

Engagement summary

Master plan for a park in Dallan subdivision

Summary of feedback

Between February 12 and 28, 2020, we launched a survey to present two master plan designs for the community to consider for a new park in Dallan subdivision. The vine concept was preferred by 58 of community members. Over 100 responses were received through haveyoursay.guelph.ca.

Basketball was the single most-mentioned amenity. A small number of participants do not like the proposed basketball court, however, there is overwhelming support for the feature as an amenity for older kids.

Many of the items participants requested have spatial, financial or operational limitations that prevent them from being included (soccer, baseball, water features, barbeque pit). A splash pad was mentioned often, however, Dallan Park is not a good candidate due to the lack of parking onsite and in the surrounding neighbourhood.

Another theme in the comments was to provide more trees, seating and play equipment shade.

Revised vine design

We have revised the park design using community feedback, with the original concept as a base. The revised designs will:

- Expand the width of the return loop to three metres for further functionality.
- Incorporate a pollinator garden as well as the rain garden.
- Re-arrange the play equipment and roof pavilion to provide two to three distinct play spaces (junior, senior and swings), and locate the roof pavilion immediately next to the junior play space.
- Use engineered wood fiber mulch for easy accessibility and maintenance.
- Plant more trees.
- Add additional seating areas for adults and seniors and games and picnic tables.
- Provide opportunities for fitness equipment.

The following design criteria will be used to direct this process:

- Separate junior and senior playground equipment.
- Multiple accessible elements.
- Allow for swings, including a multi-user swing, baby and accessible swings.
- Design with a natural theme.
- Consider the following features to be Included:
 - Zipline
 - Climbers
 - Tube slide
 - See saw
 - Climbing wall

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- Natural play elements

Playground equipment will be subject to a separate procurement process that will determine the final look.

Next Steps

Information report to Council, summer 2020

Detailed design, summer and fall 2020

Tendering process, winter 2021

Award of contract, winter 2021

Park construction, summer 2021

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