12:15 PM	More dog parks so ppl stop allowing dogs to run off leash on trails & parks, tired of being attacked. More paved trails so users other than mtn bikers and hikers can use them. Most trails impassable - wheel chairs, strollers, disabled, elderly.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:26 PM	Edible Food Forests everywhere around greater Sudbury and on the outskirts. As well as giant year round greenhouses that produce fruit year round and is so beautiful a space

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Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:14 PM	Off leash dog trails
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:15 PM	Pre school activities. More for children during the day during the week.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:17 PM	I'd love to see more activities for teens and homeschooling families. I feel these two groups are often forgotten. Young children are remembered with parks and playgrounds and the 13-18 year olds don't have much.
Anonymous 8/31/2019 04:32 PM	Better access to waterfront for cardio compromised residents. Wheelchair bound residents could take up waterskiing iffff new city owned water sports club.
Anonymous 8/31/2019 06:54 PM	Indoor Roller skating rink for all adults and seniors.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:19 AM	more affordable dance classes within bus restrictions (so time isn;t wasted over 45 mins waiting for bus transfer at the "transient terminal" in the evening hours after school.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 06:34 AM	New Sudbury has no arena for hockey (older adult) or public access while the Valley has 4, Nickel Center 2, South End 2, Rayside 2!
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:21 AM	Modern indoor swimming pools and Improved cycling infrastructure
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:01 AM	Park in our neighborhood - Southgate Crescent, Walford Road, Nepahwin Avenue - that does not require residents to navigate Paris Street
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:38 AM	So happy to see the designated bike paths expanded
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:51 AM	More cycling and walking trails
Anonymous 9/01/2019 10:36 AM	More dog parks. More social opportunities like book clubs or group activities in evenings and weekends
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	New playgrounds in Levack, splash pad in Dowling
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	New playgrounds in Levack, splash pad in Dowling
Anonymous 9/01/2019 01:11 PM	More outdoor pickleball courts in Onaping Falls. Use of the Dowling Leisure Centre gym during the summer months
██████████ 9/01/2019 01:56 PM	Arboretum, Greenhouses and Botanical Gardens. not everyone's idea of being outdoors includes noise, toys and exertion. Such a venue offers opportunities to unite the quiet demographic & to get hands dirty for otherwise gardenspace deprived urban & poor.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:00 PM	Better times at the onaping pool.

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Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:19 PM	Indoor and outdoor Pickelball courts. Courts are crowded on certain nights and we don't have access to permanent indoor Pickelball courts.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:48 PM	Program where kids learn a different sport each week so they can make an informed decision about what program they want to enter.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:15 PM	More activities for teenagers and children in the smaller towns. It seems like we are always forgotten out this way.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:32 PM	Levack has terrible parks.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:46 PM	Transportation
Anonymous 9/01/2019 04:05 PM	Kids softball in Dowling
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:07 PM	Other activities I would like to see in the city include: indoor roller skating rinks, waterparks, as well as more extreme sports (ex. parasailing, indoor skydiving, outdoor rock climbing areas). It would be nice to see more banquet halls
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:14 PM	Upgraded parks in Levack and Onaping!!! We travel to Chelmsford 4/6 times a week to play at a decent park or the skate park
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:14 PM	indoor soccer and other summer sports in a domed facility
Anonymous 9/01/2019 06:35 PM	Public skating in the arenas and aquasize during the morning hours
Anonymous 9/01/2019 06:50 PM	Sensory park(Autism)
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:10 PM	Bike tracks better splash pads at certain locations, tball, soccer, more planned family events
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:15 PM	More indoor facilities for adult organized sports like softball and volleyball
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:21 PM	Sports opportunities for children and adults with Autism and other disabilities
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:44 PM	A program to help adults learn how to skate and play hockey, indoor softball or fastball during the winter
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:51 PM	Race track
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:06 PM	Youth baseball chemmy
Anonymous	None

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9/01/2019 08:15 PM

Anonymous

More offerings within Onaping Falls

9/01/2019 08:44 PM

Anonymous

Better parks in the Levack /Onaping area. Ours in Levack suck.

9/01/2019 09:01 PM

Anonymous

Waterpark

9/01/2019 10:18 PM

Anonymous

More programs for kids in onaping falls

9/01/2019 11:37 PM

Anonymous

Rental bicycle automatic pick up and drop kiosks.

9/02/2019 02:28 AM

Anonymous

Leisure programming in Coniston. We have nothing for adults. Travelling into Sudbury for a workout takes 2 hours out of the day. We need a gym option as well as classes.

9/02/2019 08:18 AM

Anonymous

More playground, community pools outdoor

9/02/2019 08:31 AM

Anonymous

Sports complex

9/02/2019 08:45 AM

Anonymous

I think the city upkeep what they already have before they offer more. What is the point of having trails if they are dangerous to use? How about trimming branches that grow into the trails and filling ruts made by ATVs?

9/02/2019 09:04 AM

Anonymous

More dog parks, more walking trails

9/02/2019 09:28 AM

Anonymous

Community centre and fitness facility located in Coniston

9/02/2019 09:31 AM

Anonymous

More services in copper cliff

9/02/2019 10:32 AM

Anonymous

Wave pool/indoor water park

9/02/2019 11:11 AM

Anonymous

Gym activities-basketball, volleyball

9/02/2019 11:40 AM

Anonymous

Indoor recreational facility run by the City of Sudbury in the centre core of the City.

9/02/2019 02:42 PM

Anonymous

Dog park.

9/02/2019 02:52 PM

Anonymous

Indoor track for track n field to practice in the winter ... have to go to Toronto to train!

9/02/2019 04:53 PM

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Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:56 PM	Riskier play childrens playgrounds
Anonymous 9/02/2019 05:09 PM	I would LOVE to see a velodrome. Dreaming, I know....but if you don't share, no one will know.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:14 PM	y ou have not listed pickleball park at O'Connor park... its rapidly catching on...
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:25 PM	Pickle ball
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:30 PM	More pickleball opportunities
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:02 PM	Indoor pickleball and outdoor pickleball in the valley
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:08 PM	More Pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:17 PM	Designated pickleball
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:42 PM	More pickle ball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:04 PM	Pickle ball courts both indoor and out door
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:07 PM	more Pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:30 PM	More opportunity to play pickleball inside in the winter. In Sudbury there is only the YMCA with only 3 courts. This is not enough for the number of players in Sudbury.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:38 PM	More Pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:15 PM	Pickleball and Tennis courts ( outdoor & indoors )
Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:37 PM	pickleball courts indoor or outdoor
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:26 AM	Touch Rugby, Rookie Rugby, Rugby 7s
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:44 AM	More dog parks and dog friendly environments
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:35 AM	Wind screens at courts

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Anonymous 9/03/2019 01:07 PM	An added Pickelball court
Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:29 PM	We are very grateful to have had the opportunity to get O'Connor Park as our first outdoor PBall courts. This sport is so popular that we need to expand to an indoor venue. The only place this school year that will offer such a good cardio is the Y.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:30 PM	We are very grateful to have had the opportunity to get O'Connor Park as our first outdoor PBall courts. This sport is so popular that we need to expand to an indoor venue. The only place this school year that will offer such a good cardio is the Y.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:45 PM	Due to the explosive growth of Pickleball, Sudbury needs to have its own Sports Complex in the city core with several large gyms to cater to youth groups as well as all the seniors where Pickleball is a year round activity.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 03:25 PM	More time and space dedicated to pickleball serving the mostly older age groups.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:26 PM	More options like Zumba, yoga, exercises for women, swimming, for free or for a low price.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:29 PM	Would like to see ,ore venus at bell are ampitheatre. one event a month free concerts and food with cofee.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:44 PM	Connecting bike paths, continue with free public skating at arenas.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:49 PM	splash pad in Azilda, a clean beach in Azilda because all summer the beach was full of weeds smelling like fish, a walking path
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:04 PM	Youth environmental programs and health and wellness programs
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:22 PM	indoor basketball center, safe walking trails
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:56 PM	We need a yearly indoor facility for Pickleball use. The one located outside at the O'Connor park is only operational from May to late September.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:57 PM	pickle ball in chelmsford
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:59 PM	Imdoor turf sports.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:20 PM	More family summer activities
Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:43 PM	Tennis lessons for seniors; more pickle ball sessions;
Anonymous	Please have the St Charles Lake park monitored as late nite parties go all

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9/03/2019 09:05 PM	summer long
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:06 PM	Would like to see more Pickleball Courts indoors and out
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:06 PM	Multi Sport complex
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:19 PM	walking (crossing the street) or riding a bike safely in traffic for kids. The traffic is dangerous in this city and I think that kids should be better prepared.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:25 PM	.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:49 PM	warm water pool
 9/03/2019 09:53 PM	Outdoor pool facilities
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:00 PM	Indoor pickleball at small or no cost
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:29 PM	children programs
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:04 PM	We need more courts for pickleball, there are not enough courts, yet too many unused tennis courts
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:55 PM	Splash pads
Anonymous 9/04/2019 12:05 AM	Exercise programs in Chelmsford for seniors
Anonymous 9/04/2019 05:46 AM	More baseball fields
Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:39 AM	more cycling and walking trails and crusher dust or pavement on existing paths. no maintenance has been done for years
Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:42 AM	Pump track for kids to learn to bike
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:33 AM	Senior gatherings
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:41 AM	swimming pool toddler friendly park and splash pad in chelmsford
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:42 AM	Nature walks, bird watching

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<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:55 AM</p>	<p>Indoor pools that don't use chlorine in the water, as I am highly allergic to the chemicals, and cannot use public swimming pools. Converting to salt water pools would increase public use of swimming pools.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:15 AM</p>	<p>bicycle pump track. useable ski and snowboard terrain park</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:17 AM</p>	<p>Recreational facility in New Sudbury, keep garbage containers on trails during the winter</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:25 AM</p>	<p>indoor Pickleball facility; additional outdoor</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:25 AM</p>	<p>More concentration on senior friendly activities i.e. inexpensive, trails available in all neighbourhoods anything to improve or increase mobility.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:30 AM</p>	<p>bicycle pump track and a fully operational ski and snowboard park offered at the ski hills.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:37 AM</p>	<p>More exercise program offers in evenings or on weekends</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:39 AM</p>	<p>Pool in Lively area, Tai Chi classes closer to the west end.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:48 AM</p>	<p>More social/sports programs/clubs for adults</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:53 AM</p>	<p>better bike paths and trails</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:06 AM</p>	<p>My family would like to see more outdoor pickleball courts that would reflect the aging population of our region.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:14 AM</p>	<p>PICKELL BALL at different place in the municipality</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:28 AM</p>	<p>Pickleball facilities somewhere besides oconnor park. EG. conert old tennis courts as the onein Lively is very seldome used and itis large enough for a tennis court and 2 pickleball courts.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 12:22 PM</p>	<p>More separated bike lanes</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 12:59 PM</p>	<p>You need one complex with pool, arenas , gym combined</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 01:19 PM</p>	<p>Indoor skateboard park for winter or very hot summer days</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 01:35 PM</p>	<p>there is not much in chelmsford for teens</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>Pickleball</p>

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9/04/2019 02:02 PM

Anonymous

An adult park in New Sudbury

9/04/2019 02:07 PM

Anonymous

Outdoor Fitness Equipment/ Outdoor Basketball Courts, Beach Volley Ball, Dog Parks

9/04/2019 02:55 PM

Anonymous

connected bike paths, sliding hills, more trails in city, more trees

9/04/2019 03:11 PM

Anonymous

more walking and biking paths off the roadways. More available Tennis and basketball courts. learning activities in the local community centre

9/04/2019 03:24 PM

Anonymous

I would like to have outdoor Pickleball courts available in the New Sudbury Area. Also I would like to have more indoor Pickleball times available at indoor facilities.

9/04/2019 03:58 PM

Anonymous

Pickle Ball courts - indoor and outdoor

9/04/2019 04:13 PM

Anonymous

Happy with our current parks. Would like to see more efforts to protecting them.

9/04/2019 04:18 PM

Anonymous

More pickle ball courts. One in the south end and an indoor one for the winter. How about the tennis dome? Shared space

9/04/2019 04:21 PM

Anonymous

As we live in Wahnapiatae, it would be fantastic to have a public swimming pool somewhere close like Coniston. Especially for the winters when we can't walk as much.

9/04/2019 06:28 PM

Anonymous

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in North America. The lack of indoor pickleball areas is a crying shame. Our community is severely lacking in this area.

9/04/2019 07:23 PM

Anonymous

water park, off leash dog hiking area with a water feature (a wading pool , a river or lake)

9/04/2019 07:56 PM

Anonymous

Indoor bike/skate park

9/05/2019 08:49 AM

Anonymous

Please maintain the parks! Would be great to have the bmx park at Adanac restored so people can ride safely there. It's so overgrown!

9/05/2019 11:24 AM

Anonymous

Onaping Falls need more play areas/structures for children. Areas are too far apart and many are outdated!

9/05/2019 11:50 AM

Anonymous

Outdoor adult exercise equipment at playgrounds in lively

9/05/2019 12:24 PM

Anonymous

obstacle course type playground for kids. Most playgrounds are geared towards tots and young kids. We need to keep our pre-teens and teens busy too and the tot lots are not cutting it.

9/05/2019 12:59 PM

Anonymous

More hiking trails

9/05/2019 01:05 PM

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Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:26 PM	Designated off leash dog trails, more dog parks, designated off leash dog beach
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:37 PM	Bicycle pump track. Ski and snowboard terrain park with rails and jumps
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:45 PM	More bicycle paths
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:53 PM	Love to be able to walk Junction creek walk safely without fear of needles or being accosted. Update/enlarge Ramsey playground. More public activities for seniors and discounts for public facilities like pools and skating. More inner city walking paths
Anonymous 9/05/2019 02:09 PM	Protected, cleared and safe cycling infrastructure that can take one to relevant destinations in the city without entering traffic, climbing over curbs or other obstacles and year round clearance (snow)
Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:08 PM	public pool and indoor track in the Chelmsford area, as well as more activities for seniors who are not able to drive far
Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:33 PM	nude beach, he he he. my husband made me say it!
Anonymous 9/05/2019 06:49 PM	I would like to see our green space/walking paths better maintained.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:18 PM	Free skate rental at queens athletic just like Halifax does.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:26 PM	Maybe a water park/ zip lining/ downhill winter tubing
 9/05/2019 07:37 PM	Year round indoor pickle ball
Anonymous 9/05/2019 08:08 PM	gardening as a group, public art, volunteer programs, events for all ages (not just seniors or kids).
Anonymous 9/05/2019 08:41 PM	Self-driving crash up derby
Anonymous 9/05/2019 09:14 PM	More outdoor greenspace (with grass) to have picnics and play games in the park. Beach volleyball nets. Lawn bowling. Outdoor basketball courts
Anonymous 9/05/2019 11:53 PM	More pickleball courts...both indoor and outdoors
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:28 AM	Outdoor rink at our local park, in lively off Jacob street. Nice park lots of open space where a rink could be put in and used by many kids in our area
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:38 AM	Would like an indoor walking path during inclimate weather

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Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:15 AM	Better description of hiking trails. More challenging play parcs for kids
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:25 AM	The Valley needs indoor basketball courts. We could also use indoor aerobics facilities that have more then 2 elliptical trainers. We need more, current up to date equipment. Everything at the Howard Armstrong breaks and the repairs take a long time
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:26 AM	Ballfield batting cages. Proper pitching mounds installed. More basketball courts.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:41 AM	More than one real skate park.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 09:19 AM	safe winter cycling - plenty of other cities around the world provide this (see youtube)
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:10 AM	More adult outdoor sports (excluding baseball)
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:27 AM	Indoor sports facility (dome/bubble)
Anonymous 9/06/2019 12:46 PM	Pickle ball
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:18 PM	Dedicated bike lanes would be great.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:51 PM	Run Club (beginner to advanced)
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:56 PM	I find that Tennis Courts are underutilized. Some could be repurposed as fenced basketball courts with lines, so games can be played. More free drop in program sports programs should be offered.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 03:21 PM	More lane swimming times in the pools
Anonymous 9/06/2019 04:24 PM	Better more well kept recreational facilities
Anonymous 9/06/2019 05:19 PM	more (indoor) or outdoor pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:34 PM	More natural kids play structures with manipulable materials
Anonymous 9/07/2019 12:43 PM	Evening Badmington one a week starting in November in some Community School Gymnasium
Anonymous 9/07/2019 02:57 PM	Hikes/local plant identification hikes for teens and for young single adults (20-40)

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Anonymous 9/07/2019 06:48 PM	More pocket parks in neighbourhoods. Organized nature and historical walks.
Anonymous 9/07/2019 07:15 PM	Waterfront obstacle courses
Anonymous 9/08/2019 08:10 AM	Better pedestrian links between neighbourhoods.
Anonymous 9/08/2019 06:22 PM	more trails and bike paths
Anonymous 9/08/2019 09:44 PM	Nature and neighbourhood history walks
Anonymous 9/09/2019 10:23 AM	More recreational sports leagues offered on turf.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 11:04 AM	Accessability to and from Lake Laurie Conservation Area 12 months of the year. More city financial support for this green space and trails
Anonymous 9/09/2019 11:43 AM	More biking trails
Anonymous 9/09/2019 12:49 PM	I just want to emphasize the importance of natural parks and its accessibility to nature. I also want to highlight the important role of parks in watershed health, and protecting water quality when natural values are protected and enhanced.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 12:53 PM	Outdoor pool
Anonymous 9/09/2019 01:13 PM	Complete trail connections
Anonymous 9/09/2019 02:35 PM	More community accessible spaces for public and community supported workshops, and programming. Ie.. old canoe club should have one bay available. Need more cooperative spaces in and around parks available to community groups engaged in community developm
Anonymous 9/09/2019 03:18 PM	Some kind of indoor garden/greenhouse/solarium like in larger cities
Anonymous 9/09/2019 05:02 PM	Community garden and community yoga classes
Anonymous 9/09/2019 07:08 PM	Complete the Junction Creek trail network.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 08:45 PM	Indoor greenhouse/conservatory
Anonymous 9/09/2019 09:05 PM	Soccer dome

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Anonymous 9/10/2019 10:01 AM	More cycling paths
Anonymous 9/10/2019 10:43 AM	The City should build a clover baseball field. In regards to hockey, the city should consider demolishing Carmichael and Cambrian Arena and build a sports centre with twin pads in a reasonable location on public land.
Anonymous 9/10/2019 01:15 PM	Active after school programming directly from children's buses, especially in outskirt areas (e.g., programs that run from 3:30-5:30pm at the rec centre or rinks)
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:39 PM	proper indoor soccer facility
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:42 PM	I think there are many wonderful opportunities
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:44 PM	More yoga, evening swim activites (ie. aquasize) at all pools. I moved to an outlying area; I find the programs limited as a result
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:46 PM	Yoga, gym like facilities, exercise classes, swimming (indoor) locally
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:47 PM	more bike paths , more developed walking paths , better walking access paths to moonlight beach.
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:48 PM	indoor air conditioned turf fields for multi sport
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:48 PM	Therapeutic Pool for my parents
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:52 PM	More hiking and more promotion on use of water ie kayak etc
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:53 PM	More green spaces in core and expand Boardwalk with more planting of trees and flowers Improve ice facities and soccer fields wih another artifiical turf
Anonymous 9/10/2019 03:08 PM	Perhaps a dedicated space for cultural awareness of the cities Indigenous populations could be looked into. Not sure how it would look like but perhaps engaging in discussions with the Indigenous organizations in Sudbury could be a next step. e.g. Crafts
 9/10/2019 04:34 PM	More outdoor fitness equipment for a variety of ages, multi-generational parks/playgrounds
Anonymous 9/10/2019 05:44 PM	Upgraded playground in Dowling area, as well as a splashpad and/or properly built skateboard park.
Anonymous 9/10/2019 06:45 PM	more outdoor basketball courts and fitness facilities owned by municipality
Anonymous 9/10/2019 07:45 PM	Zip line

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<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 08:24 PM</p>	<p>The park at the top of Corsi Hill is closest (walking distance) to us but we rarely use it because there is no shade. Please plant some trees! We drive to other parks.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 09:27 PM</p>	<p>It would be nice to have a playground available in the Levack area as the ones that are here are very limited in options and children in the area should have more options of things to do.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 07:38 AM</p>	<p>Swimmable lakes</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 08:26 AM</p>	<p>more pickleball courts, indoors and outdoors within the city</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 09:29 AM</p>	<p>Indoor skatepark would be great.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 12:02 PM</p>	<p>dog parks</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 12:19 PM</p>	<p>YMCA Partnership with Municipality so that more Y programs can be offered across Greater Sudbury</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:09 PM</p>	<p>Skate park for little kids or specific "little kid only" time blocks at skate park</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:12 PM</p>	<p>More hiking trails, adult water park, outdoor public pool</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:14 PM</p>	<p>More hiking trails, adult water park, outdoor public pool</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:25 PM</p>	<p>Archery lessons</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 05:09 PM</p>	<p>Yoga for seniors</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 06:00 PM</p>	<p>Need more small spray pads in South End neighbourhoods for kids to cool off in the summer that are closer or walking distance. Need off leash dog park in South End and a dog friendly beach and trail.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 08:18 PM</p>	<p>Learn to camp program. Similar to Parks Canada program, teaching people skills to be in the bush from one day to several nights. Outdoor cooking, navigation, etc. Could be an ADVL internship through Laurentian university</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 09:16 PM</p>	<p>Please open the dog park on York Street. My dog and I would use this everyday.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 10:41 PM</p>	<p>More pickle ball courts especially indoor</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/12/2019 09:11 AM</p>	<p>Perhaps "learn to" sessions or seminars for the public for less common activities, such as "learn to Sail, Canoe, Mountain Bike, etc". Many of these require memberships to a club, when I'd rather just try it once or twice to see</p>

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<p>Anonymous 9/12/2019 10:58 AM</p>	<p>if I like it. Can't think of any right now</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/12/2019 12:22 PM</p>	<p>Skateboard park or similar Teen/Youth program in the South End</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/12/2019 02:32 PM</p>	<p>Informal cutlrual festivals -make it easy for neighbours to just do it! More tree planting and naturalization.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/12/2019 03:16 PM</p>	<p>I'd love to have a cross country ski rental / lunchroom where my whole family could rent skis and enjoy physical activity in the Winter</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/12/2019 05:44 PM</p>	<p>mountain biking parks</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/12/2019 07:51 PM</p>	<p>Yoga in the park. Tai chi too.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:26 AM</p>	<p>More swimming pools</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:31 AM</p>	<p>Kivi park being kept open for free, more activities in Skead</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 09:59 AM</p>	<p>Playground in Capreol not refurbished as planned. Need handicap equipment.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 10:11 AM</p>	<p>Please consider putting a fence completely around every park so children with cognitive disabilities like severe autism can enjoy the park and the caregiver can have a break instead of chasing them to make sure they don't run onto the road</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 11:12 AM</p>	<p>Hiking trails in Garson.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 12:21 PM</p>	<p>This question is biased. What are the range of costs. Anyone can make a wish list when money is not an issue. You are getting scrwed answers that do not inform the taxpayer [REDACTED]</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 12:54 PM</p>	<p>A new park in the Moonglo subdivision is needed. There should also be a city run leisure centre where families can access pools, ice pads, exercise equipment and other childrens programming.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:07 PM</p>	<p>More winter indoor activities at the community centres eg. yoga, fitness -- different times of day</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:39 PM</p>	<p>The city really needs to ensure that the Kingsway Entertainment District hoes forward with developments. The KED will finally bring Sudbury to the forefront and compete with other cities in the province.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:47 PM</p>	<p>Would love to have a dog beach at each beach so that our other family members coulde enjoy as well</p>

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Anonymous 9/13/2019 07:27 PM	More shade/trees!
Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:44 PM	an organised online outdoor activity network ....something like The Toronto Bicycling Network
Anonymous 9/14/2019 04:12 PM	Music classes, gymnastics more drop in classes of all types especially on weekends.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 04:41 PM	Bike rentals, imaginative play playgrounds
Anonymous 9/14/2019 05:46 PM	Water park at st Charles park on brenda
Anonymous 9/14/2019 09:32 PM	badminton, cultural dance activities
Anonymous 9/15/2019 12:01 AM	I would like to see the city offer leisure/exercise programs for seniors at the rec centres.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:51 AM	Snow tubing is a big hit with all our family members. We also use the dog parks. I appreciate that parks that have a shelter for snow, wind and rain, but i find the new sudbury dog park too busy. I WOULD like to see public agility park. LIVELY NEEDS ONE.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 06:36 AM	Community outdoor pool
Anonymous 9/15/2019 07:04 AM	Yoga In the park, gardening activities
Anonymous 9/15/2019 07:51 AM	The walking path from Santala Rd to Naughton is in terrible shape. Dirt bikes use it, and it is not fit for walkers or cyclists. Long ago we were promised that it would be paved.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 09:57 AM	Indoor baseball facilities, adolescent outdoor spaces-basketball courts, skateboard park,
Anonymous 9/15/2019 10:51 AM	Upgrades to the little Britain tot lot
Anonymous 9/15/2019 12:39 PM	Buses to use moonlight beach longer than 2 months a year
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:10 PM	We live in the Sugarbush area in Lively, we have to drive to 6th avenue for my daughter to be able to play in a park. For the taxes we pay this is un acceptable. Tons of families have to play on the road
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:38 PM	A playground in the sugarbush subdivision in lively
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:49 PM	Adult fitness equipment in playgrounds. Many cities do this. Pull up bars, core exercises, etc.

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<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:50 PM</p>	<p>Opportunities for all age groups to have activities which are complimentary rather than exclusive. We should ask why Kivi Park has become so popular. Parks need definitions which incorporate more space which incorporates more natural features by water.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 02:06 PM</p>	<p>Swimming pool in lively, park in sugarbush neighborhood</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 02:42 PM</p>	<p>Proper ice at Adamsdale playground that isn't full of ruts and bumps and is maintained</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 03:08 PM</p>	<p>hard surface pine cone road so we can walk or install sidewalk and street light we have nothing available in sea but we pay for them services</p>
<p> 9/15/2019 03:11 PM</p>	<p>Promised playgrounds in newer developed subdivisions. ie. Sugarbush,</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 03:19 PM</p>	<p>We were promised a playground in our subdivision when we built 10 years ago. Still waiting and kids are almost grown :(</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 04:19 PM</p>	<p>Dog parks that are more than a boring square.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 07:05 PM</p>	<p>Splash pad in Copper Cliff</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 09:56 PM</p>	<p>Roller skating rink</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 10:03 PM</p>	<p>Food forests, more community gardens</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 10:33 PM</p>	<p>More trails</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/15/2019 11:26 PM</p>	<p>Zip lines, publicized walking trails,dog parks in safer areas, constructed outdoor swimming pools, dog parks with activities to train dogs, more parks with saucer swingsets, adult AND child friendly parks (big enough for adults to join),free tennis courts</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/16/2019 11:18 AM</p>	<p>Dedicated Bike Lanes on City Streets, ie: Howey Drive</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/16/2019 12:39 PM</p>	<p>Pickleball courts in the Valley. Elmview would be a great location for many Seniors and also for many younger.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/16/2019 12:47 PM</p>	<p>Pickleball courts in the Valley. Elmview would be a great location for many Seniors and also for many younger.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/16/2019 01:49 PM</p>	<p>canoe rentals at Ramsey</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/16/2019 09:30 PM</p>	<p>more pickleball programs in fall and winter in school gymnasiums</p>

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Communications Proxy

9/20/2019 01:39 PM

Indoor and outdoor pickleball courts. People can play at the Y but the membership cost is too high for me.

Communications Proxy

9/20/2019 01:44 PM

More free indoor swims or other sports (tennis/skating) that is affordable with equipment that is affordable and available.

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9/20/2019 01:50 PM

More free indoor swims or other sports (tennis/skating) that is affordable with equipment that is affordable and available.

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9/23/2019 12:11 PM

More free indoor swims other other sports (tennis/skating) that is affordable with equipment that is affordable and available.

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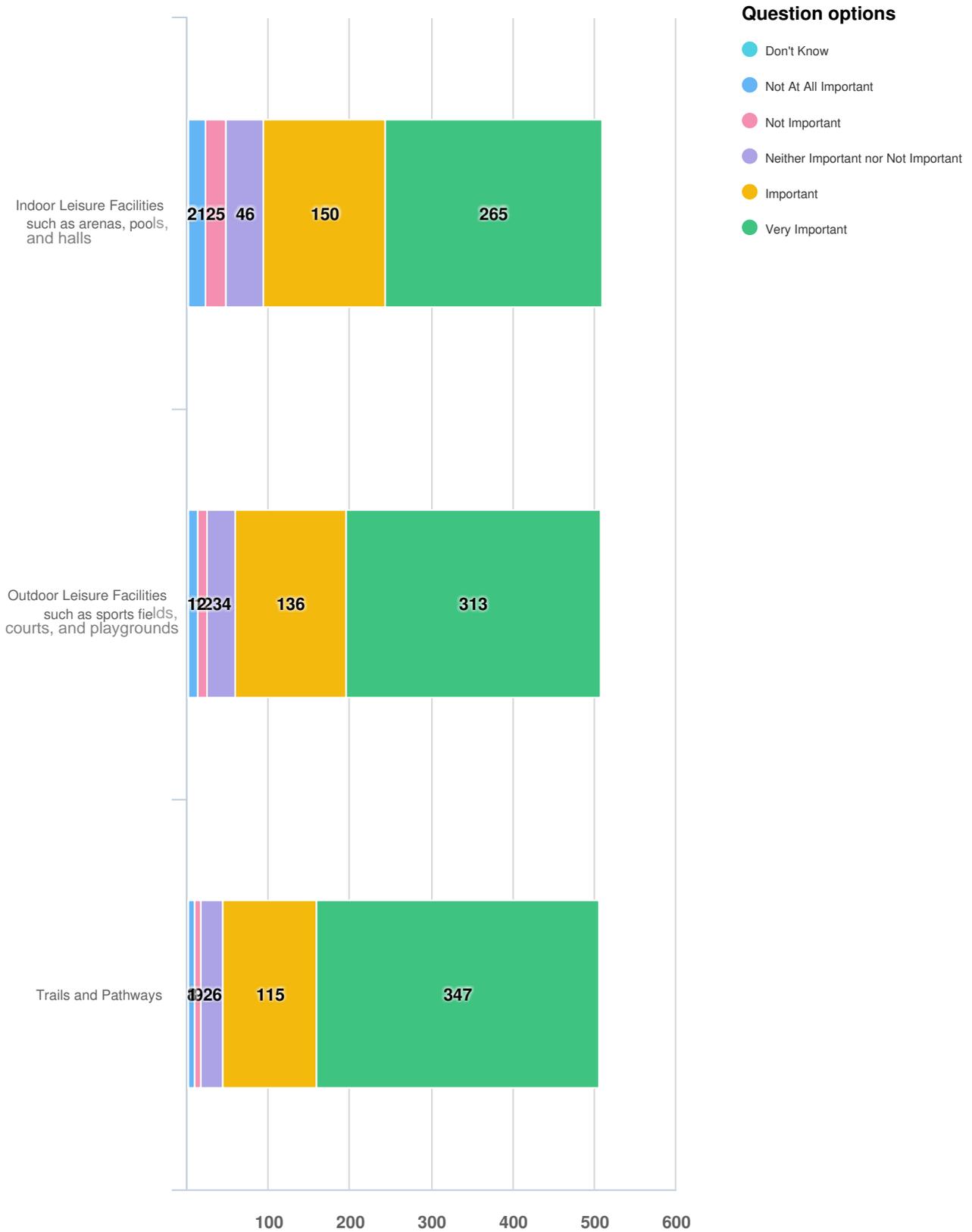
9/23/2019 12:29 PM

Pickleball supported and promoted by the city. I know people can play at the Y but membership cost is too high for me.

**Optional question** (293 responses, 224 skipped)

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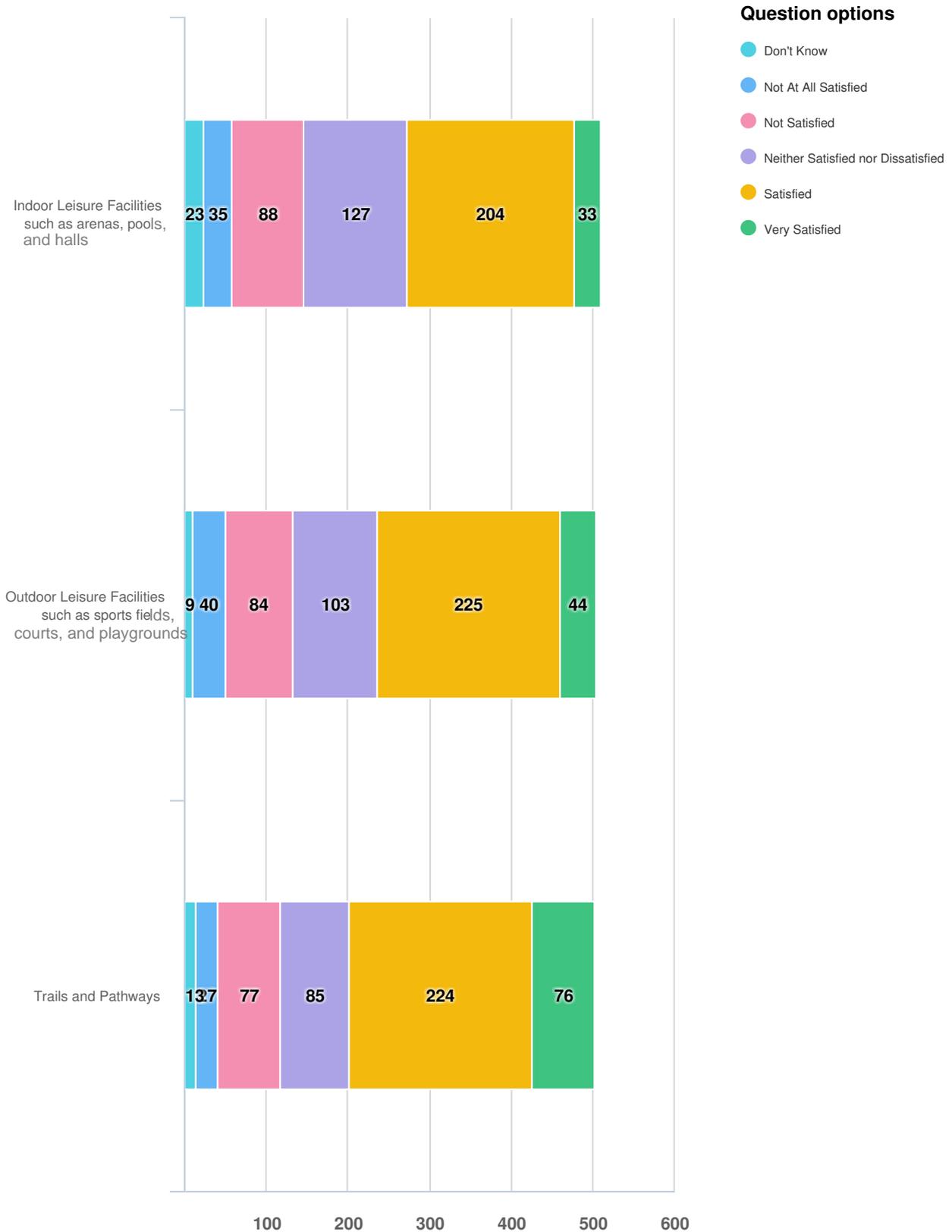
**Q10** In general, how important are the following items to your household? Please use a scale that ranges from "not at all important" to "very important".



Optional question (513 responses, 4 skipped)

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**Q11** Thinking about those facilities that currently exist in the City of Greater Sudbury, what is your level of satisfaction with the following? Please use a scale that ranges from “not at all satisfied” to “very satisfied”.



Optional question (514 responses, 3 skipped)

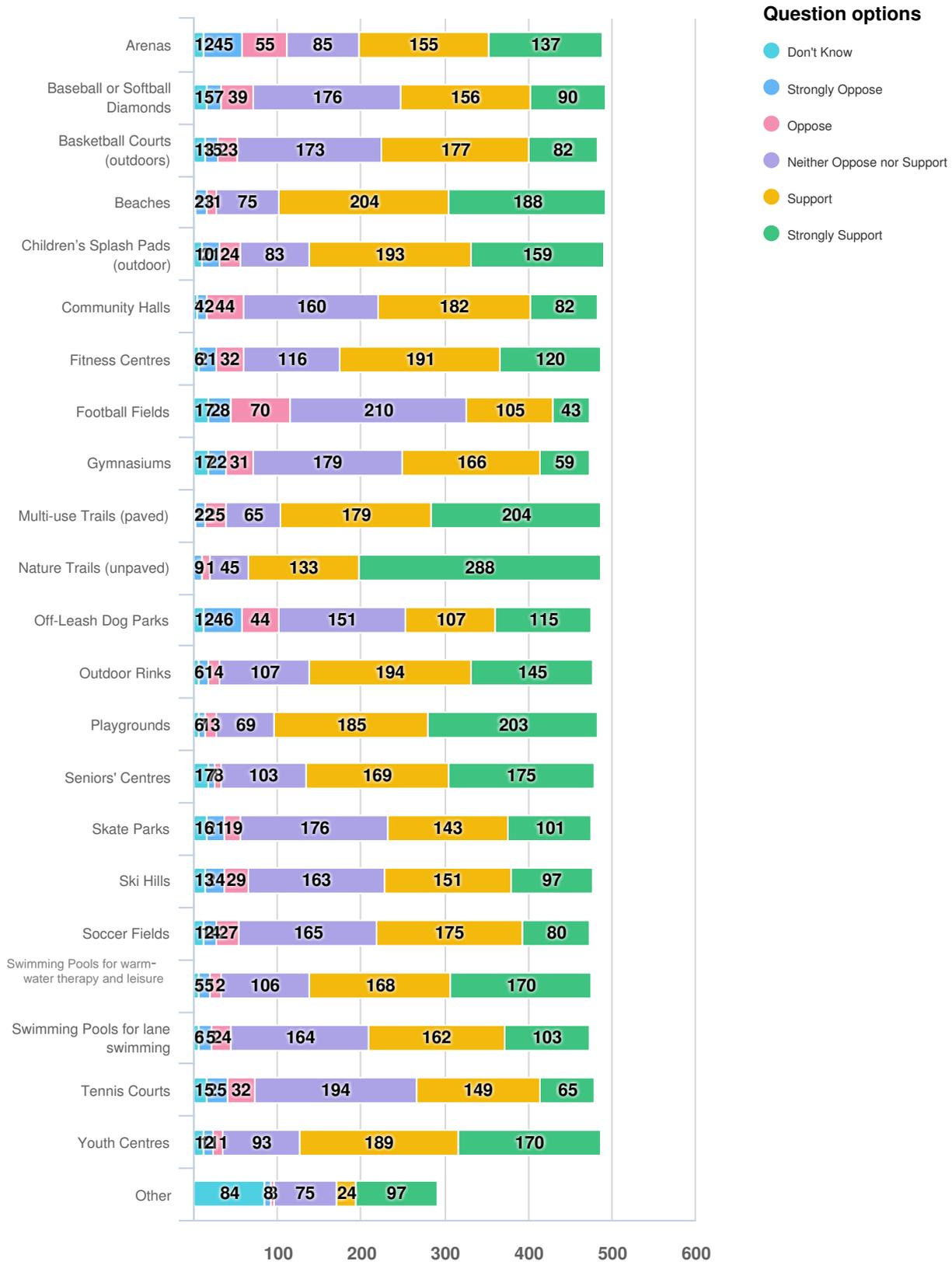
**Q12** What is your level of satisfaction with the parks and leisure opportunities in the City of Greater Sudbury for the following age groups? Please use a scale that ranges from “not at all satisfied” to “very satisfied”.



Optional question (512 responses, 5 skipped)

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**Q13** To what degree do you oppose or support spending additional public funds on the following facilities – either to improve existing facilities or build new ones? Please use a scale that ranges from "strongly oppose" to "strongly support".



Optional question (513 responses, 4 skipped)

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**Q14 | If your answer was other, what other types of facilities do you oppose or support for spending of additional public funds ?**

Anonymous

8/29/2019 06:12 PM

Support KED

Anonymous

8/29/2019 06:16 PM

Roller skating rink needs to come back. Sudbury needs more activities that don't cost an arm and a leg that we can do during the winter.

Anonymous

8/29/2019 08:36 PM

Bell amphitheater, mire events that don't have a admission fee. Also more evening family oriented concerts. All evening events are 19+ excluding teens.

Anonymous

8/29/2019 09:23 PM

Indoor soccer/football/baseball field or area. Not just a bubble, but a Permanent, year round facility is desperately needed.

Anonymous

8/29/2019 09:50 PM

A large quality swimming facility with a pool that we can be proud of, our facilities are aging and will all be done within the next 20 years. Also, we NEED a CITY OWNED indoor soccer field. TURF both fields at JJ and let's get a city bubble.

Anonymous

8/30/2019 07:46 AM

Off leash trails for well trained dogs

Anonymous

8/30/2019 05:26 PM

Greenhouses and fruit forests , more trails and green spaces. People to be paid to clean up needles so that spaces in town can be enjoyed

Anonymous

8/30/2019 05:50 PM

Multi-use and nature trails, indoor for warm-water therapy and outdoor swimming and senior activity places

Anonymous

8/30/2019 09:14 PM

Off leash dog trails

Anonymous

8/30/2019 09:17 PM

Maybe more advertising for youth activities. I didn't even know there were any.

Anonymous

8/31/2019 06:10 PM

dog parks in valley east

Anonymous

8/31/2019 09:14 PM

Again I cannot support utilizing monies to create beautiful walking trails, that will be taken over by motorized vehicles. ATV's and dirt bikes are a serious challenge to trail use in the city of Sudbury. The regional police have a rural task for to deal with ATV and dirt bike abuse. However, another waste of time and money. How many fines over the last 20 years. A handful. A handful. Yet I observe everyday, dozens of dangerous operated off road vehicles, joyriding the trails.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 07:21 AM

Improved cycling infrastructure and new and improved swimming pools

Anonymous

9/01/2019 08:38 AM

I support the Ramsey Lake skating path and any water recreational opportunities on Lake Ramsey and Lake Nepawin during the summer. We

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<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:51 AM</p>	<p>are so lucky to have these gems available so close by. Snowshoeing</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 01:11 PM</p>	<p>Would like more outdoor lined pickleball courts in Onaping Falls</p>
<p> 9/01/2019 01:56 PM</p>	<p>Pedestrian bridges between trail networks and neighborhoods. Properly furnished sidewalks, with cycle space, seating, lighting, trees, access, not using concrete where people walk. concrete hurts making walking something to avoid. (likely on purpose, simply to encourage car ownership and petrol consumption, as our city is designed for cars 1st and only, and continues to approve suburban style commercial space, such as the new ztim Hortons. Sidewalks are physical activity/community connection spaces too.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:00 PM</p>	<p>More activities for children at the library</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:10 PM</p>	<p>AY Jackson Lookout</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:19 PM</p>	<p>Multi use indoor facility for year round activities.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:14 PM</p>	<p>I support working in collaboration with community partners for a domed facility. I do not support the city spending funds to build ANY leisure facility without the funding support and collaboration of other community partners. I also don't support the city spending additional public funds to build facilities where they already exist through private community partners (eg. gymnasiums).</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 06:48 PM</p>	<p>.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:21 PM</p>	<p>Programs to help youth and kids learn new skills, social and safety (online) Maybe also have said programs for youth and kids with learning disabilities and autism as they need more opportunities to learn these skills cause sometimes it takes them longer</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 11:37 PM</p>	<p>Upgrade or new swimming pool for onaping falls</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:18 AM</p>	<p>Community centres in areas that don't currently have them.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:04 AM</p>	<p>Please upkeep what is already in existence. I realize that often funding is available for new development but not for upkeep, but what is the point of having trails, pools, playgrounds etc. if they are dangerous to use?</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:31 AM</p>	<p>Support fitness centre in coniston area</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:43 AM</p>	<p>community gardens</p>

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Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:43 AM	community gardens
Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:32 AM	In general I do not support increasing tax to support this. The city needs to increase revenue and make more centres revenue positive. Parking enforcement should be enhanced - many cars block sidewalks and should be ticketed if 10cm of sidewalk is blocked as in other municipalities, which would bring in tons of money and make sidewalks accessible.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:49 PM	I strongly oppose building a new arena. Fix the old one. It would be a lot cheaper.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 02:42 PM	Multi purpose centrally located fitness centre/community hall run by operated by City staff that is large enough to support a cross section demographic including an active older adult. The demographics included in your Master Plan support such a facility. Relying on the YMCA, Cambrian College, Collège Boreal or Laurentian to fill the need is not realistic nor non-profit. The Y cannot meet the needs of the Pickleball community during the indoor season. The GSPA has now ceased to run indoor programming during the school year. In lieu of a newly constructed fitness facility the City needs to actually have in place a Community Use agreement with Schools - the Master Plan suggests that these are in place when in fact they are not in place for fitness activities such as Pickleball.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 05:09 PM	Velodrome
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:25 PM	Pickle ball
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:30 PM	Pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:02 PM	Indoor pickleball
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:08 PM	More pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:17 PM	Pickleball
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:42 PM	Pickle ball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:04 PM	Indoor pickle ball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:07 PM	We need more Pickleball courts.....indoors...we have nothing for the winter
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:30 PM	Pickleball courts

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Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:38 PM	Pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:15 PM	Pickleball courts ( indoor & outdoor)
Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:37 PM	pickleball courts (outdoor & indoor )
Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:14 AM	Pickleball
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:26 AM	Pickleball Courts Indoor and Outdoor RUGBY field (grass or turf)
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:15 AM	pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:35 AM	Pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:43 AM	Pickel ball courts
Anonymous 9/03/2019 01:07 PM	I support additional pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:29 PM	If one travels in the Greater Sudbury , it is very obvious that the tennis courts are abandoned or just not being used even after a full refurbishment such as the tennis courts on Notre Dame avenue. As a member of the Greater Sudbury pickleball association, we constantly have to prove and validate that we have a growing number of interested players who are looking for places to play. As an affluent population of seniors, we need to get more venues in order to answer to our needs. There are presently over 200 players looking for places to play...
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Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:45 PM	I strongly support that we plan to have a Large Sports Complex. This could be all done at the new KED to have a multi-sports complex that would include several large gyms to accommodate 6 to 12 Pickleball Courts all year round. With the explosive growth of Pickleball, Sudbury needs to have its own Sports Complex in the city core with several large gyms. For example the Markham Sports Complex. Greater Sudbury is overdue for such a facility. WE are no longer just a mining community. We need to have a facility to

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Anonymous 9/03/2019 03:25 PM	keep Sudbury active year round and out of the hospitals. I believe indoor facilities for indoor use is required for pickleball facilities. Great exercise for those aging and assistance for health concerns.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:29 PM	Spending any money on a single sport event like soccer or tennis. Money should be spent the least for the best bag for the buck. NOT ALL parents can afford hockey basketball soccer or tennis...
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:44 PM	I strongly support a new arena downtown which can be used by everyone in the community for public skating, walking and community events like Canada Day that people can walk to, ride a bike or take transit. Not only for privileged with cars to watch hockey or baseball. Keep the community arena in Capreol. Bike trails to promote health and ease road traffic.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:21 PM	Parks for Seniors. You spend \$75,000.00 on kids monkey bars and swing sets at Greenwood Park (Greenwood and Second Ave) and nothing for the Seniors. Oh wait 3 benches and a pavilion that was a total waste of money. Only a Mother with a baby carriage will find it useful.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:56 PM	We urgency require a central location or community center to accommodate Pickleball, the fastest growing sport on North America. We have already over 237 documented Pickleball players with a projection of a 100% growth next year. Most players are adults 50 years plus, many are over 70, we have limited options to play in the fall, spring and winter seasons and are limited to inclement weather during the summer. The sport is presently being introduced to the youth through seminars and demonstrations.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:57 PM	pickle ball
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:59 PM	Indoor turf facilities.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:56 PM	Avoid putting concrete and metal infrastructure in parks, especially parks that are nature type. Try to stay green as possible.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:06 PM	We need more Pickleball courts
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:49 PM	get running oof these facilities out of city's hands. Most facilities could thrive if staff at the City would not dictate rules.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:29 PM	more fitness centers
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:04 PM	More Pickleball courts. More and more people are coming unlike the dying tennis courts.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:55 PM	Teen centre with ease of accessing for teens with free transport and also guidance counselors
Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:52 AM	Pickleball
Anonymous	Recreational campgrounds such as Centennial Park should not be tax funded

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9/04/2019 08:42 AM

Anonymous

No to more arean's in the valley. fix and maintain what we have

9/04/2019 08:59 AM

Anonymous

indoor pickleball facility; additional outdoor pickleball

9/04/2019 09:25 AM

Anonymous

I do not support the closing of the Valley East & Capreol Arenas. I support bringing them up to a reasonable standard. I do not support building new arenas in Valley East or on the Kingsway.

9/04/2019 09:25 AM

Anonymous

pickeball courts

9/04/2019 10:06 AM

Anonymous

PIKCLE BALL

9/04/2019 10:14 AM

Anonymous

convert some tennis courts for "pickleball" as there are tennis courts everywhere that need repair and the ones in lively are very seldom used as I can see them from my home.

9/04/2019 10:28 AM

Anonymous

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9/04/2019 01:19 PM

Anonymous

stuff out of the city for the other kids and teens to be able to do and possibly go on their own. We can't always drive them everywhere and on top of that have to pay for them to do the activity. Gyms should be free for kids to go work out with an adults signature.

9/04/2019 01:35 PM

Anonymous

Pickleball

9/04/2019 02:02 PM

Anonymous

Adult physical fitness grounds

9/04/2019 02:07 PM

Anonymous

Outdoor equipment beyond aimed at a wider audience than just tot-lots. Use more natural landscaping and materials for play structures and less "off the shelf" playgrounds.

9/04/2019 02:55 PM

Anonymous

Should be based on demand

9/04/2019 03:11 PM

Anonymous

There should be funding for indoor courts. There are no available indoor courts for a variety of sports such as Pickleball, tennis, badminton. These players must coordinate with schools to use their facilities which are often booked by intramural school sports.

9/04/2019 03:58 PM

Anonymous

Support more Pickle Ball Courts- indoor and outdoor

9/04/2019 04:13 PM

Anonymous

Pickle ball is the fastest growing sport in North America. We have only one dedicated pickle ball court at O'Connor park. Many days in the summer it's packed with people waiting to play. Nobody wants to be inside in our short summer playing at Cambrian Arena. We need another outdoor park. In the South end. We played all last summer at Loellen tennis courts and could

9/04/2019 04:21 PM

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<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:23 PM</p>	<p>count on one hand the amount of tennis players we saw. Why not convert it to Pickle ball? We also need a proper place to play in the fall and winter. The tennis bubble is losing money all the time. Why not make a few Pickleball courts there? Indoor pickleball courts severely lacking as it is the fastest growing sport in North America.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 10:45 AM</p>	<p>I feel as though the arena should be retrofitted rather than the exorbitant expenditures proposed for a new arena, especially considering that ticket sales don't support a larger arena.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:59 PM</p>	<p>more exercise parks like the one on Attlee that is in a very inconvenient location.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:05 PM</p>	<p>Hiking trails</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 02:09 PM</p>	<p>Multi-purpose centres (ie Father David Bauer centre in Waterloo, or RIM fields also in Waterloo) are good examples of sites that all ages and levels of ability can use. Sudbury's YMCA would work, but it is too small and not public access.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:02 PM</p>	<p>soccer dome</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:15 PM</p>	<p>I think the city has spent plenty of money on parks and recreation. We don't need to keep putting money except to maintain what we already have. Many other areas need improving! Roads for example, infrastructure!</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:18 PM</p>	<p>I do not support the Kingsway Entertainment District</p>
<p> 9/05/2019 07:37 PM</p>	<p>Tennis courts are not being used .i wouldn't support more tennis courts</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 09:14 PM</p>	<p>Low cost rentals for outdoor watersports Water structures for our beaches (like Barrie)</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 11:53 PM</p>	<p>Support funds for pickleball courts</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:25 AM</p>	<p>Indoor basketball. Indoor, open concept, LARGE facility for indoor activities</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:48 AM</p>	<p>Try taking care of the builings as well as the playing field</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 09:19 AM</p>	<p>How about using some of the money spent on clearing the Bell Park boardwalk to clear snow from and generally maintain other recreational paths in the city? that board walk is meticulously maintain in the winter whereas other recreational paths (ie. Ramsey Lake road path) often take up to 3 or 4 days before they are cleared.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>I would greatly support an indoor track facility or adding a bubble (or</p>

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9/06/2019 02:51 PM	covering) over the Laurentian track facility - for available use in the winter months.
Anonymous	Cross Country Ski Trails. Why support alpine and not XC?
9/06/2019 04:04 PM	
Anonymous	more indoor and outdoor pickleball courts
9/06/2019 05:19 PM	
Anonymous	nature education centres
9/06/2019 07:24 PM	
Anonymous	At Delhi Dozzi Park trail , one OutHouse should remain there for the course of the winter, (year around) just as it is the case at Bell Park. There is a need for such Public Health facility, year around as more and more people hike throuout the whole year; the Community Hall is locked up 95% of the time, and bathroom are not available.
9/07/2019 12:43 PM	
Anonymous	no
9/07/2019 03:32 PM	
Anonymous	Do not support city run campgrounds and trailer park.
9/07/2019 06:48 PM	
Anonymous	Do not support city run tent and trailer parks on recreational land.
9/07/2019 06:56 PM	
Anonymous	Our neighbourhood (Wembley) lacks playing fields and play spaces. There are no large playing fields within safe walking distance (kids can't access without crossing busy road). Play spaces are also not adequate to support neighbourhood. Only one small park (Worthington) and barely any open spaces (Alexander PS and the former Wembley PS, neither are very large). We are lucky to have the green/natural spaces we have in this neighbourhood though. I do not believe the York playground services the Wembley area adequately (poor access).
9/08/2019 08:10 AM	
Anonymous	I'd want to see more money directed towards outdoor use of trails.
9/08/2019 02:10 PM	
Anonymous	Do not support city run tent and trailer parks
9/08/2019 09:44 PM	
Anonymous	cross country skiing mountain biking snowshoeing
9/09/2019 09:56 AM	
Anonymous	More turf fields and football fields.
9/09/2019 10:23 AM	
Anonymous	Our community is already overloaded with arenas. No more please!
9/09/2019 11:04 AM	
Anonymous	Support for cooperative spaces. Fund areas that are geared towards an open model of community supported spaces. You subsidize everything else, but you are lacking in open access facilities, that can be multi-use, multi-purpose
9/09/2019 02:35 PM	

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	open concept community spaces. Think outside the realm of leisure as function of parks and rec. We need spaces for re-creation of community. Sudbury greatly lacking in this department. If you want a vibrant and sustainable future for people here, you need this idea of spaces to evolve in the right direction.
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/09/2019 07:50 PM</p>	<p>your categories for answers skew accurate feedback. it would have been more accurate and useful if you had of used options: To improve existing facilities - opposed, strongly support, neither, support, strongly opposed, don't know To build new ones - opposed, strongly support, neither, support, strongly opposed, don't know. these options for each facility category would provide complete input from community.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 01:15 PM</p>	<p>Spend on after school kids programming: alternatives to daycare. We need active kids.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 02:45 PM</p>	<p>Support creation of snowshoeing and/or multi-use winter trails</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 02:47 PM</p>	<p>walking paths and organized social opportunities for young people that are not necessarily all sports oriented.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 03:08 PM</p>	<p>Something to do with Indigenous cultural awareness. Perhaps an Indigenous trading post to show case local craft and artisans.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 03:27 PM</p>	<p>A general comment that I strongly support investment in infrastructure that supports healthy living and encouraging children to get out of the house and off of their devices. We've been strong users of arenas and football fields for many years and appreciate that the facilities exist. I'm sure other families that use the other facilities feel the same.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 03:33 PM</p>	<p>a centrally located multi-use leisure centre for all ages (like was talked about years ago!)</p>
<p></p> <p>9/10/2019 04:34 PM</p>	<p>Pickelball, Disc Golf, and more shade structures</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 04:56 PM</p>	<p>Cross Country Ski facilities. My family are active cross country skiers. We have memberships at Bioski and LU. However Sudbury lacks a large XC ski club and facility such as is available in Timmins, North Bay or Temiskaming Shores. We have several small clubs. We currently belong to Goodlife and the YMCA for indoor fitness. The city should not be funding these types of activities.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 05:44 PM</p>	<p>I would like to see the Bell Park Boardwalk cleared of snow during the winter months. Many people will still go there for walks.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/10/2019 06:45 PM</p>	<p>additional playgrounds</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/11/2019 08:26 AM</p>	<p>addition of pickleball courts to indoor and outdoor facilities</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>I encourage more partnerships between the municipality and</p>

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9/11/2019 12:19 PM	associations/organizations that run quality Health and wellness programs. The City should own the facility and maintain them, the YMCA for example should operate the programs
Anonymous	bike trails
9/11/2019 01:09 PM	
Anonymous	archery lessons, art courses for upper teens, drawing lessons for upper teens.
9/11/2019 01:25 PM	
Anonymous	Would support outdoor pools for summer as there are often algae blooms in the lakes.
9/11/2019 06:00 PM	
Anonymous	More special needs programs for adults with intellectual disabilities
9/11/2019 08:27 PM	
Anonymous	Pickleball is a growing sport, easy to learn and requires additional indoor and outdoor facilities.
9/11/2019 10:41 PM	
Anonymous	Tubing Hill mobility carts/transportation for elderly who can't move as fast - ie. bring your grandparent to science north but it takes them an hour to walk from the parking lot.
9/12/2019 08:46 AM	
Anonymous	Strongly support improvement to the Ramsey Boardwalk - city Jewel that is one of the highest areas of use - needs to be better maintained for safety and Pride for the City
9/12/2019 12:22 PM	
Anonymous	Tree planting, natural play opportunities, naturalization, community gardens and urban farms
9/12/2019 02:32 PM	
Anonymous	Cross Country Ski Hub/ Snowshoe Hub
9/12/2019 03:16 PM	
Anonymous	cross country ski trails
9/12/2019 05:44 PM	
Anonymous	Cleaning up needles and other dangerous things because I'm scared to bring my little kids to certain parks or part of town for that reason.
9/12/2019 08:27 PM	
Anonymous	Community Hall in Chelmsford is outdated and not user friendly.
9/13/2019 09:28 AM	
Anonymous	We need our ski hill reopened in Capreol.
9/13/2019 09:59 AM	
Anonymous	Please consider adding a closed fence to all parks so children with disabilities can enjoy them safely. Some don't get a chance to get out of the house often. I am begging city council to please consider this safety concern. We live in Capreol and I wish there was one fenced in park for my nonverbal, developmentally delayed and severe autistic daughter. TIA
9/13/2019 10:11 AM	
Anonymous	This City does not provide any indication of costs. It assumes everyone supports City run facilities. Our Recreational Infrastructure is unsustainable unless we endorse PPP options.
9/13/2019 12:21 PM	
Anonymous	I would support a huge outdoor swimming pool the size of a lake with natural

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9/13/2019 08:44 PM	features and most importantly disease free ( ie no e coli or other human caused contaminants). Or just clean up Ramsey Lake...twice I've come out after a swim with an extensive and prolonged skin rash requiring antibiotic treatment. I haven't swam there since 2010.
Anonymous	Dog off leash parks!
9/14/2019 10:46 AM	
Anonymous	Small paths between neighborhoods, especially dead-end streets, or streets without sidewalks.
9/14/2019 04:12 PM	
Anonymous	More multi use family orientated parks or spaces.
9/14/2019 04:41 PM	
Anonymous	Perennials vs annual flower beds across the city,; shade and rest structures in parks, playgrounds, trails; more natural and unstructured opportunities for leisure and play
9/14/2019 10:27 PM	
Anonymous	Yoga spaces
9/14/2019 10:58 PM	
Anonymous	Squash court. Youth center IF supervised. SNOW TUBING..and an outdoor pool since the blue green algae is increasing. Should have a water park..would attract families from the north.
9/15/2019 01:51 AM	
Anonymous	More funds spent in the outlying areas, specifically Lively.
9/15/2019 07:04 AM	
Anonymous	Build a park for the residents of the Sugarbush subdivision in Lively
9/15/2019 01:10 PM	
Anonymous	Beaches or trails that allow dogs off leash
9/15/2019 01:38 PM	
Anonymous	Soccer pitches are great.
9/15/2019 01:49 PM	
Anonymous	Theme parks which are instructional about the ways in which the natural environment, when supported and augmented, helps to reduce green house gases and protect our water systems.
9/15/2019 01:50 PM	
Anonymous	Stop spending stupid amounts of money on useless projects downtown. Downtown is dead. Minnow lake and surrounding areas need proper rinks and trails.
9/15/2019 02:42 PM	
Anonymous	built something in skead walking hard surface our roads
9/15/2019 03:08 PM	
Anonymous	Support green spaces, important for human health and environment
9/15/2019 10:03 PM	
Anonymous	more promotion
9/15/2019 10:54 PM	
Anonymous	Zip lines, publicized walking trails,dog parks in safer areas, constructed outdoor swimming pools, dog parks with activities to train dogs, more parks
9/15/2019 11:26 PM	

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Anonymous

9/16/2019 12:39 PM

with saucer swingsets, adult AND child friendly parks (big enough for adults to join), free tennis courts  
Pickleball courts in the Valley. Elmview would be well used by Seniors and many others of different age.

Anonymous

9/16/2019 12:47 PM

Pickleball courts in the Valley. Elmview would be well used by Seniors and many others of different age.

Anonymous

9/16/2019 09:30 PM

very strongly support building new pickleball courts and resurfacing some tennis courts

Communications Proxy

9/20/2019 01:39 PM

Pickleball courts. Indoor and outdoor please. We need good places to do sports and stay active to maintain our physical health and our mental health.

Communications Proxy

9/23/2019 12:29 PM

Pickleball courts, indoor and outdoor please. The city needs to be proactive and support new activities and trends in order to promote physical health in all age groups. This in turn has a positive impact on the mental health of the population because of the social benefits.

**Optional question** (163 responses, 354 skipped)

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### Q15 | What would encourage you or members of your household to make greater use of Greater Sudbury's indoor or outdoor Leisure Facilities?

Anonymous 8/29/2019 05:05 PM	Free
Anonymous 8/29/2019 05:59 PM	City facility in new sudbury/garson that has childrens programming. We need recreational and non competitive activities for youth.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:03 PM	Cost
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:12 PM	Lower fees
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:35 PM	Modern and clean
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:50 PM	Better trail maintenance. The ski hills need to open in mid December. Better snowmaking and hiring staff earlier in the fall would allow for an earlier opening.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:57 PM	Closer to home
Anonymous 8/29/2019 07:25 PM	Location, timing
Anonymous 8/29/2019 08:15 PM	New facilities and geocaching games at various sites.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 08:36 PM	Cleaner facilities with hot showers. Our facilities are old and not very attractive
Anonymous 8/29/2019 08:46 PM	We make as much use as we can and we are happy with the facilities we use, just keep them clean and updated and we will continue to use :) thanks for everything
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:23 PM	Ease of access
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:28 PM	Advertising
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:46 PM	More time
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:50 PM	Better lane swim times, nicer facilities, family changerooms
Anonymous 8/29/2019 10:52 PM	-indoors - scheduling has to suit people who work m-f outdoors - more areas where i can take the dog, with no hassle.

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Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:20 AM	Affordable rates
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:33 AM	More available program times outside of business hours.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:44 AM	Sidewalks - from buchanan street to park & Princess Anne and down Lilac Street to St. Francis school & trail
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:45 AM	Knowing its thing
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:46 AM	Better communication about hours and activities.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:55 AM	quality and accessibility of facilities
Anonymous 8/30/2019 08:14 AM	I already use pool at Nickel District frequently for aquacises
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:15 AM	Find out what kinds of programming people in the local community most want, identify stakeholders in the local area to be involved in developing and promoting programs, ensure each neighbourhood has ready access to indoor and outdoor facilities (eg trails for recreation/commuting, places where community can engage in physical activity both outdoors in good weather, and indoors when weather is harsher.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 10:43 AM	My family makes regular use of the hiking trails, parks and dog park in GS. As an adult however, I'd like to see more active/physical classes being offered in the New Sudbury / Garson area. It's not worth my while to travel 20-30 minutes for a half hour/hour workout class.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 11:50 AM	more knowledge of activities and schedules
Anonymous 8/30/2019 12:15 PM	More tracks for walking and running. Only usable tracks are at Laurentian University, which is inaccessible to most people that what to use. City of Sudbury should provide usable outdoor tracks, at a minimum paved tracks, the city can work with the Elem/Sec schools to pave the overgrown gravel tracks they once had. City should work jointly with the new proposed bubble to provide an indoor track at that facility, if ever built.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 04:02 PM	Earlier or Later hours so I can attend when the kids are in bed.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:26 PM	As long as it's free I can afford free. If there are needles, I do not return .
Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:50 PM	Indoor pools for warm-therapy
Anonymous	NA

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8/30/2019 09:14 PM

Anonymous

More advertising send home sheets to Students letting them know what's available in the fall winter and end of the school year for summer

8/30/2019 09:17 PM

Anonymous

Better hours, less expensive

8/31/2019 01:57 AM

Anonymous

Access for disabled. Focus seems to be on wheelchair vs other disabilities such as vision and cardio. I.e. Stairs/ramp at Ramsey lake by old hospital .

8/31/2019 04:32 PM

Anonymous

More trees in tot playgrounds

8/31/2019 04:57 PM

Anonymous

yes, make it more affordable

8/31/2019 06:10 PM

Anonymous

An indoor rolling skating rink for adults and seniors!

8/31/2019 06:54 PM

Anonymous

closer to my home..better hrs.

8/31/2019 06:59 PM

Anonymous

I would be encouraged by a total ban on outdoor wood burning. ATVs' and Dirt Bikes removed from walking trails. Have security at Bell park from opening until closing. Is it somehow only the evening and night that we need security. People are smoking cigarettes and cannabis in the morning. Bikes are riding on the walkway.

8/31/2019 09:14 PM

Anonymous

More hours for activities like public skating and open pool time.

8/31/2019 10:03 PM

Anonymous

even with the new bus schedule if the time frames allowed me to take the kids to their activities and not be stuck waiting an hour for the transfer home I would be more inclined )we had to give up 3 activities because of the new bus schedule.

9/01/2019 05:19 AM

Anonymous

Cost. Shared use of Schools (L.U., Cambrian, Boréal, High Schools, ...) which are all taxpayer subsidized but all under used. Coordinate schedules, rates, and use (i.e. rinks, bubbles, ...) Private clubs (figure skating, Rep Hockey, Rep basket/volley, ...) have too much control on "prime times" and the public must make due with left over (bad) times!

9/01/2019 06:34 AM

Anonymous

Improved and modern facilities for all ages and abilities

9/01/2019 07:21 AM

Anonymous

More information, better maintenance and care of facilities.

9/01/2019 08:01 AM

Anonymous

Greater hours of availability. Some things like indoor skating get limited regularly due to other events. More instructional classes available for tennis, etc.

9/01/2019 08:38 AM

Anonymous

Free public transportation to and from

9/01/2019 08:51 AM

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Anonymous 9/01/2019 09:21 AM	More parking availability downtown to access library, park side Senior Centre and the YMCA as well as more parking at the South end library.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 10:36 AM	Better hours for indoor use and up to date facilities Better information about what is close to me Better signage
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	More affordable rates at Dowling Leisure center.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	More affordable rates at Dowling Leisure center.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 01:11 PM	Yes
 9/01/2019 01:56 PM	access, later hours. adult only times, does that exist? dont want to go when all the kids go. but later hours means running buses passed 6pm. When will Sudbury start behaving like a Regional Capital.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:10 PM	Upgraded or in the least taken care if facilities
Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:22 PM	Better maintained. Pride in the facilities
Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:48 PM	Convenient time for service. Work in Sudbury, live in outskirts. By the time you get kids and get home you've missed the program start. Also fees lowered with multiple children in different services.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:15 PM	If their were classes such as yoga and Pilates and such directed to the areas of Levack and Onaping falls later in the evening so we could go after work.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:20 PM	closer to home
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:48 PM	Regular maintenance of facilities in our community is very important. We don't appreciate seeing valuable assets declining because of lack of maintenance or regular upgrades. A Y Jackson Visitor Centre is an example.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 04:06 PM	Yes
Anonymous 9/01/2019 04:39 PM	Costs
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:07 PM	More knowledge about the opportunities available and ease of access (facility hours, cost, location and commute)
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:14 PM	I really miss the quarterly Leisure Guide and wish you would bring it back. I realize that producing a paper document is expensive and not green however the guide provided all the information I needed at my fingertips to know what was offered where. I find navigating the online information time consuming and frustrating.
Anonymous	More accessible and inclusive areas and programs

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9/01/2019 06:50 PM

Anonymous

More variety of activities

9/01/2019 07:10 PM

Anonymous

If there were more available and if the current ones were better maintained

9/01/2019 07:15 PM

Anonymous

More outdoor / indoor skate times at arenas In Azilda it's never really open skate when the kids are out of school

9/01/2019 07:21 PM

Anonymous

Outdoor rinks should have two reserved nights per week that are dedicated to those who just want to skate. Kids playing hockey is great to see but does not allow others to enjoy the facilities as well. We've also been told that we can share the ice, however, it is ridiculous for someone to think it's ok for someone to leisure skate next to hockey pucks flying all over. There should also be better sitting areas for people to put their skates on and be able to put their bags down without getting their skates and belongings full of snow. A small shack or something. Doesn't even need to be heated.

9/01/2019 07:23 PM

Anonymous

Better times available that suited a working families schedule. Better maintained baseball fields.

9/01/2019 07:30 PM

Anonymous

More ball diamonds and better quality, switch to clay infield like the rest of the province, even out the outfield so people don't risk rolling an ankle, replace the rusting fences- they're unsightly and a hazard for all those anti-Vaxxer children who live long enough to play organized sports

9/01/2019 07:44 PM

Anonymous

Better fields

9/01/2019 08:06 PM

Anonymous

Facilities being kept in a better condition

9/01/2019 08:15 PM

Anonymous

Lights at B3 in Garson Ski Hill needs improvements It was run so poorly this year.

9/01/2019 08:32 PM

Anonymous

Within Onaping Falls

9/01/2019 08:44 PM

Anonymous

Better facilities more hours of operation. Our Onaping community centre is in need of many repairs.

9/01/2019 09:01 PM

Anonymous

Cleanliness of beaches. Specifically Moonlight Beach is always covered in goose poop. I have a toddler who is very curious and it's everywhere.

9/01/2019 09:26 PM

Anonymous

Better availability for adults (eg availability for start times prior to 9pm).

9/01/2019 09:40 PM

Anonymous

Safety. Our baseball fields are a safety issue. The batters box is always dig down to low and I'm always in fear of hurting myself running out of it. The outfield is unlevel with big dips, anyone can fall. As adults playing actual organized sports, this should be a priority. We suffer a lot of overweight

9/01/2019 10:18 PM

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<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 11:37 PM</p>	<p>people in Sudbury, we need to encourage people to get be active in a safe manner. Scheduled activities or leagues</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 02:28 AM</p>	<p>Camping hiking areas</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 07:36 AM</p>	<p>Better locations and times</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:18 AM</p>	<p>Proximity</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:31 AM</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:45 AM</p>	<p>More facilities towards coniston/Wahnapiatae and mark stay. We travel to Nickel District pool and it's often very busy</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:04 AM</p>	<p>Location. Often use of these facilities depends on how handy they are.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:28 AM</p>	<p>Fix the baseball fields</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:31 AM</p>	<p>Facility located in Coniston area - less travel</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:11 AM</p>	<p>More frequent and convenient scheduling. Lower fees (indoor facilities).</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:16 AM</p>	<p>We need more facilities and the ones we have need to be updated and improved</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:32 AM</p>	<p>Closer to copper cliff</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:42 AM</p>	<p>Better times of use. Some games start at 930.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:11 AM</p>	<p>Better advertisement of events, less cost</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:32 AM</p>	<p>Better cleanliness and washroom facilities. There is often broken glass at splash pads and parks. Trees planted are not watered and many die or do poorly, the grass is cut too infrequently. Garbage is not cleaned up. Inconsistent hours at vendors makes planning impossible - at moonlight and Bell park beaches. Can't plan to buy lunch there because sometimes they're open and sometimes they're not.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:40 AM</p>	<p>More options - days/times</p>

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<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:09 PM</p>	<p>Availability</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:49 PM</p>	<p>Cost.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 01:41 PM</p>	<p>Better schedule. More availability after normal work day (6pm) and weekends.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 02:42 PM</p>	<p>If the City actually had indoor leisure facilities we would use them. O`Connor Pickleball courts have been used extensively this summer and have been a very good investment of Capital funds. However, one just has to attend on a Monday night to see that we have already outgrown the courts with waiting times on the bench. Chelmsford Phase II has to happen and then Valley East projects need to begin. The use of the Arena at Raymond Plourde evening play was a success this summer and we thank the City for this. Cambrian Arena indoor play was not utilized however due to the success at O`Connor and the exceptionally good summer weather in 2019.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:08 PM</p>	<p>quality and upkeep</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:32 PM</p>	<p>Lower prices</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:56 PM</p>	<p>Nothing, we use regularly</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 05:09 PM</p>	<p>Certain facilities we don't visit often because they are not well cleaned or have grumpy staff (Gatchell Pool change rooms, for example [REDACTED]). We always swim in Copper Cliff because it is the most clean and well run, with super helpful/friendly staff. We drive further to do so but it is worth it. Same thing for the libraries. We live like a 5 mins walk to the Mackenzie Branch and now we rarely go because it feels unloved (especially the kids section is pitiful), 'scary' and unstable people make it their home all day long, it is dirty and we feel uneasy now going there. We really appreciate the free indoor skating. We made use of the downtown arena public skate at least once per week, sometimes two during the whole season. It is wonderful because my partner can join in on his lunch hours. It is a specail time for our family.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:14 PM</p>	<p>better health a senior here... do enjoy the YMCA</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:17 PM</p>	<p>More free time, easier way to know what's going on</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:25 PM</p>	<p>Pickle ball</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:30 PM</p>	<p>More facilities, in south end</p>

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<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:02 PM</p>	<p>Pickleball offered in outplaying areas of sudbury</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:42 PM</p>	<p>Having more courts though out Sudbury</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:04 PM</p>	<p>Pickle ball courts</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:07 PM</p>	<p>Pickleball</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:38 PM</p>	<p>Winter place to play Pickleball. YMCA courts are too small and crowded</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:15 PM</p>	<p>Travelling costs are expensive, we need facilities closer to (Valley East) to be able to take optimal advantage Health and Physical activity being most important in our household</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:37 PM</p>	<p>Facilities and pickleball courts close to our residence to cut travelling and time expense !</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:24 PM</p>	<p>More information on different activities going on around Sudbury and more family oriented parks like Kivi Park</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:14 AM</p>	<p>Lower cost</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:26 AM</p>	<p>Field with rugby markings Pickleball evening drop in</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:15 AM</p>	<p>availability close to home</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:35 AM</p>	<p>Already use regularly several indoor and outdoor facilities including fitness facilities, including municipal, club operated and not-for-profit facilities. Although we are seniors we still strongly support fitness and leisure facilities for all ages to encourage a healthy lifestyle. City should provide opportunities for disadvantaged children to participate in leisure activities as they may be at greater risk of unhealthy lifestyles due to lack of funds for participation and access.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 12:52 PM</p>	<p>More access to information regarding programming and the ability to have online self service.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 01:07 PM</p>	<p>Additional pickleball courts</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:29 PM</p>	<p>Instead of trying to get more hospital beds to cater to sick patients, we should try to keep our population healthier and more active. A healthy senior can contribute much more to society than a senior who is waiting for a hospital bed.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>Instead of trying to get more hospital beds to cater to sick patients, we</p>

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9/03/2019 02:30 PM

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Anonymous

9/03/2019 02:45 PM

To encourage people to be healthy, lose weight and avoid the line ups at the hospitals, we need to have indoor sport gymnasiums to get our youths engaged and the seniors active again. Presently there are no indoor facilities where the public can play Pickleball year round.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 03:25 PM

Use of facilities used by aging population. Pickleball courts are required for this growing sport and will serve a multitude of concerns. Health and exercise.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:18 PM

I really only use skating rinks. We have missed out on outdoor skating because hours for the change rooms are short.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:26 PM

To improve outdoor parks for example replacing the metal slides at the Carling tot playground, they are dangerous as they get very hot in the summer. Add more shading areas. Add more supervision to eliminate tweenagers hanging around at night.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:29 PM

Bell park walk way needs more use... and the brick pavers to be reset... tripping hazard. [REDACTED]

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:44 PM

Many of the outdoor parks and soccer fields need more trees so young children in playgrounds have shade or spectators at the sidelines have shaded areas. Robinson park has no trees. No trees by spectator stands at Lilly creek.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:01 PM

We always use facilities together

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:04 PM

Acceptable grounds and facilities that are clean, safe and offer updated and well maintained facilities, programs and trail maintenance.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:21 PM

Better advertisement of events.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:22 PM

longer hours of operations, more indoor sports facilities for use during winter (especially basketball, football, baseball)

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:35 PM

Clean them up, they are filthy

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:56 PM

Better sharing of the arena during quiet time, a more reasonable fee structure for rental time. Having a community center located downtown with multiple gyms that could be used all year, with many dedicated hours made available for seniors to enjoy people their age and opportunity to mingle with youths. We need a multi-use indoor facility with close parking that is accessible by seniors and mobility challenged citizens. The YMCA gym is way to small. limit cost per use quality of facility hours of operation

Anonymous

9/03/2019 08:12 PM

Anonymous

9/03/2019 08:43 PM

Increase the links between trails so that we can cycle for a continuous 20-25 km. As a senior I would like to play tennis with other seniors at the entry

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Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:06 PM	level. Cannot find such a facility. Make them inexpensive so that everyone can afford to use them
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:06 PM	Multi use facility
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:19 PM	facilities located in neighbourhoods within walking distance for kids and adults
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:49 PM	If they were run properly
 9/03/2019 09:53 PM	Better maintenance and upkeep of equipment.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:00 PM	Cost
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:08 PM	The facilities that we frequent are often dirty and messy. If they were clean and better maintained, I would encourage others to use them.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:29 PM	cheaper fees
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:04 PM	Closer access to my res
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:55 PM	Public parks
Anonymous 9/04/2019 12:05 AM	Have facilities in Chelmsford, we do not have any exercise classes offered here other than the French health centre
Anonymous 9/04/2019 01:57 AM	more Times for programs or flexibility in times
Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:52 AM	Lower cost
Anonymous 9/04/2019 05:46 AM	Better quality
Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:42 AM	Clearer indication of what is available at each facility online. For example pictures of the pools, is there a shallow end for toddlers? Or just a deep end etc
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:41 AM	If we had a swimming pool and more splash pads in chelmsford
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:42 AM	Cheaper rates
Anonymous	Converting the indoor pools to salt water. I am highly allergic to the chlorine

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9/04/2019 08:55 AM	used in the pools, and I get severe burns on my skin after swimming in public pools. Salt water pools would be best, and then I would actually be able to make use of the pool facilities.
Anonymous	better times including weekend schedules
9/04/2019 08:59 AM	
Anonymous	free public skating,
9/04/2019 09:15 AM	
Anonymous	Proximity to city run indoor facilities as I live in New Sudbury.
9/04/2019 09:17 AM	
Anonymous	Improved transit. You shouldn't be denied access to any public funded site just because you don't have the personal means of getting yourself there.
9/04/2019 09:25 AM	
Anonymous	free public skating. ski hills with a terrain park.
9/04/2019 09:30 AM	
Anonymous	Better access in outlying areas.
9/04/2019 09:39 AM	
Anonymous	Create and maintain outdoor surfaces for pickleball and tennis
9/04/2019 10:06 AM	
Anonymous	More pickle ball courts
9/04/2019 10:14 AM	
Anonymous	We enjoy walking to the arena downtown for events occasionally, improvements to the existing building (arena) would increase our interest in attending.
9/04/2019 11:45 AM	
Anonymous	Safer bike lanes
9/04/2019 12:22 PM	
	yes
9/04/2019 01:15 PM	
Anonymous	Ice costs are so high sports like hockey, skating etc have raised their prices. Non profit organizations can't afford your ice to provide the programs we need
9/04/2019 12:59 PM	
Anonymous	More information on these facilities, where they're located, and what kind of events are being held there.
9/04/2019 01:19 PM	
Anonymous	if they were closer to us. A sports complex like the valley would be great in Chelmsford to serve dowling leveck azilda walden
9/04/2019 01:35 PM	
Anonymous	More options closer to home
9/04/2019 02:07 PM	
Anonymous	Facilities targeted at a wider age range.
9/04/2019 02:55 PM	
Anonymous	Community regroupings not wasteful = does not waste resources, smart and

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9/04/2019 03:11 PM	efficient designs well managed
Anonymous	Infrastructure at many facilities is crumbling or patched. As much as I hate seeing tax dollars being spent unwisely, I feel that leisure in this city is somewhat a thing of the past. People are not as active as they used to so the usage of these facilities has likely declined causing the reduced revenue and ultimately the city saying we have no money for this.
9/04/2019 03:19 PM	local availability,
Anonymous	cleanliness, safety, proximity to home
9/04/2019 03:24 PM	I would be more encouraged if there was an indoor court dedicated to indoor sports such as Pickleball, Tennis, Badminton. Also there needs to be studios dedicated to yoga & pilates.
Anonymous	Proximity to residence
9/04/2019 03:39 PM	N/A
Anonymous	As an avid softball player, I'm very disappointed in the quality of our fields. We have several times over the number of softball enthusiasts in our city than North Bay does yet their facilities are far superior. It's leading to tournament organizers running the biggest tournaments in North Bay.
9/04/2019 04:21 PM	that change rooms be open and available at public beaches, the one at Nepawhan was closed all summer and there were porta potties that did not belong to the city and were not maintained. Went to Meatbird because of their excellent facilities. Bus access to certain places are not available, Better hours for adult swims during evenings/weekends during summer. Not yet aware of hours for winters as we only started looking into this over the summer.
Anonymous	Greater accessibility to indoor pickleball courts
9/04/2019 05:48 PM	cost, hours, distance
Anonymous	More in walking distance.
9/04/2019 06:03 PM	Cleaner safer parks
Anonymous	What would encourage us is if we had any of those facilities in my community.
9/04/2019 06:28 PM	Free family skates at indoor arenas and free family swim times at pools
Anonymous	
9/04/2019 07:23 PM	
Anonymous	
9/04/2019 07:56 PM	
Anonymous	
9/05/2019 08:49 AM	
Anonymous	
9/05/2019 10:45 AM	
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9/05/2019 11:04 AM	
Anonymous	
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Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:25 PM	flat winding skating path in Copper Cliff Park that could be periodically resurfaced by the Zamboni from the arena also a small groomed trail for XC skiing in Copper Cliff park
Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:59 PM	More knowledge of what is out there. More facilities geared to children over 7. Too many splash pads.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:05 PM	More time
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:37 PM	Ski hill.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:53 PM	Special pricing for seniors...more organized activities.. ' Senior games?' Senior sports days? Free day initiation for seniors to try out different activities...Parkside Senior Centre is terrific !! but we need other opportunities to get senior's out of the house. Perhaps pairing with younger people to take senior's for a walk!
Anonymous 9/05/2019 02:09 PM	Centers that have multiple services and programming will hit all the notes with a family with diverse interests.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:02 PM	access to schedules
Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:04 PM	Extended hours for outdoor rinks
Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:08 PM	If we had more available closer to home. Pool, indoor track that we can use while the kids do their activities. ie. run on a trac or swim lanes while kids do hockey all in one facility. I think we need more accessible physical classes for older adults who won't drive far or have never used public transportation.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:15 PM	Walking
Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:33 PM	low cost
Anonymous 9/05/2019 06:49 PM	The prices for seniors 60 years on should not have to pay full price for memberships! Not all pensioners are 65! We were forced to not renew our membership because of cost!
Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:18 PM	More time, money and accessibility
Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:26 PM	Awareness
Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:30 PM	More free activities, free public transportation to/from
[REDACTED] 9/05/2019 07:37 PM	Pickle ball

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Anonymous 9/05/2019 08:08 PM	More public swim times and longer duration, Legit bike paths and communication/drivers education/awareness about sharing the road properly with all types of commuters. Accessible sidewalks Additional crosswalks along major streets (regent, paris, lorne, kingsway)
Anonymous 9/05/2019 08:41 PM	Greater access to a pool nearby.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 09:14 PM	reasonable prices convenient hours safe to get to by walking or biking. Proper maintenance, don't wait for things to fall apart before fixing!
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:28 AM	We would use outdoor rinks if there was one close that was maintained.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:38 AM	Absolutely, this is lacking in most parts of the City.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:25 AM	Fair prices. Current , up to date facilities with current up to date equipment
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:26 AM	Proper access and properly maintained facilities.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:36 AM	More public/free events to give them the chance to try before buying memberships
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:48 AM	The city to step up thier safety and pride in thier work
Anonymous 9/06/2019 09:19 AM	if there we multi-use facilities closer to home. Compared to other cities I have lived in Sudbury has limited facilities.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:10 AM	More free swimming and free autumn activities
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:27 AM	Fees (e.g., arenas, baseball diamonds).
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:18 PM	We already make use of them almost every day. Overall, the facilities are pretty good. I just need more personal time to use them more.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:51 PM	continuous improvement and allowed use in winter months.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:56 PM	More free drop in programs.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 03:21 PM	Your programming is 25yrs out of date in pools and facilities
Anonymous 9/06/2019 04:04 PM	More welcoming, knowledgable, helpful, positive and proactive staff.
Anonymous	Fields such as Terry fox need to be kept in better condition. Field one had its

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9/06/2019 04:24 PM	grand opening to be the gem of the city fields and you go out of town and see their fields and Sudbury's are an enabarasment. Clumps of grass everywhere. Infield and outfield conditions that pose health and safety risks to users because of neglect. Burnt grass. Fences in disrepair. Crumbling walkways. [REDACTED] accessibility
Anonymous	
9/06/2019 05:19 PM	
Anonymous	More free time
9/06/2019 07:24 PM	
Anonymous	I use many often, less work and more leisure time would be the only change needed!
9/06/2019 10:34 PM	
Anonymous	If I didn't have to pay to bring my own kayak out onto Crowley Lake which is ridiculous considering that Sudbury is surrounded by 300 lakes. They charge more there than we pay to go to a Provincial Park for an entire day.
9/07/2019 08:32 AM	
Anonymous	Yes
9/07/2019 03:32 PM	
Anonymous	More information communicated as to programs and services.
9/07/2019 06:48 PM	
Anonymous	Better prices
9/07/2019 06:56 PM	
Anonymous	More modern buildings and equipment. A fitness centre closer to town rather than only in the outskirts of the community.
9/07/2019 07:15 PM	
Anonymous	Better access to and more information about programs and facilities (city website can be improved)
9/08/2019 08:10 AM	
Anonymous	More information/communication of existing and new facilities.
9/08/2019 11:28 AM	
Anonymous	More information about what indoor leisure facilities offer.
9/08/2019 02:10 PM	
Anonymous	outdoor
9/08/2019 06:22 PM	
Anonymous	Cheaper fees for seniors. More availability during the day.
9/08/2019 09:44 PM	
Anonymous	More time
9/09/2019 09:56 AM	
Anonymous	Easier access and more communication of what is available.
9/09/2019 10:23 AM	
Anonymous	More funding for outdoor environmental education as seen at Lake Laurentian Conservation Area and facilities.
9/09/2019 11:04 AM	

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Anonymous 9/09/2019 11:43 AM	Price for membership And hours of operation. Be nice to have the gym open super early
Anonymous 9/09/2019 12:53 PM	Longer open hours
Anonymous 9/09/2019 02:35 PM	Make them more open. We need publicly supported space for a variety of programs and projects to bridge between leisure/education and community development and social development goals.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 02:40 PM	absolutely
Anonymous 9/09/2019 03:18 PM	Easier access to schedules -- ie: in order to see the swim schedules at each city pool you have to go to each pool's site. It'd be great if all the open times, public swim info etc could be in one spreadsheet/site page.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 05:02 PM	More options, organized leagues.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 07:08 PM	Completion of all proposed trail systems in Greater Sudbury.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 07:50 PM	don't know
Anonymous 9/09/2019 09:05 PM	Nothing the city can do. We just need more personal time.
Anonymous 9/10/2019 10:34 AM	Lower cost programs
Anonymous 9/10/2019 10:43 AM	Access to a schedule of availability
Anonymous 9/10/2019 01:15 PM	after-school programs.
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:39 PM	level of instruction - some of the programs are taught by those who have little to no experience
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:42 PM	I use them whenever possible and being within 20min of home is the biggest factor.
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:44 PM	Flexible times - evenings and weekends Last year I joined yoga and several times the sessions were cancelled due to instructor not available.
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:47 PM	ensure they are open year round
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:53 PM	Cheaper rates for family and special event days
Anonymous	Pools, skating rinks, hiking and biking trails, beaches, gymnasiums

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9/10/2019 03:08 PM

Anonymous

Adding another 10 hours to my week :)

9/10/2019 03:27 PM

Anonymous

programs that the whole family could take part in, or a centre where there is something to do for each age group.

9/10/2019 03:33 PM

[REDACTED]

Upgraded facilities, and programming.

9/10/2019 04:34 PM

Anonymous

XC clubs could be expanded as discussed above. Kivi which would appear to get significant use from residents could you a clubhouse. the current Atco trailers and outhouses are inadequate. Currently do not use indoor leisure facilities.

9/10/2019 04:56 PM

Anonymous

convenience of hours and location

9/10/2019 06:45 PM

Anonymous

Special events. Team up with charities.

9/10/2019 07:45 PM

Anonymous

More time

9/10/2019 10:02 PM

Anonymous

Availability; hours of operation/ affordability. The facilities need to be maintained/ cleaned and not allowed to deteriorate as per the present norm

9/11/2019 07:23 AM

Anonymous

Cleaner lakes, arenas with better seating and restaurant facilities, more hiking trails (unpaved), outdoor pools

9/11/2019 07:38 AM

Anonymous

Facilities closer to Sudbury and not in the outer communities. Better scheduling availability.

9/11/2019 08:26 AM

Anonymous

Transportation, lower costs

9/11/2019 08:34 AM

Anonymous

Nothing

9/11/2019 10:52 AM

Anonymous

Ensuring multiple transportations routes connect to the main facilities - more cycle paths would be a great start

9/11/2019 12:19 PM

Anonymous

handicap access, however, allergic to chemicals and perfumes so avoid all group activities - can't risk personal safety as cannot control environment

9/11/2019 12:31 PM

Anonymous

Variety of courses, skateboarding for little kids

9/11/2019 01:09 PM

Anonymous

More affordable pricing

9/11/2019 01:12 PM

Anonymous

More affordable pricing

9/11/2019 01:14 PM

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Anonymous

9/11/2019 01:25 PM

We already use them. However, some areas do need fixes, for example, the soccer fields in Falconbridge have some nasty holes that need filling and would have been noticeable by the person who cuts the lawn but yet they remained unfixed for the entire season. You need inspections done at the beginning of each season for each facility, a mid-season inspection and a end of season inspections. This would ensure that the facilities are monitored and any issues that are arising would be dealt with quickly before they become problems and more expensive to fix.

Anonymous

9/11/2019 03:50 PM

not sure, the onus is on us to use the facilities.

Anonymous

9/11/2019 05:09 PM

Knowledge of what is available

Anonymous

9/11/2019 06:00 PM

Closer

Anonymous

9/11/2019 08:18 PM

Lower prices and more effort being put towards Adanac and lively ski hills. Adanac has become a joke, last winter we drove to north bay multiple times because the 1.5 hour drive was worth it for the prices and overall feel/environment at the hill. A nicer chalet with more food options and a small retail shop with hand warmers, socks, mitts and a separate space away from racers so that "the public" who are skiing can actually have a place to sit down

Anonymous

9/11/2019 08:27 PM

Yes

Anonymous

9/11/2019 09:16 PM

Please open the dog park on York Street.

Anonymous

9/11/2019 10:41 PM

Easy access.

Anonymous

9/12/2019 08:30 AM

We use them quite a bit. We often seek out things we can do as a family at no charge.

Anonymous

9/12/2019 08:46 AM

time of scheduled classes/activities.

Anonymous

9/12/2019 09:11 AM

Increased flexibility for hours, particularly for swimming pools for lane swimming. Often we are only free in the evening, which is often booked for swimming lessons (which I also appreciate as being very important).

Anonymous

9/12/2019 10:58 AM

Yes, every one should use them to keep them open

Anonymous

9/12/2019 12:22 PM

Time to upgrade some the outdoor rinks to make them more appealing and open for use at logical times when Youth after school (3pm) and families can use them outside of hockey practice times please. Provide more supervisor dollars for populated neighborhoods.

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Anonymous 9/12/2019 02:32 PM	Make it easy to hold neighbourhood concerts and small events - the process feels too onerous.
Anonymous 9/12/2019 03:16 PM	We use the outdoors pretty well. But I think that we need to make sure that we protect nature and do what we can to limit salt on the roads and plastic in our lakes. I'd like to stay in Sudbury my whole life and I want my kids to swim in these lakes.
Anonymous 9/12/2019 05:44 PM	swimming
Anonymous 9/12/2019 08:27 PM	We really took advantage of the free skating times last year as well as the free swimming at certain pools certain days.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:26 AM	More swimming pools and properly-maintained outdoor areas like tennis courts and baseball diamonds.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:31 AM	More awareness of what is available and when. More public swim times especially at ND
Anonymous 9/13/2019 09:28 AM	Accessibility of outdoor rink is isolated. Relocation to the unused and unplowed parking lot up front would probably bring more interest to the community as well be better monitored with less damage.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 09:59 AM	It is all personal choice what activities are important
Anonymous 9/13/2019 10:11 AM	not sure
Anonymous 9/13/2019 11:12 AM	Currently we need to drive quite a distance for the great long hikes like Kivi Park, Laurentian Conservation. It would be wonderful if we had a long hike/trail in Garson or even Falconbridge.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 11:47 AM	All of our indoor facilities ie pools and arenas need a major upgrade or rebuild
Anonymous 9/13/2019 12:54 PM	IF there were areas that housed more than one activity so that multiple family members could use one facility at one time.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:07 PM	Better trails; more options for indoor fitness oriented things like weight training class, yoga etc
Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:20 PM	Yes
Anonymous 9/13/2019 07:27 PM	More shade/trees!
Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:44 PM	low cost organized group adult activities and events such as guided hikes, boating or skiing outings
Anonymous 9/13/2019 09:30 PM	More awareness of options

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Anonymous 9/14/2019 10:46 AM	More winter packed walking trails, or ski trails that are not at a cost or a low cost. More summer trails closer to neighbourhoods, like in the valley, lively, and new Sudbury by Maley Drive.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 04:12 PM	Closer, more interesting programming, lower cost for summer programs
Anonymous 9/14/2019 04:41 PM	More information, I honestly don't know where to look or if there are any in my area.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 07:11 PM	Location need more in Lively area
Anonymous 9/14/2019 08:20 PM	Multiple time options for organized activities
Anonymous 9/14/2019 09:32 PM	more multi use facilities, rather than just an arena or just a soccer field. need something for other family members to do when at a facility. As important to engage private business to have restaurant facilities at multi use centres. Don't build single use centres.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 09:49 PM	Closer places to swim indoors (Lively). Bathrooms at outdoor parks.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 10:58 PM	availability
Anonymous 9/15/2019 12:01 AM	Cheaper user fees
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:51 AM	Regular clean up of all parks and beaches, especially for needles.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 07:04 AM	To have one available on Lively
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:10 PM	Upgrades, for the price of ice in this city the arenas need attention
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:38 PM	More time in the day
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:49 PM	More time.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:50 PM	It would help if the city were to develop the social programming that would encourage people living by themselves to find ways to pair up or join groups of others who were interested in various leisure activities. People might join in, as well, if they thought they might volunteer to enhance the environment through planting, etc. . . . so the development of community spirit.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 02:06 PM	Closer proximity to lively. Newer facilities
Anonymous	Proper basketball courts, baseball fields, better maintained trails and proper

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9/15/2019 02:42 PM	outdoor ice pads!
Anonymous	built something in skead
9/15/2019 03:08 PM	
Anonymous	Availability at more convenient times. Playground in our subdivision
9/15/2019 03:19 PM	
Anonymous	Nature trails
9/15/2019 04:19 PM	
Anonymous	more promotion
9/15/2019 10:54 PM	
Anonymous	Well advertised timing and pricing, low customer fees, ease and speed of transit and handitransit access to and from door to door, amount of fun percieved and experienced.
9/15/2019 11:26 PM	
Anonymous	Better notice and advertising of events and facilities i was recently in Huntsville and seems to be a more proactive approach to letting people know what is on the event calendar and the facilities available
9/16/2019 11:18 AM	
Anonymous	Pickleball courts in the Valley.
9/16/2019 12:39 PM	
Anonymous	Pickleball courts in the Valley.
9/16/2019 12:47 PM	
Anonymous	more organized programs
9/16/2019 09:30 PM	
Anonymous	More leisure time. Better maintained facilities such as pools, arenas and beaches are in bad shape.
9/17/2019 06:50 AM	
Communications Proxy	Proximity to home. Cost of use (low).
9/20/2019 01:10 PM	
Communications Proxy	Activities that are geared to my age group, the older adult population, as we want to do everything we can to stay healthy and develop our social support system.
9/20/2019 01:39 PM	
Communications Proxy	Affordability
9/20/2019 01:44 PM	
Communications Proxy	Affordability
9/20/2019 01:50 PM	
Communications Proxy	Affordability
9/23/2019 12:11 PM	
Communications Proxy	Activities that are geared to my age group, the older adult population, as we want to do everything we can to stay health and develop our social support system.
9/23/2019 12:29 PM	
Communications Proxy	Proximity to home, cost to use (low)
9/23/2019 12:33 PM	

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**Optional question** (334 responses, 183 skipped)

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## Q16 | What would encourage you or members of your household to make greater use of Greater Sudbury's Parks and Trails?

Anonymous 8/29/2019 04:40 PM	Having a greater increase of trails.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:12 PM	Better trails, family member recently spend 5 days in hospital and going back for surgery due to unkempt trails
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:16 PM	Sudbury's trails are pretty great, we already go as much as we can.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:50 PM	Better upkeep and overall maintenance
Anonymous 8/29/2019 07:25 PM	Location, up keep
Anonymous 8/29/2019 08:15 PM	Cycle friendly near my home (Montrose area) and better control of bear population (see them daily in my area with no response from MNR)
Anonymous 8/29/2019 08:36 PM	Improve the scenery, sorta like north bays lakefront. They have a group of individuals who volunteer and plant perennials, engaging our community to make our trails their own.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 08:46 PM	We use many of Sudbury parks and trails and are very happy with them :) again just keep them clean and updated and we will always use them :) thanks again
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:23 PM	Na
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:28 PM	Advertising well maintained
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:46 PM	More time
Anonymous 8/29/2019 09:50 PM	I love our parks
Anonymous 8/29/2019 10:52 PM	Make sure they are spotless clean and safe.
Anonymous 8/29/2019 10:52 PM	Don't have city bylaw officers there to ticket people who have their dog off leash
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:20 AM	Family friendly routes where small children can walk
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:33 AM	More connections, but otherwise they are pretty great!

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Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:45 AM	Already use them
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:46 AM	If I could bring my dog for a short off leash run during a designated time each day.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 07:55 AM	must improve the connectivity of trails
Anonymous 8/30/2019 08:14 AM	Get rid of the bears
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:15 AM	Proximity - trails and facilities close at hand, and public transit options to places further away such as Laurentian conservation area, Bioski, and Kivi
Anonymous 8/30/2019 10:43 AM	The city does a wonderful and impressive job of maintaining Sudbury's parks and trails...we make regular use of them all the time.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 11:50 AM	none use them often
Anonymous 8/30/2019 12:15 PM	Currently, with the exception of a few trails, the trails are inaccessible to all but mountain bikers and hikers. The City of Sudbury need to look at other Cities like Thunder Bay where they have established a web of paved trails across the City from commuter, bikers, walkers, etc. Sudbury's unpaved trails are dangerous due to trip hazards (roots and rocks) and inaccessible to many including: bikers (other than mountain bikers), runners (other than cross country), motorized and manual wheel chairs and mobility devises, most baby strollers, roller bladers, skateboarders, disabled, elderly. The City should at a minimum pave trails which can be used by commuters. The City should provide lighting along trails such as the one that lead from Downtown Sudbury to the Flour Mill to improve safety. The City needs to ensure that any new roads include sidewalks, designated bike lanes (not routes). The City should improve and pave trails between the City of Sudbury itself and the outlying communities. It wouldn't take a lot to connect Garson or Walden to the City. The others may need additional work. The City needs to ensure trees are trimmed along trails and sidewalk, some sidewalks are near impassable due to trees and bushes overgrowing the sidewalks (Gemmell (near William), and Attlee (near Gemmill, and between Gemmill and Westmount). City should ensure trees are trimmed along trails and sidewalks so people over 5 feet can use them, I'm really tired of being hit in the face by branches.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 04:02 PM	Would like the trail to connect to my neighbourhood so I don't have to drive to the nearest playground. It's walking distance but the traffic moves too fast to feel safe.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:26 PM	I love the parks and trails and hope for more into the future.
Anonymous	Regularly plowed and sanded trails for winter use and safe lighting for

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8/30/2019 05:50 PM	walking evenings
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:14 PM	More freedom for our dogs with more extensive trail systems
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:17 PM	If it was better advertised we'd use it
Anonymous 8/31/2019 01:57 AM	Free and cleaned year round
Anonymous 8/31/2019 04:32 PM	Paved, better signage, better promotions.
Anonymous 8/31/2019 04:57 PM	More of them!
Anonymous 8/31/2019 06:10 PM	yes
Anonymous 8/31/2019 06:59 PM	NO dogs allowed in conservation areas. I go out to enjoy the beauty of nature & leashed trails are over taken by off leashed dogs,scaring hurting wildlife. I have seen dogs running freely on trails where bikers almost crash. I was told by a fireman on his bicycle rounding a curve he just about wiped out due to an off leashed dog.
Anonymous 8/31/2019 09:14 PM	There must be a plan to enforce bylaws and statutory laws, before putting money into trail plans. A trail is great to build for hikers, but even as it is being built, ATV and dirt bike riders will enjoy racing on a new trail. Clean up the air, stop this backyard wood burning. We are killing ourselves. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Every aspect of earth requires clean air and clean water.
Anonymous 8/31/2019 10:03 PM	More free time in my day.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:19 AM	Sure if you could get to and from with public transportation
Anonymous 9/01/2019 06:34 AM	Signs, visible maps, security (i.e. phones on the lines). Parking at insert points and easy loops to complete to return to vehicles.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:21 AM	Safer connecting trails systems. At the moment a person must jay walk to continue many trails.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:01 AM	We already use parks and trails frequently. There need to be more connector trails among and between neighborhoods.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:38 AM	We utilize them often but I would like to explore more of them but I worry about the safety of some of them (people wise not structure wise)
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:51 AM	Removal of ATVS and dirt bikes. Dogs on leash

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Anonymous 9/01/2019 09:21 AM	Some of the TransCanada Trails could be marked better.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 10:36 AM	Must be free and have parking available
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	More trail maintenance at AY Jackson Lookout.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	More trail maintenance at AY Jackson Lookout.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:55 PM	Make highfalls trails safer.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 01:11 PM	Yes
 9/01/2019 01:56 PM	bridges. I have to walk/cycle all the way around the neighborhood in the vehicular street grid, just to access the formerly maintained trail network.. meanwhile, steps from my actual door, but inaccessible due to unmaintained trails and lack of bridges. the bridges need only be 30 feet. the average creek width. the Ponderosa is a hugely underdeveloped, underappreciated, underrated, untapped central park space that gets barely any proper funding. Rotary is great, but again..I've burned my energy just to reach it. STOP THINKING EVERYONE GETS RIDES OR DRIVES. If we build Sudbudy like a Major City, we will get major growth.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 02:10 PM	Maintained properly
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:15 PM	If they were maintained and were kept up to date.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:20 PM	closer to home
Anonymous 9/01/2019 04:06 PM	Yes
Anonymous 9/01/2019 04:39 PM	Advertising
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:07 PM	More local events held at said parks and trails
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:14 PM	better marketing
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:10 PM	Security on trails
Anonymous	I have not experienced any issues with the parks and trails but I don't really

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9/01/2019 07:15 PM	use them
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:21 PM	A map of all the locations u can visit on the website or something Incorporate geo caching
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:23 PM	Not sure.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:44 PM	If they were cleaned up and not a threat to receive a blood born illness from stepping on a discarded needle. Also don't want to be the one to discover a body during the spring thaw, because that happens. Make them safer- Sudbury is a small town with big town problems because council is backwards in the way it deals with social issues
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:51 PM	More information posted and available about trails
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:15 PM	Lighting
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:32 PM	Off leash dog parks in park areas, not open spaces Barrie has a way better dog park.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:44 PM	Within Onaping Falls
Anonymous 9/01/2019 09:01 PM	More trails and parks in Onaping/Levack area.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 09:40 PM	Nothing. We use parks frequently.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 10:18 PM	Schedules of hours, what is there to offer.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 07:36 AM	Walking trails are full of dog poop and needles. Clean up the trails so everyone can enjoy them
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:18 AM	Organized days line the Conservation Area holds, where families can try out activities they haven't yet, like ice fishing, kayaking, bird-watching, etc.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:31 AM	Yes
Anonymous 9/02/2019 08:45 AM	Maintenance
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:04 AM	Safety first. Also, send someone to clean out the garbage once in a while. Before my injury I used to pick garbage off the Junction Creek trail behind the Salvation Army but I cannot do that while I am healing from my operation. The city dump is cleaner than that trail.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:28 AM	Take care of the trails

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Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:11 AM	Walking distance from my home (west end).
Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:16 AM	Better facilities
Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:09 AM	More trails in New Sudbury ward 12.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:11 AM	Full map of all trails
Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:32 AM	As above, clean bathrooms. Bathrooms at moonlight beach are very poorly lit and dirty. Portapotties are often very dirty (moonlight beach trail and fielding park)
Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:09 PM	More of them.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:49 PM	Location.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 01:41 PM	I don't know where most of them are. More advertising, community awareness... Also, shorter/beginner trails for young kids, seniors, and those with mobility issues. Benches. More rest areas.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 02:42 PM	Generally not applicable in our household, however reports in the Sudbury Star regarding drug use along the trails is of some concern.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:32 PM	City is doing fine
Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:56 PM	Accessible trails in different areas of the city
Anonymous 9/02/2019 05:09 PM	We do make great use already of all the parks and trails around town. We like to hike or bike to new areas and check out their greenspaces. The only thing that really limits use is the risk/exposure to dangerous litter like needles etc....or their users with violent/unstable behaviours. Therefore, we don't use the Rainbow Routes trail that goes from the Lloyd Street hill (small parkette) to the otherside of the Flour Mill near the train tracks anymore along the waterway. We really miss using it but for the last 1.5-2 years, it does not feel safe.
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:17 PM	Already use them a lot, wish there were more
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:25 PM	Walking
Anonymous 9/02/2019 06:30 PM	Closer to central sudbury
Anonymous	I happy the way they are

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9/02/2019 08:42 PM

Anonymous

We enjoy trails as is.

9/02/2019 09:38 PM

Anonymous

Not Sure?

9/02/2019 10:15 PM

Anonymous

more availability

9/02/2019 10:37 PM

Anonymous

Having more things for little kids to do in the same area as the trails

9/02/2019 11:24 PM

Anonymous

Control the bear population.

9/03/2019 08:14 AM

Anonymous

More off road cycle lanes More unpaved trails in the bush

9/03/2019 09:26 AM

Anonymous

Guides to help us get familiar with the trails so we feel safe to use them and know we will not get lost (for example, the Laurentian trails).

9/03/2019 09:44 AM

Anonymous

closeness to home. 30km round trip for a one hour hike is expensive

9/03/2019 10:15 AM

Anonymous

Already use these several times per week.

9/03/2019 10:35 AM

Anonymous

The parks and trails currently in the City are exceptional, however finding information on these trails is difficult. More information, and a marketing plan would be beneficial.

9/03/2019 12:52 PM

Anonymous

Improve biking trails

9/03/2019 01:07 PM

Anonymous

Cleanliness and well kept trails. Less dog excrement in trails. We constantly have to dodge the poop and watch where we walk.

9/03/2019 02:29 PM

Anonymous

Cleanliness and well kept trails. Less dog excrement in trails. We constantly have to dodge the poop and watch where we walk.

9/03/2019 02:30 PM

Anonymous

Keep the trails clean and dog owners responsible for picking up after their dogs.

9/03/2019 02:45 PM

Anonymous

Walking areas with rest spots and well lit and attention to lights that need replacement.

9/03/2019 03:25 PM

Anonymous

Fewer people and dog poop.

9/03/2019 06:18 PM

Anonymous

No comment

9/03/2019 06:29 PM

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Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:43 PM	Location of trail/pathway
Anonymous 9/03/2019 06:44 PM	I use the parks and trails all the time. They are wonderful. Widen some of the rainbow walking trails like the new Sudbury trail. Help Rainbow routes widen and pack with crusher stone existing routes and build pathways so they are linked across the city for walking and biking. When replacing boardwalks in parks like Robinson, they need to be wider for cyclists.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:01 PM	We use the trails all that we can together
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:04 PM	Accessibility, maintenance
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:21 PM	Better advertisement of events
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:22 PM	Safety.....some trails are well-known high drug use and prostitution areas
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:35 PM	Will not use them. If I really wanted to, there is free bush to walk around.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 07:56 PM	Close parking to a facility, easement on no parking signs during the summer months, especially around parks. Parking signs should be adjusted to reflect the seasons and the time of day. A complete overall of no parking signs should be conducted around refurbished courts that are being used by players. Example we need more parking around the O'Connor park due to increase use and new relocation of the Flour Mill Museum. I counted over 22 cars of Pickleball players, 7 cars for the splash pad and 10 cars for the union shop on St. George street. The Better Beginning kids facility was not active that night. Parking was limited due to construction and next year the museum relocation will require additional parking.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:12 PM	trail conditions number and location safety
Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:43 PM	The trails in the conservation areas need maintenance, many are in very poor shape.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 08:56 PM	More bike trails connecting parks and areas in the city. Encourage bike and walking trails not along major roads.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:06 PM	Have more user friendly information readily accessible
Anonymous 9/03/2019 09:19 PM	a trail closer to my home that links up to existing trails
Anonymous 9/03/2019 10:29 PM	more lighting and wider trails

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Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:04 PM	More of them
Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:55 PM	Parking
Anonymous 9/04/2019 12:05 AM	Waiting for the development of the whitson creek trail
Anonymous 9/04/2019 01:57 AM	Better maintained. Trails near centennial arena in Hanmer have been poorly maintained and torn up by quads
Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:52 AM	Control the bear population.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:42 AM	Better signage showing which trails lead where or even names of trails. Thinking of bike lanes across toe and the laurentian conservation area
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:41 AM	if people would stop littering the trails
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:42 AM	Public transportation to trail heads
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:55 AM	If people walked their dogs in the parks and trails on leashes. Big dogs off leash can really intimidate young kids, and the elderly, and the public is not being enforced enough to keep their dogs on leashes.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:59 AM	Maintain them better. getting very run down.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:15 AM	Better signage and maintenance. Most trails are in desperate need of boardwalks and drainage culverts. very very poor condition throughout the city
Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:17 AM	keep garbage containers on the trails during the winter. I walk my dog during the winter and would like to keep using the trails, but usually walk where there is access to a garbage
Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:25 AM	Improved transit. You shouldn't be denied access to any public funded site just because you don't have the personal means of getting yourself there.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:30 AM	we already use many parks and trails in the city but most are in a major state of disrepair with the exception of Kivi park which isn't a city park yet.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:06 AM	Better trails and better signing.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:14 AM	more supervision. some people are driving (Bicycle) very fast
Anonymous 9/04/2019 11:45 AM	We frequently use trails. Continuing to maintain the Bell park trail in the winter as well as other walking trails (paved and unpaved) would continue to encourage us to use them. We appreciate the nature that surrounds our beautiful city.

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Anonymous 9/04/2019 12:22 PM	Again safety
 9/04/2019 01:15 PM	letting people know whats out there to use
Anonymous 9/04/2019 01:19 PM	Make the trail maps more accessible. Provide routes through roadways to interconnect the trails.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 01:35 PM	if they were close
Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:07 PM	Improved scenery
Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:55 PM	More connections between them, and safer road crossings.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:11 PM	Connectivity
Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:19 PM	I think not really knowing where exactly the trails are is a deterrent for our family. I have tried to read the map but like most Greater Sudbury produced maps, they are very hard to understand. I am educated and can read roadmaps, but like the new transit system, it is convoluted and scattered. local availability
Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:24 PM	
Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:39 PM	good trail maintenance, safety, clean/safe injection site to stray away from using some trails
Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:58 PM	I would like to see a safe walking/biking paved trail like in North Bay. These should be connected so that the city can be one connected trail or at least have large sections of the city dedicated to walking and biking. A white line on Sudbury streets is not what I call safe biking and walking.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 04:13 PM	More facilities at a variety of geographical locations
Anonymous 9/04/2019 04:21 PM	N/A
Anonymous 9/04/2019 06:03 PM	the trails are unsafe due t people that are homeless maybe get them a place to stay and perhaps more lighting for nighttime strolls
Anonymous 9/04/2019 06:28 PM	Very much appreciate the trails from Moonlight Beach. It would be great if the parking lot & roads there could be resurfaced as the potholes are terrible.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:56 PM	parking, trail guides
Anonymous 9/04/2019 11:15 PM	I love the city's parks and trails. I think the public needs to be more aware of what the city has to offer. People should be encouraged to use the facilities

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<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 08:49 AM</p>	<p>that the city offers. I would consider if the city wasn't giving needles often dropped in trails.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 10:45 AM</p>	<p>We love our trails systems, and love the newer bike paths.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 11:04 AM</p>	<p>It would be encouraging if parks were well maintained throughout the warmer months of the year. Such as grass cutting on a regular basis and all areas /park owned by the city are maintained and cleaned.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:24 PM</p>	<p>Better access to trails in our neighbourhood, or more trails in general</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:25 PM</p>	<p>dog-on-leash and poop/scoop enforcement clear trail markings at trailheads good parking areas at trailheads better on-trail cycling linkages from Copper Cliff to Ramsey Lake - there are gaps at Kelly lake Road, Martindale, and from the armoury on riverside going against traffic on Cross street up to Douglas. the new crossing of regent at sudbury hydro next to Junction creek is a welcome addition btw</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:59 PM</p>	<p>Knowledge of trail systems within the city.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:05 PM</p>	<p>More time</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:26 PM</p>	<p>Designated off leash dog trail systems.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:37 PM</p>	<p>Already spend a lot of time on the trails</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:53 PM</p>	<p>closer proximity to the city ...continue having rainbow hikes ...</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 02:09 PM</p>	<p>If the trails lead to useful places and were free of obstacles and cleared year round - like the boardwalk is in the in winter.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:02 PM</p>	<p>more trails that connect across the city</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:04 PM</p>	<p>More public awareness about where trails are. Possibly larger signage or higher saturation of map availability.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:08 PM</p>	<p>we need trails that connect all the communities in the city. Safe cycling trails that are not on the highway. the city is doing well in the heart of the city, but outling communities are not connected. Ex: Chelmsford to Lively.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:15 PM</p>	<p>Walking</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:33 PM</p>	<p>love the existing trails. Can never have enough trails .</p>

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Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:18 PM	Greater accessibility
Anonymous 9/05/2019 07:26 PM	Accessibility and awareness
Anonymous 9/05/2019 08:08 PM	On the way to trails and parks: Legit bike paths and communication/drivers education/awareness about sharing the road properly with all types of commuters. Accessible sidewalks Additional crosswalks along major streets (regent, paris, lorne, kingsway)
Anonymous 9/05/2019 08:41 PM	Parks and trails are awesome! It would be great to have x-country ski trails in New Sudbury behind Montrose.
Anonymous 9/05/2019 09:14 PM	Better map trails Better signage of where the maps are and how long they are and approximate time to complete Indication of places close to the trailer like grocery store, park, pharmacy, etc. SIDEWALKS!!! Proper lane bikes
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:38 AM	Absolutely
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:15 AM	Better info and description of the trails, access entrance , etc... to have a more continuous trail system throughout the area, instead of small 1-3 km trails that are too short to do.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:25 AM	PAVED TRAILS
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:26 AM	There are none known with Valley area aside from Howard Armstrong that is not possible to access across Hwy 69 without playing 'chicken' with speeding cars.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:36 AM	Better maintenance of the existing trails within the conservation area, or more information on how to volunteer to assist with their maintenance
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:41 AM	The trails are great but the rainbow routes trails are hard to link together unless you know where they all are. Some kind of directions via signs could be useful.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:48 AM	Nothing, we use them regularly
Anonymous 9/06/2019 09:19 AM	If they we better maintained winter and summer. If they were better connected to each other. Sudbury needs a network rather a bunch of individual trails.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:10 AM	Trails connecting Moonlight to sidewalks on residential neighbourhoods
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:27 AM	Lighting and safety
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:18 PM	We already use the parks and trails a lot. Continued maintenance of these resources is important to us.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:51 PM	upkeep of trails during winter months. availability of water (water fountain) during summer months.

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Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:56 PM	Better connectivity, signage, more paved areas for trails.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 03:21 PM	Nada
Anonymous 9/06/2019 04:04 PM	We already make good use of these amenities.
Anonymous 9/06/2019 04:24 PM	Yes
Anonymous 9/06/2019 05:19 PM	a common ground trail for biking. Not having to cross major intersections
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:24 PM	more free time
Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:34 PM	I use many often, less work and more leisure time would be the only change needed!
Anonymous 9/07/2019 08:32 AM	Nothing. I'm very impressed on how much effort has gone into expanding our trails over the past 10 years. Great job to everyone involved.
Anonymous 9/07/2019 03:32 PM	to be more active
Anonymous 9/07/2019 06:48 PM	Have them plowed in winter.
Anonymous 9/07/2019 06:56 PM	Transit to trailheads, and better parking.
Anonymous 9/07/2019 07:15 PM	These are in good condition and generally well maintained.
Anonymous 9/08/2019 08:10 AM	We already do
Anonymous 9/08/2019 11:28 AM	More information/communication of existing and new facilities.
Anonymous 9/08/2019 02:10 PM	To be sure that Kivi Park, in particular, is not a fee-based park. People of all social backgrounds should be able to access this beautiful space. They shouldn't have to apply based on financial aid. That's demeaning, in my view. It should be an open, free, and inclusive space.
Anonymous 9/08/2019 06:22 PM	connections between trail systems to allow movement around the whole city
Anonymous 9/08/2019 09:44 PM	Plot trails in winter.

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Anonymous 9/09/2019 09:56 AM	More time
Anonymous 9/09/2019 10:09 AM	Leave the greenspace that we have a ailable untouched and maybe add some garbages and benches... we dont need nore buildings. Fix the ones we have and stop wasting money trying to be bigger then what we are.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 10:23 AM	More information on what is available, trail maps, app, etc.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 11:04 AM	Free bussing to our outdoor green spaces.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 11:43 AM	More advertising
Anonymous 9/09/2019 12:53 PM	More connected bike trails, more trails away from roads
Anonymous 9/09/2019 02:35 PM	Add a community and civic engagement function. Public rangers for safety and security, small public engagement spaces and places, more community programming for youth.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 02:40 PM	yes
Anonymous 9/09/2019 03:18 PM	More events that feature the trails so people can be aware of what we have to offer.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 05:02 PM	More trails.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 07:08 PM	Completing trail systems currently in plans. Sudbury has the potential of being the city in Canada that any other city would look up to. Connect trails to the 330 lakes that exist in the city.
Anonymous 9/09/2019 07:50 PM	just getting out and doing it
Anonymous 9/10/2019 09:52 AM	more availability of equipment to rent at reasonable rates
Anonymous 9/10/2019 10:34 AM	Proper maintenance
Anonymous 9/10/2019 10:43 AM	Trail maps, locations, time of use availability
Anonymous 9/10/2019 01:15 PM	We use regularly, but lots of garbage on trails. We need year-round garbages at trail entrances (some garbages are removed for the winter).
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:39 PM	people picking up after their dogs if they poop on the trail
Anonymous	Clear markings Went through a trail last year per the trail plan; halfway

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9/10/2019 02:44 PM

Anonymous

9/10/2019 02:45 PM

through discovered the trail was not passable due to water. Trail conditions should be posted online or at the start of the trail. Love Kivi park  
More high quality walking trails - Bell Park and Kelly Lake are beautiful, but we have two that I am aware of. Other cities in Southern Ontario have multiple versions of this. Consider closing down streets during summer months for e.g. cycling, pedestrians - like what is done in Ottawa, and connect to trails. Would love to see the rail beds gone from downtown Sudbury and this turned into a trail. Imagine having a coffee shop along the Bell Park Boardwalk! The former Canoe Club building would be an ideal location for a e.g. Twiggs.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 02:46 PM

Having the facilities...there is nothing available for the Rayside Balfour residents.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 02:47 PM

keep them open year round

Anonymous

9/10/2019 02:48 PM

There are some trail areas where there have been people injecting illegal drugs...this is not an appropriate place to bring children, can be dangerous, and makes me nervous to go on my own. Should be cleaned up.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 02:53 PM

More refined trails and lights for evening use

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:08 PM

lighting for evening walks, security.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:17 PM

improved trails ( Kivi Park )

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:27 PM

more awareness about the trails. I heard about a few events over this summer that I would have been interested in if I had known more about them.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:31 PM

Have off leach hours in the trails for dogs.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:33 PM

more of them and more signage. Otherwise, love the trails so far.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:47 PM

Connect existing trails and bike lane routes More off road trails and bike lanes More maintenance on trails Year round trail access

9/10/2019 04:34 PM

Better maintained trails

Anonymous

9/10/2019 04:56 PM

Better signage as to trail heads and trail locations. Parking or bus information to trail head. Washroom facilities. (see comments above for Kivi).

Anonymous

9/10/2019 06:45 PM

well marked

Anonymous

9/10/2019 07:45 PM

Provide maps of all the trail networks online.

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Anonymous 9/11/2019 07:23 AM	Publicize trail locations/
Anonymous 9/11/2019 07:38 AM	See above (sorry, I amalgamated both subjects)
Anonymous 9/11/2019 08:26 AM	Already use them as much as I need to
Anonymous 9/11/2019 08:34 AM	ability to access them easier
Anonymous 9/11/2019 10:52 AM	Nothing
Anonymous 9/11/2019 12:19 PM	Programming/events oriented to older teens (and in some cases teens who aren't as "sporty" as those involved in regular fitness activities).
Anonymous 9/11/2019 12:31 PM	handicap access, however allergic to perfumes, some flowers and some trees - can't risk personal safety as cannot control environment
Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:09 PM	more, safer bike paths. We moved her from Ottawa and their bike trail system is amazing! I don't feel safe biking long distances here with traffic.
Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:12 PM	More dog poop bags so people can pick up their dog crap and more garbage cans.
Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:14 PM	More dog poop bags so people can pick up their dog crap and more garbage cans.
Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:25 PM	Already used.
Anonymous 9/11/2019 03:50 PM	we currently use the parks & trails within the city area.
Anonymous 9/11/2019 05:09 PM	Organized activity
Anonymous 9/11/2019 06:00 PM	Dog friendly
Anonymous 9/11/2019 08:18 PM	Trails which are long enough for feeling like you are away from people. Having an off leash trail system for running and biking with your dog would be amazing as well
Anonymous 9/11/2019 08:27 PM	Yes
Anonymous 9/11/2019 09:16 PM	advertisements online with maps of trails
Anonymous	Trails have to be close by in order for busy people to use them on a regular

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9/11/2019 10:41 PM	basis.
Anonymous 9/12/2019 08:30 AM	We use them when we can. Not much will improve that.
Anonymous 9/12/2019 09:11 AM	Perhaps maps built into an app that track where you are, show you trail options, estimated length of travel time, difficulty level, etc.
Anonymous 9/12/2019 10:58 AM	Yes
Anonymous 9/12/2019 12:22 PM	Support the associations that provide cross country/snow show trails systems so they can continue to provide top quality services to the community - they provide extended services of the City Extension of trails is a walk able neighborhood throughout the Seasons - poor winter sidewalk clearance service levels limit ability to be active -- Need to think outside the walls/silo of 'Leisure Services' responsibilities and think of Active Community at all ages across the divisions - please don't say this isn't 'Leisure Services' job or out of their zone of control -- spark up some conversations and collaborate Easy transit to special parks like conservation area.
Anonymous 9/12/2019 02:32 PM	
Anonymous 9/12/2019 05:44 PM	mountain biking and cross country skiing
Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:26 AM	The parks and trails are fine.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:31 AM	we make lots of use of them already
Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:45 AM	None in the valley that I am aware of.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 09:28 AM	There are no walking or biking trails in the community other then around the community.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 10:11 AM	A closed in fence around the park please!!!
Anonymous 9/13/2019 11:12 AM	Distance.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 11:47 AM	We use the trails just fine. We're satisfied
Anonymous 9/13/2019 12:54 PM	We use trails often now, however it would be nice if there were more eating/drinking areas around Bell Park boardwalk.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:07 PM	Better maintenance, and clarity -- is Kivi a private park, a public park??

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Anonymous 9/13/2019 02:20 PM	Yes
Anonymous 9/13/2019 07:27 PM	Better maintenance of the trails. Walked many trails in Sudbury again this summer and they were always in a state of disarray.
Anonymous 9/13/2019 08:44 PM	same as above
Anonymous 9/13/2019 09:30 PM	More awareness
Anonymous 9/14/2019 10:46 AM	Low costs, closer to houses
Anonymous 9/14/2019 04:12 PM	If they were closer, off-leash trails.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 04:41 PM	More awareness, accessible parking.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 08:20 PM	Easy access
Anonymous 9/14/2019 08:34 PM	I would love to see less trailers parked seasonally at Centennial Park in Whitefish on what used to be the beach area.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 09:32 PM	Sudbury has no forests locally, need to go outside kill zone created from mining in the crater. Don't waste money on rock trails.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 09:49 PM	I think they're good. We use them as often as we'd like to and they're well maintained.
Anonymous 9/14/2019 10:58 PM	maintenance of the trails
Anonymous 9/15/2019 12:01 AM	Well, now that I've read the bear hazard is very low I just might go enjoy the fall in nearby trails
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:51 AM	Cleaner ..esp. needles, garbage, and more wheelchair accessible.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 07:04 AM	Safety
Anonymous 9/15/2019 07:51 AM	If the walking path was paved.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 10:52 AM	Better access via Gova (for example, service only going one way to the Laurentian Conservation Area is extremely prohibitive).
Anonymous 9/15/2019 12:39 PM	Bus routes year around to the trail

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Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:10 PM	Dog areas
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:38 PM	Areas of Trails that allow off leash dogs
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:49 PM	I trail run or walk at least once a week already.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 01:50 PM	It is a shame that more of the shoreline is being developed rather than left natural but it would require vision and a huge investment by the city to halt some of that development. Greater access points for people to go to smaller look-out points and short trails would be helpful.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 02:06 PM	Maintenance, dog park
Anonymous 9/15/2019 02:42 PM	Maintained trails
Anonymous 9/15/2019 03:08 PM	noe available in skead
Anonymous 9/15/2019 04:19 PM	Different difficulty levels.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 05:51 PM	Practical bike transportation safe enough for my kids.
Anonymous 9/15/2019 09:56 PM	Educational trail signage for self-guided tours, naturally made benches
Anonymous 9/15/2019 10:54 PM	more promotion
Anonymous 9/15/2019 11:26 PM	Accessible and speedy transit access. Better road and sidewalk repairs (especially on Frood), the level of fun anticipated and level of actual enjoyment gained, built for large groups to have fun. Places of peace and tranquility for thinking and mindfulness.
Anonymous 9/16/2019 11:18 AM	Better notice and advertising of events and facilities i was recently in Huntsville and seems to be a more proactive approach to letting people know what is on the event calendar and the facilities available Also, many of the events have no Fee
Anonymous 9/16/2019 09:30 PM	If they were closer to my house, I live in Azilda and there are no trails
Communications Proxy 9/20/2019 01:10 PM	More trails near my home. Better transit options to access trail areas.
Communications Proxy 9/20/2019 01:39 PM	Please keep maintaining them and provide pamphlets with little maps/directions. Also important to enforce the dogs on leash bylaw. I have witnessed incidents where people didn't have control of their animals which

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<p>Communications Proxy 9/20/2019 01:44 PM</p>	<p>led to scary situations. Also the poop and scoop is particularly unpleasant at Bell Park when people don't bother to pick up after their dogs. More poop bag stations?</p>
<p>Communications Proxy 9/20/2019 01:50 PM</p>	<p>More awareness about safety going alone (e.g. how to make sure bears aren't around)</p>
<p>Communications Proxy 9/23/2019 12:11 PM</p>	<p>More awareness about safety going alone (e.g. how to make sure bears aren't around)</p>
<p>Communications Proxy 9/23/2019 12:29 PM</p>	<p>Please keep maintaining them and provide pamphlets with maps/directions. Also important to enforce the dogs on leash bylaw. I have witnessed incidents where people didn't have control of their animals which led to scary situations. Also the poop and scoop is particularly unpleasant at Bell Park when people don't bother to pick up after their dogs. Poop bag stations?</p>
<p>Communications Proxy 9/23/2019 12:33 PM</p>	<p>More trails near my home - better transit options to access trail areas.</p>

**Optional question** (310 responses, 207 skipped)

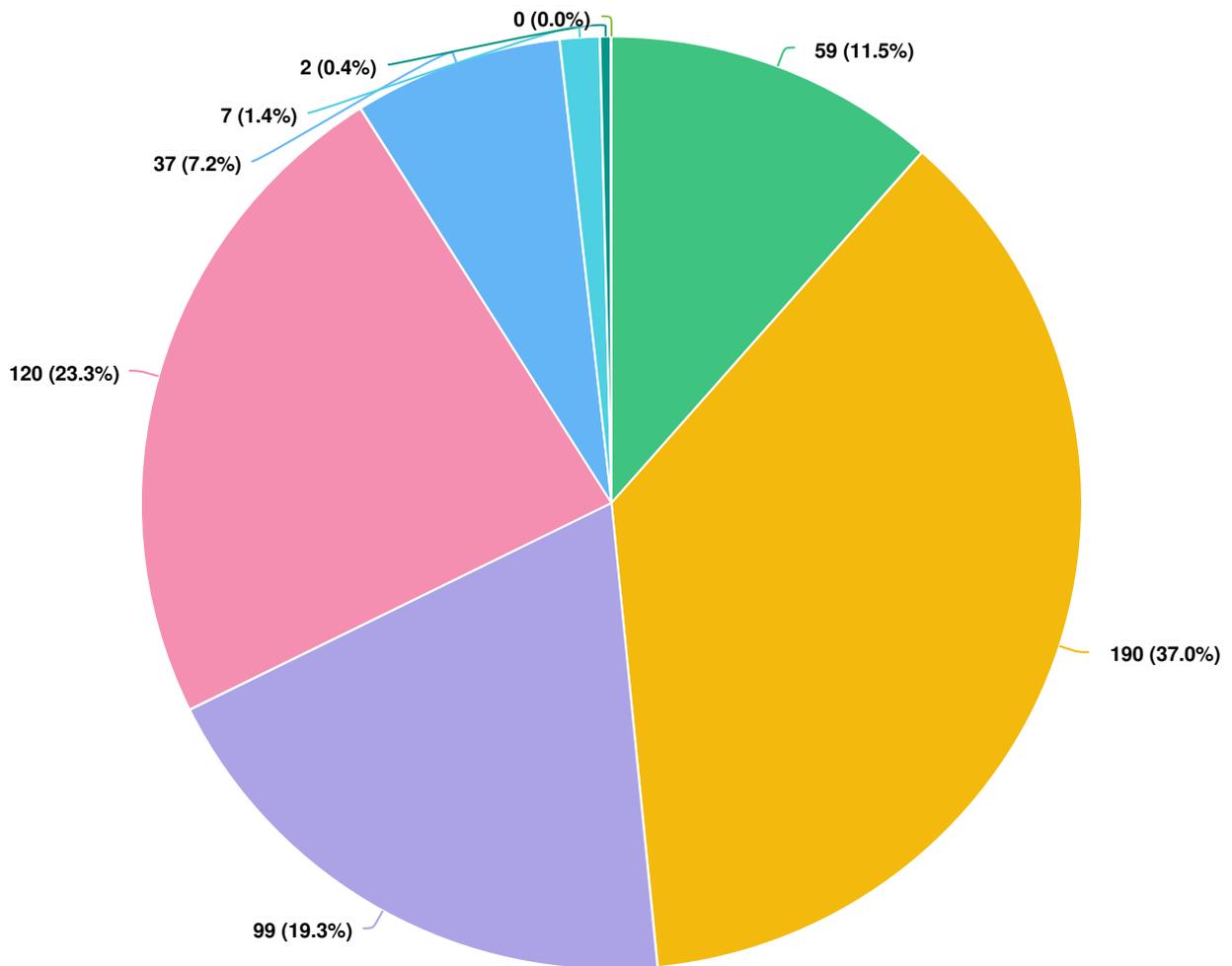
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**Q17** Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements. Use a scale that ranges from "strongly disagree" to "strongly agree".



Optional question (512 responses, 5 skipped)

**Q18** How many people, including yourself, live in your household?



**Question options**

- 8 or more
- 7
- 6
- 5
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1

Optional question (514 responses, 3 skipped)

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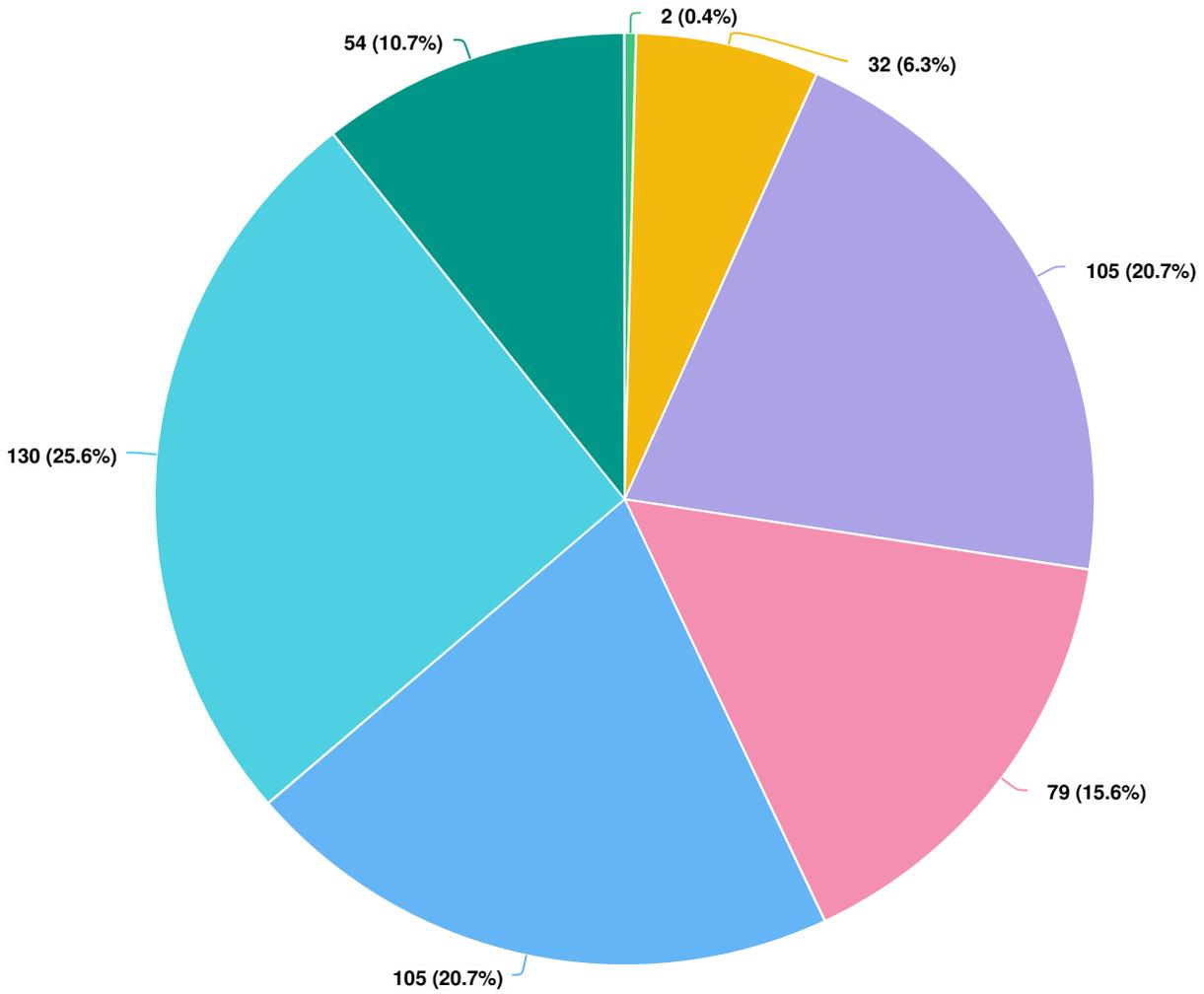
**Q19** Please indicate the total number of persons within your household that fall into the following age categories.



Optional question (513 responses, 4 skipped)

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**Q20** In what year were you born?

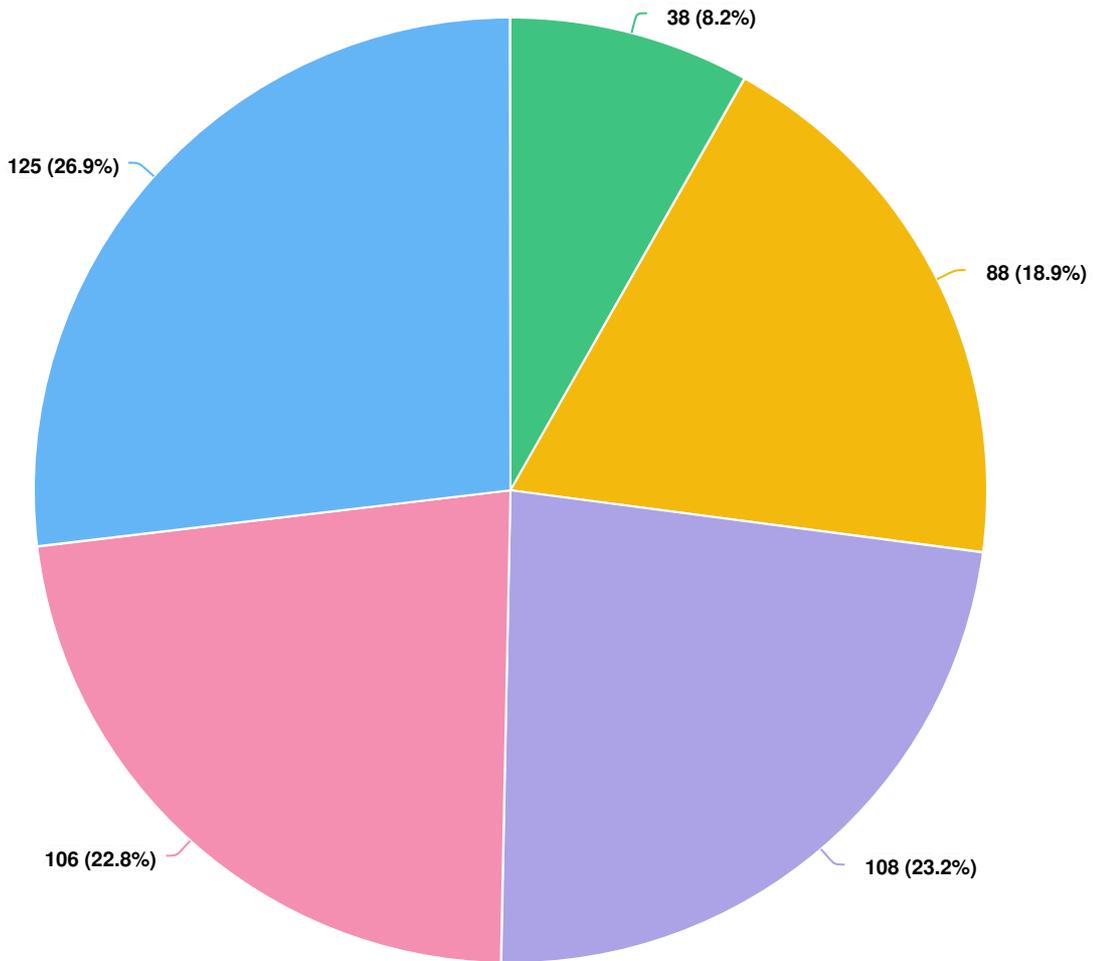


**Question options**

- 1990 or later
- 1980 to 1989
- 1970 to 1979
- 1960 to 1969
- 1950 to 1959
- 1940 to 1949
- 1939 or earlier

Optional question (507 responses, 10 skipped)

**Q21** In 2018, what was your household's total annual income before taxes?

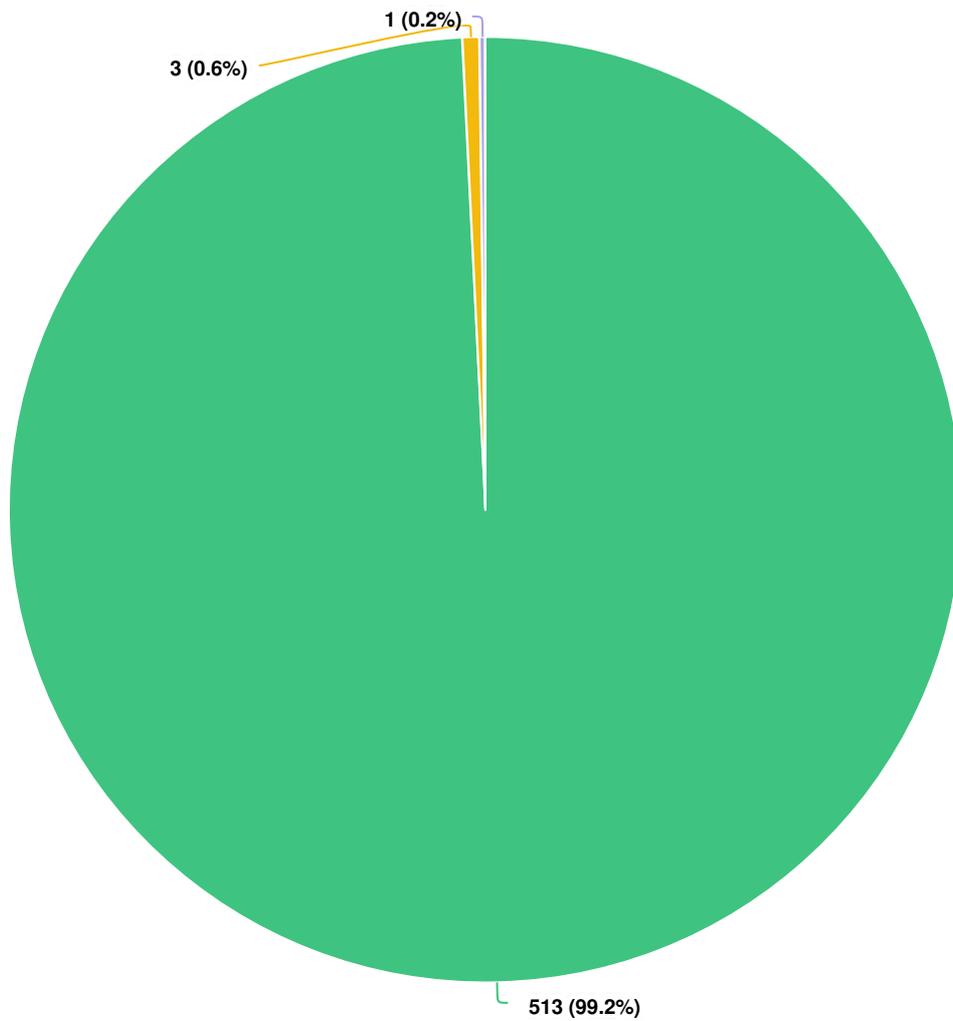


**Question options**

- \$120,000 or more
- Between \$90,000 and \$119,999
- Between \$60,000 and \$89,999
- Between \$30,000 and \$59,999
- Under \$30,000

*Optional question (465 responses, 52 skipped)*

**Q22** Are you a resident of the City of Greater Sudbury?



**Question options**

- Don't Know
- No
- Yes

(517 responses, 0 skipped)

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**Q23** | If you are not a resident of the City of Greater Sudbury, where do you live?

Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:16 PM	New Sudbury
Anonymous 8/29/2019 06:50 PM	South end
Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:26 PM	Hanmer
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	Onaping
Anonymous 9/01/2019 12:39 PM	Onaping
Anonymous 9/01/2019 03:46 PM	Onaping
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:23 PM	Coniston
Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:23 AM	New Sudbury
Anonymous 9/02/2019 02:52 PM	Levack
Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:29 PM	We live in the New Sudbury Area.
Anonymous 9/03/2019 02:30 PM	We live in the New Sudbury Area.
Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:48 AM	New Sudbury - madison avenue
Anonymous 9/05/2019 11:04 AM	Coniston
Anonymous 9/06/2019 08:36 AM	Second Ave
Anonymous 9/06/2019 12:46 PM	Yea
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:24 PM	Ottawa
Anonymous	in the Flour Mill

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9/07/2019 03:32 PM

Anonymous Little Britain

9/09/2019 10:23 AM

Anonymous John street

9/11/2019 10:41 PM

Anonymous Chelmsford

9/15/2019 01:51 AM

Anonymous skead pine cone road

9/15/2019 03:08 PM

**Optional question** (21 responses, 496 skipped)



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**Q25** Please specify:

Anonymous 8/29/2019 04:40 PM	South end
Anonymous 8/31/2019 01:57 AM	Minnow lake
Anonymous 9/01/2019 06:34 AM	New Sudbury
 9/01/2019 01:56 PM	Nickeldale
Anonymous 9/02/2019 07:36 AM	Minnow Lake
Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:06 AM	New Sudbury
Anonymous 9/06/2019 07:24 PM	Ottawa
Anonymous 9/10/2019 02:48 PM	South End Sudbury as opposed to the time consuming drive to North End Sudbury
Anonymous 9/14/2019 12:00 PM	South of Long Lake
Anonymous 9/15/2019 02:42 PM	Minnow lake.

**Optional question** (10 responses, 507 skipped)

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**Q26 | Please provide any additional comments you may have regarding parks and leisure services in the City of Greater Sudbury.**

Anonymous

8/29/2019 05:05 PM

Bell park should be open later.

Anonymous

8/29/2019 06:50 PM

Competent staff and management at the ski hills is a must. Please review the ski hills. They can be operated so much more efficiently and actually turn a profit. [REDACTED]

Anonymous

8/29/2019 07:25 PM

Park clean ups. I understand that the city as a whole has a needle drug problem, but more needs to be done on the clean up as needles are a problem in the parks, trails and green spaces.

Anonymous

8/29/2019 08:46 PM

We live in the Donovan and have always enjoyed all the parks and play areas etc.. everything always seems to be neat and tidy and maintained. I do feel bad how many kids abuse and damage things but all in all we try to do our part to deter that and notice that the city fixes and cleans things in a timely fashion. Again just want to say thanks and keep up the good work :)

Anonymous

8/29/2019 10:52 PM

-really concerned that i'm hearing about a lot of needles in some of the parks. -hate that there is no beach where the dog is welcome

Anonymous

8/30/2019 07:44 AM

Safe injection sites & housing for homeless might reduce number of needles & sketchy adults at parks/playgrounds

Anonymous

8/30/2019 07:45 AM

Keep the parks clean they need people there to clean up the needles to make it safe for families to go there

Anonymous

8/30/2019 08:14 AM

Would be great to have an indoor track to walk in the winter in New Sudbury

Anonymous

8/30/2019 11:50 AM

Calgary has many examples of multi use centres both public and private. Having new modern facilities with new layouts and activities will attract more use. Providing the same barn style of hockey arena or 25 meter 6 lane swimming pool is not progressive. See the Westside Recreation Centre in Calgary as an example of what could be.

Anonymous

8/30/2019 12:15 PM

City needs to do more to stop off leash dogs in trails, parks and sidewalks (sidewalks are used for leisure). City needs to provide more sidewalks and maintain them. City needs to do more to stop dumping of grass and tree waste. City needs to pave more trails and provide winter maintenance on them. City needs to keep all sidewalks clear and safe for leisure users. City needs to provide indoor and outdoor tracks. City needs to stop allowing private driveways to look like roadways where there are sidewalks, when there are sidewalks the concrete sidewalk should extend across the driveway not be paved over, current practice creates very dangerous situations for walkers. City should not allow Yield signs when there is a sidewalk (Hawthorne), it should be a stop sign.

Anonymous

8/30/2019 04:02 PM

Please stop spending on splash pads. This is silly. Prioritize spending on existing infrastructure or making our city more walkable and bike-able

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Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:26 PM	instead. Fruit forests
Anonymous 8/30/2019 05:50 PM	No to building a new arena
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:14 PM	I would love to see the Langdon Park trail system extended. Many walk their dogs off leash here and may be a great opportunity for designated off leash trails or off leash times. It increases human health and results in more positive canine behaviour.
Anonymous 8/30/2019 09:17 PM	Keep up with outdoor activities it's wonderful for the mind and body
Anonymous 8/31/2019 03:42 PM	a
Anonymous 8/31/2019 04:32 PM	You have closed many facilities in "outlying" communities which has had a negative impact on residents. Some of these were actually running at a profit! Poor choices by some beauraucrat.
Anonymous 8/31/2019 06:17 PM	there needs to be more garbage cans around as i see alot of garbage on the ground and someone needs to change them alot more often i often see that the garbage bins are always full so that defeats the purpose of them if they are always full and there is no place to put the garbage
Anonymous 8/31/2019 06:54 PM	Tear down the old hospital on Pais Street. The colours are blinding and it looks awful. A seniors residence would be wonderful as there...or an indoor rolling skating rink!
Anonymous 8/31/2019 06:59 PM	There are many walking trails in the greater city but the parking is almost nil. I feel I should be able to drive & enjoy all trails just not a select few because others have no parking spaces.
Anonymous 8/31/2019 09:14 PM	Twenty five years ago, having evening activities was enjoyable and something the family could do without having to worry about air quality and ATV's. Now cannot smoke cigarettes in the park or public places, or idle our cars. Yet I can burn wood all night long.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 05:19 AM	we should encourage more activities and get the kids off of the electronics, but transportation and cost makes it extremely difficult for lower and fixed income families.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 06:34 AM	Stop helping out Seniors who can afford to pay a little bit more for services and help Middle Class Families and those working hard to join them. Boomers have benefited every step of the way of their lives, they can pay now rather than getting everything free and offloading the debt on the next generation. Balance the books at City Hall, go back to basic services which benefit all i.e. ROADS.
Anonymous 9/01/2019 07:21 AM	Sidewalks in neighbourhoods for families can walk safely. Also, pedestrian crossings so children can safely cross streets to where there are no sidewalks. Improved cycling infrastructure for families to cycle on
Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:36 AM	This survey appears geared to a desired outcome, to be honest with you I spend a considerable amount of time at the YMCA and constantly hear and see issues regarding Memorial park. From bums ( you call them what you

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Anonymous

9/01/2019 08:38 AM

want) junkies etc intimidating people in broad daylight to employees of the YMCA being scared and terrified of walking thru that park after dark. There are major issues with that park that the city seems to want gloss over. You are on the right track! Please upgrade pools and increase bike paths!

Anonymous

9/01/2019 09:21 AM

Disappointed that we, as a city, run public entities that are funded by taxpayers such as Adanac Ski Hill and Lively, while we had privately run services available at no cost to the taxpayers I.e. the Nordic ski hill and more recently Onaping ski hill. With our tax dollars we put these other clubs out of business and now our taxes pay for these ski hills.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 10:36 AM

Of the 2 dog parks we have, there needs to be better awareness of how they are meant to function : ie people are not supposed to just stand around and smoke but rather you must walk the perimeter to keep dogs focused on moving and not ganging up on new entries to the space. It's about the dogs and not the humans. Dog parks in other cities are amazing shared moments and outside spaces but ours are not usable. Unless you want to smoke with strangers of course.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 01:11 PM

Seems that the city forgets to allocate funds for the outlying communities. The Onaping pool closes in May & our leisure centre in Dowling is closed for the summer. If you want people to lead a healthy life style, then don't Close facilities. Far too often we see if some new facility of activity offered in Sudburypaid fir by our tax dollars. We want the same opportunities.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 01:22 PM

Upgrade park by arena in Val Caron please. The equipment is old and not suitable to small children.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 01:23 PM

Fix the bathrooms at High Falls rest area and also make the park more visible befor coming upon the entrance to many near misses traveling at 80 km and someone is at a dead stop turning into rest area. Bigger signs further ahead of the entrance with a turning lane for safety traveling in both directions.



9/01/2019 01:56 PM

Thank you for your time in this matter, there have been several proposed park improvements for the Ponderosa area, going back 50 years..yet no one has ever done anything about it or ever addressed the people as to why it usnt happening. Can we get a public discussion going about the Ponderosa and why the City chooses inaction? How many Cities have the opportunity to have a massive Central Park, complete with ski hills? Ponderosa is half the size of NYC Central Park. :)

Anonymous

9/01/2019 02:19 PM

Fast tracking the Pickelball courts at O'Connor Park before taking care of the neighbourhood kids. They don't even have a basketball court to play on. A rundown ice rink which is used as a dog park. A pitiful splash pad compared to others. Sad.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 02:22 PM

Our ball fields are a disgrace. Not well maintained, infield are horrible. Holes in the fences and in the outfield. We need a facility like north bay has. Beautiful facility.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 03:48 PM

We are quite prepared to travel to Dowling or Levack to make use of recreational facilities. As long as the pool and arena are maintained along with the ball fields, gymnasium and Leisure Centre we are well served in

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Onaping Falls by the City of Greater Sudbury. We were/are very disappointed that the AY Jackson Visitor Centre was allowed to fall into a state of disrepair and are pleased that some action has made an improvement there. We hope that more will be done to restore this priceless resource. We visit there often and many friends go there when they are visiting on our recommendation. Proactive maintenance is very much required for all facilities throughout the City. Don't wait till a facility is unusable before work is done.  
 Busy kids aren't out using drugs.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 05:14 PM

Anonymous

9/01/2019 05:14 PM

The population in this city is aging. It does not make sense for the city to invest a lot of money to create new parks, trails and leisure activities as the cost of these services will fall on citizens who will have difficulty paying for them.. It would be wise of the city, instead, to better market the incredible parks and leisure services we already have and to continue to support them. As I indicated earlier, I would strongly urge the city to reinvest in a paper copy Leisure Guide and make it available at libraries in the area for those who prefer a paper copy.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 07:15 PM

The ball fields are in various states of "broken" including fences, bleachers, divots in the playing area etc and pose a very high risk of injury to anyone using them. The general maintenance and prep of the fields and upkeep of the infields and outfields is minimal. With the grass being overgrown, the infields not groomed regularly, the batters boxes never fixed and are all just hazardous sandboxes of loose dirt, the lines are not always done in time. The lights malfunction...so many issues. The fences are all broken and snag/trip or scratch people.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 07:23 PM

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Anonymous

9/01/2019 07:44 PM

Sudbury has an obesity issue mixed in with low income. Recreation and leisure should be accessible to those who can't afford in order to promote healthy active living. Make organized sports affordable for those who need it. Also, Sudbury needs more ball fields and the current fields need to be improved. My league had to get piping to put under a back stop because the ball kept rolling under it. The fences are all rusted. The dirt on the infields are rough and will tear your leg open when you slide- yes I know how to slide I've been playing fast pitch for 26 years. It's embarrassing to have teams come play from out of town because the fields are horrible. Also, build the sports dome already and the new arena on the kingway. I hate this city. This is way Sudbury has an aging population because you have nothing cool or fun for the younger population to do. Sorry we don't want to play porketta bingo and drink Clamato juice with beer.

Anonymous

9/01/2019 08:05 PM

Stop wasting every ones time and build the new arena!!!!!!

Anonymous

9/01/2019 08:15 PM

Baseball fields need big time work. The infielder are hard as rock, the batters boxes are sug out almost a foot to gain solid footing and the outfields have ruts which will eventually cause major injuries to players.

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<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 08:32 PM</p>	<p>Ski Lessons should be able to be booked online. Using a spreadsheet at the hill is outdated. Investments in lights at Brady 3 would bring higher use to that field and allow the city to have another great sporting complex in the City to run tournaments.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 09:01 PM</p>	<p>Having parks that are clean and updated. Affordable activities for families. No shaded area at Onaping splash pad</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 09:26 PM</p>	<p>I think the city should invest in improving our current parks and beaches. We don't need more we just need improvements and more options for a toy at the parks.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/01/2019 09:40 PM</p>	<p>Tball for 4-6 year olds should not be held at Terry Fox. They should be playing in a grass field at a park so others have access to the field. Furthermore, the very young children should be using the ball fields that are smaller (Twin Forks, Selkirk, etc) in order to free up the bigger fields for adult use. The parks department should stop using beach sand in the batter boxes at the fields. It is the incorrect material and it can be hazardous. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] This should be rectified immediately. It would result in greater use of the fields and far less dissatisfaction. The city should invest in placing proper fencing at ball fields that aren't fenced in. The city should STOP funding additional splash pads located in such close proximity to existing splash pads (eg, new one in New Sudbury which is very close to Ridgemount.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 02:28 AM</p>	<p>Please take better care of Ramsey Lake. Move towards no internal combustion engines allowed on lake within 5 years. Impose a "view from a canoe" building code.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 07:36 AM</p>	<p>Let's make more of the environmental statement! Every park should offer community gardens and also have recycling and compost bins. Things like this can teach kids at a young age how to care for the planet and the community garden would have their own compost at no cost :)</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:04 AM</p>	<p>It is important to keep the City clean to make people feel like using any of the facilities. A dirty city makes people feel unsafe. I realize that in some areas people don't give a hoot: they litter, they deface city property, they just don't care---but there are also small businesses that allow their properties to be filthy. In point: the store on the corner of King and Notre Dame. On the other hand, the store across from the Salvation Army always has someone sweeping and cleaning their lot. Why not give them an award for being good business neighbours?</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:28 AM</p>	<p>Take the time to clean up and fix the baseball fields and walking trails. Build more dog parks</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:31 AM</p>	<p>My family enjoys the leisure services but would love to have more closer to coniston (ie a fitness facility)</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 09:48 AM</p>	<p>I understand the difficulty of picking up garbage bags during winter but some parks are used during the winter. Last year I put up 7 garbage bags in Grandview park and personally hauled the full bags home for garbage pickup. Later in the winter someone else in the neighbourhood started putting up bags for use, and I estimate they also removed at least three full bags</p>

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	<p>from the park - so at least 10 full garbage bags came from Grandview park last winter. It's on the walking trail and is used all year round. I think the Parks dept need to look at leaving garbage cans in some parks during the winter.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:32 AM</p>	<p>We need to keep cooper cliff kids out of trouble Skate parks Splash pd Youth groups</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 10:42 AM</p>	<p>I would like to see netting on the parking lot side of the softball field at James Jerome complex. Some cars get hit with balls when homeruns are hit.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:32 AM</p>	<p>Permanent bases at softball fields would also be nice so we don't have to lug around bases.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:40 AM</p>	<p>Coniston arena needs some serious love, the roof looks awful on the inside and it's dingy. No idea why sometimes the food area there is open sometimes and not others.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 11:40 AM</p>	<p>The lights need to work at the baseball diamonds.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:09 PM</p>	<p>No more building. No more loss of green space. Consider the carbon footprint of all activities by not building more buildings, keep current facilities in good condition, and reduce opportunities to make use of private vehicles.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 12:49 PM</p>	<p>Encourage leisure activities in the satellite communities thereby reducing the distances travelled by participants. Concentrate on seniors</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 02:42 PM</p>	<p>Do not waste money on a new arena, downtown or Ked. A new arena will only benefit a very small minority in our community.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:08 PM</p>	<p>The 2014 Plan was developed prior to the growth of Pickleball in the City of Sudbury. The 6 dedicated Pickleball courts at O'Connor Park have been a tremendous success in the Summer of 2019 but we are already seeing signs that we are outgrowing the facility. Indoor facilities are now lacking and there will be a significant push since GSPA is ceasing indoor programming for a minimum of one year. The Master Plan is misleading when it suggests that there are centrally located fitness centres, community halls and community use agreements for Gymnasiums with schools which might be suitable for an activity for the older adult wishing to engage in an activity such as Pickleball.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:08 PM</p>	<p>This is just not the case in our first hand experience over the past 2 years of dealing directly with programming and City staff. In fact, Pickleball is not even listed as one of the activities you ask if a person engages in under your very first question. Yet we have been working with City staff for 2 years to grow Pickleball specific resources. We thank you for the opportunity to have input at this mid-point of the Master Plan to assist Parks and Leisure staff in their quest to tweak the set goals and objectives recognizing that some things do change over a 10 year life span of a plan.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/02/2019 04:08 PM</p>	<p>arena situation is terrible. Its the sole reason for the downfall of the Big nickel tournament. Its a disgrace that such a big hockey community has parents paying so much money, and kids having to play in arenas that no longer function efficiently and have kids wondering why in almost every city they travel to, the arenas are so much nicer and conducive to training this day in age...Our ball fields are like playing on concrete and the grass has potholes</p>

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Anonymous

9/02/2019 04:32 PM

and is unkept.

Lightning at some ball fields is too low. We lose the ball often due to trajectory of the balls thrown. Also lots of uneven terrain in the outfields and rough infields make sliding and/or diving dangerous.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 05:09 PM

We wish swimming lessons were more affordable. 90 dollars plus for 7 or 8 lessons is a lot and adds up if you to keep our child in lessons from September to June. I think we have a large number of parks and playgrounds for a city of our size (just too bad that our neighbourhood doesn't have one). Maybe a study should be done to evaluate the number of parks in one neighbour, and those with more than their share would have one close to 'give it' to another neighbourhood. I know it is not that simple but I am sure some parks are not well used or well loved and the city still needs to maintain them. Copper Cliff pool is the best run pool in the city. We love the downtown arena and Countryside. The winter Ramsey Lake skate path is the greatest! It must remain. Memorial Park is the most well loved and well kept (despite so many undesirable users who litter and loitter). The staff who work at this park do an amazing job of keeping this park 'not scary' to use despite the very real potential for it to slide into an unsafe place. We see the staff all the time, working so hard, and it is because of them that we still feel confident walking down there to use the park for play or for a picnic.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 06:25 PM

We need more pickle ball location

Anonymous

9/02/2019 06:30 PM

More facilities are needed for pickle ball possibilities! Indoors as well as outdoors

Anonymous

9/02/2019 08:42 PM

Pickle ball is a growing sport, I say replace more of the tennis courts with them.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 09:04 PM

sure would be nice to continue playing pickle ball on Monday and Wednesday evenings during the winter months as I cannot get to the Y which is the only other place you can play, I'm working during the day therefore need to be able to play in the evenings.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 09:38 PM

We live in the bush. So we expect to drive a distance to rec facilities. Our roads are so bad that we do damage to our cars now so this is the number one reason we limit our trips to rec facilities.

Anonymous

9/02/2019 11:24 PM

Very impressed with our community park and splash pad for the kids

Anonymous

9/03/2019 08:14 AM

You have done an excellent job on the pickleball courts at O'Connor Park. But unfortunately as more people are playing, there is not enough courts for inside playing during the winters months.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 09:03 AM

I would love to see a city-run coffee shop or cafe in Bell Park on the water, similar to the one that they have in Peterborough on the riverfront boardwalk. The skate changing room / former yacht club building is an obvious choice - hot chocolate and coffee (along with existing skate change rooms) could be done in the winter months. The money made could go back into maintaining Bell Park and other city parks.

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Anonymous

9/03/2019 09:26 AM

We need at least one field with rugby markings. Fields are being under-used and there are about 30 people wanting to play rugby in the Fall who need a field. Pickleball is becoming very popular and needs support from the city recreation centres, especially for evening play in the winter

Anonymous

9/03/2019 10:35 AM

The City should try to make more and safer cycling opportunities. Using Atlee as an POOR example where cycling lanes were developed. However, because they are not continuous, the design actually created a greater danger because the curbs (& cycling lanes) go in and out. This forces cyclists to move over, unexpectedly closer to the vehicles while drivers are not anticipating cyclists have to move over towards the vehicle traffic. A partial bicycle lane becomes more dangerous than no bicycle lane. In addition, cycling lanes are often not well enough marked/delineated for drivers.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 02:29 PM

As a young active senior, I sincerely hope that the content of this survey will be taken seriously. As world travelers, my husband and I get to visit different leisure facilities where everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in a variety of activities. Often, they will even notice if we have missed an activity and enquire about the reason we have missed. It is always a big adjustment when we come back home and realize that we don't have much to look forward to.

Anonymous

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Anonymous

9/03/2019 02:45 PM

Being a world traveler, we are very disappointed when we return home. Travelling across Canada or to the USA to play Pickleball, we see that Sudbury is way behind in available facilities for an active healthy living year round. Many of these communities are now converting their Indoor and Outdoor Tennis courts to Pickleball to keep up with the demand and popularity. Sudbury has already outgrown the only outdoor Pickleball court at O'Connor Park. We need more outdoor courts like O'Connor Park across the Greater Sudbury area. I hope one day that the city council will realize that a healthy city is better than waiting for a room at our one and only hospital. Would love longer hours for skating change rooms.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:18 PM

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:29 PM

Stop using tax payer funds on your tv commercials use YouTube and Facebook... its free... SAVE MONEY!!!!

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:43 PM

100 million dollars can be spend better than on one arena that will be used only 60 days year. Plus a million in operating cost a year. Think of what could be built with that money instead of wasted on building an new arena.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 06:44 PM

The city does an amazing job with maintaining parks especially Memorial and Bell park. Always clean and well keep. Always need for more trees in other parks. More perennial plants with some annuals to save water. Continue to foster a good relationship with interested community support groups,

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9/03/2019 07:04 PM

Rainbow Routes, Coalition for Livable Sudbury. Maybe encourage new groups like Bloom or Cities in Bloom. Work with School of Architecture and other groups promoting and active, inclusive Sudbury.

Outdoor and leisure activity is proven to combat health issues. Invest here. It will lessen the strain on the health system. Make health and wellness our communal priority! We just can't compare to the larger urban centres, but we can invest a realistic amount, that can also attract new residents as well.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:35 PM

Lots of talk about spending in the Valley, but only core Sudbury gets actual spending. Outlying areas are feeling orphaned.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:56 PM

The 10 year plan should be amended to recognize the change in the need for existing sports and the explosive growth in active seniors needing a place to play Pickleball safely in indoor facilities. I was also very disappointed to not having been notified of this review of the the 10 year plan. I just was lucky to subscribe to the Sudbury Star and finding the small ad in the paper. We have a registered the GSPA (Greater Sudbury Pickleball Association) that is in partnership with City and we were never notified that this review was being done. We also need to notify all other partners in this plan. ALSO MORE TIME IS REQUIRE TO BETTER REACH OUR PLAYERS TO FILL THIS SURVEY. CAN THE DEADLINE TO FILL THIS SURVEY BE EXTENDED TO NOVEMBER 1, 2019. MANY OF OUR PLAYERS ARE TRAVELING AND ONLY RETURNING MID MONTH.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 07:57 PM

we are really looking forward to being able tom play pickle ball on our outdoor court in Chelmsford

Anonymous

9/03/2019 08:20 PM

Ramsey lake area definitely needs more maintenance. Lots of garbage and poorly kept.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 08:43 PM

The 2 portable potties at the splash pad on Second Avenue in Sudbury are totally gross. At the end of August they were so full that feces were over the toilet rim. Where is the maintenance? Totally unacceptable.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 09:05 PM

The City police do not monitor the St Charles park what so ever. This park is in moonglo and fronts on St Charles Lake. The parties and drug use goes all summer long. Having a very busy park right in the middle of a subdivision is not a good idea as these are not tots coming after midnight. More monitoring and fix the lights as well. The city shouldn't have a facility that they can't Maintain!

Anonymous

9/03/2019 09:06 PM

Having traveled across Ontario it is too bad that we do not have a community centre in the city proper with an arena, gym,hall, fitnesses centre etc with programs for kids to seniors

Anonymous

9/03/2019 09:49 PM

Leisure & services should be re-vamped. Ex: Controlling which arenas teams are allowed to rent & times are not city's business

[REDACTED]

9/03/2019 09:53 PM

Increase maintenance. For instance the sensors at the memorial park splash pad don't work and the timer only let's it run for 30 seconds now.

Anonymous

9/03/2019 11:04 PM

Pickleball is exploding in Sudbury. All ages play O'Connor. Arguments over the use of the courts have started lately especially on Monday and Wednesday evenings, too many people not enough courts.It's a shame to

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<p>Anonymous 9/03/2019 11:55 PM</p>	<p>drive by the empty tennis courts all the time. There is nowhere to play this in the winter. I find to many dogs unleashed in parks, which makes me very nervous and also dogs swim in public beaches</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 12:05 AM</p>	<p>The new play ground has been a great place for kids to play this summer, a much improved play area.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:52 AM</p>	<p>You have done an excellent job on the pickleball courts at O'Connor Park. But unfortunately as more people are playing, there is not enough courts for inside playing during the winters months.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 05:46 AM</p>	<p>Baseball fields are terrible, infield are terrible, the fencing in and around are terrible, batters boxes are terrible, not enough ball fields, the lighting us terrible</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:42 AM</p>	<p>More bike lanes/paths that are more clearly marked would be awesome!</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:42 AM</p>	<p>Overall I am mostly satisfied with services. I would like to see more pocket parks in neighbourhoods that are established and maintained with the city and localized community groups. Establish a more robust neighbourhood playground system so that neighbourhood children can participate in day programs in their neighbourhood. Discontinue city funded campgrounds and fitness centres. Make all leisure facilities more multiuser friendly buy offering meeting spaces to community groups and clubs for free if there are spaces available and communicate this availability to the public.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 08:55 AM</p>	<p>Convert all swimming pools to salt water, not chlorine and chemicals which can severely burn the skin of people with allergies.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:15 AM</p>	<p>The ski hills are in need of a major overhaul [REDACTED]. Not opening for xmas last year was embarrassing as a resident. Adanac was the last ski hill with snowmaking to open in the province. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:25 AM</p>	<p>Since originally formulating the city's long-term plan, pickleball has become the fastest growing sport activity in N America. The O'Connor Park court conversion was very well done! Thank you. There have been numerous evenings that all the courts were busy with more players waiting. Its the ONLY activity that routinely brings together all age groups from kids through seniors, both (all?) genders, and skill levels from beginner recreational to competitive levels. This well reflects the city's core values, probably better that any other city parks/ leisure services. However, there are zero city facilities for the six months when indoor facilities are required.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:25 AM</p>	<p>You need to think of the satellite communities more. There is too much concentration on the old city. Less time travelling, more time engaging in you own community.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 09:30 AM</p>	<p>A ski hill that opens in Mid December rather than Mid January is a must. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] It's time to completely revamp our ski hills and make them sustainable. Building a useable terrain park is a step</p>

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<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:14 AM</p>	<p>forward. I hope for more pickle ball court in the Greater Sudbury. I was surprised that pickle ball was not on the list of existing sport. I think Sudbury should take this very seriously if we don't want to be surpassed by other municipalities.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 10:28 AM</p>	<p>Pickleball courts at oconnor park are a great addition but after a short period of time they already are getting crowded and more local ones would be great for the outlying areas to save on travel time.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 11:45 AM</p>	<p>My household does not support moving the arena away from downtown (we reside near the downtown and enjoy many activities and leisure services that are offered in our area.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 02:07 PM</p>	<p>Shade structures in parks are sparse So are water fountains Not enough family activities are held in public parks and some of the walking trails are along a waterway that is clearly littered with garbage and debris. Very unsightly. Also there are no benches and garbage bins posted along the walking paths...</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:11 PM</p>	<p>Water at splash pads is too cold for kids - is it city water? More buttons to activate different structures would reduce the amount of water wasted and reusing/recycling the water could warm it up a little. Big waste of city potable water to have it as is and it is very cold for the young ones.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:19 PM</p>	<p>Going back to transportation topic. If the outlying areas cannot get to the leisure facilities by using a simple and quick transit system then I don't see the usage increasing. Our geography is so vastly spread out, it makes it difficult to serve all residents, however, increasing service to outlying areas while slightly reducing in-town services to balance it all out would have made an all-around win for the city. You can increase your revenues but it needs to be convenient and linked to other city services so all can enjoy. I am very pleased by Coniston's park, it is beautiful but I need to add that this has everything to do with community involvement and very little to do with city staff. If it weren't for our community volunteers, I am sure that the park itself would attract mostly flies and chipmunks. Also want to add some positive remarks about the baseball diamonds, tennis and basketball courts and the new splashpad, these are used a lot and it warms me to see this.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:24 PM</p>	<p>Please start giving more attention to Garson residents. our children and adults don't have much to do without leaving our area.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 03:58 PM</p>	<p>The Sudbury community has focused their attention on youth, teens and young adults. There seems to be adequate services for this population. However, as the population of 50+ it is more difficult to find activities and facilities for this group who are healthy, energetic but would like to do more fun activities geared to lower impact, less stress on the bones. I have discovered Pickleball and absolutely love it. It allows me to get fit, socialize and get in my cardio for my age. I also find Yoga beneficial, however, there is a lack of times and availability and facilities for this too. There is a higher growing population of 50+ in our community who are fit and looking to stay active.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 04:13 PM</p>	<p>More versatile locations to pickle ball courts, during both summer and winter months. With facilities provided with both indoor and outdoor locations. We</p>

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<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 04:23 PM</p>	<p>need to help keep seniors active. We do not need or want multi ice pads and new arenas.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 05:48 PM</p>	<p>I truly hope these messages are read. The quality of our softball fields has dwindled for years. I encourage someone from parks and leisure to take a drive to North Bay and see the facility they have built. We currently play on little league sized fields filled with gravel. We have an exponentially larger softball community. The Sudbury Softball Community Facebook page has thousands of members. As taxpayers and members of this community, we deserve a softball complex that we can be proud of.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/04/2019 07:23 PM</p>	<p>Please, more indoor pickleball required - urgently.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 11:04 AM</p>	<p>Not many can be found in my community of Coniston as we do have a community center where the city could offer indoor leisure services. (such as exercise for the senior, youth or adults to name but one)</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:25 PM</p>	<p>Not all parks need to be manicured recreational areas. Although these are important parks can also be natural and wild places. These areas can assist with biodiversity and watershed health. The city should make sure invasive species are removed from these areas. Developers should be able to donate important wild areas and wetlands to the city or to NDCA for credits when they build a new shopping plaza or neighbourhood. City supported parks must be free to access for all citizens and served by GoVa.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 12:58 PM</p>	<p>City of Greater Sudbury we are not!!!! We are an afterthought and even then rarely considered for anything!!!! Just saying!!!</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:05 PM</p>	<p>We need a dog park in the south end</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:37 PM</p>	<p>Ski hills....ski hills....ski hills....ski hills.....These facilities require way more attention than the current management is giving them</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 01:42 PM</p>	<p>Need to better control the geese population. They are very aggressive. Need to better patrol the parks. I walk bell park average 4 times a week and every time there are many tobacco smokers and now even marijuana. Yet never a cop or park authority. There are also many dogs not on leash and owners not picking up dog poop. Why is the lifeguard at bell park allowed to sit up at the door to the life guard office when life guard on duty should mean sitting in their chair on the beach.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 02:09 PM</p>	<p>The boardwalk along Bell park is cleared very well throughout the winter. Other sidewalks and walkways in the city pale by comparison. Consider the Ramsey Lake path that is traveled by commuters, hospital visitors and staff as well as university students and staff - it should be considered a continuum of the Bell Park recreation path and get the same level of attention and snow clearance as the boardwalk.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/05/2019 04:15 PM</p>	<p>Elmview Drive is a busy street in the summer as well in the winter! The residents from this community uses the walking trails on a daily base. We are a working community, when we walk the trails at the Armstrong walking trails</p>

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Anonymous

9/05/2019 05:08 PM

after work, it's peaceful and away from the hustle of the everyday work! The proposal of removing and or taking part of these trails, will be very disheartening to this community! It will make the street very busy, and taking away that peacefulness that we all love from living here in the valley!

Do not build an arena and destroy our green space near the walking rails at Howard Armstrong. We need it.. build the arena somewhere else!

Anonymous

9/05/2019 06:49 PM

There has to be more information about major projects so the citizens living in the neighbourhood can't have their voices heard. More than one meeting is needed ! Hi



9/05/2019 07:37 PM

Last census has shown that that seniors are a majority in the city.pickle ball is a good way to keep active at any age group.i support an all year round enclosed space

Anonymous

9/06/2019 07:28 AM

Outdoor rinks need to be looked at there are many parks with boards that are no longer in use that could be moved to more active parks where members of the community would help keep up rink and make for a positive outdoor activity for kids.

Anonymous

9/06/2019 07:38 AM

When city staff cuts lawn and does the trimming the mowers mow over debris and it ends up in little pieces and hard to pick up. Is there a solution to this? Could staff taking care of the park properties make notations of what should be done and report it to Leisure Services?

Anonymous

9/06/2019 08:26 AM

The Valley East Baseball Association should be granted lands to expand, construct and maintain ballfields for their recreational and competitive youth users. The City is unable to keep up to the requirements and needs of this sport. As such, Valley East Minor Baseball should be allowed to provide this service as stewards. The land use agreement with Sault Ste Marie Baseball and the local City should and could be looked at. There should be a parcel of land or an existing ballfield that Valley East Minor Baseball be allowed (as stewards) to enter a long term user group agreement where they should be allowed & able to expand, construct & maintain the facilities as the City is unable to meet that requirement.

Anonymous

9/06/2019 08:41 AM

A suggestion for the trails that could work to help link them up is more of the paintings on the sidewalk like we have down town but with clearly marked arrows leading to the next section. Just like a giant treasure map.

Anonymous

9/06/2019 08:48 AM

Take pride in your work. We are proud to be from Sudbury but embarrassed to bring people here. Due to the fact that most if not all our facilities are in disrepair. Quick fixes aren't the answer either. Do it right the first time and it won't be a problem year after year

Anonymous

9/06/2019 09:19 AM

I am an avid recreational and commuter cyclist. I am committed to cycling all year long so the poor facilities and maintenance do not deter me. However it sure would be nice to see more people enjoying this activity. Safety is a huge factor. Please stop piling snow banks on designated paths - provide routes for people to use. Please properly clear recreational paths (stop salting without plowing! it makes a big mess). Bell Park boardwalk is always very well cleared and maintained. Clear other routes the same way to the same degree - and/or designate the boardwalk as an acceptable route so pedestrians do get so upset to see cyclists on that path. I realize this is an

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<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 09:59 AM</p>	<p>overlapping issue with roads maintenance but it is also a parks and rec issue. Ensure that Bell Park is maintained as an public park and leisure area as it was meant to be when it was donated to the City.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:10 AM</p>	<p>More separated bike lanes to make it safer to take children on the road</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 10:27 AM</p>	<p>Compared to other communities, leisure services are deplorable. Consider the costs of renting baseball fields in Sudbury vs those in the GTA as just one example. Why hasn't the City been more involved and helpful in developing an indoor bubble? Why would the City simply rely on school boards and a charitable foundation to complete such a structure that is in almost every other community this size in Ontario. Why does the City not take the initiative? The absence of leadership on these issues is shameful. I think that the outdoor amenities and opportunities in and around Greater Sudbury are one of the city / region's best features. Access to the outdoors is one of the main reasons that we live here. Please maintain these resources to the greatest extent that is fiscally feasibly.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:18 PM</p>	<p>Summer playground programs are not high enough quality for kids to be in for the whole summer and used for child care. They should be replaced with free drop in programs (on more limited schedules) at parks in the summer that are available to everyone.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 02:56 PM</p>	<p>Privatize your pools and arenas... keep the land and buildings but outsource the programming.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 03:21 PM</p>	<p>We appreciate the opportunity and encouragement to have the stay and Play program at Lo-Ellen (Lo-Ellen Park Free Play).</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 04:04 PM</p>	<p>All the money spent at terry fox field one and only half the field was done with poor workmanship. Home plate that slides, ripped turf, unlevel turf, 2 foot differential in grade from infield to outfield. Burnt out lights. Did on other fields just thrown down with no care that never caught that now slides and causes tripping hazards. Bleachers falling apart. Grass not cut for weeks then when cut clumps left everywhere so bad you cannot even find the baseball Take some pride and put some effort into our recreational facilities and fields. They are embarrassing!!!!</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/06/2019 04:24 PM</p>	<p>I believe that Parks and Leisure Services is important but should not take priority over our roads. We are about to go into another winter and Sudbury's roads are atrocious. We really need to make fixing our a roads a priority until we can actually drive around without worrying about damaging our vehicles. It's REALLY bad!</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/07/2019 08:32 AM</p>	<p>I really enjoy parks and services they are wonderful</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/07/2019 03:32 PM</p>	<p>Facility upgrades are often awarded to the lowest bidder and not necessarily providing the best quality of work. Field 1 at Terry Fox is a prime example. This field could have been a field for high level baseball but instead it was not properly levelled, holes are already a problem, drainage is inadequate and it is a huge let down. The other fields in town are run down, the fences are</p>
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<p>Anonymous 9/08/2019 11:28 AM</p>	<p>FULL of holes and are just not maintained to the same level as any of the fields I have visited out of town with my sons rep baseball team. The pools are all old and haven't been well maintained and are now at a point where they are so neglected that making the necessary repairs are going to be even more costly.</p> <p>More information/communication of existing and new facilities. More updates on what we have and the condition they are in.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/08/2019 06:22 PM</p>	<p>We need to have designated main bicycle routes. For example a 2 lane bicycle route from downtown to New Sudbury, perhaps through Rotary park.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/08/2019 09:44 PM</p>	<p>Parks department could be a more active partner with neighbourhood groups who are attempting initiatives within their neighbourhoods especially to create or improve parks and trails. Existing facilities should make use of any meeting room space they have by offering the space to local community groups or clubs for free, or at least advertise the availability of the space.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 09:56 AM</p>	<p>Money invested in these area services physical mental and social needs of a community. Better to spend money on making and keeping a community healthy.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 10:09 AM</p>	<p>Dont touch our greenspace....dont build another damn arena...</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 11:21 AM</p>	<p>Price of ice time is excessive. Same cost should be charged at all city arenas. Poorly used facilities should be closed rather than supplemented with lower charges and forcing people to drive long distances.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 11:43 AM</p>	<p>I bike in every city I go. Sudbury seem to be lacking the paths. And then there really is no where to bike to. We don't even have a restaurant on the water of Ramsay</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 12:49 PM</p>	<p>I just want to emphasize the importance of natural parks and their accessibility to nature and beauty. I also want to highlight the important role of parks in watershed health, and protecting water quality. It is important that natural values and assets are protected and enhanced.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 01:13 PM</p>	<p>All parks have a value. Only in exceptional circumstances should a public greenspace be sold. There are still areas in Sudbury without a major park within 10 minutes walking distance</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 02:35 PM</p>	<p>Parks and leisure needs to broaden their mandate to parks, recreation and community development. These are the spaces where places can be extended into new function and better purpose.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 07:08 PM</p>	<p>Nearly 30 years ago the city councillors had a great vision of turning the Junction Creek waterway into a Waterway Park and they gave themselves 20 years to achieve it. Although the time has passed, it is still a vital vision that would have tremendous benefits; environmentally, health and economically for 'everyone'. There is still time to complete this vision.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/09/2019 09:05 PM</p>	<p>Over all I think the city is doing their best with what they have. Just make sure the big spending is properly overseen and the projects are run efficiently.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 09:52 AM</p>	<p>our softball fields are in disrepair and need attention - drainage, fences, benches, home plate batters box holes, infield material, proper grass</p>

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grooming (cut more often and removal of cut grass), if fields remain short, netting is needed to protect vehicles, pedestrians and kids walking to their field or playing soccer...there is also only 1 softball field in Sudbury (Garson) that is suitable for mens softball (above recreational - all fields are far too short - softball is designed to be played on a 300' fenced field or open field) and it has no lights, Copper Cliff has an open field - it needs to be maintained and would be suitable, but again no lights, trimming around the outside of the field at James Jerome - clear more area of high grass and weeds...look into North Bay or Sault Ste Marie for an understanding of how softball fields should look and perform...

Anonymous

9/10/2019 10:43 AM

Given the fact that we have an immense amount of land and beautiful nature, I believe that we should have better marked trails and trail maps available online and paper copies. I also think that baseball diamonds would be far more beneficial than having one or two baseball diamonds at one location. The city should also consider putting playgrounds at this facility to accommodate those with children but who still want to participate in sport (I do not have children, but have noticed that this is a major deterrent for those with kids). Additionally, we need to seriously consider having actual sports complexes (even if it means having a few throughout the entire greater area). It would be better for tournaments and (hopefully, if planned well) parking. It could also help accommodate families and overall land use. It would be significantly less expensive for maintenance and salaries as you would have fewer people running the facility (in the long run). I also think that we need to change our ice time prices... Not only are we significantly higher than most Northern Ontario cities, I do not consider anytime after 9:00pm on a weekday "prime time" and therefore those who rent this ice time should not be paying 'prime time' prices. If we want to focus on being a "healthy" city, and one who truly focuses on well-being, then whoever is reading these comments should take them into consideration. We shouldn't be helping private people or companies increase profits. We need to look at where we have access to public land, and really re-evaluate what we want to look like in the next ten years... do we still want to be putting money into arenas such as Cambrian and Carmichael (which aren't even regulation size) or should we truly plan for the future of our city and make some major decisions now to help the greater good in years to come? Thank you for the opportunity to contribute.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 02:52 PM

Need to provide waste/recycling bins that promote recycling and awareness

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:08 PM

We need to look at more collaborative opportunities that will promote the culture of Indigenous populations in the community. Educate, perhaps having an Indigenous Trading Post. So the positives of the Anishinaabe people in this city. Work towards helping those fallen brothers and sisters in the downtown area.

Anonymous

9/10/2019 03:17 PM

Simon Lake Park requires improvement in summer months, the city has to do something about the amount of geese and the algae at the water's edge. It could be beautiful, but there is no money spent on upgrades. Should also be lights for safety sake throughout park. Sudbury Arena is an embarrassment

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<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 03:27 PM</p>	<p>for a OHL Team . My children are involved in competitive sports and we've been to facilities all over the province. I've been following the debate about arena location, etc., etc. As the capital city of Northern Ontario, Sudbury should have an impressive facility that includes 4 ice pads with pool and other facilities. These are the facilities we need to attract sporting events AND families to the area.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 03:33 PM</p>	<p>I would hate to see some of our natural beautiful forest bulldozed down to make way for another indoor arena.</p>
<p> 9/10/2019 04:34 PM</p>	<p>Please upgrade the tennis courts in outlying areas. Many tennis courts (eg. Garson, Skead and others - with the exception of Lily Creek and the tennis courts on Notre Dame) are in TERRIBLE shape, cracks, shrubs growing in the court, rusty and bent fencing, etc.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 04:56 PM</p>	<p>We currently use a lot of undeveloped private property as greenspace e.g. area between Algonquin Road and Walmart. As these areas are developed, demand for greenspace (in the southend at least) my increase.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 08:24 PM</p>	<p>Please plant mature trees at the Corsi Hill Park - kids need shade.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 09:27 PM</p>	<p>Many of our facilities need money invested to update and maintain. There are other communities with greater options and more people using the facilities. Perhaps if we create something that would be attractive to people, it would draw them in - if you build it, they will come.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/10/2019 10:02 PM</p>	<p>Some of our children's playgrounds could definitely use some upgrading.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 08:34 AM</p>	<p>Please continue to make this a priority for citizens of all ages, but particularly for youth, who deserve a healthy alternative to the technology that bombards them. Thanks.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 12:19 PM</p>	<p>we have some amazing world class facilities be it Kivi Park, Naughton Ski Trails or Rainbow Routes trails /the Great Trail we really need to continue to celebrate them and get more folks using and connected to them Some innovative programming for youth that might not ordinarily identify with fitness/wellness pastimes would be fabulous - how can we help our Youth be more active and utilise the spaces and facilities we have, plus support their mental wellbeing...the municipality should partner with the YMCA, SACY etc.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 12:31 PM</p>	<p>Because we are a senior couple with differing needs, many of the parks and leisure services are not life-style fits. However, the City does need many of the different services for more active or socially involved people within reasonable travelling distance from home and/or more available transit options.</p>
<p>Anonymous 9/11/2019 01:25 PM</p>	<p>More restrictions on smoking in public areas, the by-laws are not being adhered to. People are smoking at the doors or you need to walk through a group of smokers to get through the doors. Kids should not need to walk through this as they go in to play their sport. People continue to smoke in parks, at fields, etc. and there is no one enforcing the by-laws.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p>	<p>I'm thinking most residents don't know what's available out there. I believe</p>

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<p>9/11/2019 03:50 PM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/11/2019 06:00 PM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/11/2019 09:16 PM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/12/2019 08:30 AM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/12/2019 11:15 AM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/12/2019 12:22 PM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/12/2019 02:33 PM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/12/2019 03:16 PM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/12/2019 07:51 PM</p> <p>Anonymous</p> <p>9/13/2019 02:26 AM</p>	<p>there are plenty of activities for our residents but people need to utilize these services</p> <p>The neighbour parks should be monitored. There is often items dumped in them and the houses bordering them have sheds and junk piled in them.</p> <p>Please open the dog park on York Street.</p> <p>Our priorities for our family would be - another ice pad (or 2). Ice is hard to come by - renovating our current facilities - attracting events to our city. Sports/concerts/tournaments</p> <p>We need more arenas</p> <p>South End does not have immediate access to Green Spaces and facilities for Lower Income families - need to travel a great distance to access a pool and no fitness centre. Not everyone has a good income in the South End. Lower income are the most vulnerable to poor health and lifestyle when there are few accessible options for them. Youth in Sudbury have few Youth Groups that appeal to current youth interests. You don't need to 'invest' in more \$ just spend it in the right places according to user demand. Work with other departments to promote Active community for all ages and communities. I don't see any questions about the beautification of our City to Spark Pride. Community In Blooms programs harnessed volunteers to support in the past. Smaller cities are able to place flowers, etc in the right places for visitors to say WOW what a beautiful city - why are we scaling back on something so simple? Where are our efforts placed? Hope this is given some thought and 'makes' the list for consideration. Thank you for your efforts to seek public input. I hope others are able to do so. The survey comes at an extremely busy time of year for families.</p> <p>Please find Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury's input here;  <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1usF2H-IE54bs7jRv6cZkpcHe50GAd4Tj/view?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1usF2H-IE54bs7jRv6cZkpcHe50GAd4Tj/view?usp=sharing</a></p> <p>Natural value should be a priority in the way parks are managed and improved. Measures should include: - Protect greenspace values in existing parks, and ensure greenspace values are part of decisions around proposed changes in parks and city-owned land: -Develop an appropriate management approach for each park classification (including protection/enhancement of natural features and nature trails within the park) -Develop management plans for larger parks or parks with significant natural features (such as waterbody, waterway, wetland, forest, species at risk..). - Include scientific and community expertise in developing management plans and approaches.</p> <p>We have been helping resettle a refugee family from Syria. They use the public parks and beaches a good deal which is great.</p> <p>Sudbury needs to up its game in terms of offering a wide array of well-maintained sports facilities (both indoors and outdoors). For example, the Dow Pool is a great facility but definitely needs to be fixed/modernized. Closing area pools should not happen. Instead, current pools should be fixed</p>
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Anonymous

9/13/2019 08:42 AM

and a few more should be built (i.e., in Lively, Minnow Lake, the South End, New Sudbury, and Azilda).

I would like to see more indoor pools. With the long winters finding swim time is hard in our city with lessons taking up the majority of the non school hours. I prefer to get in the pool and teach my kids myself but it's almost impossible to find a time to do it and the pool not be packed.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 08:45 AM

Parks are great but there are no bathroom facilities

Anonymous

9/13/2019 09:28 AM

Chelmsford Arena/Hall outside and in and baseball park are not esthetically pleasing. I understand that the community has a role of respect but that is not always the case. Ball Park users leave trash all over including cigarette butts. Summer time the arena front area is a hangout. The Park and Youth Center are a wonderful addition.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 09:59 AM

Have requested repairs to parks benches, gazebo etc. Either not done or poorly painted. Riverfront project not completed.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 10:11 AM

Not sure of this was already mentioned but can you please put a fence around parks so children with disabilities can play safely and so caregiver don't have to chase them constantly. It makes us avoid using parks at all :( Sudbury lacks greatly in adult entertainment so my husband and I enjoy hiking and walking, biking as well but the fact that there is nothing worthy around Garson is beyond disappointing. Having to drive into Sudbury each time we want a few hours of nature is inconvenient and actually stops us from going out and enjoying our town.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 11:12 AM

Our Arenas need a big upgrade. The twin pad for the Valley needs to be built but a new facility is also needed for New Sudbury

Anonymous

9/13/2019 12:21 PM

This survey is a wish list without any indications of costs. Plus this survey discounts other options to increase our recreational infrastructure. Is there a need for City Staff to operate and maintain arenas on outlying areas when there are non profits willing to do so cheaper? Why does the City oppose PPP projects particularly when KPMG state that it is financially impossible for the City to sustain Roads and Drains Infrastructure as well as Recreational Infrastructure. I question the lack business case studies to determine impacts of decisions such as the Junction and Place D'Arts.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 02:07 PM

The York Street Riverside Playground continues to be a mess of weeds and fence. Please return it to its natural function . This is a waste and an eyesore.

Anonymous

9/13/2019 02:20 PM

The baseball fields in Sudbury specifically the infields need some serious attention. The fields are sandy and dangerous to not only the player but silica into the lungs. The outfielders do not drain correctly and the infields are above the outfield grade at most of the parks I've played at this year. Also there is a field in Garson that would make an incredible dog park. There is a part of an old field between the two back ones that has over half a fenced in area that would work well for many residents in Garson to utilizes

Anonymous

9/13/2019 02:47 PM

There needs to be more options for young children to get involved in that don't cost a fortune. Like kids from 2-7, there really is nothing for them. There

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Anonymous

9/13/2019 07:27 PM

needs to be dog beaches at every city run beach to allow our other family members to enjoy as well.

Plant trees when the parks are built or better yet, leave existing mature trees instead of clear cutting! They cool the parks and shade the areas!

Anonymous

9/13/2019 08:44 PM

A city organized outdoor activity network where guided outings would be scheduled weekly on area trails and lakes for a nominal fee for adults who would appreciate the company and safety of a group. Thank you for this forum.

Anonymous

9/14/2019 12:00 PM

Stop wasting so much money and effort on the arena at the Kingsway Ent. District - it is a boondoggle and will become a financial black hole. Other small cities managed to repair their existing arenas for far less money.

Anonymous

9/14/2019 12:52 PM

A new multi use arena must be built preferably on the Kingsway. Our old arena is in terrible condition and is not worth throwing more money into trying to fix it.

Anonymous

9/14/2019 04:12 PM

Some parks need more than a mowing and fresh garbage. They need to have cigarette butts cleaned and graffiti removed. Get rid of the metal slides at moonlight beach hot sun plus kids playing in swimsuits results in burns. Same park but plastic slides is fine.

Anonymous

9/14/2019 04:41 PM

A lot of the parks nearest my family have no shade, I generally head to bell park, just for the option of shade or water or rest areas, we have a small older park in my subdivision, but we don't often stay long because there is no shade on hot days. There is no water park option either, or amenities of any kind.

Anonymous

9/14/2019 08:34 PM

Love the splash pads, and the walking trails, but there's no need for all the camping trailer in the area that used to be the beach area for families

Anonymous

9/14/2019 09:32 PM

consolidate the number of facilities you maintain. Expand on the better used / maintained and commit the necessary staff to operate. Volunteers getting too old to keep many going. think multi use more. i.e ridgecrest park has sliding hill, small kids rink, big kids rink, park, could benefit from additional staff and summer facilities, such as pickle ball courts.

Anonymous

9/14/2019 09:49 PM

Bathrooms at outdoor spaces like playgrounds would enable families to use them more often and be a less stressful experience. Grandparents with mobility issues etc would feel more comfortable to go with their grandchildren knowing that they aren't going to have to rush to a bathroom. People with ibs and other similar issues would be more comfortable. And potty learning toddlers won't miss out.

Anonymous

9/14/2019 10:27 PM

Continue to provide and expand on offering recreational and leisure equipment through library loans, eg. Fishing and camping gear, snowshoes, etc.;

Anonymous

9/14/2019 10:58 PM

I love the wide variety of trails available in my area for public use

Anonymous

9/15/2019 12:01 AM

I'm really hoping that when the arena goes up on Elmview in Hanmer, that the zamboni will be used to enhance the trails. I can see this as a huge attraction, having a skating path. Suggest lighting be installed, too.

Anonymous

The two things that would attract more families to sudbury would be a

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9/15/2019 01:51 AM	waterpark and snow tubing.
Anonymous	Please spend money on museums (Anderson Farm) and a multi use facility in Lively. We need programming for youth too.
9/15/2019 07:04 AM	
Anonymous	Bathroom facilities and picnic areas needed with outdoor parks, splash pads...
9/15/2019 09:57 AM	
Anonymous	Build a park for the kids in the Sugarbush area
9/15/2019 01:10 PM	
Anonymous	It would be great to see a park in the Sugarbush area.
9/15/2019 01:38 PM	
Anonymous	I am hoping that the city will consider the ways in which leisure activities are organized in concert with the city's efforts to rapidly reduce our impact on the climate. This requires both short-term and long-term planning such that we consider that, currently, it makes sense to de-centralize leisure activities to reduce greenhouse gas consumption but the use of electric vehicles might be less costly in the future. Leaving green areas acts as both a carbon sink and gives citizens, particularly those with lower incomes, the opportunity to enjoy the natural environment that the wealthier population now achieves through travel to their cottages. I would like to be sure that everyone takes into consideration that we are on land that is not only traditional indigenous territory but that the land was acquired under agreements that were unjustly drawn up and administered. We owe it the original land owners to ensure that they have a major role in determining the fate of the natural landscape for which they have been caretakers for many centuries.
9/15/2019 01:50 PM	
Anonymous	Cross walk mandatory stop at somerset and howey. Better ice and basketball courts. Less downtown BS
9/15/2019 02:42 PM	
Anonymous	we need something.... sudbury only take away from skead and spends zero new dollars why
9/15/2019 03:08 PM	
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9/15/2019 05:51 PM	
Anonymous	Very interested in the development of more environmentally responsible parks and leisure services
9/15/2019 09:56 PM	
Anonymous	As i noted above, I was recently in Huntsville and seems to be a more proactive approach to letting people know what is on the event calendar and the facilities available Rather than just creating Bike Path's, there should be an effort to have Bike Lanes To encourage people to use Bike's as a mode of transportation, Bike Lanes would be a way to encourage this as a mode of transportation
9/16/2019 11:18 AM	
Anonymous	Speaking from a baseball/softball perspective, we generally feel as though we are at the bottom of the priority list when it comes to field maintenance/upgrades/repairs. It seems as though the same issues are
9/16/2019 11:25 AM	

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Anonymous

9/16/2019 12:39 PM

brought up every year with few if any changes.

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Anonymous

9/16/2019 09:30 PM

people smoking and using drugs in the parks and leaving garbage on the ground

Communications Proxy

9/20/2019 01:39 PM

I am retired so I have time to participate in leisure activities. I just joined the Parkside Older Adult Centre this fall. However, the city should make available the spaces required to play pickleball, such as gymnasiums/community centres and outdoor parks with paved and lined courts because the popularity of this sport is growing tremendously province wide and interests young adults to seniors. For what I do at this time, leisure is affordable for me but I cannot speak for families with several children. Also, I find membership at the Y is too high for those on limited income. Sports competitions and tournaments gets a lot of people involved and is important for social networks and thereby promotes community involvement and health. As we age, our needs change, so we need access to a variety of activities and programs we can choose from to do what we can to maintain our health - both physical and mental. Our participation in various activities/programs also allows us to maintain a positive social support system and thereby decrease the risk of isolation and depression. But, activities and programs must be kept affordable for all. Otherwise, accessibility becomes limited to those with higher incomes. In my view, the city must do all it can to promote healthy living by maintaining what exists, providing activities and programs geared to all age groups and taking advantage of new trends/focus on what becomes popular. Pickleball has gained momentum in Sudbury and area and the city could do more to provide venues for affordable play, indoors and outdoors. I hope the proposed Dome facility on Notre Dame Avenue becomes a reality before I'm too old to enjoy it!

Communications Proxy

9/23/2019 12:29 PM

Sports competitions and tournaments gets a lot of people involved and is important for social networking and thereby promotes community involvement and health. As we age, our needs change, so we need access to a variety of activities and programs we can choose from to do what we can to maintain our health- both physical and mental. Our participation in various activities/programs also allows us to maintain a positive social support system and thereby decrease the risk of isolation and depression. But activities and programs must be kept affordable for all. Otherwise accessibility becomes limited to those with higher incomes. In my view, the city must do all it can to promote healthy living for its population. This can be done by maintaining what exists, providing activities and programs geared to all age groups and taking advantage of new trends/focus on what becomes population. Pickleball has gained momentum in Sudbury and area and the

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city could do more to provide venues for affordable play, indoors and outdoors. I hope the proposed Dome facility on Notre Dame Avenue becomes a reality before I'm too old to enjoy it.

**Optional question** (219 responses, 298 skipped)



Making connections. Working toward sustainability.

September 12, 2019

## **Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury**

### **Written submission – City of Greater Sudbury Parks, Open Space & Leisure Master Plan Review**

Submitted via Over to You, and to Jeff Pafford, Director of Leisure Services ([jeff.pafford@greatersudbury.ca](mailto:jeff.pafford@greatersudbury.ca)).

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input. Here are our main comments.

#### **Strategic priorities**

Parks are important to Greater Sudbury Council's Strategic Priorities of: climate change, healthy community, community vibrancy, asset management, and business attraction and retention.

#### **Parks are integral to residents' lives, quality of life, and health.**

Parks are a very important part of residents' lives and neighbourhoods, beyond meeting leisure needs. The wider benefits and functions of parks should be integrated into how parks are planned and managed. These include:

- ***Social engagement and connections:*** Parks are where neighbours can meet neighbours, where daily social interactions take place that are so important for well-being (and avoiding loneliness), where residents can get together, and where community activities and events can take place. The social connections that parks foster make our communities healthier, safer and more resilient.

To support this, neighbourhood and community parks need: benches/seating/picnic tables; gathering places; policies/design/facilities that facilitate community-led activities (impromptu and organized); policies/design/facilities that activate the space; shade (preferably from trees).

Parks can be an anchor for equitable community development, when they become a site for community-led planning (e.g. for park revitalization and programming that meets community needs). When residents come together to make their park better, they form connections and gain experience that help them to continue to work together to improve their community. Park facilities can be a home base for community programming that benefits all, especially the most vulnerable (e.g. community arts program, housing tenant association resident activities, etc).

Parks can be the source of cultural connections and benefits for diverse residents.

- **Physical activity - support passive and active physical activity for all ages:** Parks make it easier for residents to incorporate physical activity in their daily lives.

- **Play/recreation – support passive and active recreation for all ages:** Free play is essential for child development, and there are special benefits of free play in natural settings. Recreation is also very important to adults' quality of life.

- **Access to nature and protection of nature:** Parks are part of our natural heritage, watersheds and ecosystems, and thus of the environmental health of our community. For many residents, parks are also their main access point to nature. Seeing and being in nature have many documented benefits for physical and mental health.

Natural parks and Ecological Reserves are parks that have a special role in protecting nature. However, nature should be present in every park: trees, flowers, and natural areas for people to enjoy and benefit where they live.

- **Economic value and business attraction and retention:** Access to nature, trail and parks contributes to Greater Sudbury's unique quality of life, attractive to existing and new employees.

## **Residents' strongly support natural spaces and trails**

In the 2014 Parks, [Open Space and Leisure Master Plan](#) Review for Greater Sudbury, public survey results consistently showed that passive outdoor recreation activities like walking, hiking or biking on trails, and enjoying outdoor activities are top of the list for Sudbury residents. Hiking and walking are the top leisure activity (90%, see pg. 24). The most common requests for additional parks and leisure activities was for trails and bike paths (pg. 26). Public support for spending on facilities is highest for nature trails (86%, see pg. 28). All the top items are for unorganized leisure activities such as trails, playgrounds, and beaches.

The preference for natural/passive leisure and play opportunities is a growing trend for all ages. Passive recreation is also accessible to more residents. It is free, and adapted to the needs and capabilities of each individual or family.

The way Greater Sudbury plans, manages and invests in its parks should reflect this preference.

## **Integrate Green Space Advisory Panel Reports**

The Green Space Advisory Panel Report should be incorporated into the review, and very importantly, into the park management practices and decisions of the parks services.

Special attention should be given to:

-**Park classification, and park standards:** residents in urban areas should be able to walk to a neighbourhood park, a natural park, and a linear park within 10 minutes without crossing a major barrier; and to a community park within 20 minutes. Proximity is a very important part of accessibility (accessibility also means free or low-cost programming, active transportation links, AODA equipment, etc).

**-Gap analysis and opportunities to fill gaps:** so parks service standards are met for all residents.

**-Acquisition strategy:** to fill park needs, and to protect special natural areas.

## **Parks are part of our natural heritage, and play an important role in ecological health, watershed health and climate change mitigation and adaptation**

It is important to recognize that all parks are part of a network of greenspaces that has habitat value, contributes to ecological and watershed health, and provides natural benefits such as protecting air water quality, flood prevention, moderating temperature and wind, etc. Lakes, rivers and creeks are central to many of Greater Sudbury's parks, while parks are also very important to the health of Greater Sudbury's waterbodies and waterways.

Natural value should be a priority in the way parks are managed and improved. Measures should include:

**- Protect greenspace values in existing parks, and ensure greenspace values are part of decisions around proposed changes in parks and city-owned land:**

- Develop an appropriate management approach for each park classification (including protection/enhancement of natural features and nature trails within the park)
- Develop management plans for larger parks or parks with significant natural features (such as waterbody, waterway, wetland, forest, species at risk..).
- Include scientific and community expertise in developing management plans and approaches.

**-Use a natural value lens for parks and city owned land:**

- Develop and use a lens to protect and enhance natural features and passive recreation opportunities in all decisions concerning parks and city owned land.

**-Protect and enhance natural areas within parks in an integrated fashion,** meeting goals for: climate change mitigation (afforestation), climate change adaptation (protection and enhancement of wetlands, permeable surfaces, trees; stormwater management-keeping rain where it falls; flood prevention; shade/cooling; access to potable water), greening; watershed health and water quality; waste management (waste diversion available at all parks and public events in parks); access to nature.

**-Parks are part of a larger natural heritage system:** foster connections and contributions to this wider network

## **Climate change adaptation and mitigation**

Parks have an important role to play in climate change mitigation and adaptation. Growing the urban forest will be very important in sequestering carbon, but also in providing shade/cooling in extreme heat, and in absorbing rain water during storm events. Parks are among the most accessible and logistical areas for tree planting campaigns. Parks can also serve flood prevention roles, serve as cooling stations, and otherwise contribute to both climate change adaptation and mitigation.

This role should be integrated into decisions and management for Greater Sudbury's parks.

Natural asset management will become increasingly important with climate change. Parks should be recognized as natural assets, and potentially part of green infrastructure.

## **Parks have an important role in urban agriculture**

Urban agriculture contributes to food security, connection to healthy food, and social connections. Parks are often ideal locations for community gardens, food forests, and foraging, and these uses should be supported. Support should include not only access to suitable sites and water, but also access to information and resources to successfully set up and run a community garden.

## **Access**

- Parks should be accessible via public transportation and active transportation networks. Trails within parks should be integrated with active transportation networks (especially when trails through parks serve transportation needs). This includes year-round trail maintenance and access. Bike parking should be provided at all parks.
- AODA compliant options should be available at all neighbourhood and community parks.
- Activities, programs and events at parks should be free (or at least financially accessible) for all resident

## **Community engagement**

Parks are a very important part of residents' lives and neighbourhoods. As such, residents should be supported in contributing to their park, and have a voice in decisions for their park, with:

- **Support for residents and community groups** who are working on: park improvements; community gardens; community events in parks. The process should be simple, consistent and accessible, with a clear access point, good communication, and transparent and reasonable timelines.

Rules/policies/procedures that must be followed should be easily accessible in writing, and easy to follow (for volunteers).

- **Community-led decision-making process for park improvements**

- **Policy requirements for meaningful public notification and input when significant changes are proposed to parkland, or city owned land** (e.g. loss of natural area; change of use; addition of larger facilities). [Currently, this process is required when sale of parkland is considered, but not when the land stays in public ownership].

## **Private donations**

Large private donations can make important contributions to the parks system and park facilities. However, these donations seldom have a connection to the greatest park needs. Additions to the parks system from private donations can also add new maintenance costs or staff time needs, which are finite resources. To best benefit from generous philanthropic gifts, we recommend:

- ***Policies for large private donations:*** that ensure that a portion of the donation is directed to identified city-wide needs; and that ensure that provision for new maintenance costs is arranged from the donated funds.

- ***Clear policies to recognize donors towards park improvements:*** that give consistency to recognition, and that give clarity to community-led fundraising efforts seeking donors.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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# Review of Parks, Open Space, and Leisure Master Plan

## Submission by Minnow Lake Restoration Group

The Minnow Lake Area (Ward 11 along North Shore of Lake Ramsey) is well served with parks and recreational areas, bike routes and walking trails. Almost all neighbourhoods have a local playground, many of which have been updated or planned for renewal. There are large public areas around Minnow Lake itself with three waterfront park areas (Bancroft Drive, Bellevue Avenue and Minnow Lake Place). Two “wilderness” hiking trails exist (Blueberry Hill and The Oak Forest Outlook). There are other trails in the area including those in the Moonlight Beach area some which link to trails around the lake. There are baseball fields at the Carmichael Arena location, on Second Avenue and near Moonlight beach. Also volleyball courts at Moonlight Beach and Minnow Lake Place where there are also basketball nets. There are tennis courts behind the baseball field off Bancroft Drive. Public swimming locations include Moonlight Beach and as the end of Portage Avenue which also has a walking trail along the Ramsey Lake shoreline. A large skateboard park is in existence off Bancroft Drive next to the Carmichael Arena. A splash pad was recently constructed on Second Avenue. The first bike lanes in Sudbury were introduced to the Howey, Bellevue, Bancroft corridor. Minnow Lake Place and the Carmichael Community Centre have served many public purposes and are a valuable asset plus auditoriums at local schools and churches..

### **Concerns – Suggestions:**

With the ever increasing frequency of blue-green algae a serious consideration should be the establishment of a splash pad at Moonlight Beach (and possibly at one of the beaches in Bell Park).

Soccer fields could be considered for the Moonlight Beach area. .

Line painting for both bike lanes and ‘edge” lines should be scheduled every year before other line painting to encourage safe cycling

The recent August 13<sup>th</sup> Watershed Studies Information report to City Council recommended that “developers could be asked to mimic the natural system, or a water balance approach, meaning some portion of stormwater may have to remain on the site and not reach the lake while the remainder would be treated. This will require developers to consider low impact development strategies”. We would go further and recommend that “could” be “should” and that those green areas now in existence in the watershed be maintained and no development take place in order to protect Ramsey Lake, already at sodium levels approaching three times the provincial limit for those on salt restricted diets and chloride close to levels at harm of aquatic life.

With City Council declaring a “climate change emergency” it is appropriate to take action to reduce the level of carbon emissions and pollution by encouraging active transportation and creating and protecting our green spaces. Development should be limited to those areas where the least amount of environmental damage can take place and effective mitigation methods are employed. Any development should include green spaces at a greater percentage than is currently enforced. Single detached dwellings should be discouraged in favour of multiple accommodations (apartments, row housing etc., in areas already serviced by public utilities, thereby permitting more green space and recreational areas No further unserviced development permitted. .

When considering leisure activities we agree with survey results which identify what could be considered “passive” and individualistic such as walking, cycling, skating, swimming etc and less “organized” however these are important as well and the need to maintain outdoor playing fields and indoor facilities and close to population centres, especially arenas and community halls.. .

Public expenditures should be directed where they benefit the largest number. While the survey results show over 90 percent take part in personal recreational activities only a small percentage attend commercial sporting events or concerts. Subsidies should be apportioned based on percentages of public usage.

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Re: Review of Parks, Open Space & Leisure Master Plan

Dear Sirs:

The Vermilion River Stewardship is writing to offer our recommendations and priorities for the City of Greater Sudbury Parks, Open Space & Leisure Master Plan (the Plan) review.

First of all, it is crucial that we highlight the significant contribution that parks, open spaces, natural heritage, trails and a healthy environment provide to the quality of life and health of Sudbury citizens.

**Popular Pursuits:** Public survey results consistently indicate that passive outdoor recreation activities like walking, hiking or biking on trails and enjoying outdoor activities are top of the list for Sudbury residents. Hiking and walking are the top leisure activities, and the most common requests for additional activities are trails and bike paths. Public support for spending on facilities is highest for nature trails, and the most popular were unorganized leisure activities such as trails, playgrounds and beaches.

**Vermilion River as a Heritage Feature:** The Vermilion River and its connecting lakes should be promoted and recognized as a Heritage Feature because of its rich cultural, historical and social value. The Vermilion River (River) is not even mentioned in the Plan, which we submit is a major gap.

The River provides opportunities for boating, fishing, rough camping, canoeing, kayaking and hiking. Stewardship and enjoyment of this vital natural asset should be encouraged while protecting it from misuse and overdevelopment. The River also provides habitat for numerous

endangered species such as the Bald Eagle, Blanding's Turtle, Whippoorwill, Sturgeon, Common Nighthawk, and numerous other species, and is a popular recreation destination to those seeking enjoyment, adventure and tranquility.

The Vermilion boasts a rich and active Finnish culture and history dating back to the early 1900's, with the River at its center; and an ancient history with artifacts found on its shores dating back to the Archaic period, indicating thousands of years of habitation by First Nation peoples.

VRS recommends the Vermilion River be recognized and promoted in the Plan so it can be enjoyed and appreciated by the public for its diverse beauty, its fishery and its multitude of recreational assets.

**Green Space Advisory Panel Reports (GSAP):** It is important that the GSAP Reports are reviewed, and their recommendations incorporated into leisure activity policy. For instance:

- Residents in urban areas are within a 10-minute walk to a neighbourhood park, natural park, or linear park without crossing a major barrier;
- Community parks are within a 20-minute walk without crossing a major barrier;
- The gap analysis and opportunities to fill those gaps; and
- An acquisition strategy so that action can be taken when opportunities present.

**Natural Heritage:** It is important to recognize the role that parks play in our natural heritage, and their importance to ecological health and climate change mitigation and adaptation:

- Protect greenspace values in existing parks and ensure greenspace values are part of any decisions around proposed changes in parks and city-owned land;
- Use a natural value lens for parks and city owned land to protect and enhance natural features and passive recreation opportunities;
- Protect and enhance natural areas within parks in an integrated fashion to meet goals for climate change mitigation and adaptation (protection and enhancement of wetlands), stormwater management (keeping rain where it falls), flood prevention, greening, watershed health and protecting water quality.

**Donations:** Lastly, there should be policies in place to ensure that a portion of any large private donation is directed towards identified city-wide parks, natural heritage and open space needs.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment!

Sincerely,



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