

Online Survey Summary Report

Centennial Park Master Plan Implementation: Baseball Hub and Skate Trail
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Introduction

The City updated the [Centennial Park Master Plan](#) in 2021 to guide decision-making around improvements, programming, and management of the park.

From January 10 to 24, 2024, community members responded to an online survey about the new Baseball Hub and skate trail, two of the projects included in the first phase of park improvements. The survey included questions about the pickleball and beach volleyball courts which will also be located on the site of the Baseball Hub.

How We Reached People

In general, the community was informed of the survey through print and digital media.

Print media

Community Mail Outs (Postcards)

Over 23,000 postcards advertising the online survey and the public meeting (also held in January 2024) were delivered by Canada Post to addresses within 5 kilometres of the park.

Digital Media

Project Webpage

The webpage (toronto.ca/CentennialPark) acts as a communications portal to inform the public about the Master Plan. The webpage hosts all up to date information regarding the project, including a sign-up button for e-updates.

Project Updates Email List

An email was sent to subscribers on the project updates email list to inform them about the online survey.

e-Flyer

A digital flyer was circulated to community groups and the local Councillor's office for additional distribution.

Social Media and Digital Ads

The online survey was promoted through paid advertisements and organic posts on Facebook, Instagram, and X throughout the duration of the survey.

What We Heard

Over **1,000** people responded to the online survey. The survey was broken up into sections, first asking respondents to give their feedback about design elements for the skate trail and chalet improvements. Respondents were then asked to give their feedback on the Baseball Hub, including the baseball/softball fields, pickleball courts and beach volleyball courts.

Skate Trail and Chalet Improvements

Overall, 87% like or feel neutral about the proposed design of the skating trail and the plaza: 72% of respondents like it and 15% neither like nor dislike it.

67% of respondents said that they will be skating at Centennial Park in the winter at least once a month. 72% of respondents said that they would drive and park in the parking lot closest to the skate trail.

- 72% felt the skating trail and plaza look safe
- 73% like the seating options
- 73% felt the pathways look like they allow easy movement from the parking lot to the chalet and skating trail
- 69% felt the areas to move on-ice and off-ice look safe and comfortable
- 65% felt the lighting is functional and interesting
- 65% felt the skating trail design will work well for all skating levels
- 62% like the proposed location of the native shade trees
- 59% felt there is enough preservation of existing natural areas
- 48% felt there are enough planting areas
- 41% felt there are enough seating options

In addition, between 15% to 28% of respondents neither agreed nor disagreed with these statements. Only the statement about whether there are enough seating options

scored under 70% when these neutral respondents were added, which indicates that respondents were generally satisfied with the skate trail design except for the seating.

When asked what features respondents wanted to see in the public plaza, the three most popular responses were:

- handrails for assistance onto the ice (43%)
- group seating (42%)
- shade structure (36%)

20% responded with “other” – the most popular responses of included comments about the following:

- more trees and plantings (13%)
- fire pits or warming area (11%)
- food and beverages (9%)
- improved skating trail (8%)

Comments about go karts (11%) and batting cages (13%) were also offered, despite not being relevant to the skate trail and chalet.

When asked about whether respondents had additional feedback about improvements to the proposed skating trail and plaza design, 29% of respondents chose to share additional feedback. The most common responses included comments about:

- trail length or width (13%)
- food and beverages (9%)
- seating along skate trail (9%)
- opposition to the project (8%)

See Appendix B for the full list of comments.

Baseball Hub

Overall, 82% like or feel neutral about the proposed Baseball Hub design: 56% of respondents said they like it and 26% neither like nor dislike it.

Thirty-five per cent of respondents said they would use the Baseball Hub at least once a month, while 55% of respondents said that they would never use the Baseball Hub or use it only once a year. A majority of Baseball Hub users said they would drive and park in the parking lot closest to the Baseball Hub.

When asked about outdoor seating type, a majority of respondents prefer a mix of both benches and tables with chairs. When asked about preference for sun protection, 46% prefer seating with a shade structure, while 43% prefer a mix of both shaded and sun-exposed seating.

Baseball/softball:

When asked about red clay infield material, most people had no preference.

When asked about flooring type for dugouts, most people had no preference.

When asked about roofing for the dugouts, those who had a preference preferred a solid roof.

When asked about proposed batting cage locations, 40% liked the locations, while 42% neither liked nor disliked them.

Pickleball:

There was no strong preference when respondents were asked about whether they preferred open or fenced walkways between pickleball courts.

Beach volleyball:

A majority of respondents said they preferred two separate net posts for each court or had no preference.

When asked about whether respondents had additional feedback about improvements to the proposed Baseball Hub, 30% of respondents gave additional feedback, the most common of which were about the batting cages (42%). Other common feedback included comments about go karts (6%), washrooms (6%), seating for spectators (5%) and the need for more shade (5%).

See Appendix B for the full list of comments.

Next Steps

A Stakeholder Advisory Group and an Indigenous Sharing Circle will be formed in the coming months.

To learn more about the project, visit toronto.ca/CentennialPark.

Appendix A: Quantitative Responses

Survey

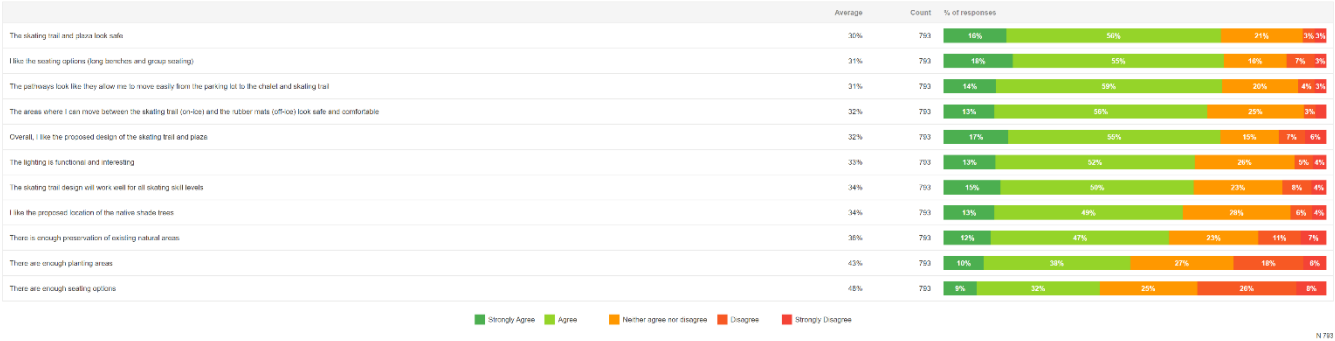
How often do you see yourself skating at Centennial Park in the winter?



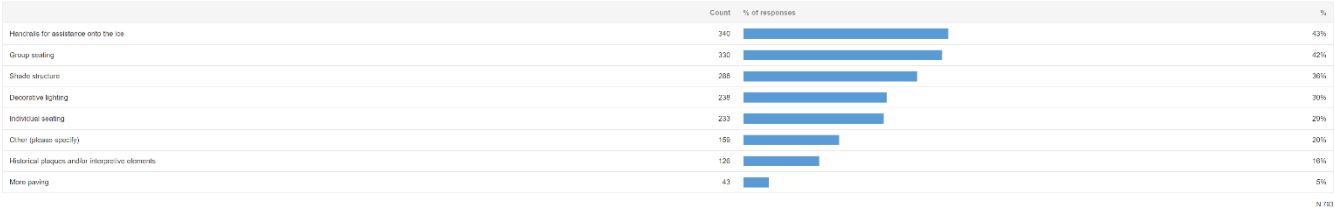
How would you get to the Skate Trail? (Select all that apply)



Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about the proposed design.



What features would you like to see in the public plaza? (Choose your top 3)



How often do you think you will use the Baseball Hub?



How would you get to the Baseball Hub? (Select all that apply)



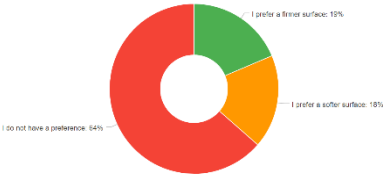
Examples of benches Examples of tables with chairs Seating will be placed throughout the Baseball Hub site. What type of outdoor seating do you prefer?



Examples of seating with shade structures Examples of seating without shade structures For the outdoor seating areas, what do you prefer for sun protection?



The proposed infield material will be red clay. What kind of red clay infield surface do you prefer?



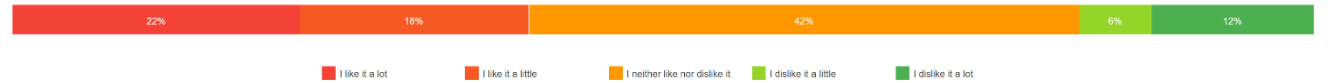
What type of flooring do you prefer in the dugouts?



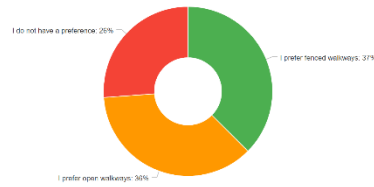
What type of roofing do you prefer for the dugouts?



The shared batting cages will be located in the east-west corridor between baseball diamonds (circled in the site plan above). What do you think of the proposed batting cage locations?



What do you prefer for the walkways between the pickleball courts?



N 838

Separate net posts

Shared net posts What do you prefer for volleyball court net posts?



N 632

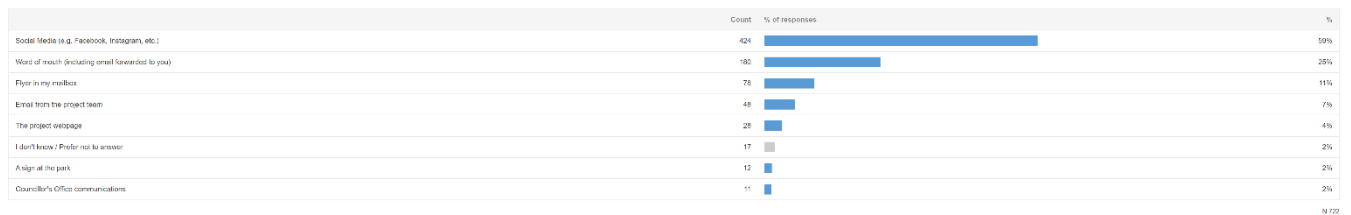
Overall, what do you think of the proposed Baseball Hub?



N 740

Demographic Information

How did you find out about this survey? Select all that apply.



N 722

What best describes you and your household's access to outdoor space?



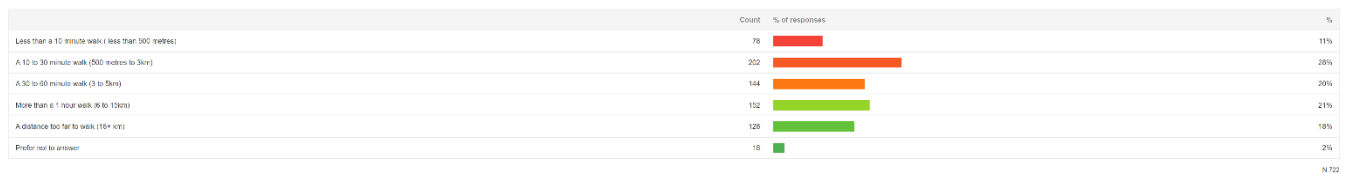
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What best describes your current housing situation?



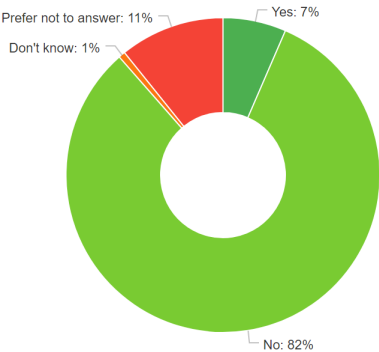
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How far do you live (or will you live) from Centennial Park?



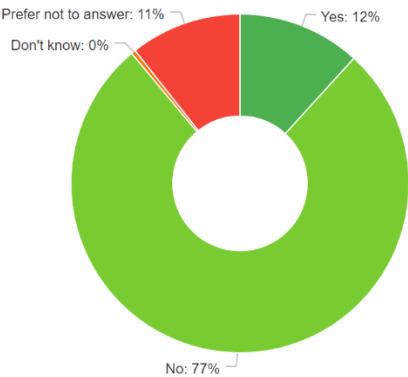
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Disability is understood as any physical, mental, developmental, cognitive, learning, communication, sight, hearing or functional limitation that, in interaction with a barrier, hinders a person’s full and equal participation in society. A disability can be permanent, temporary or episodic, and visible or invisible. Does the person filling out this survey identify as a person with a disability?



N 722

Excluding yourself, does anyone in your household identify as a person with a disability?

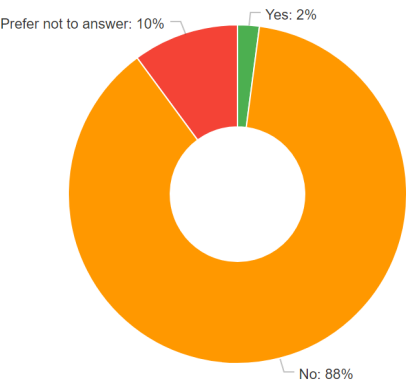


N 722

What language do you prefer speaking?

- English = 98%
- Prefer not to answer = 1%

Indigenous people from Canada identify as First Nations (status, non-status, treaty or non-treaty), Inuit, Métis, Aboriginal, Native or Indian.Does the person filling out this survey identify as Indigenous to Canada?



N 722

People often describe themselves by their race or racial background. For example, some people consider themselves "Black", "White" or "East Asian". Which race category best describes the person filling out this survey? Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
White (e.g. English, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Slovakian)	498		69%
Prefer not to answer	115		16%
East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean)	35		5%
More than one race category or mixed race	29		4%
Latin American (e.g. Brazilian, Colombian, Cuban, Mexican, Peruvian)	20		3%
South Asian or Indo-Caribbean (e.g. Indian, Indo-Guyanese, Indo-Trinidadian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan)	20		3%
Southeast Asian (e.g. Filipino, Malaysian, Singaporean, Thai, Vietnamese)	20		3%
Black (e.g. African, African-Canadian, Afro-Caribbean)	15		2%
Other, please describe	13		2%
Arab, Middle Eastern or West Asian (e.g. Afghan, Armenian, Iranian, Lebanese, Persian, Turkish)	8		1%
First Nations (status, non-status, treaty or non-treaty), Inuit or Métis	7		1%

N 722

Sexual orientation describes a person's emotional, physical, romantic, and/or sexual attraction to other people.What best describes the sexual orientation of the person filling out this survey?

	Count	% of responses	%
Heterosexual or straight	545		75%
Prefer not to answer	131		18%
Not listed, please describe	12		2%
Bisexual	11		2%
Lesbian	8		1%
Gay	7		1%
Queer	4		1%
Don't know	4		1%
Two-Spirit	2		0%

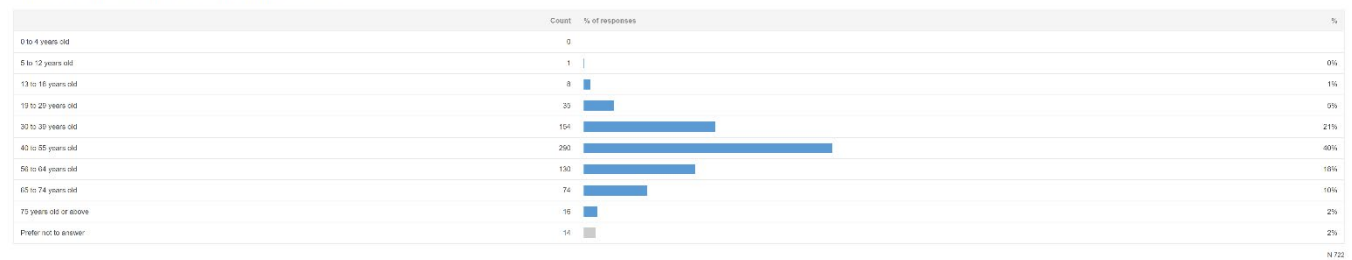
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Gender identity is the gender that people identify with or how they perceive themselves, which may be different from their birth-assigned sex.What best describes the gender of the person filling out this survey?

	Count	% of responses	%
Women	419		57%
Men	247		34%
Prefer not to answer	68		9%
Not listed, please describe	10		1%
Gender non-binary (including gender fluid, genderqueer, androgynous)	3		0%
Trans woman	2		0%
Two-Spirit	1		0%
Trans man	0		0%

N 722

What is the age of the person filling out this survey?



Excluding yourself, how many people of each age group participated in this survey?

- 0 to 4 years old = 184
- 5 to 12 years old = 222
- 13 to 18 years old = 141
- 19 to 29 years old = 104
- 30 to 39 years old = 166
- 40 to 55 years old = 262
- 56 to 64 years old = 125
- 65 to 74 years old = 67
- 75 years old or above = 43
- Prefer not to answer = 147

Appendix B: Text Responses

What features would you like to see in the public plaza? Other:

- seating with a back
- We could have had all of this without having to get rid of the batting cages out go karts
- Seating with backrests (particularly for the elderly and disabled). My older parents can't sit for long periods of time on seats without backrests, which means they won't be able to come skating with my family.
- None - this project should not be undertaken when the City has a \$1.8 billion shortfall- regardless of whether or not this is money that is planned for. The money should be better used elsewhere.
- Food options
- I strongly oppose this construction in this site as it destroys a beautiful natural area and many native plants that are rare in this are of Toronto.
- Thoughts on foot traffic. Eg skate rentals line up
- More trees
- More natural stone- please contact Oakville Stone.
- Accessible
- Native plants and trees
- food and drinks stands, fire pits for warming up, more interesting and longer skating trail layout, more trees around the trail (think Colonel Samuel)
- Why dont you bring back the thousands of species of animals and insects you killed when you cut down all thar forest and planted area along the creek on the south end of the park. You guys did more harm than you will have good.. all so people could skate etc. Stuff people were already content not doing in the park.
- More trees and greenery within the open area of the loop. Understand "pedestrian safety" but it will be beneficial to the ecosystem.
- More trees along skating path
- Not sure how this impacts the ski hill or will it not be used as such anymore.
- wind block
- Rental (skates, assistive devices) and food facility
- This location gets flooded and is far from transit. The speakers will get blown and never fixed. The lights will brake and get neglected just like the ski hill that had trees block the light for decades and no one did anything about it.
- Public plaza have a fun and engaging surface in the warmer weather. Indigenous symbols imbedded into the surface. Could be an opportunity for children to learn by using interpretive panels and surface symbols.

- More trees along the other side of the skate trail to give a more forested feel and protection from wind.
- Outdoor fireplace or other heat source for skaters to warm up by. Should be near group seating.
- Outdoor food/drink options, fire pit
- Disc Golf
- Outdoor woodstove
- Fire pit (like col Sam smith)
- Go Karting
- Rink for Outdoor shinny for hockey players
- Places for hit drinks or food. Mississauga has a place for food trucks or other vendors to park nearby.
- Gas fireplaces
- Boot/bag storage! You go skating and if it's busy there are bags, boots and shoes all around the seating area where you need to sit and tie up your skates. It can be as simple as stacked open boxes. Maybe a "warming" area of some sort for parents who don't skate but want to watch their children.
- Warmers
- If historical plaques or elements please restrict the topic to ice skating/hockey culture only. I.e., Wayne Gretsky, Haley Wikenheiser, Sidney Crosby, the Leafs
- Food and Hot Drinks
- Senior inclusion. I have elderly parents and they are no community locations for them ie indoor bocce or cardboard knitting something h to o keep them active
- Fire pit
- Sheltered staying place where you could watch the kids skate
- No hockey sticks please
- More vegetation
- Are there bathrooms nearby? I would like to see historical plaques as well.
- How Zamboni gets to and on the ice has to safe
- Being the go carts back. From taking away the ski hill there was more then enough to revamp the park experience with old and new. Perfect example the go cart track at Niagara Falls. God forbid the city thinks of generating a profet for future projects. Waste of time and Money.
- Why on earth would you take away something that the public actually uses and enjoys to make the way for a skate trail? One that will be overcrowded at that. Makes zero sense when you had a petition with upwards of 25,000 signatures.
- hot chocolate (cafe or vending machines)
- Nothing in particular comes to mind
- Seating along trail in case someone need to take a break or relace skates
- Warming lights

- Keep it as a public plaza and use the hill area for concerts and gatherings and not skating trail
- Divided area for skaters to safely get on/off ice
- Speakers (music)
- Skate aids for beginners
- The skating trail needs to be bigger to facilitate the large crowds
- More planting
- Batting cages and go carts
- The trail seems to be too narrow. Unless widened, this will not accommodate skaters of different levels as it will create 'traffic jams'
- cafe (hot chocolate)
- Looks fine overall
- if possible, the skate trail should be wide enough for speedy kids and hockey players to zip by slower, less advanced skaters. also, the trail should be longer. c. smith trail is nice but definitely not long enough and very crowded.
- Clear signage indicating beginners loop and experienced loop - benching arounds the skating rink for onlookers or rest stop
- Benches specifically for skating that include boot storage/lockers inside the bench.
- I prefer the design at Col Sam Smith park with the trees in the middle of the loop and the small loop in this design looks extremely small. I also assume there will be seating in the chalet for putting on skates???
- No music.
- Looks good as is
- Outdoor art and sculpture
- Hot chocolate stand. Skate rentals
- A police station to make people feel safe and keep homeless out
- A fire pit like other GTA outdoor skate trails have!
- More plants/trees
- Planters which can double as seating
- More trees
- Seating with a back support
- Have you included adapted needs in lighting, seating access to ice with alternative skating apparatus as well as access in summertime.
- More art from local artists would be great!
- Access to washrooms
- looks fine as is
- Simple covered area
- access to water to fill personal water bottles, heating elements to keep skaters and observers warm
- Volleyball courts

- The ski hill returned
- More trees planted in middle to provide shade areas in the summer, more trees around the edges
- Larger skating area away from beginners and kids. Same for summer rollerskating.
- Leave it alone
- Benches with backs... even the picture has someone hunched over.
- Washroom facilities
- More planting and less destruction of natural habitat. It could be a trail through mature trees.
- Larger skating area
- public washrooms
- None of the above!
- food vendors
- Fire pit like down at Humber College
- inside change room
- Tables
- More open ice space for younger/inexperienced skaters that use skating supports to learn
- Centennial doesn't need a skate park or a new plaza it's honestly fine as it is.
- Go carts and batting cages!
- Some lounge seating
- Volleyball nets
- Go kart track
- Space for vendors(food, drinks, etc.)
- Group Seating facing the trail(s) / rails to get on & started on the beginner trail
- Close parking
- None
- A bench or two along the skating route
- Cancel this project. We cannot afford this.
- NEED THE BATTING CAGES
- bring back the batting cages and go-kart
- Hot chocolate stand
- More planting and naturalized areas instead of wide open sod/grassy areas. In the winter more trees along areas 7, 8 and 13 will provide visual interest (birds, winter foliage, lighting). I'd like it to feel like skating in the woods. Magical and part of nature.
- Pavilion covering. When snowing, hard to put skates on outside.
- Coffee / hot chocolate place
- More pickleball courts
- No skating trail

- Go karts and batting cages nevermind those are gone great job all ready on park plans
- Retail shops/coffee/hot chocolate/bakery
- Fire pit
- functional multi-season, multi-sport design.
- Some fire pits and Muskoka chair seating.
- Other forms of recreation
- Leave it alone
- Skate helpers for kids to push
- Secure storage for street shoes, etc and designated bike racks
- Seating with backs
- Go Karts
- More vegetation ...trees.
- go carts and batting cages
- longer trail - introduce wooded trail
- Benches with back rests; a few tables
- Go karts
- More trees or other features when skating the trail. Trails out in the open are boring.
- batting cages
- Leave the park the way it is! Stop touching ■■■ that we care about. We are so fed up so disgusted with the city leave our go karts. Leave our batting cage
- Retail offerings: It would be nice to be able to buy coffee, hot chocolate, snacks, other drinks, etc.
- Fire pits
- I find it hard to judge based on the few pictures you provided
- Larger small loop. Also trail around base of hill was expected. What happened to that idea?
- a longer skate trail would be great
- Go Kart Track
- This is not worth 5e cost. There is an indoor arena already there.
- snow, rain and shade covered areas - NOT a pergola
- It is difficult to see without a scale, but I would want more skating options - perhaps an advanced area where you don't have to worry about beginners.
- New Pitching diamond and machines
- You should not have demolished what existed there.
- I believe this proposed change is an awful idea
- Bench handles to support seniors
- Go kart track.
- A go-cart Track and a set of batting cages

- Betting cages
- Batting cage and mini indy
- Multifunctional for summer months
- More actual public consultation. Less input from incompetent out of-touch city staff
- The go-karts back.
- Places for fires
- Batting cages
- Don't touch this park after you shut down High Park! Absolutely NO
- Be more daring with modern design . Those lamps are ugly and boring .
- More trees less pavement

Do you have any other feedback about the skating trail and plaza design? (Please do not repeat any feedback you have already shared in this survey.)

- Adding fairy lights to the trees or a space for rotating vendors to sell food/ hot chocolate would be a nice bonus
- What is the width of the trail? The trail needs to be wide enough for many people, and for people to pass one another without the fear of bumping into someone. This will help flow. There will be people coming to the skate trail but not skating themselves (i.e. supervising, unable to skate). If they sit in area 2, they won't be able to see the skaters. Is it possible to have seating along the trail and some benches with backs? What about some picnic tables? We would take Wheel-Trains or taxi to the trail.
- we barely have any snow or cold enough winters. integrate this with a basic skate park to ensure it gets some year round usage. when it's cold enough, the pond freezes and people skate on that. this skate trail is fairly useless, there's lots of other nearby skate rinks & the year round usage for 'summer festivals' is not suited to those purposes.
- Can there be a place for lockers for storage of items while skating like backpacks etc?
- The description of the skating rink is too vague, is this an ice skating rink during the winter and a rollerblade rink during the summer? This rink will only be effective in the winter for ice skating if it has a refrigerated surface to keep the ice from melting during the winter months. This is critical with the more mild Winters and the temperature is above freezing most of the time therefore a naturally Frozen skating rink would be useless most of the time most of the winter.
- Very disappointed that there's no skiing. There are many skating rinks in the GTA parks. Skiing was unique to our area. Please bring it back.
- Consideration for making the skating trail longer.

- Please utilize a botanist/naturalist knowledgeable in Ontario's Native plants before any work commences. There are many other parts of the park where this can be situated
- Can the mini loop be a kids only section for toddlers or beginners
- Please think about putting tennis courts and basketball courts!
- Handrails along the whole track for beginners
- This is not really related to this development plan but it would be great to be able to skiing in the Centennial park again
- It is costly to remove the seating in the summer. Seating should be permanent. Encourage a small business to setup a kiosk for hot drink options
- Please contact Oakville Stone for stone pavers in public plaza
- Place to access skate horse for disabled
- Sustainable materials and careful watch of chemicals or other materials used for maintenance of the ice and facility
- See above comment on adding more greenery.
- Seating for watching guests who don't skate
- There should be one or two seats around the loop for people to take a break, or if someone's skate comes loose so they can tie it up
- Make it wider
- I would rather see a skateboard park which would get used more than a skating rink.
- There should be railings around the perimeter of the rink to allow skaters to hold on to something if they need to
- In addition to long benches there should be picnic style benches and seating should face skating area. Skating trail should be longer at least 1km.
- Please make the skate trail significantly longer. At least 5x the size would be nice. Please add more seating with tables.
- Benches along the trail for spectators
- Removal of the old ski lifts and more trees surrounding the trail to cut wind and provide atmosphere.
- Concession stand to purchase hot drinks & low cost snacks
- Perhaps make the trail longer/ wider as I am sure that the trail will become very popular and hence crowded. I would add length and width at the beginning to account for increased future demand.
- Could the skating trail become even longer, maximizing its footprint within the #7 boundaries?
- I'm pretty sure that spot gets super exposed to strong wind (from experience when I used to work at the ski hill). Far from transit. It's sketchy to walk from transit to that spot at night especially if it's cold and if you've got a kid with you no chance. A much better spot would probably be near the Olympium which is right next to a bus stop but what do I know. I'm pretty sure anything I write here won't

change anything and the plan is already set in stone. I get the idea of having it at the chalet

- I don't see any washroom facilities close by. Keep seating for summertime use for those of us over 70!
- Even bigger loop
- The skate trail needs to be wide enough to ensure skaters can pass safely around each other.
- The longer the trail the better.
- Disc Golf Please
- I would like LED colour lighting that change to different colours
- I would like to see more washrooms.
- I would like for the City of Toronto to consider not paving all existing paths in the park. I understand there are accessibility requirements, however the soft trails are much more friendly for running on soft surfaces and make a big difference in feeling like you are engaging with the environment. There is one of the only parks in the city where paths are not paved, and this makes the experience totally different. Dirt paths are also easier to maintain than paved paths, which become poorly maintained.
- Coffee/hot chocolate cafe
- Make the loop longer by going around the existing trees.
- Bring back Go Karting
- Will the skating be open 24/7 during the winter months
- Indoor food, restaurant or concession with snacks and lights meals and drinks
- Skating trail should be simplified or clear on direction of skating traffic. Too many loops etc can lead to accidents
- There needs to be another access point for parking and cars. Currently, the one parking lot access point will cause a lot of traffic and movement in the one area. Having another access point will disperse it better.
- See above response (re: shoe/boot storage and warming area). Decorative lights would drive more people to night skating (Like Gage park) vs sterile bright park lights (or a combination of both for safety). A small off leash dog area may be good idea adjacent to the skating for people bringing pets as well as kids.
- Strip lighting around the trail to modernize it.
- The additional loop for beginners seems like a waste of space. Beginners will be prone to congregating in the large entry area, which may impede skaters within the main loop as they pass through the starting area. Finding ways to ensure the beginners stay away from main loop traffic is key. Potential suggestions: Only allow entry to the ice surface a fair distance away from the main loop traffic, or only include handrails near the furthest points from main loop traffic (thus attracting beginners)
- Trees in middle and surrounding areas for wildlife.

- More senior activities
- Do it quick
- A place for people to purchase hot chocolate etc. like a snack shop
- Plan for non-winter activities too. Rollerblading is an example - make sure signage prohibits pedestrians on the trail.
- Sightless related. You should have tennis courts to allow both picket ballers and tennis players
- The bigger the better
- Make sure there are good and drink options at the chalet
- Bigger skating area off to the right of loop for
- Seating and cubbies so people don't have to go inside to put skates on or store shoes.
- Interactive art pieces for interest year round
- Add a fireplace
- Rebuild and upgrade existing ski chalet with skating path around the hill. Put centennial on the map
- More trees in the middle of the trail
- Equipment for children to learn to skate. Warming station/ concession stands to spend more time at the trail
- Actually listen to public opinion next time before demolishing something.
- Food or hot drinks truck
- Skate rentals
- A longer skate trail
- More seating. Skate changing area. Single use lockers.
- Picnic tables for group seating
- Water filling station
- Pay per use lockers for shoes
- Please complement this with better walking trails - better signs and footing. I am not a skater but regularly visit the park and wholly in favour of the idea, just make it good for all.
- Move it to another location as this is not a good spot for it
- This is a bad spot for a skating trail. It is too far from the main roads. The only option is to drive there especially in winter
- Have a nice fireplace outside for people to gather around. If budget permits.
- Move native trees and seating area so trail is visible. Looks to be obscured by existing trees
- New plantings should provide a buffer between the increased human activity, light and noise of the trail/plaza and the vulnerable hickory woods behind the chalet.
- Safety/Emergency posts to alert of issues

- Having interesting and seasonal decorative led lighting around the skate trail will encourage more people to use the space. I think this is very important
- Benches with tables!
- Allow cars. Bring back cars to high park. You ruined sports at high park.
- The entire facility needs to be spacious to handle a high volume of people
- a fire pit or some gas/electric fireplace/heating source would be great addition to the plaza
- This is not a good spot for a skating trail..it should be in another spot in the park. This area/hill should be left alone for sledding and hiking.
- •Ensure walkway is wide enough for 2-way traffic and can accommodate wheelchairs• Have some seating around the paved path, perhaps plastic Adirondack chairs around walkway or between walkway and loop
- Please bring back skiing at Centennial park. My family and I used these facilities and loved them.. They are some of the only affordable, accessible options for skiing anywhere in the Toronto area, and it is heartbreaking that you decided to take them away. Centennial park is massive and there should have been no trouble fitting a new skating trail in along with the ski hills. The single ski facility that is now offered by the city is not adequate or very accessible for us. Please bring skiing back!
- It's not clear how wide the skating trail will be. Hopefully wider than the skating trail in south etobicoke.
- Have a paved area for food trucks. It's a fun family outing if we can eat or buy beverages too.
- Please keep the batting cages
- Needs batting cages and go carts
- Longer skating trail
- Ensure seating is separated into individual seats to discourage people sleeping on it at night or during the day.
- repurpose in summer for pony rides for kids
- Keep the go carts and batting cages
- Stop wasting so much taxpayer money.
- Off leash dog park is needed at centennial!
- Water fountain accessible (different levels - adults, kids, pets), gazebo
- I would like to see a few benches alongside the trail for rest or skate/wardrobe adjustment purposes.
- The skating trail would be nice if it was close to the lake side
- Its too short and easy a trail.... Not fun for teens or good skater. Also could use more trees
- in general, skate trails need to be a little bit wider. It's too difficult for faster skater to pass slow skaters.
- the rink should be longer

- Solar lights along edge of trail
- Seasonal cubbies for storing boots while skating.
- Please have at least one section that is straight and long so new skaters can learn how to skate
- Make it a park for summer use. You can't skate in July
- You can go skate in a lot of other places. You destroyed an actual destination by removing the go carts and batting cages. I won't be back
- Please consider adding more natural elements
- Larger skating space, increase native trees and plants, designated ice for shinny
- Make an area for learners, warming station. This will be nice but sad that this is replacing go carts
- water fountains, garbage & recycling bins
- longer trail
- Adapted needs considered.
- Picnic tables and fire pits along the trail or adjacent to the chalet would be welcome. If elevation allows, additional planting west of the chalet. Washroom facilities for the summer season if the chalet itself won't be open year-round.
- An area to play hockey.
- Add an off-leash dog park or trail
- rental (free or paid) services for skates and/or lessons. secure lockers, clean and accessible public bathrooms
- Make the trail longer
- Adequate width is essential and washroom availability
- More shade trees, some seating closer to trail for observation, plantings around trail
- outdoor pingpong tables
- Soft floor for the playground in case kids fall
- Seating along the perimeter of the trail
- Please plan for sound system to be at moderate volume so we can hear sounds of nature and other people chatting.
- Back rests on the benches
- Seating along the skateway so people can stop, adjust skates and enjoy seeing people skating by
- The skating area needs to be wider. The skating loop at the foot of Kipling street is too narrow and is difficult to skate when there is only a small number of people there. Can you widen the skating area by 40% so that usability increases?
- Increase length of trail as much as possible
- More trees/plants
- Additional shrub and perennial plantings
- Cubbies for skate bags, skate rentals

- Cubbies for boots would be helpful
- Place to buy hot chocolate
- Food & drinks. Warming area. Gas fireplace (see Thunder Bay Marina skating area)
- Larger or longer path would be nice.
- Leave things the way they are
- Another path from the parking lot to the skating trail
- Outdoor art
- Ensure the trail is wide enough for groups of people to pass each other and avoid congestion.
- The bigger loop could be turned into a 'figure 8' with a rest stop in the middle.
- Do both trails equal the length of 270m?. What is the capacity of the skate trail during winter months is this a natural surface (weather dependant or is the surface refrigerated so it can actually be used.
- having an area for food trucks or carts in the parking lot by the entrance
- more seating around the rink
- Please minimize cutting of mature trees and plant more cedar trees, etc to shield from wind along the trail.
- Snack shop
- Seating along the trail, in case someone needs to rest, medical, skate issue etc
- The skating trail is too far from ttc..it is not a good idea and an abuse of taxpayers
- More pavement on the surrounding trails, it gets pretty muddy in the winter and you can't walk
- Ensure lighting is bright as existing lighting in park is not sufficient
- Centennial doesn't need a skate park or a new plaza it's honestly fine as it is.
- Scrap this and bring back the go carts and batting cages. No one cares about this, waste of money!
- Make it wider to allow faster skaters to pass safely
- Allow for people to go inside building and change skates like Col Sam Smith Trail
- I was expecting it to be longer. More like an actual trail.
- Like the idea of summer use too - encourage more structure/trees for shade
- some perimeter seating for observers, grandparents, etc. or for people taking a short break around the trail
- I think the trail will be very busy, and as such, a larger loop would be better to allow people to spread out more.
- Easy access for close by parking
- Hold off on any renovations/ upgrades to Centennial Park due to the budget shortfall and pending 10.5-16% tax increase to homeowners - upgrading is not a necessity

- Please keep the batting cages! They are an etobicoke institution!!! We go 2x a week.
- Seating should not be limited to one side area of the rink. Seating should be present at all pathway access points to the rink for the purposes of flow and less congestion. Colours code or label the access areas as A B c. The lights selected lack personality- get some interesting pieces in there and it will be a better attraction. Consider planting some nice pine trees for ambiance and consider a vendor stand for hot chocolate sales. The square group seating - ugly! Will accumulate trash
- The location of this skating trail is a bad idea..it should be elsewhere in the park closer to transportation..it is not wise to put it up next to the ski hill..you're better off not doing anything.
- Small Area for introduction skating
- Make the trail longer, please
- Fire pits
- The City of Toronto should postpone this project. We the taxpayers cannot afford this luxury at this point in our finances. Projects like this need to be postponed or cancelled.
- bring back the batting cages and go-kart track
- Making skating aids(walker etc)accessible to public
- An area for food trucks or vendors for hot chocolate and other easy casual treats. Christmas lights during holiday season. Make it a winter wonderland.
- At peak times a lot of seating is required and the group seating does not look that functional
- Warming station
- is there opportunity to have a rink and a trail (like at greenwood?) to allow for hockey and casual skate
- Keep is simple, cheap and cheerful.
- Make the trailer longer than 270 m. The city needs at least half a KM. We don't need a mirror of Colonel Samuel Smith.
- Seating and rubber mats along the perimeter of the skating trail so skaters can get on and off easily.
- One of the appeals of Col. Sam is it feels like you are skating through a forest, with berms, grasses and trees. This looks like a lot of the trail will be at grade with the existing field/lawn. Would be nicer if it is separated by gardens, grasses, or even more benches.
- PLEASE design the skating trail to be used for skateboarding in the summer (infrastructure to secure seasonal ramps) ... and or wide enough for pickleball courts (like Dieppe Park) with infrastructure to put in posts/nets. There MUST be a summer season use to this paved area especially with both pickleball and skateboarding looking for space.

- Some fire pits and seating.
- If climate change is responsible for the closing of the ski hill how does the same climate conditions not effect a skating trail. Is this El nino year not a giant redflag?
- No Need to do anything. It is fine the way it is. This is going to cost us more than it is worth
- seating that supports your back
- More seating around the skating loop (4) and path (7)
- Plant more trees and vegetation in the area/along the trail
- Spread out the areas skaters can sit to put in and off their skates. Sam Smith park is very crowded for this reason. Learn from their mistakes.
- Night time security
- Would like to see seating close to the trail
- What will happen to this area in the summer? Teens needs a place to go in warmer weather.
- Pave the existing gravel trails connecting to other parts of the park, especially in areas where mud builds up.
- Firepits, water fountains, snack bar
- This was and is a complete waste of money
- Why do we need a skating trail when we have rinks that are under utilized throughout Etobicoke....West Mall rink and others. What is the annual operating cost of facility in the face of rising property taxes.
- outdoor skating is dying in Toronto due to climate change, investing in this activity is a waste of resources
- option to have trail go into woods
- Seating with backrests, chalet providing hot chocolate/coffee, snacks etc.
- For summer use, it would be helpful to have markings on the path to designate one side for walking and one side for skate boarding/roller blading to avoid accidents.
- Bring back go karts
- Make the trail pattern more complex with it winding through a forest to make it interesting
- Lockers
- Do not touch it. Leave the batting cages and go kart. We are so fed up. You guys don't want fun. You guys don't care bout Toronto.
- Offer Skate Sharpening/Rental 2. Have a Concession Stand/booth offering snacks, coffee, hot chocolate or clothing - like Toronto gloves, hats, etc. or vending machines 3. Speakers for music and/or performing area for live music 4. Decorative Lighting 5. Area for a Large Christmas Tree (like Rockefeller in NY or Distillery District) or Etobicoke sign (like city hall Toronto sign) or Aboriginal

statue/plaques or something for photo opportunities 6. fire pit or gas heat for warming area

- Multi season use consideration
- Trees along the trail to protect the ice and to block wind.
- Concession stand, roller skate rentals in summer
- I would like to see more pictures. I cant see the plaza
- Adding benches around the trail would be helpful for people to sit down and have a rest or adjust their skates. Also, good signage will be needed to identify the beginner loop versus the advanced loop. Third, having a place near the entrance to the rink where skate aids are provided would be beneficial for beginning skaters and help ensure they are returned to the right place.
- Perimeter benches, between both the skating trail and multi-use path, so that they can function for users of both and during the non-skating season.
- would be great to have some small concession area for hot chocolate, tea and coffee
- More seating
- Rebuild the go kart track and ditch the skating trail idea entirely.
- Leave it as is. Put the money elsewhere.
- a separate smaller skate loop for small children and adult beginner skaters- away from skaters who want to go fast
- Outdoor pavilions along the skating path for rest stops
- Make it longer! This looks pointlessly short.
- Adding rec amenities like curling and saving the batting cages. There are not enough things to do fir families. If their were more activities it would encourage use of park and more excercise
- yes it would be nice to have an outdoor hockey rink to go long side the skating trail
- Next time listen to the people - 25K voted against your plan. Your new design is just to put money in contractor pockets. Shame.s.
- How many months a year will that be used? Look at the winter we are having? It's mid January and it is still raining. You should have not changed what we had. you never listen to your constituents.
- Beverage stands
- yes, have a special time set aside for those not as good but who are not beginners, sort of like swimming pools have adult swim, family swim times. Even once a week for 2 hours would be good .
- The shade area with seating on map May not be usable if snow/melting snow or ice is caused from dropping off trees
- Accessible and ample parking
- This should incorporate a skatepark for summer use

- This easily could have been integrated into the existing amenities that we have enjoyed for our entire lives, more than 45 years!
- Keep the Centennial Park batting cages, go karts, and beach volleyball courts, it's a shame they are not included.
- Separate area for early learning skaters so that they don't interrupt the flow of more experienced skaters...a clearly defined area for new skaters and young children
- Reintroduce batting cages
- There are rinks at Centennial, The East Mall. And several more close by and I refuse to allow my neighbourhood go through the crap like it did down town And I do not approve of Rob Ford effing stadium
- I don't see year round washrooms
- More interesting architecture!
- Ensure the neighborhood will use the trail to skate and the police can keep an eye on saf

Do you have any other feedback about the Baseball Hub? (Please do not repeat any feedback you have already shared in this survey.)

- For benches, ones with backs are great, especially for the elderly.
- hard to tell scale, but there needs to be walkways from all four directions towards the center and at least one field has to have enough bleacher style seating for 'championship' style games where crowds can gather.
- Seems like an awful big area of the park to designate for baseball, are these going to be used enough to justify having four separate baseball fields? Also when there are cricket and baseball games going on, there's probably going to be more parking required, I doubt a parking lot is necessary but on street parking maybe necessary for days when all venues are active.
- Don't get rid of batting cages
- I would prefer more batting cages, and automated batting machines like the ones that were at Diamond Beach. I used those all the time, and they were the only public batting machines in the GTA that you could use without renting out a facility. I think you should make automated batting machines a priority in the new baseball hub design. Low-income kids and kids that don't belong to baseball teams can't afford to rent out a practice facility for a whole day, but they still deserve to practice.
- We fail to see how this is a justified expense. It is really going overboard - you are not building a site for the Blue Jays! Spend the money where it is needed.
- There are other sports, and many places to pplay baseball nearby. Focus on cricket and soccer. I'm glad there are plans for batting cages; the old ones were well used.

- Will the hub be accessible to all and not just to the local baseball organizations.
- I have concerns about destruction of trees and natural area
- Make there be a designated warm up area for pitchers with a rubber and backstop
- I would like to keep the existing batting cages and more softball diamonds
- Please think about putting tennis courts and basketball courts!
- The diamonds look to be too close together and therefore there is risk that a ball from one game comes into another diamond. There is plenty of room to spread these apart... why squish them together? Also, more concrete and covering is needed for rainy days
- Please incorporate solid shade not only for dugout but also over bleachers - are there going to be bleachers or seating for families and spectators during game? Everyone cant possibly sit in the seating areas propped. There is not enough. Especially if hosting tournaments. Everyone wants to be under shade Especially the players when not on field. Please have bathrms in close proximity for both players and spectators or youll have boys/men urinating in the outfield/bushes close by. We are a baseball family.
- Not accessible court. See other accessible court in east end of city.
- Is possible to have 2 cricket fields?
- The batting cages in between the surfaces look a bit small
- I am incredibly disappointed that the go karts were taken down. The go karts were a regular source of entertainment for my family. I have two girls with special needs who will never drive a real car so being able to take them here gave them that opportunity. We went often in the summer (along with thousands of others as it was always busy there). I do not understand that with all the space there is around why you had to take this down to put up four ball diamonds that service a lot less people.
- I feel that you might consider additional pickle ball courts as it is becoming not only a popular sport but it is very difficult to find any pickle ball court time in Etobicoke already.
- I don't want to play league basketball but I did really enjoy public batting cages for fun. Not having proper public batting cages sucks unless you're playing league ball which only a small amount of people do. Tear down one field and make it public cages like the old ones. Even though nothing I say will change anything. Whatever.
- Washroom facilities should be built alongside the baseball hub instead of being added later
- Parking lot doesnt look big enough for 4 fields and volleyball courts beside it
- Even more Pickleball courts would be welcome.
- One of the joys of adult softball leagues is hanging out afterwards. As a player at a number of fields, the areas that have green picnic space (like Bellwoods) are a

treat. Please ensure that there's picnic spaces nearby and not just structured seating.

- Will pickleball courts be available year round or just seasonally? If seasonally could a design include outdoor shinny?
- Look, I like the baseball hub idea and have nothing against any of the sports facilities. I just don't think there is a need for more parking. Parking at Centennial Park is never an issue. There is always plenty of parking and we need to encourage people to bike or use transit rather than drive to Centennial anyways. Do not remove existing plants, grass, trees to create parking.
- Dedicated batting cages that can be used by people who are not playing on a field.
- It's difficult to see the layout of the batting cages? What does it mean by 'shared'.
- There are already so many baseball diamonds in city. You got rid of electronic batting cages. The only ones in city. Why? Most baseball players want to practice their swing against a consistent pitch. Not their buddy throwing wild pitches. And now I have to find a second person to practice too? Have you talked to people who play baseball??!!
- Please don't charge to play pickleball or beach volleyball. We pay enough taxes
- Include a pitching mound off the field for warming up and practicing
- Seems like there isn't enough "fan" seating at each diamond and around the volleyball courts. May want to revisit that.
- Baseball hub should be relocated maybe further south in the park with new lot. I already see parking issues once games and tournaments get scheduled for all 3 sports and ppl will park on the grass etc. Baseball Fields should be moved.
- Add tennis courts!!!
- Please confirm these will be usable for softball/fastpitch (i.e. no pitching mounds or removable mounds).
- There should be more batting cages
- The automatic batting cages were a big plus for jrs
- 4 diamonds seem a bit much in consideration of current enrolment levels for minor baseball. I highly recommend the city also work towards establishing more Rec baseball programs if any more than 2 diamonds is proposed.
- 4 diamonds still leaves Etobicoke under serviced for the demand
- Is there enough parking when all 4 diamonds +all pickleball courts + all volleyball courts are in use?
- Better sports center for watching the sports from similar to ski chaley
- If it must be named please make sure it's not a Ford name.
- More beach volleyball courts. Thank you.
- Need washrooms
- I have several issues with this. As a softball player we would frequent the batting cages ALL the time. I went out of my way (from Markham) to Centennial just so I

could get some swings in. These proposed plan is stupid and seems like it would only be batting cages that are NOT open for public use. Again you people have one job and it's to listen to the public's opinion. We did not want the current cages demolished and now your propose something exclusive to baseball players. Do your jobs better.

- Opportunity to have multiple batting cages with different speeds for players to practice.
- Spread things out more! Add more pickleball courts elsewhere in park!!!
- Keep the actual batting cages at Centennial. It is the last one of its kind and would be super helpful for kids' development
- Again, make it functional and friendly for all.
- I'm concerned that addition of cricket fields (I haven't seen plan), there won't be enough parking; and there may be significant increase to traffic from Elmcrest/Rathburn direction. This may decrease neighbourhood safety. Urge you to ensure sufficient parking, otherwise neighbourhood will be overrun by visitors trying to park on side streets. No one is taking TTC with baseball equipment/gear.
- We should not be having baseball hubs as not everyone plays baseball
- This is a waste of money..not everyone is interested in baseball but they are interested in the nature that the park provides. Plant more trees instead
- The baseball fields are too close to the existing walking trail. They also overtake 2 swales that currently provide wildlife habitat and may cause ponding/flooding issues in adjacent areas. The cricket field is too large that area, too close to the walking trail, and would required cutting of many trees. Isn't the cricket pitch supposed to be in the hydro corridor?
- We need more courts than what is currently being proposed
- I am not certain, from the diagram, as to where spectators will be situated. They play a big role in the noise during games. And with respect to parking and such.
- More spacing / fencing to prevent loitering/ damage
- This option does not include proper outdoor batting cages of the size that was previously located here. We need a similar outdoor batting cage with an automatic batting machine. I hope you have some folks who play baseball to speak to about these fields as they really seem like they are designed as a way to save space and not to support players.
- Where are the bathrooms????? Water needs to be closer the the beach volleyball courts. Why can't the water bottle filling station be between the pickleball courts and the volleyball courts?
- The water and bathroom availability should be in between the volleyball courts and Pickleball courts. Playing beach volleyball is much more physically taxing than Pickleball or baseball (try running and jumping in the sand for an hour -it's exhausting) The players need water near by to drink as well as to wash off the

sand after playing. Outside showers are the norm near beach courts but access to a drink station nearby is a must plus a hose for rinsing the sand off

- Please allow cars. City ruined baseball at high park by blocking cars. My kids are too young to get dropped off on bloor. Save high park! Bring back cars and parking.
- Baseball hub is not what the community needs..please take into account all the different cultures that live in Toronto..baseball is very North American-centric. You would be better off providing more picnic shelters and trees instead
- We do not want a lot of slope on the pickleball courts, some have and just makes the courts play bad, need at least 6 feet behind the baseline and sufficient room on the sides, I travel all over the states for pickleball and have been to a lot of new facilities, some had made big mistakes, I also live a few blocks from the park, also the courts should play in the right direction, so sun is not a factor, wind screens would also help on taller fences around
- Ensure the space is safe & accessible for all, not just those playing the sports .
- I would like the old batting cages that were there before the park redesign to be put back. They were the only publicly accessible, walk up and practice cages in the city, and I don't see why they had to be taken away. I appreciate the extra diamonds, but the main reason my kids and I went to Centennial in the warmer months was to use those cages. The proposed cages do not appear to be publicly accessible, and do not appear to have pitching machines, which was the beauty of the old system. Put it back!
- I'm concerned there is not enough parking. If you have a few baseball games going-min 30 people along with 12 pickleball courts-min 48 people. You will need more parking. Also will there be any secure bike cages for locking our bikes?
- You have included Pickle ball, there are no tennis courts. You should have hard court tennis courts and paint pickle ball lines on top. Include plenty of lighting for tennis and pickle ball at night. Tennis courts should be designed where you can use them over the winter months. There is not enough winter tennis in the area.
- I am going to miss the batting cages a lot, please bring them back. I have no place to practice batting with my kids, and for myself now.
- Two diamonds are enough. Try harder with existing neighbourhood diamonds.
- Too far to walk to the farthest fields
- don't do it
- The fenced walkway will help to isolate courts to reduce interference among courts. I think two walkways south-north direction, and one east-west in the middle. This way two courts become one group.
- Wasted funds.
- Centennial needs an off leash dog park!
- Need washrooms

- Please ensure that the pickleball courts are separated with a fence in between each court if there is at least 8-10 feet in between each court
- Need casual batting cages for people not involved in games.
- There was no need to close now the race cart area. It was so nice to have in the area .
- Too big - I wouldn't use it and prefer green space
- I appreciate that the park will include pickleball courts and wonder if this will be enough since there are so few dedicated pickleball courts in the City.
- From what I can see, it appears that public transit is very far away from this facility.
- washrooms near all playing areas
- Yay Pickleball!!!
- Spectator seating with shade
- Turn the home plates to the outside as there will be too much loose going on in the middle for a coach to tell their player info etc
- More batting cages, there's always a line up at the current cages now. Ppl who are not playing baseball on the field go for fun. There are no other outdoor or indoor batting cages in Toronto. So many ppl join rec leagues and go to the cages for practice. Lots of kids go to the cages too.
- You spent millions to make a volleyball court at Marie Curtis park no one uses. Save the money and don't add 10% tax increase
- Need washrooms immediately and more diamonds for girls softball tournament
- Considering all the sports in one area, I believe there needs to be more seating. Especially for the pickleball courts area, as people wait for open court times/socialize.
- too much pickleball
- It would be nice to still have access to batting cages
- Having the batting cages between the diamonds will impede traffic and create congestion. I hope the current lease holders will be allowed to operate in 2024 if construction is delayed. The lost revenue and lost service will be a significant disappointment if construction doesn't start and the batting cages are closed for nothing.
- More pickleball courts and should include more seating.
- Is there a snack bar /washroom area where the 4 diamonds join?
- Washroom/change rooms. Water fountains.
- 1.would like to see a dog park in the area. 2.As pickleball population exploring across all ages, would like to see more pickleball courts.
- Pickleball surface should be a rubberize asphalt.
- way too many beach volleyball courts
- Can we change 2 baseball hubs into 1 big race track with soft ground so people of all ages can walk, run, rollerblade, ride bike or toy cars

- Not clear where the viewing areas are for baseball diamonds
- For pickleball courts I recommend having certain times dedicated to open play (paddles up system). You can divide it by skill level (typically it's done 3 courts for beginners, 3 for advanced and 6 for intermediate players. Open play allows inclusivity that all people can play and not have the courts hogged by private groups (who rarely respect time limits when it's done in that format) ,
- More pickleball courts
- Dedicated seating for spectators for pickleball and volleyball
- Seating around the courts for spectators
- Ensure pickleball court surface has water drainage considerations. Please avoid pooling by incorporating some form of grading
- Dedicated seating and spectator area for pickleball and volleyball courts
- Leave space for a clubhouse for pickleball courts. Extra shaded areas or designs that will block the stronger afternoon sun . Extra trees would be nice
- Not at this time.
- I like the dedicated pickleball courts.
- More volleyball courts. The leagues will book this courts and won't be enough for public volleyball. Also put a bathroom close to it with water fountain.
- I don't like the idea of having to walk down a pathway or laneway to get to the centre point where the baseball diamonds meet. This is where most people want to watch the game from, and get into the excitement, yet it appears unreachable and will be overly crowded. While it may look nice from an aerial design perspective, it makes no sense from an operational perspective. Put yourself in the position of a player or parent cheering on your team - it is unworkable
- Shaded areas for places to take a break from the Sun and outdoor lighting for nighttime play
- This is way to much. The use of such a large facility will make the serenity of the public park a permitted infested sporting arena
- Make sure there are trees to provide shade as well
- Have the same layout for batting cages as there were before
- How accessible are the batting cages if not using one of the fields? Can you just participate in the batting cages without being there to play a game? Is there enough cages or is it just two of them?
- Where is the race track and will you still have golf range as my children 12-14 use it
- Glad that you have included the volleyball courts!
- would be great to have shaded area at the bleachers of Diamond as well. Will there be pitching machines available to use in the batting cages?
- 2 batting cages only. You can go across the street to the driving range and practice and then golf. Where do we practice or hitting with just 2 cages. The previous ones were well used by many individuals. Whether recreational or on a

team there is no place to just practice hitting . The lineups will be ridiculously long and be a deterrent to take advantage of the 2 cages. Also with all this city parkland space you can utilize, space out the activitie area, why so crowded.

- We don't need more baseball diamonds. It would have been preferred to keep the go karts and batting cages as is. I don't think the planning committee listened to the community.
- It is a shame that the existing batting cages were demolished for this - the city's last outdoor batting cages. Would love to see more re-installed as part of this development
- Where are the washrooms?
- bring back better batting cages, that is too small. it was always packed in the summer and its a shame its gone
- Are more baseball diamonds really needed? They take up so much space that can't be used for anything else.
- Please put grass in the infield for one diamond, baseball only
- Refreshment/snack shop. As baseball is summer activity, need shade
- Where are the bleachers for spectators? Washrooms? Trees for shade? Gets hot sitting in the sun for 2 hours
- Proposing baseball hubs is elitist and not culturally sensitive..no one cares about baseball..you're better off with cricket field
- Tennis courts
- Yes, put in go carts instead.
- There should not be a new cricket pitch. There are already cricket pitches on the north east side of the hill. The new cricket pitch here will mean moving the model plane circle TOO CLOSE to the walking path. That is very dangerous.
- Have shade nearby to cool off on hot days
- We need more batting cages with machines that range from beginner to advance. They will get a lot of use from both baseball and crickets players
- I am very disappointed that you removed jobs from staff that were previously employed by the batting cages and volleyball courts. This is no longer a community space for families. My daughter is now out of a job.
- Needs to be sufficient parking for full use of facilities during tournaments, etc.
- No upgrades due to budget shortfalls- not necessary
- The batting cages should not be removed. They are essential for developing softball and baseball players who don't own their own pitching machines. I know the facility is old but it works just fine!
- would prefer more questions regarding pickleball - number of courts, individually fenced or not - possibility of 16 courts instead of 12 - access to each of the courts - time limits etc.
- The question on baseball and volleyball hubs has a flaw..it does not allow you to make a selection..a graphic pops up instead

- Getting rid of the public batting cages is the biggest farce. I only went to this park for the cages. I play baseball so i know these cages will have to be rented through a ball club and not open to the public. Please bring back the batting cages we all loved and wanted.
- We really need pitching machines for practicing. Its one of the only places in etobicoke that had them
- The softball facilities currently in Etobicoke are laughable and not usable when it rains. I would hope these diamonds are shared equally between both Etobicoke Girls Softball and Etobicoke Baseball teams. Also, has there been any thought given to foul balls and ensuring there is sufficient space for teams to use tents? Often teams will bring approximately 3-5 tents so this should also be taken into consideration re: space and visibility. I would imagine scoreboards will also be included on each diamond.
- I'm not clear on what you mean by 'fenced walkways between pickleball courts'. Putting a fence between all the pickleball courts reduces the playing area. Many courts have 2-3 courts side by side - not fenced in between to maximize playing area. Or will there be actual walking corridors to get to the different courts? I think this question needs a visual - otherwise you won't get a clear answer to what you are trying to understand.
- Cancel this project.
- They have to maintain the diamonds better than before. We had to move to Mississa because of poor naintenance
- This set up looks okay
- Gear rental service(helmets, bats, gloves)
- Most people in area don't play baseball
- Go karts are missing
- Please make sure there is lots of parking.
- Separate batting cages
- Batting cages like what was here before are much better and functional to community than the limited ones. Please add more as it is a destination for baseball players of all ages.
- It would be great if there were leagues that played at these diamonds that only play at these diamonds for adults who live in the area (vs. now most leagues rotate diamonds around the city week to week so having just one central hub to play at like this would be great!)
- Keep vermin and wildlife from using sand as their personal outhouses.
- Make sure the batting cages are affordable for all people.
- Should have left what was already there
- Baseball was all ready there
- I really think there needs to be a plan for a dog park.

- Please ensure there are a sufficient number of batting cages (min. 10) with varying pitch speeds (20, 40, & 60 mph)
- A big advantage of the current volleyball courts is the ability to rent them, with a net and ball provided. Will these courts have equipment provided?
- Make the batting cages available to all visitors, not just baseball players currently using the fields. (Like they are now.)
- Artificial turf is a must to extend the season. Build each field with the ability to put a winter dome over it. More batting cages for each team on each side. Where are the warmup bullpens? Pitching mound that can be moved/removed. Electrical in dugouts for fans, etc. Roof over seating for rain and shade. central washrooms. Central concession stand/medic building.
- It will be a waste of space like the BMX site that has been used only once for the PanAm games and still doesn't meet city safety standards. Again more wasted money on something that is not needed
- Do not take away valuable space used by soccer teams to build this. Please ensure both sports have ample space to use Centennial park
- Batting cage should be separate from the fields so that the public can enjoy, even if there's a game happening
- Great to get some seating and shade around volleyball courts. Also add trees towards the side facing the road / golf course so that there is some protection from wind.
- Replaced something useful with somethings completely useless and repetitive, Toronto has lost its mind and is wasting money on useless repetitive fixes
- What about tennis courts? A park of this magnitude should have several tennis courts, especially since there aren't many in the immediate area (within walking distance from entrance to Centennial Park). Tennis courts will get greater use than beach volleyball courts since the season runs longer for tennis (Mar/Apr-Nov).
- I think it is a shame that we lost the batting cages. This should have been incorporated into the plan. Also the go carts will be missed.
- Why is the ski hill being de-commissioned and not the BMX bike course. This is an ugly concrete structure that no one uses. It is a white elephant that detracts from the green space of the park.
- Parking seems insufficient for 4 baseball fields. I am thinking between vehicles for players, spectators you are short of parking, and bleachers for spectators to what the games?
- Please keep the batting cages with machines. These are very helpful for beginners and all those who want to try them
- pickle ball is a fad, if it isn't multi use it's a waste of resources

- **BRING BACK THE LARGE BATTING CAGE** - The loss of the public batting cage with a hitting dome is a massive loss for the GTA. It is/was the only one remaining locally
- You need to have mechanical batting cages somewhere in this area. They use such a small footprint. Use a solid roof structure to help against the elements but keep it open-air.
- Public batting cages are important. They need to be included in the design and 4 doesn't seem like enough considering there are 4 diamonds. Who will maintain these? I feel that only private users (baseball clubs) with their own equipment will get to enjoy batting cages and most of the baseball part
- Public access batting cages must stay
- If this park is to be useful for all residents (not just those who play on competitive baseball teams) you need to have mechanically operated batting cages that are open to the public. Not just areas that are meant for warm up or practice for the teams.
- Leave the batting cages
- Public batting cages
- There are MORE than enough baseball diamonds already existing within the park and throughout the city. Bring back the Go-Kart tracks!!! That was a staple within the community and was very popular. We do NOT need more baseball diamonds.
- There is no "batting cages" anymore. What you are giving us now is a batters warm up box. You are being misleading in your terminology. the go-kart track should have never been removed. It's a huge part of this part for family activity. There is no where near enough parking now that you have moved all these activities onto the go kart track and batting cages. Cricket alone is a hundred cars on weekends now by Soccer City. This is awful
- The public will not have access to the batting cages which is a shame. volleyball courts are a relief to see but what about a concession area like the one previously there- can you include something?
- As an still active baseball coach after 15 years, I welcome the addition of baseball fields to the area, although I fear it won't do our organization (Bloordale baseball) any good as permits will likely be hard to get. I strongly oppose the inclusion of batting cages unless they are the coin operated ones with pitching machines. I have been to countless number of fields around the province and in my experience the corridor kind of cage that requires a human pitcher are RARELY used as most kids learn very li
- Please install a 20' fence between each diamond to protect from foul balls.
- Is this in the space of the go cart track? The family run business that was TAKEN from the owner

- Bring back the batting cages. The batting cages brought in people of all ages and from vast areas. Completely upsetting. We want people to get out more and be active and you close down that amenity.
- Too many baseball diamonds. Remove one and put in baseball cages with pitching machines
- Need batting cages with MACHINES (similar to what was there previously)
- I am a Baseball Coach and Player, but frankly I am still FURIOUS that the City went ahead and demolished the Batting Cages and GoCart Track before this survey was released, and after 25K voted against the demolition. Furious. Furious.
- Should never have removed the mini-Indy - that's an amenity I've used for years and loved
- Please include machine-pitch batting cages available for the public.
- i would liek if they would add tennis courts togo alogn side the pickleball courts bcuase the tneeis courts at holcrest it is abnndon not used the gate is slanting down garss weeds grow threw the courts lines are fading away fence falling part and aspalht is craking lights are not turn on anymore becuase oof a fight years ago form people doing tennis lessons nets are not put up any more buecase nobody ask for it and last year i saw lot demand for tennis becuase other tennis courts near by always busy
- Next time listen to the people - 25K voted against your plan. Your new design is just to put money in contractor pockets. Shame.s.
- again, you should have consulted with your constituents before demolishing the existing structures
- Batting cage and more Volleyball courts
- I voted to keep the old batting cages
- The current batting cages are the best in the gta. If these new ones don't use pitching machines, and don't have slo pitch as well as fast pitch, then they are useless.
- should be a hut where the teams can prepare hot dogs etc/ cold drinks during tournaments
- I like that these activities are all grouped in one area with its own parking area. These added features I feel will cause the park to be busier (louder, more crowded) than it is now
- A separate area for batting cages (not part of the baseball hub) where players can go on any given day to practice hitting. You've decided to take that away from the public and athletes. You didn't even consider that residents and constituents want this a part of the new facilities.
- Want the public pitching machines, my son used them regularly. He doesn't want just cages. Very unhappy with this change.
- Why were the batting cages demolished without public input

- Very disappointing that this is being developed with so many abandoned and underused Baseball diamonds in the city
- Again, this could have been intergraded into the existing park and amenities. You got rid of something many people love and use and have left the ugly concrete BMX centre that nobody uses, what a waste of money, typical greedy corrupt government.
- Need batting cages with pitching machines.
- bring back old batting cages
- It's ludicrous to add more diamonds when the ones that exist in the park are hardly used. To demolish go karts and batting cages and beach volleyball, things that families can do as a "one off" makes me boil. Not everyone wants to do league or group sport. I find ignoring of the petition to not demolished these cherished west end staples in favour of more diamonds to be disgusting quite frankly
- Need to have a large community batting cage like Diamond Beach.
- This facility requires true batting cages -- with pitching machines as there used to be in the original facility, and with rental gear for families who don't have their own helmets and bats. These were well-loved by the community and provided the only accessible practice facilities for thousands of families. Please bring them back so we can spend time with our families, exercising outside and creating memories!
- The diamonds are a great idea. The baseball cages are not a good idea. You are removing the diamond beach cages which are heavily used by the public. You should have a batting cage hub separate from the diamonds. Baseball and softball cages. This design will have the teams using these all of the time and not give the public a chance to use them. There should be a diamond beach hitting cage setup somewhere on the grounds. There are currently now zero outdoor public batting cages in Toronto for public use.
- Disappointed to see the loss of the Go Kart Tracks and Batting Cages - not surprised based on the lack of consideration the city seems to have for impacting those who use the services as the continually plough ahead with lousy decisions (i.e. Take a look at the bike lane that ends at Dundas and Old Oak with a bike signal light for 5m of bike lane - what a waste and illustration of incompetence in the city)
- Will the batting cages be open to the public? How many batting cages will there be? Are the old batting cages which were wonderful going to be replaced??
- badly conceived project from the start
- Should put a batting cage in there, and go larts back, things an entire family can do!
- Batting cages should be automatic feed with a variety of speeds and open to the public

- Batting cages could be more of their own feature and not be connected to the diamonds themselves. If someone wants to go just for the batting cages they're not as accessible as they could be.
- Yeah, you should have left it the way it was and improved it. It has no space for anyone to watch games and what your proposing isn't a real batting cage
- The name should be changed to "Recreation Hub" to reflect the multiple sports and not just Baseball. There was very little discussion regarding the Pickleball Courts which leaves many questions unanswered. e.g. nature of court surface? Will there be wind-screening on the fencing? Are the seating/shading areas easily accessible and close enough to all pickleball courts for rests between games? Are there any areas between courts themselves for shade/rest ? Are water fountains close enough to courts ?
- Put in a professional type diamond for leagues to use