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Lincoln

Jordan Lions Park Renewal Project

Virtual Open House #2
February 10, 2022

Tonight's Virtual Open House

- Welcome
- Land Acknowledgement
- Presentation format
- Introductions
- Ways to engage



Overview

- Site Overview & Analysis
 - Site usage & existing amenities
- Engagement Objectives
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Site Overview

Existing Amenities:

- Softball diamonds (lit x 2)
- Softball diamonds (unlit x2)
- Soccer field (full, unlit)
- Playground & swing set
- Splash pad
- Outdoor pool & bath house
- Treed open space
- Picnic shelter/pavilion
- Unpaved parking lot



Size: 6.02ha or 14.87 acres (parkland only) – entire site 17.64 acres (includes pool & arena)

Location: 2793 Fourth Avenue, Jordan Station



Jordan Lions Park Usage

- Offers a range of active and passive outdoor recreation uses
- Groups that use the park currently:
 - Minor sport clubs – soccer, baseball, softball
 - Adult sport groups – baseball, softball and tournament play
 - Service clubs – Jordan Lions Club (fundraising initiatives such as Wing Nights)
 - Outdoor playspace for summer camp programs
 - Local elementary schools

Did You Know....

- Youth baseball registration in Lincoln increased by 20% between 2014-2019.
- On average, both Lincoln minor baseball organizations register a total of 600 youth annually.
- Lincoln Soccer Club registers over 900 players annually. It is estimated that future growth of soccer registrants could reach 1,190 by 2041.

Jordan Lions Pool - Historical Participation Data

Activity	Year				Average
	2018	2019	2020	2021	
Leisure Swim	1,934	1,426	2,251	2,913	2,131
Camp Swims	1,084	1,400	400	800	921
Lessons	351	234	142	338	266



What we know

- Site visits, condition audits, staff and stakeholder consultation have confirmed that Jordan Lions Park requires considerable investment to capital infrastructure to increase efficiencies and operating capacity.
- Stakeholders indicated rising concerns over aging infrastructure (pool, arena, softball amenities) including:
 - Need for repairs to the existing infrastructure including fencing and lighting upgrades and repair/replacement of support buildings
 - Identified issues with the functionality of the sports park as a whole.
 - Concerns related to on-site parking as well as support-amenities including the covered pavilion and storage facilities.



Fundamental Project Understandings:

- JLP has aging facilities beyond lifespan that need to be addressed
- Renewal of the park is a separate project from renewal of the arena and is being treated as such.
- Staff continue to investigate grant funding options to offset costs for the park. Completed engagement and a concept plan is a key component to being able to apply for most funding opportunities.

What we need to find out

- Validate recommendations made in the 2019 Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan.
- If there are shifting community needs & priorities coming out of the pandemic.
- How to maximize park usage and enhance park layout for ease of use.
- Identify missing park elements that would increase participation & accessibility including addition of age-friendly, green technology & active transportation features.
- Confirm desire for outdoor pool replacement (not addressed during Master Plan study).



Engagement Tactics

4 Data Collection Points

Speak Up Lincoln

- Context & Project Background
- Ask/Post a Question
- Community Survey & Feedback

Nov 2021-Feb 2022

Open to community

Virtual Open House

- Staff presentation
- Push community survey

February 2022

Stakeholder Focus Groups

- Staff presentation
- Group-specific needs identification
- Push community survey

Nov 2021-Feb 2022

Targeted, invite only

Council & Staff

- Staff presentation
- Candid conversations to receive feedback

November 2021



Stakeholder Focus Groups

- **Sports Groups** – Jordan Minor Softball, Lincoln Soccer Club, Beamsville Minor Baseball, adult user groups
- **Service Clubs** – Jordan Lions Club
- **Committees of Council** – AFAC, ATAC, JAAC
- **Underrepresented Populations** – persons with disabilities, Indigenous community, seniors, people living on low-incomes
- **Schools** – public, private, homeschools
- **Council & Staff** – Members of Council, front-line staff, programming staff & partners, interdepartmentally



Previous Engagement Findings

Diamonds:

Consultation with baseball and softball representatives revealed that groups are generally able to access diamonds for regular league play, but sometimes have issues rescheduling or accommodating tournament play. They are satisfied with the maintenance of the diamonds themselves but noted that some are in need of repair.

- Review of diamond schedules and league registrations indicate that the current number of diamonds is adequate for the present use (2019), but approaching full capacity
- They noted that diamonds and support facilities at Jordan Lions Park should be a focus for improvement moving forward.



Previous Engagement Findings

Soccer Field:

Stakeholders indicated that the current supply (locations, size, variety) of soccer fields is adequate but that more are required to accommodate anticipated growth in the player base. Organizers have been able to work within the current supply of fields to accommodate training and game play requirements, but believe that there is a shortage of fields (particularly for the 9 vs. 9 division).

- The single field at Jordan Lions Park is used less frequently (three nights per week and Saturday morning practice) but does provide the league with some flexibility for scheduling when other fields are occupied.
- There was some concern that soccer may be “pushed out” of the fields at Jordan Lions Park as a result of increased play on Diamond 4 (the soccer field overlaps with the diamond outfield).



PRC Master Plan Recommendations - JLP

#	Recommendation	Priority	Timing		
			2019-2022	2023-2026	2027 +
16.	Develop a Sports Park Renewal Strategy for Jordan Lions Park. A focus should be on upgrades to sport fields to increase availability and accommodate league play (e.g., fencing, bleachers, lighting and backstops; improvements to umpires' room and equipment shed; upgrades to Diamond 4) and revitalization of the outdoor pool.	High	•		
18.	Add 0.5 unlit equivalents to current diamond supply.	Medium	•		
19.	Install 3.0 additional diamonds (ULE) at a future park site (acquisition required) or through the proposed Sports Park Strategies to address long-term needs.	Medium		•	•
21.	Install 4.0 (ULE) additional soccer fields at a future park site (acquisition required) or through the proposed Sports Park Strategies.	High		•	•
23.	Continue to replace existing playground equipment according to lifecycle needs. Projects in the short-term include: Beamsville Lions Park, Meadowood Park, Jack Simpson Park, Jordan Lions Park and St. Volodymyr Park.	High	•	•	•
29.	Replace the Jordan Lions Outdoor Pool.	High	•		



Park Design Considerations

During the PRCMP consultation, staff and consultants heard general comments about park design that could be applied at most any park:

- Desire for more comfort and safety amenities. This includes shade structures, washrooms, lighting, smooth surfacing, etc.
- Establishing looped walking circuits in parks that support passive recreation. May also be supported by additional park amenities such as washrooms, shade, environmental education, benches, bike racks, etc.
- Installation of additional play equipment including natural play features and outdoor fitness equipment.
- Addition of more basketball hoops / multi-sport courts and pickleball courts.



Considerations: Sport Park Design

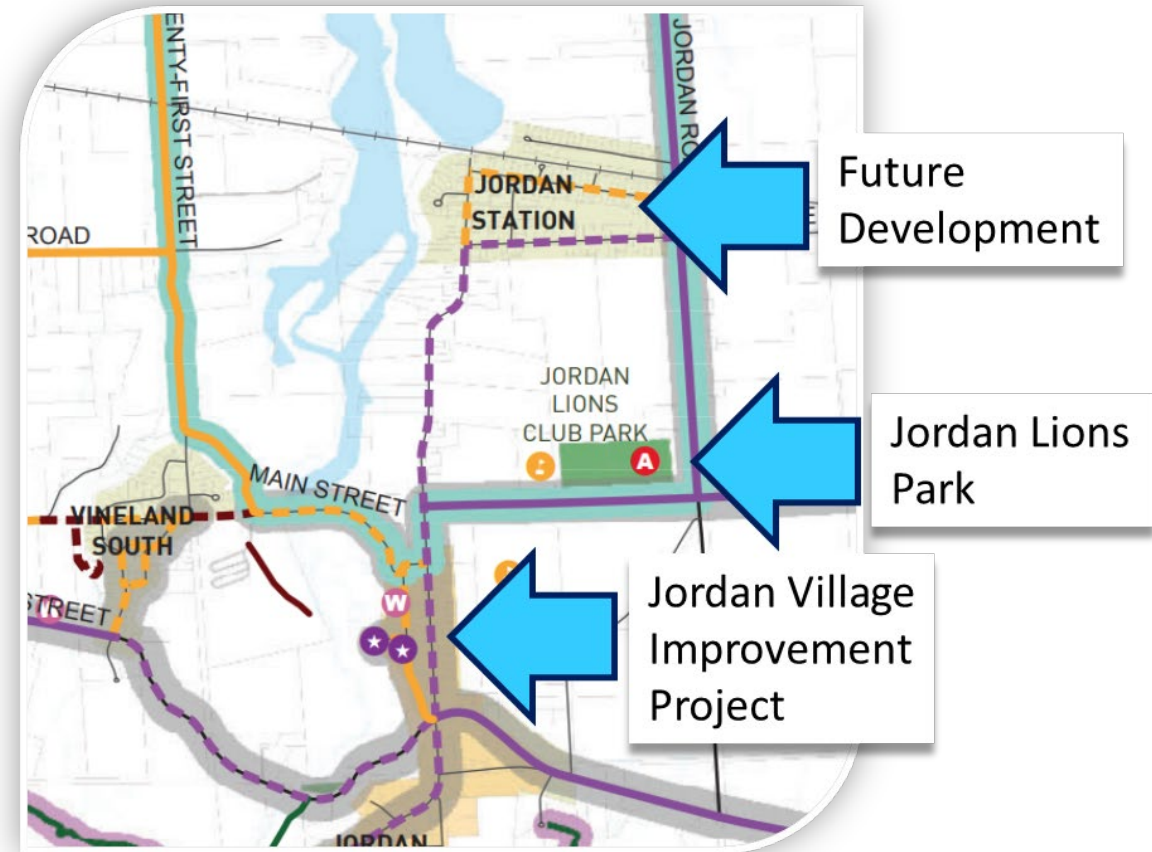
Below is a list of features staff will consider through out the planning process:

- **Site redesign should consider optimal field and diamond orientation and distribution**
 - Ideally, diamonds would be in a clover-leaf pattern with sun screening considered;
 - Soccer fields should be clustered together and able to accommodate play by all ages and skill divisions; and
 - To realize efficiencies in scheduling, staffing and maintenance, dedicated clusters of fields at a “sports park” is preferred over standalone
- **Facilities**
 - Ensure fields provide adequate seating and shade for spectators;
 - Installation of lights to fields where appropriate to accommodate evening play;
 - Connectivity within the park should be considered; users should be able to easily navigate the site to find fields and benefit from walkability within the park; and
 - Parking lot should be maintained to minimize dust (interferes with players’ visibility and breathing during play) and accommodate smooth flow of vehicular traffic to and from the site.



Connectivity to the Site

- The Jordan Village Improvement Project is a major undertaking by the Town of Lincoln to rebuild and improve the infrastructure in Jordan Village.
- The project is expected to encourage active transportation and to enhance the area for residents, businesses and visitors.



Active Transportation, Safety and Traffic Calming

Fourth Avenue

➔ Existing conditions:
Paved shoulders function as bike lanes.

➔ Future design:
Separate facility for pedestrians, traffic calming measures
and improved street lighting.



What People Think of the Park

“Nice enough park but no wheelchair access.” -James

“Splash pad was a bit of a let down...but the castle playground was fun! 🏰” -Shannon

“Great park, spacious and beautiful area! Includes a baseball diamond, a soccer field, a great playground and swing set beside the pool and splash pad!” -Daerik

“Great park with lots of activities for kids! Pool, playground, swings, soccer and baseball fields. Oh, and a splash pad too. Room to run around and have fun.” -Leanne

“Nice for small children” -Theresa

“Baseball is good. Bugs are bad!” -Gord

Google

Reviews ★★★★★

Jordan Lion's Park

2793 Fourth Ave, Jordan Station, ON

4.4 ★★★★★ 118 reviews



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Further Engagement



- Visit [Speak Up Lincoln](#) to see additional project information and keep up to date as the project progresses
- Encourage residents to become involved by posting a question and/or attending our second virtual open house tomorrow; Thursday, January 10th from 12pm-1pm.

Survey **Question and Answer**

Do you have questions about the Jordan Lions Park Master Plan & Renewal?

If you have any questions on this project, please let us know and we will provide a response promptly.

Ask a question...

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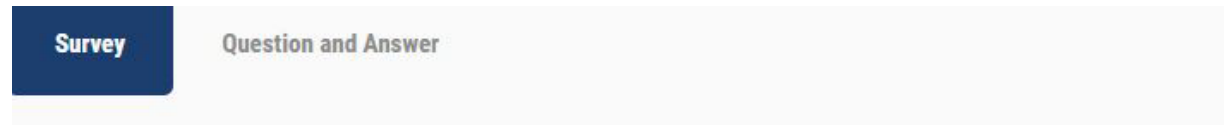
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Further Engagement



- Engage further – complete the community survey and share on our behalf with others.



SAY HOW YOU PLAY

256 responses

This survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. This is your chance to have your voice heard!

*Please note that the revitalization of the Jordan Lions Arena will be completed as a separate project.

TAKE SURVEY



Community Survey



- 6 mandatory questions as marked with an asterisks (*), 11 total
- Open until the end of February

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Survey starts

Finish

All fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required.

1. What area of Lincoln do you live in? *

Choose an option

2. Tell us about the age demographics in your household. *

	0	1	2	3	4	5	5+
How many children are under the age of 5?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How many children are between the ages of 5 - 12?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How many teens are between the ages of 13 - 18?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How many adults are between the ages of 18 - 39?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How many adults are between the ages of 40 - 59?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How many adults are over the age of 60?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



Community Survey



3. Have you visited Jordan Lions Park in 2020 or 2021 and what was the purpose?
Check all that apply. *

- I have not visited Jordan Lions Park in 2020 or 2021
- Softball diamonds
- Soccer field
- Playground and swing set
- Splash pad
- Outdoor pool and bath house
- To rest and relax in nature
- For a walk
- Picnic pavilion and outdoor washrooms
- Open space
- Other

4. If you have not visited Jordan Lions Park in 2020 or 2021, please tell us why.

Please add your comment here...

0/255

SAVE & CONTINUE



Community Survey



5. How satisfied are you with the current specific features/amenities/elements in Jordan Lions Park?



	Disatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Not applicable, I do not use this amenity
Softball diamonds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Soccer Field	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Playground	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Picnic pavilion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor washrooms	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Splash pad	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bath house	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Open space with trees	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

6. Please share specific comments regarding the current specific features/amenities/elements in Jordan Lions Park.

Please add your comment here...



Community Survey



7. Knowing this park will be designed to an AODA (Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act) standard, what are your top five design consideration for the new park? *

- Picnic area/pavilion
- Upgraded water amenities (pool and/or splashpad)
- Trails and pathways
- Public art
- Tree canopy
- Green technology which may include naturalized play areas, water refilling stations and active transportation amenities such as bike rack and repair stations

- Lighting Upgrades
- Off-leash dog facilities
- Upgraded play structures
- Comfort amenities including benches, picnic tables and shade structures
- Sport field amenities such as viewing platforms and bleachers
- Multi-use courts for organized sports such as tennis, basketball, pickle ball and ball hockey
- Outdoor washrooms
- Other (please specify)



Community Survey



8. Both water amenities (pool & splash pad) have aging infrastructure that needs to be replaced. It may or may not be possible to address both within the project budget, and the Town may be required to make a strategic investment in only one. As such, your feedback on where this investment is made, is vitally important to how we move forward.

Please carefully consider the options below and select which one you would most like to see in the renewal of this site. Below are images for **inspiration purposes only**.



Choose an option

Water amenities don't appeal to me

New pool with no visible improvements to current splash pad

Upgraded and larger destination splash pad to replace existing pool and splash pad

Please feel free to provide specific details and comments regarding your preference.

Please add your comment here...



Community Survey



9. Please tell us about your favorite park regardless of the location. What do you like about this park and what amenities do you value? You will have the opportunity to upload any photos of amenity examples following this question.

Please add your comment here...

10. Please upload any photos of your favourite park here.

CHOOSE FILE

11. Thank you for completing the survey. If you would like, please leave your name and email address for future engagement opportunities for the Jordan Lions Park Master Plan & Renewal.

Please add your comment here...

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BACK

SUBMIT



Discussion

- Why & how often do you use Jordan Lions Park?
- Are there any challenges that prevent you from using the park? What are they?
- Understanding that Lincoln is a growing community, what current features/amenities/ elements do you feel could be upgraded to address future needs?
- What new additions to the park would make you visit more frequently?
- Have you seen features at other parks you would like to see incorporated into this park re-design?



Post-Engagement: Next Steps

Reporting back to Council

- Results of community engagement
- Status update on arena grant ask & government relations/advocacy efforts
- Re-visit capital budget ask for approval to commence detailed design and site planning exercise in 2022.



Thank you for your attendance today!

Have an idea or comment about Lincoln's parks? Please share it with us at parks@lincoln.ca

