

People, parks, and play!

New Westminster Parks and Recreation Plan Update



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Land Acknowledgement

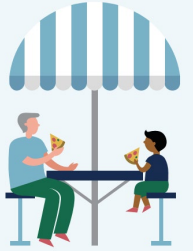
We recognize and respect that New Westminster is on the unceded and unsurrendered land of the Halkomelem speaking peoples. We acknowledge that colonialism has made invisible their histories and connections to the land. As a City, we are learning and building relationships with the people whose lands we are on.

Agenda

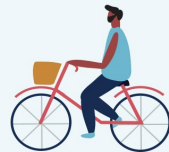
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Project Context



- This plan will guide City priorities and investments in parks and recreation facilities, services, and programs over the next 10 years, with a vision to 2050.
- The City's last parks and recreation plan is from 2008, and many of the recommendations have been achieved.
- As the City welcomes more residents and plans for new development, an updated parks and recreation plan is needed to help the City meet the community's current and future needs for parks and recreation facilities, programs, and services.



Project Content

- Parks, natural areas, trails, and paths
- Recreation facilities and sports complexes, including pools and arenas
- Recreation programs and drop-in activities
- Implementation plan will establish priorities and phasing for future planning, capital development, and service delivery



Guiding Principles

- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Anti+Racism (DEIAR)
- Truth towards Reconciliation
- Service Adequacy and Standards
- Community Belonging, Connections, and Wellbeing
- Local Economy
- Climate Resilience



Project Process

Phase 1

Jan - Jul 2024

- Background review
- Trends analysis
- Community engagement

Phase 2

Aug - Oct 2024

- Analysis
- Preliminary recommendations

Phase 3

Nov 2024 - Jul 2025

- Draft report
- Round 2 engagement
- Final report
- Recommendations and implementation plan



Phase 1

1. Online survey
2. Workshops— interest groups and public
3. Interviews
4. Pop-ups
5. Experiential activity
6. First Nations engagement



Purpose of this Workshop

Ask for your perspective on parks and recreation in New Westminster and what you would like to see in the future



Participation Guidelines

- Respect others
- Balance air time
- Challenge ideas, not people
- We speak for ourselves
- Speak if no one else is
- Raise virtual hand
- Type in the chat

