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APPENDIX A

Background References, and Demographics

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS AND REFERENCES

The major background references included:

- Official Community Plan 2009;
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2002;
- Trails Master Plan, 2011;
- Skwelwil'em Squamish Estuary Wildlife Area - Management Plan 2007;
- Squamish and School District #48 Theatre Operating Agreement;
- District of Squamish GIS Mapping and Data;
- Core Services Review information;
- Tangible Capital Assets Inventory, and
- Statistics Canada Data 2006 and 2011.

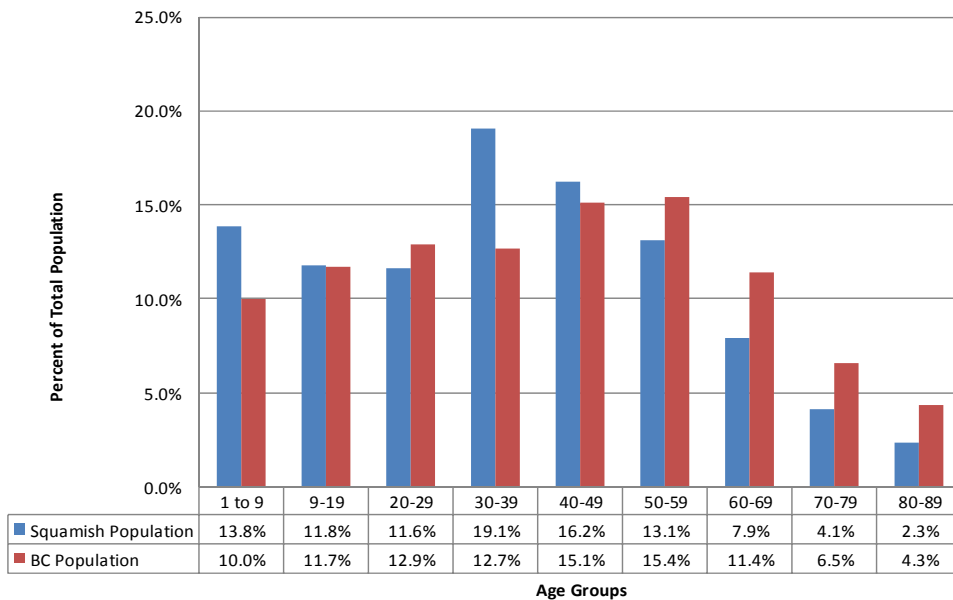
Additional research and guiding principles used to analyze recreation trends and to support the recommendations included:

- How are Canadians Really Doing? Highlights: Canadian Index of Wellbeing 1.0 (2011)
<http://ciw.ca/reports/en/Reports%20and%20FAQs/CIWHowAreCanadians-ReallyDoing-FINAL.pdf>
- National Recreation Summit: First Steps Toward a United Agenda – Summit Synopsis (2011)
http://lin.ca/Uploads/Summit%20Synopsis%20-%20Dec%202011_En.pdf
- Long-Term Athletic Development and Canadian Sport for Life
<http://www.canadiansportforlife.ca/>
- Canadian Recreation and Parks Association – National Benefits Hub
<http://benefitshub.ca/introduction/>

DEMOGRAPHICS

Between the years 2006 and 2011, the population of Squamish grew from 14,949 to 17,158 people (2011 Stats Canada Census). The population increase of approximately 3% annually was significantly higher than the national average of just over 1% for the same 5-year period (Statistics Canada Census 2006 and 2011). The rate of population growth is the highest in B.C. and has risen sharply compared to the previous 5 year period. The future population of Squamish in 2032 will be somewhere between 25,000 and 31,000 residents, based on a 2-3% annual growth rate. Estimates in the recent OCP put the 2032 population even higher, at approximately 35,000.

Squamish Population Demographics (2011 Stats Canada Census)



The median age of the population in 2011 was 36.8, compared with the average age of 41.9 years nationwide. The demographics graph below reflects the relative youth of the community. Over 25% of the population was under 20 years of age, while only 14% of the population was over 60 (2011 Census). Results from the public phone survey completed for this report further emphasized how Squamish stands out from most other B.C. municipalities. Nearly 50% of survey respondents had children, and 25% of residents having at least one child under the age of 5.

The Aboriginal population is approximately 4% of the community. Immigrant populations comprise 21% of the community. The largest visible minority population is South Asian (11.3%). Other visible minority populations are all less than 2% of the population, including Filipino, Chinese, Latin American, Korean, Southeast Asian, Black, Japanese, and West Asian.

APPENDIX B

Consultation Process Summary

CONSULTATION

A compilation of the public consultation methods and feedback are summarized in Appendices B-D, including the results of the public survey and questionnaires and summaries of the feedback received at open houses.

Presentations to Council

A presentation to Council was made at the start of the project to gather information on community priorities, the goals and objectives of the project, and measures of success from Council's point of view. Additional consultation with Council was done through District Staff reports and presentations throughout the project. Councilors attended the open house events.

Internal District Staff Consultation

Face-to-face interviews were conducted with District management and front-line staff. Opportunities were provided for written as well as verbal feedback. Staff were encouraged to advance their personal views on current operations as well as the needs of the community in the future.

Phone Survey

A public phone survey was conducted by the Mustel Group from March 5-11, 2012. The questions focused on the activities and programs that are the most important to residents and their families, satisfaction levels and gaps in parks and recreation services, and issues of cost and access. A total of 300 interviews were conducted with a random selection of adults that reflect the overall demographics of the District. The phone survey provides a statistically defensible sample of the community with a margin of error of +/- 5.8% at the 95% confidence level.

The complete survey report, detailed computer tabulations, and the questionnaire are provided in Appendix B1.

User Group Consultation

User group consultations included interviews and submittals of written comments. User groups were provided with a questionnaire to focus and to identify their short and long-term priorities for their organization. Representatives from 16 different groups were also interviewed in person. The feedback from user groups has been incorporated throughout the findings and recommendations in this report. Beyond the initial information gathering interviews, additional follow-up meetings were held with several groups following the presentation of the draft recommendations, including the Squamish seniors community where 80 residents attended.

Paper and Online Questionnaires

In addition to the phone survey, additional feedback was gathered from the community through two questionnaires that were made available in paper and online form in conjunction with Public Open House #1 and #3. Both questionnaires were posted online, for several weeks each, through the web service "Survey Monkey" (www.surveymonkey.com) and were also available at Municipal Hall and the Recreation Centre. In contrast to the phone survey, the respondents to these questionnaires were not random. Respondents were self-selected, and therefore this method of public consultation does not provide a representative sample of the community as a whole. However, it was a very useful way to get feedback from those residents who are regular users of the parks and recreation amenities, as well as those who are engaged in the planning process.

The first questionnaire mirrored the phone survey, but also included additional questions about arts, culture, and heritage and fewer questions on demographics. There were 81 questionnaires submitted on paper and 117 online participants (198 total responses).

The second questionnaire was designed to gather feedback on the Draft 1 recommendations and was made available in conjunction with Open House #3, where the recommendations were presented. A total of 34 were collected at the open house, 4 paper copies during the following comment period, and 90 residents completed the questionnaire online (total of 128 responses).

The results of the questionnaires have been incorporated into the recommendations of this report, and the complete results and questionnaire are provided in Appendix B2.

Public Open Houses

Three open houses were included in the public consultation process. The first took place on March 28th, 2012 with a focus on engaging the community and gathering information. The “world café” style approach was used, which included a short introduction to the evening’s agenda followed by a series of sessions where participants could join an informal, but facilitated, discussion on one of five topics: Outdoor Recreation + Trails; Outdoor Sports + Athletics; Arts, Culture + Tourism; Indoor Recreation; and Parks. Approximately 150 people attended the open house.

Open House #2 was held on June 11, 2012 with a focus on gathering feedback on emerging themes and issues. The Open House included a presentation on key findings from the work to date and the public consultation process (phone survey, questionnaire, and open house #1) followed by table discussions on four themes: Events + Economic Development; Sport, Health + Wellness; Parks, Trails + Environment; and Arts, Culture + Heritage. Approximately 50 people attended.

Summaries of the Feedback from Open Houses #1 and 2 are provided in Appendix B3.

Open House #3 was held on October 24th, 2012 to present the Draft #1 recommendations and to gather feedback from the public. A presentation was made, along with display boards arranged by themes. Discussions followed the presentation, and a paper questionnaire was also made available to provide written comments. Roughly 125 people attended Open House #3.

The paper and online questionnaire results from Open House #3 are provided in Appendix B2.

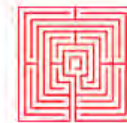
An additional meeting was held with Squamish seniors to discuss recommendations around the changes proposed for the Seniors Centre. Approximately 80 seniors were in attendance. The discussion points have been incorporated into Section 4.5 on the Seniors Centre.

APPENDIX B1

Public Phone Survey

March 2012

Squamish Parks and Recreation Community Survey - Draft



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➤ Introduction

The following report summarizes the findings from a District of Squamish community survey regarding current usage habits and opinions of recreational services and facilities.

Methodology

- A total 300 interviews were conducted by telephone with a random selection of adults, 18 years of age or over.
- The margin of error on the sample is +/-5.8% at the 95% confidence level.
- Specific steps were taken to insure the sample is representative of the community at large including:
 - sample drawn at random from an up-to-date database of published residential listings;
 - next birthday method employed to randomize respondent selection within the household;
 - up to 6 calls made to each household/individual to reduce potential bias due to non-response;
 - final sample weighted by gender within age to match Statistics Canada Census data.
- Interviewing was conducted by Mustel Group interviewers weekday evenings and during the day on weekends from March 5-11, 2012.
- The questionnaire used is appended; detailed computer tabulations are provided under separate cover.

➤ Executive Overview

Current Recreational Activities

- Off-road cycling and hiking, followed by swimming, walking for exercise, and skiing/snowboarding are the most popular recreational activities among Squamish residents. Other common activities include: road cycling, ice sports, cross country skiing and boating/fishing.
- Swimming is the most popular activity among children aged 5 to 11 years, followed by soccer, skiing/snowboarding, ice sports and cycling. Other popular activities include: cross-country skiing, hiking, dance and baseball.
- Soccer, off-road cycling, skiing/snowboarding and ice sports are the most popular activities of youth aged 12 to 17 years. Significant proportions also are involved in hiking, swimming, road cycling, baseball and gym sports.
- In terms of activities residents plan to start doing more often, top of the list are off-road and road cycling, swimming, cross-country skiing, climbing (particularly those 18-34 years of age), skiing/snowboarding and jogging.

- Work commitments, family commitments, health/mobility issues and cost are the key barriers to recreational activity. Time and cost are greater factors for those under 55 years (cost more so among those under 35 years) whereas health issues are the key barrier among older residents.

Use and Opinions of Recreational Facilities and Services

- Two-thirds of the population (65%) are a member or regular user of a community centre, club or organization that offers physical or recreational activities or programs, with Brennan Park Recreational Centre being quite well-used.
- Membership levels do not vary significantly by gender or age but those with children are more inclined than others to be members/regular users (75% versus 57% of those without children).
- The majority (71%) are at least 'somewhat' satisfied with the opportunities available in Squamish for indoor recreational activities.
- Satisfaction levels are even higher with opportunities for outdoor recreational activities (91% satisfied).

➤ Executive Overview (cont'd)

- The greatest needs for *indoor* recreational services are: a renovated Brennan Park Recreation Centre or a new multiplex or recreation centre, improved or expanded ice rink and pool facilities, and programs for children and youth.
- In terms of improvements to *outdoor* services or facilities, more/better sports fields, access to the waterfront (e.g., beaches) and facilities for water sports, more outdoor children/youth facilities (e.g., playgrounds, water parks, etc.), and more parks in general, are the most common suggestions.
- While satisfaction levels are high with bike and walking trails, given the prevalence of these activities, residents also suggest more or better maintained trails.
- User fees are the preferred method to pay for any new or improved recreational facilities among all age groups.

Opinions regarding Large Events and Recreational Capital Goals

- Residents are most supportive of music or outdoor concerts, particularly males and those under 55 years of age. Those with children are also interested in family or children friendly events.
- There is broad support for hosting large events that attract non-residents with 63% in fact 'strongly' in support (88% overall support).
- Furthermore, despite high satisfaction levels with outdoor recreation opportunities, residents believe the District should place additional focus on being the 'outdoor recreational capital of Canada' with 62% believing more efforts should be made in contrast to only 6% saying less attention should be given to this initiative.
- Residents appreciate the economic benefits from striving to be the recreational capital. New recreational facilities and healthy lifestyles are other perceived benefits.

➤ Executive Overview (cont'd)

Communications

- The local newspaper and word-of-mouth are the most common sources of information about activities and events in Squamish (word-of-mouth more so among youth and the newspaper less so). A number of other sources are also cited with 16% listing the District's website.
- The majority rate the effectiveness of district communication vehicles as at least 'somewhat' effective, with the results consistent by demographic segments.

Resident Profile

- Characteristics of the population include:
 - Almost half have children under 18 years of age;
 - 6% are single parents (10% of women);
 - 23% of those 18-34 years of age are living with their parents;

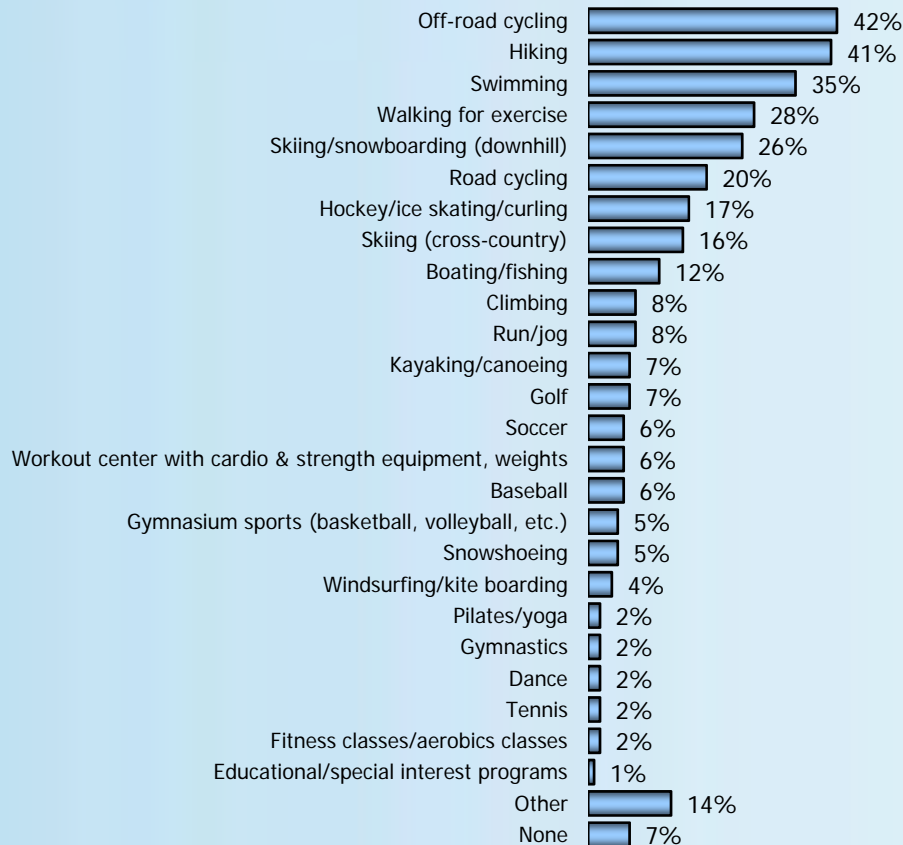
- Approximately three-in-four are employed;
- Residents have lived on average almost 20 years in the community but almost 40% of the population have lived in Squamish less than 10 years;
- 12% report to have a physical disability or health issue that limits their mobility (23% of those 55 years plus);
- Six-in-ten report to be very or somewhat involved in community activities and events with those 35 to 54 years of age and/or with children most involved.



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Detailed Findings

➤ Regular Recreational Activities



Base: Total (n=300)

Q.2a) What recreational activities do you participate in on a regular basis? Please think of both summer and winter months, and indoor and outdoor activities.

- Off-road cycling and hiking, followed by swimming, walking for exercise, and skiing/snowboarding are the most popular recreational activities among Squamish residents. Other common activities include: road cycling, ice sports, cross country skiing and boating/fishing.
- Swimming and walking for exercise are particularly popular among women.

➤ Recreational Activities by Age

	Age		
	18-34 (72) %	35-54 (128) %	55+ (99) %
Off-road cycling	41	47	32
Hiking	44	46	30
Swimming	39	42	19
Walking for exercise	26	24	40
Skiing/snowboarding (downhill)	31	32	11
Road cycling	23	19	20
Hockey/ice skating/curling	25	20	4
Skiing (cross-country)	12	20	12
Boating/fishing	8	13	14
Climbing	12	9	1
Run/jog	10	7	6
Kayaking/canoeing	8	7	4
Golf	3	7	10
Soccer	11	6	-
Workout center with cardio & strength equipment, weights	4	6	9
Baseball	8	7	1
Gymnasium sports (basketball, volleyball, etc.)	8	4	3
Snowshoeing	5	6	1
Windsurfing/kite boarding	6	4	-
Pilates	3	2	4
Gymnastics	2	3	1
Dance	4	1	1
Tennis	4	2	-
Fitness classes/aerobics classes	1	1	4
Educational/special interest programs	2	-	-
Other	19	10	14
None	3	5	16

Q.2a) What recreational activities do you participate in on a regular basis? Please think of both summer and winter months, and indoor and outdoor activities.

- Younger residents (under 55 years of age) are more active in all these activities whereas those 55 or over are most inclined to walk for exercise. However, considerable proportions of seniors also cycle (off-road and road), hike and swim on a regular basis.

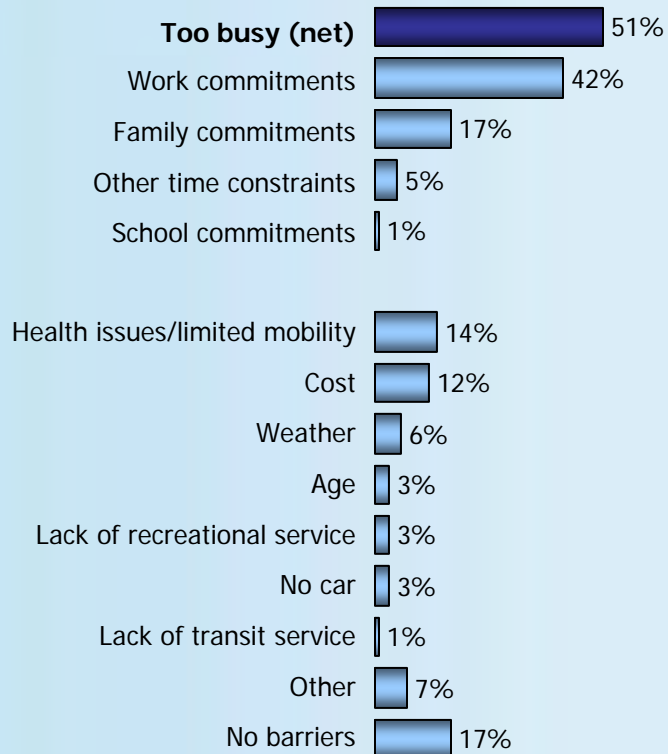
➤ Activities Plan to do More Often in Next Year

	Total (300) %	Age		
		18-34 (72) %	35-54 (128) %	55+ (99) %
Off-road cycling	9	13	9	4
Swimming	6	6	6	7
Road cycling	5	3	8	1
Skiing (cross-country)	4	4	5	3
Climbing	4	10	2	-
Skiing/snowboarding (downhill)	4	6	4	2
Run/jog	4	6	3	1
Boating/fishing	3	4	3	2
Windsurfing/kite boarding	3	4	4	-
Hiking	3	2	4	3
Kayaking/canoeing	3	6	1	2
Soccer	3	4	3	-
Hockey/ice skating/curling	2	3	3	1
Baseball	2	5	1	-
Pilates/yoga	2	-	4	1
Golf	2	3	1	2
Snowshoeing	2	2	2	1
Workout center with cardio & strength equipment, weights	1	1	1	2
Walking for exercise	1	-	1	3
Gymnasium sports (basketball, volleyball, etc.)	1	-	2	-
Dance	1	-	1	1
Fitness classes/aerobics classes	1	2	-	-
Other	7	7	7	5
None	52	39	53	66

Q.2b) Are there any recreational activities that you plan to start doing or doing more often in the next year?

- In terms of activities residents plan to start doing more often, top of the list are off-road and road cycling, swimming, cross-country skiing, climbing (particularly those 18-34 years of age), skiing/snowboarding and jogging.

➤ Barriers to Recreational Activity (Unprompted)

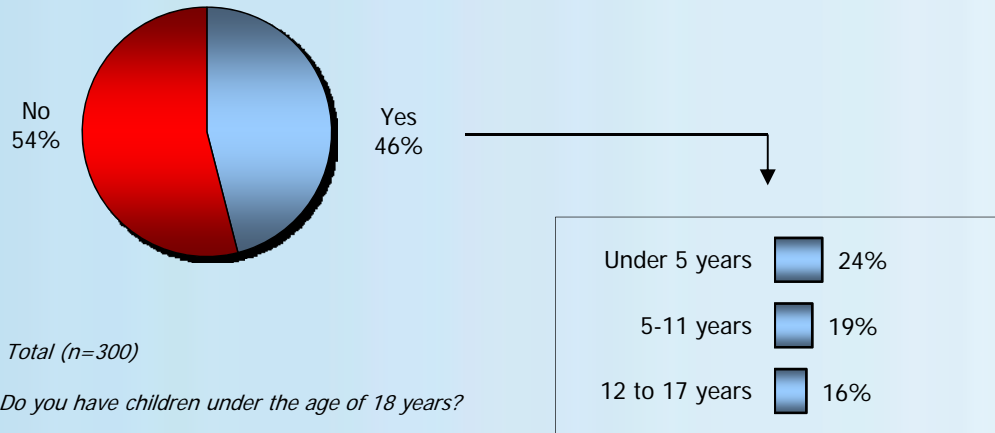


- Work commitment, family commitments, health/mobility issues and cost are the key barriers to recreational activity. Time and cost are greater factors for those under 55 years (cost more so among those under 35 years) whereas health issues are the key barrier among older residents (with 44% stating physical issues or age as the key barriers).

Base: Total (n=300)

Q.2c) What, if anything, prevents you from participating in recreational activities more often?

Children Under 18 Years



Base: Total (n=300)

Q.3a) Do you have children under the age of 18 years?

Note: Results based on total population

- Almost half the population have children under the age of 18 years with the highest concentration being under 5 years of age.

➤ Recreational Activities of Children 5 to 11 Years

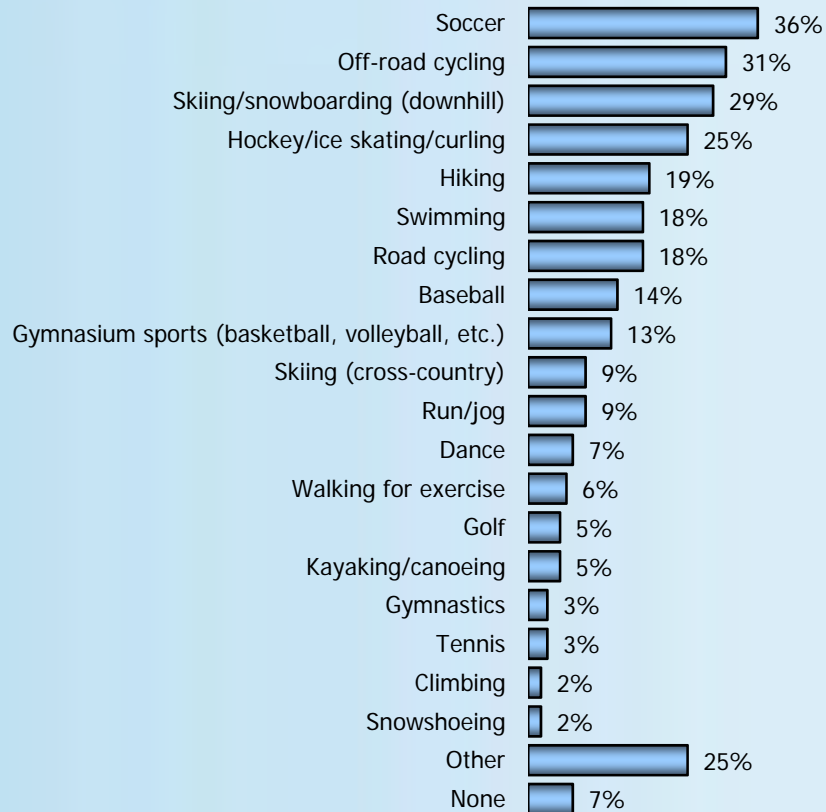


- Swimming is the most popular activity among children aged 5 to 11 years, followed by soccer, skiing/snowboarding, ice sports and cycling.
- Other popular activities include: cross-country skiing, hiking, dance and baseball.

Base: Total with children aged 5 to 11 (n=53)

Q.4a) What type of recreation activities does your child or children 5 to 11 years of age enjoy?

➤ Recreational Activities of Children 12 to 17 Years

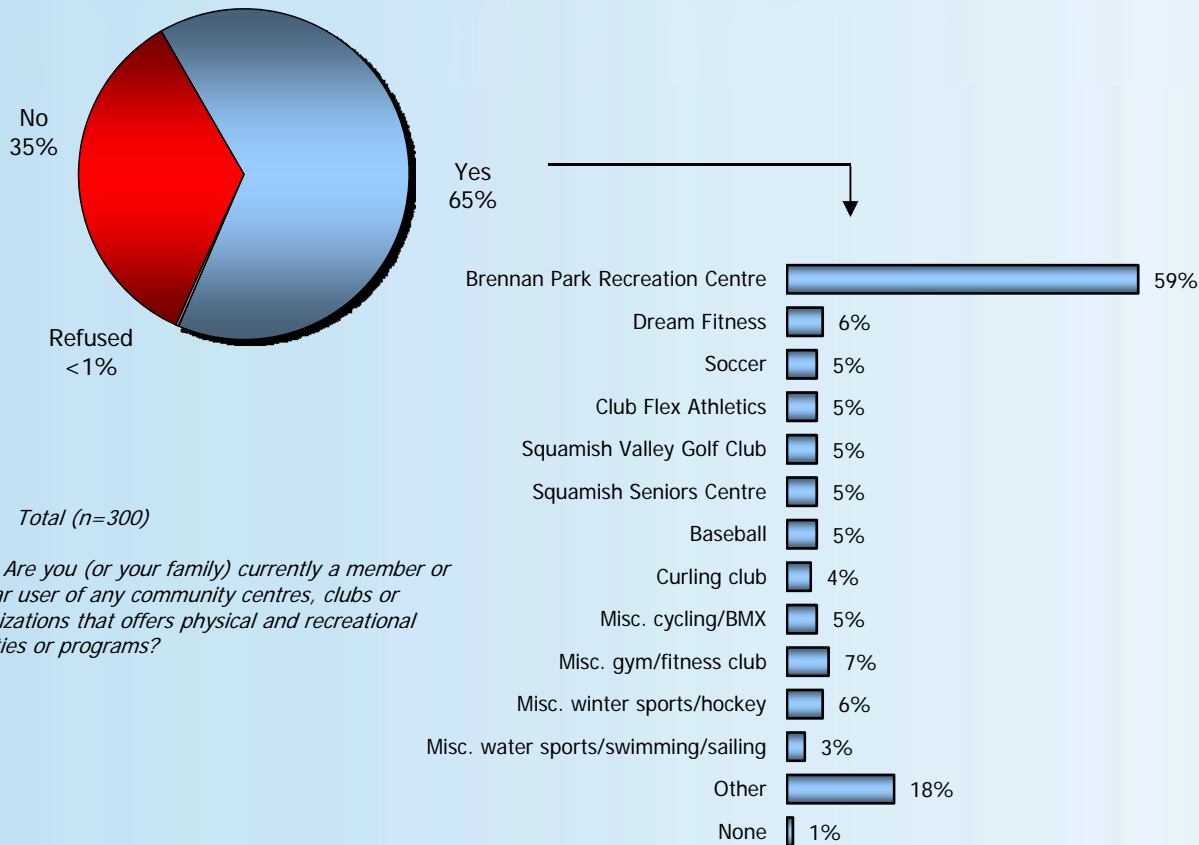


- Soccer, off-road cycling, skiing/snowboarding and ice sports are the most popular activities of youth aged 12 to 17 years.
- Significant proportions also are involved in hiking, swimming, road cycling, baseball and gym sports.

Base: Total with children aged 12 to 17 (n=44)

Q.4b) What type of recreation activities does your child or children that are 12 to 17 years of age enjoy?

➤ User of Community Centres, Clubs or Organizations



Base: Total (n=300)

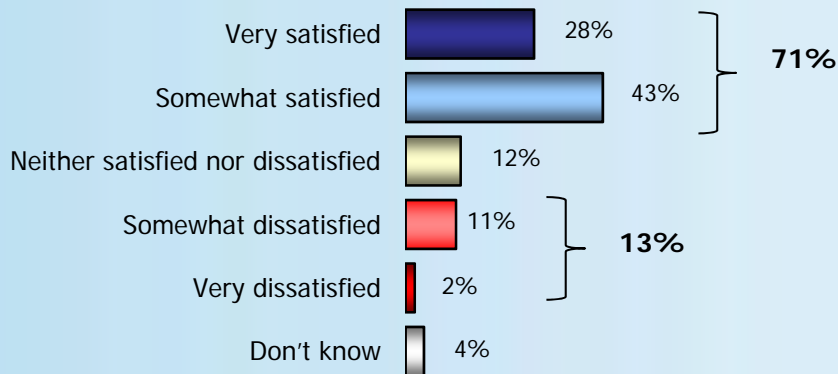
Q.5a) Are you (or your family) currently a member or regular user of any community centres, clubs or organizations that offers physical and recreational activities or programs?

- Two-thirds of the population are a member or regular user of a community centre, club or organization that offers physical or recreational activities or programs, with Brennan Park Recreation Centre being quite well-used.
- Membership levels do not vary significantly by gender or age but those with children are more inclined than others to be members/regular users (75% versus 57% of those without children).

Base: Total members of regular users of any community centres, clubs, organizations that offer physical and recreational activities or programs (n=193)

Q.5b) Of which organizations, clubs or centres are you currently a regular user or member?

➤ Overall Satisfaction with Indoor Opportunities



Base: Total (n=300)

Q.6a) Overall, how satisfied are you with the opportunities available in Squamish for indoor recreational or physical activities? Are you:

- The majority are at least 'somewhat' satisfied with the opportunities available in Squamish for indoor recreational activities.
- Those 35 to 54 years of age are slightly more critical than others with 19% dissatisfied (versus less than 10% of other age groups).

Reasons Dissatisfied with Indoor Opportunities (Unprompted)

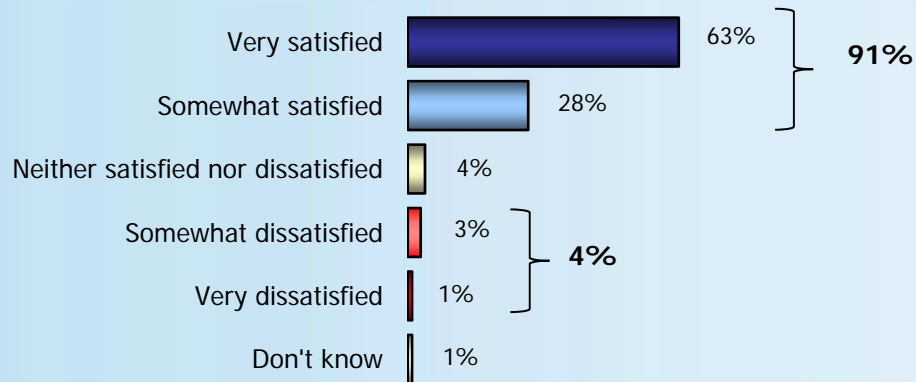


- Those dissatisfied would like to see another public, multiplex recreational centre, and/or rink, with more programs or activities for children/youth and all ages.

Base: Total dissatisfied with the opportunities available in Squamish for indoor recreational or physical activities(n=39)

Q.6 b) Why do you say that? Any other reasons?

➤ Overall Satisfaction with Outdoor Opportunities

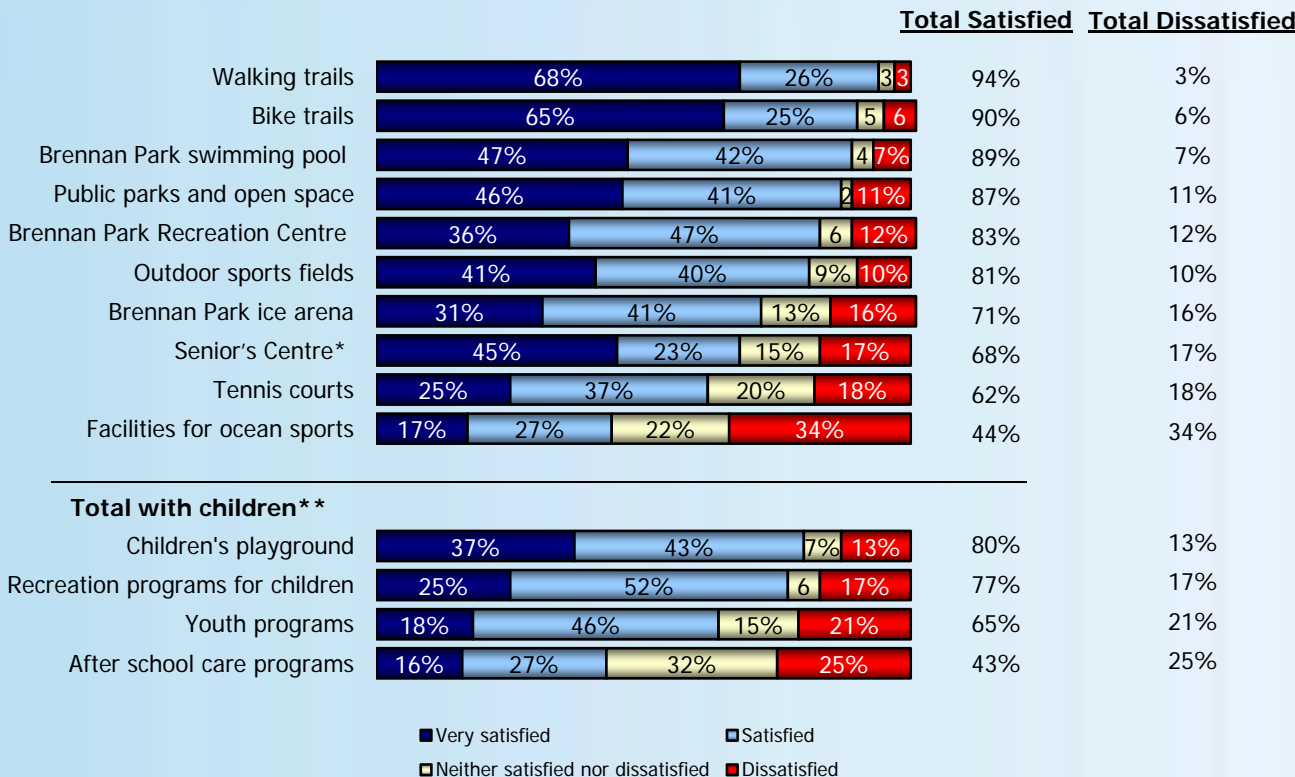


- Satisfaction levels are considerably higher with opportunities for outdoor recreational activities.

Base: Total (n=300)

Q.7a) Overall, how satisfied are you with the opportunities available in Squamish for outdoor recreational or physical activities? Are you:

➤ Satisfaction Levels with Specific Facilities



- Satisfaction levels were also measured with specific community facilities.
- Satisfaction levels are highest with walking and bike trails.
- The greatest needs appear to be facilities for ocean sports, recreational programs for children and youth, and after school care programs.

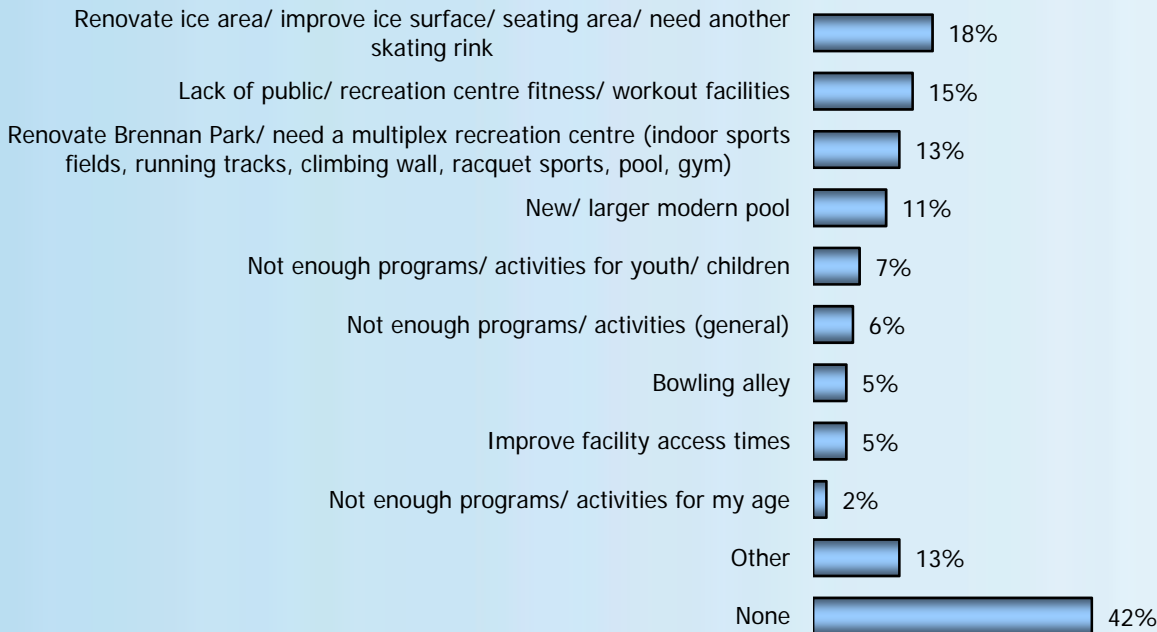
Base: Total stating an opinion

* 55 years plus (n=53)

** Total with children

Q.8) How satisfied are you with each of the following facilities in your community?

➤ Indoor Facilities Lacking or Needing Improvement (Unprompted)

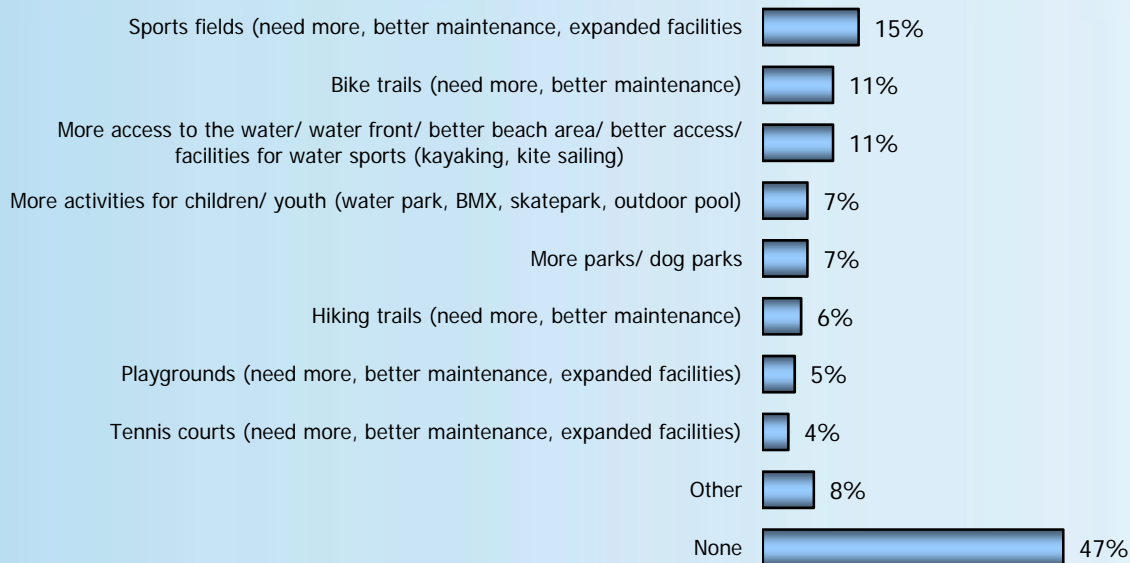


Base: Total (n=300)

Q.9a) What indoor recreational services or facilities are lacking or needing improvement in Squamish?

- A renovated or improved ice rink, and a renovated Brennan Park or new multiplex or recreation centre are the most common services and facilities that are suggested as in need of improvement.
- There are also common requests for a new or larger pool.

➤ Outdoor Facilities Lacking or Needing Improvement (Unprompted)

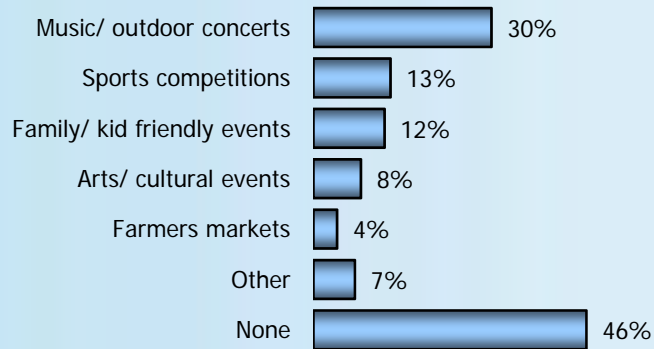


Base: Total (n=300)

Q.9b) What outdoor recreational services or facilities are lacking or needing improvement in Squamish?

- In terms of improvements to outdoor services or facilities, more/better sports fields, access to the waterfront (e.g., beaches) and facilities for water sports, more outdoor children/youth facilities (e.g., playgrounds, water parks, etc.), and more parks in general, are the most common suggestions.
- While satisfaction levels are high with bike and walking trails, given the prevalence of biking and walking, residents also suggest more or better maintained trails.

➤ Events or Festivals Would Like in Squamish

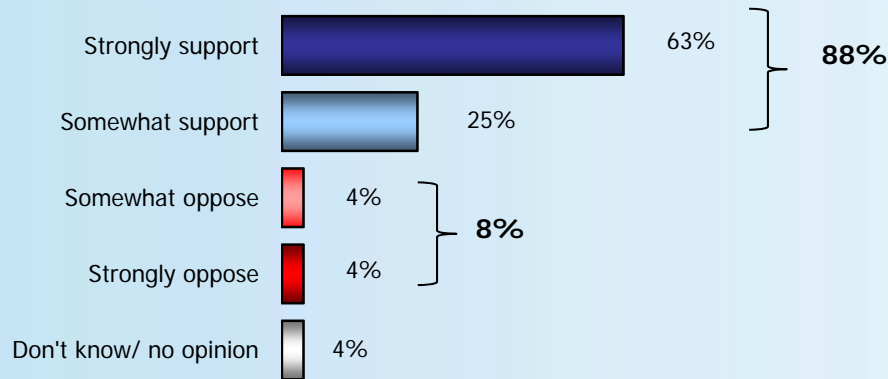


Base: Total (n=300)

Q.10) What types of events or festivals would you like to see more of in Squamish?

- Residents are most supportive of music or outdoor concerts, particularly males and those under 55 years of age.
- Those with children are also interested in family or children friendly events.

➤ Support/Oppose Hosting Large Events

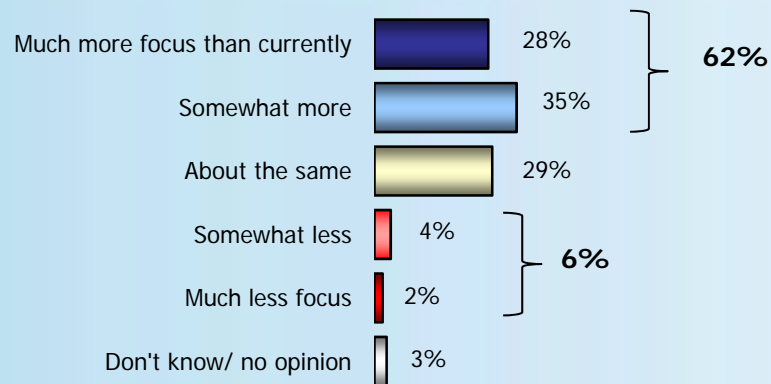


Base: Total (n=300)

Q.11) Do you support or oppose Squamish hosting large events that attract non-residents? PROBE: Strongly or somewhat?

- There is broad support for hosting large events that attract non-residents with 63% in fact 'strongly' supporting (88% overall support).
- Older residents are not as keen but the vast majority (85%) still support such events.

➤ Future Focus on Outdoor Recreational Opportunities

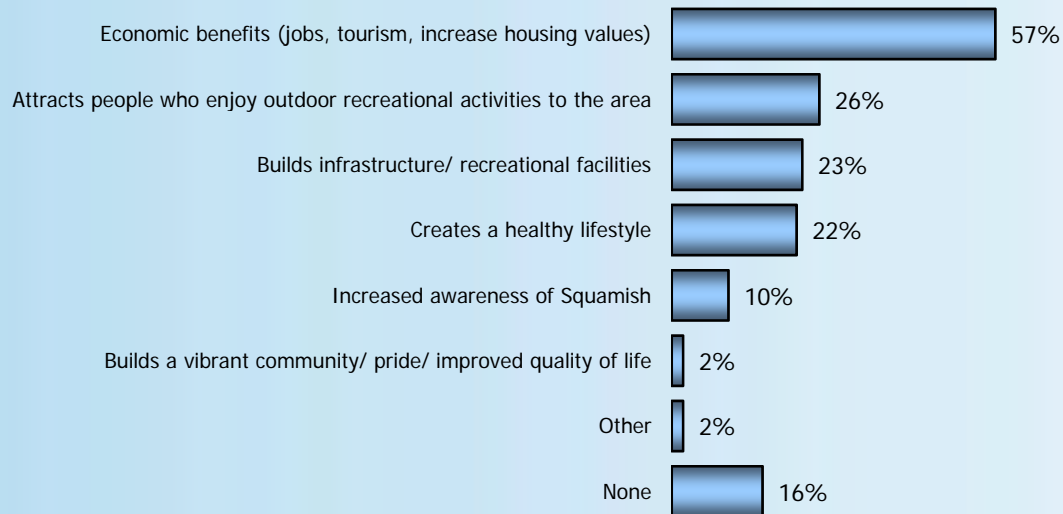


Base: Total (n=300)

Q.12) Squamish is striving to be the 'Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada.' Considering current opportunities, how much focus in the future should the District be placing on outdoor recreation opportunities?

- Furthermore, residents believe the District should place additional focus on being the 'outdoor recreational capital of Canada' with 62% believing more efforts should be made in contrast to only 6% who feel less attention should be given to this initiative (the remainder respond the same focus or have no opinion).
- Views are relatively consistent by gender and age.

➤ Benefits for Residents of being Outdoor Capital (Unprompted)

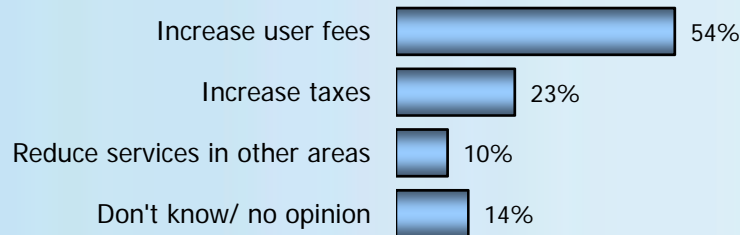


Base: Total (n=300)

Q.13) What do you see as the benefits for Squamish residents of being the 'Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada'?

- Residents most appreciate the economic benefits from striving to be the recreational capital. New recreational facilities and healthy lifestyles are other perceived benefits.

➤ Preferred Method of Payment for New or Improved Facilities

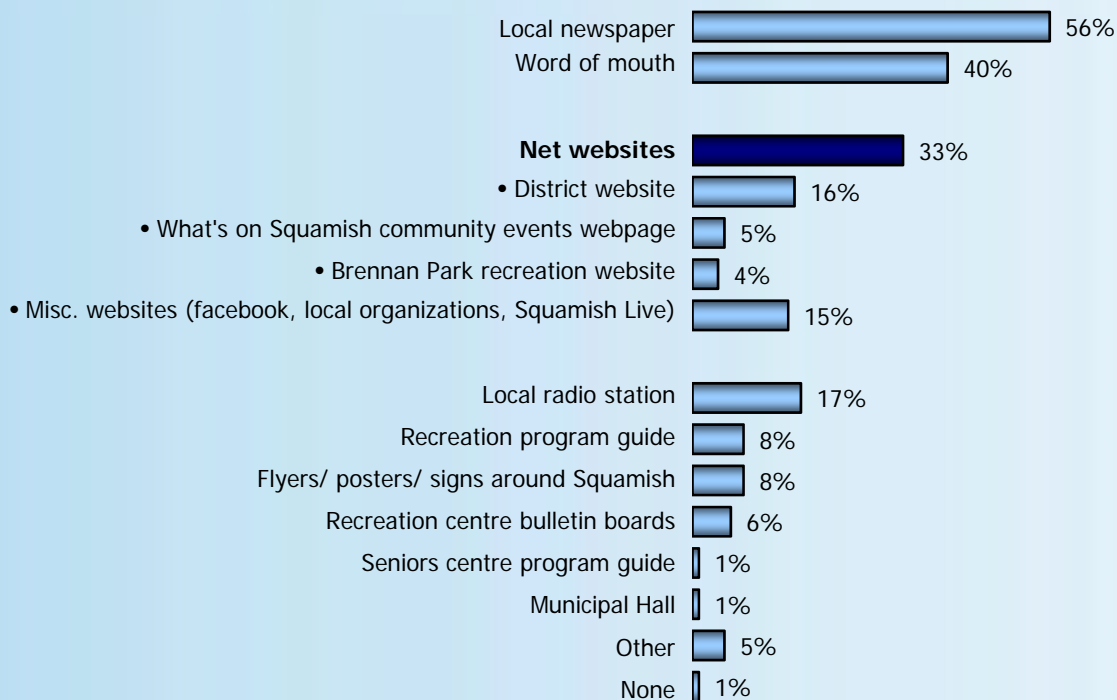


Base: Total (n=300)

Q.14) How would you prefer that Squamish pays for any new or improved recreational facilities?

- User fees are the preferred method to pay for any new or improved recreational facilities among all age groups (although those under 35 years are also supportive of tax increases which likely indicates affordability issues for this age group).

Sources of Information about Activities/Events (Unprompted)

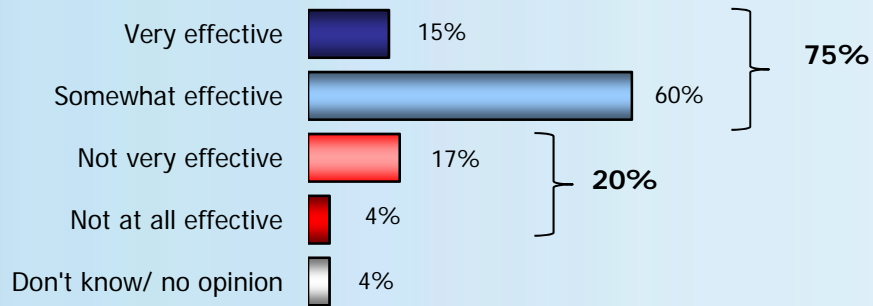


- The local newspaper and word-of-mouth are the most common sources of information about activities and events in Squamish (word-of-mouth more so among youth and the newspaper less so).
- A number of other sources are also cited with 16% listing the District's website.

Base: Total (n=300)

Q.15) How do you currently find out about recreation activities and community events in Squamish?

➤ Effectiveness of District Communications



Base: Total (n=300)

Q.15b) How effective are the current District of Squamish methods of communicating Recreation and Community events?

- The majority rate the effectiveness of District communication vehicles as at least 'somewhat' effective, with the results consistent by demographic segments.

➤ Demographic Characteristics

	Total (300) %
Gender	
Male	50
Female	50
Age	
18-34	31
35-44	23
45-54	21
55-64	13
65 years and over	12
Prefer not to say	<1
Current Family Situation	
Person living alone	13
Person living with parents	8
Person living with friends	1
Spouse or partner, no children at home	28
Spouse or partner with children at home	42
Single parent with children at home	6
Prefer not to say	1
Home Tenure	
Own	80
Rent	19
Prefer not to say	1

- The sample was matched to the most recent Statistic Canada data on the basis of gender and age.
- Characteristics of the population include:
 - Almost half have children under 18 years of age;
 - 6% are single parents (10% of women);
 - 23% of those 18-34 years of age are living with their parents;
 - Approximately one-in-five rent their home;

continued

➤ Demographics (cont'd)

	<u>Total</u> (300) %
Employment Status	
Employed	77
Full time	44
Self-employed	21
Part time	14
Retired	13
Unemployed and looking for work	6
Homemaker and not employed outside the home	4
Student	2
Full time	2
Part time	1
Prefer not to say	1
Years Lived in Squamish	
0-3	13
4-5	13
6-9	13
10-14	11
15-19	12
20-29	14
30-39	14
40+	10
Prefer not to say	1
Average number of years	17.9

- Approximately three-in-four are employed;
- 88% of those with children are working;
- Residents have lived on average almost 20 years in the community but almost 40% of the population have lived in Squamish less than 10 years;

continued

➤ Demographics (cont'd)

	<u>Total</u> (300) %
Physical Disabilities	
Yes	12
No	87
Prefer not to say	<1
Actively Involved in Community Activities	
Very involved	12
Somewhat involved	48
Not very involved	28
Not at all involved	12

- 12% report to have a physical disability or health issue that limits their mobility (23% of those 55 years plus)
- Six-in-ten report to be very or somewhat involved in community activities and events with those 35 to 54 years of age and/or with children most involved.



MUSTEL GROUP
MARKET RESEARCH

Questionnaire



Squamish Parks and Recreation FINAL

Intro/Screener

Hello, I'm ___ of Mustel Group Market Research, a professional research firm. We are conducting a brief survey on behalf of the District of Squamish about parks and recreation services in your community to determine if the needs of Squamish residents are being met. Please be assured we are not selling or soliciting anything and all responses are kept strictly confidential.

May I please speak to the person in this household, who is 18 years of age or over and whose birthday comes next?

Persuaders—only if needed:

- This is strictly an opinion survey; we are not selling or soliciting anything.
- Your number was selected at random for participation in this research.
- All responses are strictly confidential and anonymous; your identity is never revealed to anyone else, including the client.
- The survey will take approximately 5-7 minutes depending on your responses.

1. GENDER [**OBSERVE & RECORD**]

MALE

FEMALE

2. What recreational activities do you participate in on a regular basis? Please think of both summer and winter months, and indoor and outdoor activities. DO NOT READ LIST

Bicycle (outdoors): PROBE: Road, off-road or both?

Climbing

Educational/special interest programs

Fitness classes/aerobics classes

Golf

Gymnasium sports (basketball, volleyball, etc)

Hiking

Hockey/ice skating/curling

Pilate's/yoga

Run/jog

Skiing/snowboarding (downhill)

Skiing- cross-country

Snowshoeing

Soccer

Swimming

Tennis

Walking for exercise

Water sports:

 Kayaking, canoeing

 Windsurfing/kite boarding

 Boating/fishing

Workout center with cardio and strength equipment, weights

Other: SPECIFY

- b. Are there any recreational activities that you plan to start doing or doing more often in the next year?

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- 6a. Overall, how satisfied are you with the opportunities available in Squamish for **indoor** recreational or physical activities? Are you: READ SCALE

Very satisfied
Somewhat satisfied
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
Somewhat dissatisfied
Very dissatisfied

- b. IF DISSATISFIED: Why do you say that? PROBE: Any other reasons? PROBE FULLY

- 7a. Overall, how satisfied are you with the opportunities available in Squamish for **outdoor** recreational or physical activities? Are you: READ SCALE

Very satisfied
Somewhat satisfied
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
Somewhat dissatisfied
Very dissatisfied

- b. IF DISSATISFIED: Why do you say that? PROBE: Any other reasons? PROBE FULLY

8. How satisfied are you with each of the following facilities in your community? RANDOMIZE ORDER

Brennan Park swimming pool
Brennan Park ice arena
Brennan Park Recreation Centre
Outdoor sports fields
Bike trails
Walking trails
Public parks and open space
Tennis courts
Senior's Centre
Facilities for ocean sports

IF HAVE CHILDREN:
Children's playgrounds
Recreation programs for children
Youth programs
After school care programs

- 9a. What indoor recreational services or facilities are lacking or needing improvement in Squamish?

- b. What outdoor recreational services or facilities are lacking or needing improvement in Squamish?

10. What types of events or festivals would you like to see more of in Squamish?

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11. Are you in support or not in support of Squamish hosting large events that attract non-residents? PROBE: Strongly or somewhat?
12. Squamish is striving to be the 'Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada.' Considering current opportunities, how much focus in the future should the District be placing on outdoor recreation opportunities? READ SCALE
- Much more focus than currently
 - Somewhat more
 - About the same
 - Somewhat less, or
 - Much less focus
12. What do you see as the benefits for Squamish residents of being the 'Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada'?
14. How would you prefer that Squamish pays for any new or improved recreational facilities? RANDOMIZE ORDER
- Increase taxes
 - Reduce services in other areas
 - Increase User Fees
- 15a. How do you currently find out about recreation activities and community events in Squamish? DO NOT READ
- Word of mouth
 - District Website
 - Local New Paper
 - Local radio station
 - Recreation Centre Bulletin Boards
 - Municipal Hall
 - Recreation Program Guide
 - Seniors Centre Program Guide
 - What's On Squamish Community Events Webpage
 - Other (SPECIFY)
- b. How effective are the current District of Squamish methods of communicating Recreation and Community events? READ SCALE
- Very effective
 - Somewhat effective
 - Not very effective
 - Not at all effective

Squamish Parks and Recreation Questionnaire Draft 3

BASIC DATA

We have just a few more questions to ensure we are speaking to a representative group of people in the community.

A. Into which of the following age categories may I place you?

- 18 to 24
- 25 to 34
- 35 to 44
- 45 to 54
- 55 to 64
- 65 years and over

Bi. Which of these situations best fits your personal family situation at present?

- Person living alone
- Person living with parents
- Person living with friends
- Spouse or partner, no children at home
- Spouse or partner with children at home
- Single parent with children at home

Ci. Are you: ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES

- Employed: PROBE: Full-time or part-time?
PROBE: Self-employed?
- Unemployed and looking for work
- Homemaker and not employed outside the home
- Retired
- Or a student-PROBE: Full-time or part-time

D. Do you own or rent your home?

- Own
- Rent

E. How many years have you lived in Squamish?

F. Do you have any physical disabilities or health issues that limit your mobility?

- Yes
- No

G. And finally, how actively involved are you in community activities and events? READ SCALE

- Very involved
- Somewhat involved
- Not very involved
- Not at all involved

Thank you for your opinions!

APPENDIX B2


Public Questionnaire Reports

Squamish Parks and Recreation Master Plan Public Survey















1. Please indicate ALL of the activities you do

		Response Percent	Response Count
bicycle (off road)		72.9%	151
bicycle (road)		50.2%	104
climbing		20.3%	42
fitness/aerobics classes		24.2%	50
fitness (cardio/weights)		42.0%	87
golf		25.6%	53
gymnasium sports (gymnastics, basketball, volleyball, etc)		11.1%	23
hiking		76.8%	159
hockey/ice skating/curling		24.2%	50
pilates/yoga		26.1%	54
run/jog		49.3%	102
skiing/snowboarding (downhill)		59.9%	124
skiing - cross-country		42.5%	88
snowshoeing		27.1%	56
soccer		25.6%	53
swimming		47.3%	98
tennis		12.6%	26
walking for exercise		56.5%	117
windsurfing/kiteboarding		8.7%	18

water sports (kayaking, canoeing, fishing, etc)		39.1%	81
		Other (please specify)	86
		answered question	207
		skipped question	3

2. Of all the activities you do, which one is the MOST IMPORTANT?

		Response Percent	Response Count
bicycle (off road)		35.6%	52
bicycle (road)		2.7%	4
climbing		1.4%	2
fitness/aerobics classes		0.7%	1
fitness (cardio equipment/weights)		4.1%	6
golf		0.0%	0
gymnasium sports (gymnastics, basketball, volleyball, etc)		0.0%	0
hiking		7.5%	11
hockey/ice skating/curling		2.7%	4
pilates/yoga		0.0%	0
run/jog		4.1%	6
skiing/snowboarding (downhill)		5.5%	8
skiing - cross-country		5.5%	8
snowshoeing		0.0%	0
soccer		9.6%	14
swimming		2.7%	4
tennis		0.0%	0



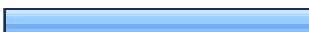








walking for exercise		12.3%	18
windsurfing/kiteboarding		3.4%	5
water sports (kayaking, canoeing, fishing, etc)		2.1%	3

Other (please specify) 63

answered question 146

skipped question 64

3. What, if anything, prevents you from participating in recreational activities more often?

		Response Percent	Response Count
No barriers		16.8%	32
Too busy		32.5%	62
Work commitments		46.1%	88
Family commitments		28.3%	54
Other time constraints		12.6%	24
School commitments		4.7%	9
Health issues / limited mobility		4.7%	9
No car		1.0%	2
Lack of transit services		5.8%	11
Cost		16.2%	31
Lack of recreational services		17.3%	33

Other (please specify) 31




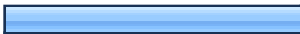

answered question 191

skipped question 19

4. On a scale of 1 to 5, how satisfied are you with each of the facilities in your community?

	(1) Very unsatisfied	(2) Unsatisfied	(3) Neither satisfied or unsatisfied	(4) Satisfied	(5) Very satisfied	N/A	Rating Average
Brennan Park Swimming Pool	0.0% (0)	6.4% (13)	15.7% (32)	46.6% (95)	26.0% (53)	5.4% (11)	3.97
Brennan Park Ice Arena	1.5% (3)	9.6% (19)	29.3% (58)	31.3% (62)	10.6% (21)	17.7% (35)	3.48
Brennan Park Recreation Centre	5.0% (10)	13.5% (27)	26.5% (53)	38.5% (77)	9.5% (19)	7.0% (14)	3.37
Outdoor sports fields	3.6% (7)	5.1% (10)	27.6% (54)	33.7% (66)	11.7% (23)	18.4% (36)	3.55
Bike trails	2.5% (5)	6.9% (14)	11.9% (24)	35.1% (71)	38.6% (78)	5.0% (10)	4.06
Walking trails	1.5% (3)	7.4% (15)	15.3% (31)	41.4% (84)	31.5% (64)	3.0% (6)	3.97
Public parks and open space	1.0% (2)	13.3% (27)	23.2% (47)	44.3% (90)	15.8% (32)	2.5% (5)	3.62
Tennis courts	1.1% (2)	13.7% (26)	30.0% (57)	21.1% (40)	7.9% (15)	26.3% (50)	3.29
Senior's programs	1.6% (3)	2.6% (5)	37.0% (70)	4.2% (8)	1.6% (3)	52.9% (100)	3.03
Youth programs	2.6% (5)	10.5% (20)	33.7% (64)	13.7% (26)	3.2% (6)	36.3% (69)	3.07
After school care programs	2.2% (4)	7.6% (14)	36.2% (67)	5.9% (11)	1.1% (2)	47.0% (87)	2.93
Children's playgrounds	3.7% (7)	11.1% (21)	28.4% (54)	21.6% (41)	5.3% (10)	30.0% (57)	3.20
Recreation programs for children	1.0% (2)	7.8% (15)	35.8% (69)	17.6% (34)	4.1% (8)	33.7% (65)	3.24
answered question							
skipped question							

5. Overall, how satisfied are you with the opportunities available in Squamish for OUTDOOR recreational or physical activities?

		Response Percent	Response Count
(1) Very dissatisfied		1.5%	3
(2) Somewhat dissatisfied		7.4%	15
(3) Neutral		13.3%	27
(4) Somewhat satisfied		44.3%	90
(5) Very satisfied		33.5%	68
answered question			203
skipped question			7

6. What OUTDOOR recreational services or facilities are lacking or needing improvement in Squamish?

	Response Count
	159
answered question	159
skipped question	51

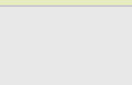
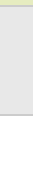



7. What are the MOST important nature areas in Squamish?

	Response Count
	159
answered question	159
skipped question	51

8. Which parks or other natural areas should be a priority for protection?

	Response Count
	129
answered question	129
skipped question	81

9. Overall, how satisfied are you with the opportunities available in Squamish for INDOOR recreational or physical activities?

		Response Percent	Response Count
(1) Very dissatisfied		9.6%	19
(2) Somewhat dissatisfied		20.3%	40
(3) Neutral		36.5%	72
(4) Somewhat satisfied		29.9%	59
(5) Very satisfied		3.6%	7
	answered question		197
	skipped question		13




10. What INDOOR recreational services or facilities are lacking or needing improvement in Squamish?

	Response Count
	150
answered question	150
skipped question	60

11. What Arts and Culture programs and events are the MOST important to you?

	Response Count
	104
answered question	104
skipped question	106

12. Are there adequate opportunities for all ages?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		20.7%	34
No		23.2%	38
Don't Know		56.1%	92
	answered question		164
	skipped question		46

13. What should be the District's priority for improvement of Arts and Culture?

	Response Count
	84
answered question	84
skipped question	126

14. How would you prefer that Squamish pays for any new or improved recreational facilities?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Increase taxes		53.1%	85
Reduce services in other areas		24.4%	39
Increase user fees		66.3%	106
	Comments		68
	answered question		160
	skipped question		50





15. Squamish is striving to be the 'Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada.'" Considering current opportunities, how much focus in the future should the District be placing on outdoor recreation opportunities?

		Response Percent	Response Count
(1) Much less focus than currently		0.5%	1
(2) Somewhat less focus		2.1%	4
(3) About the same		12.6%	24
(4) Somewhat more focus		43.5%	83
(5) Much more focus than currently		41.4%	79
	answered question		191
	skipped question		19

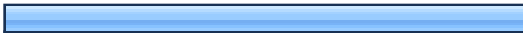





16. What do you see as the benefits for Squamish residents of being the 'Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada'?

	Response Count
	146
answered question	146
skipped question	64

17. To what extent are you supportive of Squamish hosting large events that attract non-residents?

		Response Percent	Response Count
(1) Not supportive at all		0.0%	0
(2) Somewhat supportive		5.3%	10
(3) Neutral		6.3%	12
(4) Somewhat supportive		28.4%	54
(5) Very supportive		60.0%	114
	answered question		190
	skipped question		20

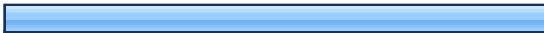

18. If you support hosting large events, what types of events or fesitvals would you like to see more of in Squamish?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Athletic tournaments		78.2%	147
Sports competitions/races		88.3%	166
Music festivals		76.6%	144
Arts and theatre events		67.6%	127
Family/Kid-friendly events		69.7%	131
Farmer's Markets/Artisan Markets		78.7%	148
		Other:	35
		answered question	188
		skipped question	22






19. If you do not support hosting events, why?

	Response Count
	13
answered question	13
skipped question	197




20. Are you currently a regular member or participant in any local organizations or volunteer groups?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		81.3%	148
No		18.7%	34
	If yes, which ones?		138
	answered question		182
	skipped question		28


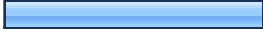



21. How satisfied are you with the quantity and quality of parks in Squamish?

		Response Percent	Response Count
(1) Very dissatisfied		3.2%	6
(2) Somewhat dissatisfied		14.4%	27
(3) Neutral		22.5%	42
(4) Somewhat satisfied		41.2%	77
(5) Very satisfied		18.7%	35
	Please explain:		75
	answered question		187
	skipped question		23



22. Do you have a park within a 10 minute walk from your house?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		81.6%	151
No		14.6%	27
Don't Know		3.8%	7
answered question			185
skipped question			25









23. How often do you visit one of the parks in Squamish?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Daily		23.4%	44
Weekly		38.8%	73
A few times a month		17.0%	32
A few times a year		11.2%	21
Rarely		9.6%	18
answered question			188
skipped question			22



24. Are you (or your family) currently a member or regular user of any community centres, fitness clubs or sports organizations?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		72.0%	136
No		28.0%	53
If yes, which ones?			132
answered question			189
skipped question			21

25. How old are you?

		Response Percent	Response Count
under 12		0.5%	1
12-17		0.5%	1
18-24		4.1%	8
25-34		20.5%	40
35-44		35.4%	69
45-54		24.6%	48
55-64		9.2%	18
65 yrs and over		5.1%	10
answered question			195
skipped question			15



26. What is your gender?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Male		49.7%	96
Female		50.3%	97
answered question			193
skipped question			17





27. How many years have you lived in Squamish?

		Response Count
		185
answered question		185
skipped question		25







28. Do you have any physical disabilities or health issues that limit your mobility?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		5.8%	11
No		94.2%	179
answered question			190
skipped question			20

29. How actively involved are you in community activities and events?

		Response Percent	Response Count
(1) Not at all involved		0.5%	1
(2) Not very involved		9.3%	18
(3) Somewhat involved		51.3%	99
(4) Very involved		38.9%	75
answered question			193
skipped question			17

30. How do you find out about parks and recreation opportunities in Squamish?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Local Newspaper		61.8%	118
District Website		31.9%	61
Other Website		22.5%	43
Recreation Centre Guide		32.5%	62
Word of Mouth		77.5%	148
Other		14.7%	28
If "other" or "other website" please provide further details:			55
answered question			191
skipped question			19

31. Do you have any other comments about the parks and recreation system in Squamish?

**Response
Count**

88

answered question

88

skipped question

122

Page 1, Q1. Please indicate ALL of the activities you do

1	dance lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:50 PM
2	lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:48 PM
3	lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:42 PM
4	football (american) rugby lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:40 PM
5	rugby lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:38 PM
6	football	Apr 27, 2012 12:37 PM
7	lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:19 PM
8	international folk dancing	Apr 27, 2012 12:04 PM
9	Horseback riding	Apr 23, 2012 6:55 AM
10	Motor biking riding (Off-road)	Apr 20, 2012 6:22 AM
11	horseback riding	Apr 18, 2012 9:57 AM
12	Horse riding	Apr 17, 2012 1:16 PM
13	Roller Derby	Apr 16, 2012 4:03 PM
14	Snowmobiling and dirt biking/ quading	Apr 14, 2012 8:23 PM
15	Trials motorcycles	Apr 14, 2012 7:59 PM
16	trials motorcycle	Apr 14, 2012 7:28 PM
17	Snowmobiling Finish Dirt bike (off road)	Apr 14, 2012 6:18 PM
18	SKATEBOARDING... really?? you guys dont have skateboarding as an option????????? squamish skatepark???????????	Apr 14, 2012 12:44 AM
19	Sledding!	Apr 13, 2012 8:10 PM
20	derby	Apr 13, 2012 8:03 PM
21	ROLLER DERBY	Apr 13, 2012 7:37 PM
22	roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:32 PM
23	Wakeboarding	Apr 13, 2012 2:01 PM
24	roller derby/roller skating	Apr 13, 2012 1:13 PM
25	Paddle Boarding.	Apr 13, 2012 12:58 PM
26	What about horseback riding and dog walking, dirtbiking?	Apr 13, 2012 9:21 AM
27	disc golf	Apr 13, 2012 9:15 AM

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28	Trials Motorbike	Apr 13, 2012 9:03 AM
29	Roller derby, quad skating	Apr 13, 2012 8:55 AM
30	Roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 8:04 AM
31	Dirtbike, Snowmobile. Why are those not listed above?????	Apr 13, 2012 7:43 AM
32	roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
33	Skateboarding	Apr 13, 2012 7:30 AM
34	Roller Derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:29 AM
35	ROLLER DERBY! Motocross	Apr 13, 2012 7:24 AM
36	Skateboarding	Apr 13, 2012 7:09 AM
37	Motorcycle off road	Apr 13, 2012 6:49 AM
38	Dirt bike, snowmobile	Apr 13, 2012 6:40 AM
39	Trials Motor bike Enduro Motor bike	Apr 13, 2012 5:26 AM
40	Curling is at a different facility and, I think, should have a separate category. My fitness classes are Auquafit at Brennan Park.	Apr 12, 2012 12:37 PM
41	sailing	Apr 11, 2012 4:30 PM
42	equestrian sports: trail riding, ring riding, showing, coaching young riders	Apr 11, 2012 4:26 PM
43	ski touring trail building tubing (extreme and flatwater)	Apr 11, 2012 4:21 PM
44	backcountry skiing	Apr 11, 2012 4:08 PM
45	stand up paddle boarding	Apr 11, 2012 4:03 PM
46	horseback riding (own 2 horses in Squamish)	Apr 11, 2012 3:56 PM
47	slo pitch mens football	Apr 11, 2012 3:50 PM
48	baseball	Apr 11, 2012 3:48 PM
49	Dance	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
50	Curling, Softball	Apr 10, 2012 1:47 PM
51	slo-pitch	Apr 10, 2012 1:28 PM
52	Dog walking trails, roads, etc.	Apr 10, 2012 10:04 AM
53	baseball, softball & slopitch	Apr 9, 2012 11:53 AM
54	poi spinning, hoop dancing	Apr 9, 2012 11:29 AM

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55	Dog Walking!	Apr 8, 2012 10:04 AM
56	Horseback riding	Apr 6, 2012 8:34 PM
57	Horseback riding	Apr 6, 2012 8:15 PM
58	Horse Back riding	Apr 6, 2012 6:31 PM
59	Horse back riding Trail riding (horses) Endurance races (horses) Western riding competitions (horse)	Apr 6, 2012 6:12 PM
60	camping	Apr 6, 2012 12:14 PM
61	Dog walking	Apr 6, 2012 10:54 AM
62	Ballroom dancing Backcountry skiing	Apr 6, 2012 9:31 AM
63	walk the dogs, belly dancing	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 AM
64	slo pitch	Apr 3, 2012 3:52 PM
65	I go to the theatre, concerts, cultural events and art shows. Take painting and sculpture classes.	Apr 3, 2012 2:14 PM
66	equestrian at SVEA land Horseback riding on trails Endurance horseback riding	Apr 3, 2012 8:57 AM
67	horse back riding on trails equestrian events at SVEA club land	Apr 3, 2012 8:53 AM
68	Equestrian, trail riding, riding lessons at club, riding ring	Apr 3, 2012 8:47 AM
69	camping	Apr 3, 2012 8:38 AM
70	NB: because curling and skating/ice hockey are offered in different facilities, perhaps they might be considered separately? just a thought!	Apr 2, 2012 3:57 PM
71	sailing	Apr 2, 2012 2:52 PM
72	sailing	Apr 2, 2012 2:46 PM
73	curling	Apr 2, 2012 2:14 PM
74	bmx skateboarding	Apr 2, 2012 2:02 PM
75	surf ski	Apr 2, 2012 12:22 PM
76	sledding	Apr 2, 2012 12:17 PM
77	horseback riding	Apr 2, 2012 12:14 PM
78	baseball	Apr 2, 2012 12:08 PM
79	boating	Apr 2, 2012 12:03 PM
80	recreational boating hunting	Apr 2, 2012 11:59 AM

Page 1, Q1. Please indicate ALL of the activities you do

81	wake board	Apr 2, 2012 11:56 AM
82	triathlon	Apr 2, 2012 11:42 AM
83	squash	Apr 2, 2012 11:35 AM
84	squash, bmx, motorbiking (off road)	Apr 2, 2012 10:59 AM
85	biathlon horseback riding	Apr 2, 2012 10:40 AM
86	dragon boat	Apr 2, 2012 10:31 AM

Page 1, Q2. Of all the activities you do, which one is the MOST IMPORTANT?

1	international folk dancing	Apr 27, 2012 12:04 PM
2	trails	Apr 27, 2012 11:58 AM
3	horseback riding	Apr 18, 2012 9:57 AM
4	Horse riding	Apr 17, 2012 1:16 PM
5	I can't choose sorry, all equally important to me	Apr 16, 2012 7:11 PM
6	disc golf	Apr 16, 2012 4:51 PM
7	Roller Derby	Apr 16, 2012 4:03 PM
8	trials motorcycle	Apr 14, 2012 7:28 PM
9	Snowmobiling	Apr 14, 2012 6:18 PM
10	SKATEBOARDING	Apr 14, 2012 12:44 AM
11	sledding!	Apr 13, 2012 8:10 PM
12	derby	Apr 13, 2012 8:03 PM
13	trials bilke	Apr 13, 2012 7:41 PM
14	ROLLER DERBY	Apr 13, 2012 7:37 PM
15	roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:32 PM
16	roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 1:13 PM
17	Trail Running specifically	Apr 13, 2012 12:58 PM
18	Dog walking, horseback riding, dirtbiking	Apr 13, 2012 9:21 AM
19	Trials MOto	Apr 13, 2012 9:03 AM
20	Roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 8:55 AM
21	Trail Running	Apr 13, 2012 8:51 AM
22	roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 8:04 AM
23	Dirtbike, Snowmobile	Apr 13, 2012 7:43 AM
24	Roller Derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:29 AM
25	Roller Derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:24 AM
26	Motorcycle off road	Apr 13, 2012 6:49 AM
27	Dirt bike, snowmobile	Apr 13, 2012 6:40 AM

Page 1, Q2. Of all the activities you do, which one is the MOST IMPORTANT?

28	Curling is quite different from skating and hockey!	Apr 12, 2012 12:37 PM
29	All of the activities I listed in question 1 are equally as important.	Apr 12, 2012 12:35 PM
30	equestrian sports	Apr 11, 2012 4:26 PM
31	mountain biking	Apr 11, 2012 4:21 PM
32	any exercise. outdoor is ideal	Apr 11, 2012 4:03 PM
33	equestrian sports	Apr 11, 2012 3:56 PM
34	slo pitch	Apr 11, 2012 3:50 PM
35	Curling and Softball tie	Apr 10, 2012 1:47 PM
36	Walking my dog	Apr 10, 2012 10:04 AM
37	skiing both kinds in winter, soccer all seasons, biking both on and off road	Apr 7, 2012 9:40 PM
38	Horseback riding	Apr 6, 2012 8:34 PM
39	horseback riding	Apr 6, 2012 8:15 PM
40	Horse Back riding	Apr 6, 2012 6:31 PM
41	Horse back riding, in all it's forms	Apr 6, 2012 6:12 PM
42	walking with dog on leash	Apr 6, 2012 1:14 PM
43	Off Leash Dog Park	Apr 6, 2012 10:54 AM
44	Ballroom dancing	Apr 6, 2012 9:31 AM
45	off leash dog areas	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 AM
46	squamish days, logger sports	Apr 3, 2012 3:50 PM
47	equestrian sports	Apr 3, 2012 8:57 AM
48	equestrian sports	Apr 3, 2012 8:53 AM
49	equestrian sports	Apr 3, 2012 8:47 AM
50	curling	Apr 2, 2012 3:57 PM
51	mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 3:04 PM
52	sailing	Apr 2, 2012 2:46 PM
53	mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 2:21 PM
54	mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 2:02 PM

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55	mountain biking in summer, trail running in winter	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
56	surf ski and trails	Apr 2, 2012 12:22 PM
57	mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 12:08 PM
58	boating, fishing	Apr 2, 2012 11:59 AM
59	mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 11:50 AM
60	and mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 11:14 AM
61	mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 11:07 AM
62	mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 10:51 AM
63	skateboarding	Apr 2, 2012 10:28 AM

Page 1, Q3. What, if anything, prevents you from participating in recreational activities more often?

1	increase days to 30 hours	Apr 27, 2012 12:45 PM
2	The lack of a mountain bike Skills park	Apr 20, 2012 6:22 AM
3	lack of safe trails to ride on away from traffic	Apr 17, 2012 1:16 PM
4	Fields closed	Apr 15, 2012 2:13 PM
5	Taxed too much, inflation to wages ratio over the years	Apr 14, 2012 8:23 PM
6	Trials motorcycles	Apr 14, 2012 7:59 PM
7	Lack of affordable child care	Apr 14, 2012 7:35 PM
8	too many other people using the services	Apr 13, 2012 8:03 PM
9	weather	Apr 13, 2012 8:02 PM
10	lack of space to train for roller derby	Apr 13, 2012 1:13 PM
11	Lack of proper space for our league to host roller derby games. Our season is really short on the dry slab in the arena and it would be great if we had more time without ice!	Apr 13, 2012 7:24 AM
12	Limits to access, no motorized use permitted	Apr 13, 2012 6:40 AM
13	The biggest barrier is when the facilities/trails to be a part of my activities are not properly maintained or not available. I work full time but outside of work family time is spent participating in all kinds of recreational activites.	Apr 12, 2012 12:35 PM
14	lack or rec services for horses	Apr 11, 2012 3:56 PM
15	Scheduling @ Seniors --many activities are on Tues & Thurs when seniors hike & swim	Apr 11, 2012 6:14 AM
16	Fields closed due to weather	Apr 8, 2012 6:05 AM
17	RAIN!	Apr 7, 2012 6:30 PM
18	Squamish equestrians are losing trails that allow horses. Squamish needs a covered riding arena so that equestrian athletes can train safely all year round.	Apr 6, 2012 6:12 PM
19	No Off leash dog parks	Apr 6, 2012 10:54 AM
20	Would like to join established more physically active groups for seniors of which there is a dirth here in Squamish. West Van Seniors Activity Center is an example of an active group.	Apr 6, 2012 9:31 AM
21	we need more proper dog park areas	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 AM
22	lack of time/energy due to communting to Vancouver for work	Apr 5, 2012 9:44 AM
23	losing trails to ride on with my horses	Apr 3, 2012 8:57 AM

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24	The trails used to be more accessible for riding horses many now are being taken away.	Apr 3, 2012 8:47 AM
25	daylight hours - lighting field disrepair	Apr 2, 2012 3:27 PM
26	the kiteboarding launch at the spit is crowded. this can be dangerous	Apr 2, 2012 2:10 PM
27	lack of nordic training facilities, ski jumps, biathlon and cross country	Apr 2, 2012 1:47 PM
28	time - too much to choose from	Apr 2, 2012 12:08 PM
29	sometimes limited scheduling at facilities	Apr 2, 2012 11:42 AM
30	seniors fixed income. concern over fees	Apr 2, 2012 11:35 AM
31	weather lack of indoor/covered space	Apr 2, 2012 10:59 AM

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1	lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:50 PM
2	we need an outdoor water park for children	Apr 27, 2012 12:26 PM
3	trail and park maintenance brush cleared, garbage, remains of squatters cleaned, dog shit, repairs to bridges/boardwalks. perhaps people wouldn't cut trees if parks maintained trails	Apr 27, 2012 12:15 PM
4	all need investment to promote accessibility and stimulate tourism and 'lifestyle' economy	Apr 27, 2012 11:58 AM
5	We need some off-leash dog parks in town...even taking your dog for an off-leash walk along one of the many dikes can get a backlashing from SPCA /Animal control staff	Apr 23, 2012 6:55 AM
6	Mountain bike skills area (look at the small park on Bowen island)	Apr 21, 2012 11:13 PM
7	Mountain bike skills park	Apr 20, 2012 10:22 AM
8	A mountain bike skills park as we have lots of great trails but no place to teach our new riders, and there is no covered area to use; IE skate park, BMX track, Mini skate park when we get so much rain here.	Apr 20, 2012 6:22 AM
9	Multi-user trails that are accessible to horses and their riders	Apr 18, 2012 9:57 AM
10	Trails for horse riding	Apr 17, 2012 1:16 PM
11	constant maintenance of trail systems. trail linking brackendale to downtown.	Apr 17, 2012 6:26 AM
12	I would like a salt water pool,	Apr 16, 2012 7:11 PM
13	gym	Apr 16, 2012 4:51 PM
14	Waterpark	Apr 16, 2012 4:03 PM
15	better trail signs and maps	Apr 16, 2012 3:10 PM
16	Waterfront Parks and walking traidl near the water	Apr 16, 2012 7:51 AM
17	Turf field	Apr 15, 2012 2:13 PM
18	Control over our trail system. The system is continuously threatened by logging and/or development that isn't required to consider or replace affected trails.	Apr 15, 2012 8:13 AM
19	More trials trails	Apr 14, 2012 7:59 PM
20	Any that don't allow my dog - she's a part of our family and it stinks to have to leave her at home.	Apr 14, 2012 7:35 PM
21	Dirt bike track Pich n putt golf	Apr 14, 2012 6:18 PM
22	Gym. Bike park	Apr 14, 2012 2:21 PM
23	More trail maintenance More trails near ocean	Apr 14, 2012 2:07 PM

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24	off leash dog park	Apr 14, 2012 1:49 PM
25	squamish skatepark. we need lights for night skating.	Apr 14, 2012 12:44 AM
26	Outdoor LIGHT facilities, for multiple sports in the fall. soccer, field lacrosse, football etc.	Apr 13, 2012 11:35 PM
27	Alpine ski/snowboarding, mountain bike progression area	Apr 13, 2012 8:30 PM
28	Weight gym at Brennan park	Apr 13, 2012 8:10 PM
29	more walking trails, and more kiteboarding areas	Apr 13, 2012 8:02 PM
30	IAFF approved track facilities	Apr 13, 2012 7:56 PM
31	nil	Apr 13, 2012 7:41 PM
32	Trail system similar to Whistler's	Apr 13, 2012 7:37 PM
33	Sorca! Needs new management!! They don't show well on the world stage that the trails caliber are capable of.	Apr 13, 2012 1:30 PM
34	Trails need better trail markers, and mapping.	Apr 13, 2012 1:26 PM
35	outdoor lacrosse/derby track!!!	Apr 13, 2012 1:13 PM
36	Keep working on all trail systems, the more trails the better. Lakes - as a dog owner I feel like I have NO options. With Alice Lake being dog free, I am forced to go to Brohm which is unheard of going to on a weekend as it is SOOO busy. It would be great to have a dog beach somewhere that we could go to swim and paddleboard in the summer.	Apr 13, 2012 12:58 PM
37	Trail funding	Apr 13, 2012 12:54 PM
38	trails connecting from one end of town to all the neighbourhoods for running/biking	Apr 13, 2012 12:21 PM
39	Municipal funding for what are currently volunteer efforts on all trails. ALSO The corridor trail must be completed and paved from end to end.	Apr 13, 2012 11:49 AM
40	for my interests nothing is lacking - keep up the good work on the trails!!	Apr 13, 2012 11:20 AM
41	DOG PARK. Funding and help for horse related activities	Apr 13, 2012 9:21 AM
42	DISC GOLF COURSE(S)	Apr 13, 2012 9:15 AM
43	Weight Room Pool slide, wave pool for kids	Apr 13, 2012 9:03 AM
44	Trail maintenance Kids parks need more upkeep. less dog poop	Apr 13, 2012 8:55 AM
45	Track would be nice, outdoor swimming pool/water facility for the summer months	Apr 13, 2012 8:51 AM
46	We definitely need a gym at Brennan Park - great to hear that it is coming. Would also like to see a water park, and maybe an easy pump track for kids	Apr 13, 2012 8:42 AM

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	close to Brennan Park.	
47	Some improvements are needed for dirtbike trails.	Apr 13, 2012 7:43 AM
48	Mountain Bike Skills Park is a glaring omission. to be CLEAR - not just for children but for ALL ages - we have olympians in town and world cup competitors - a section of it should also be covered for obvious reasons.	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
49	I really like the new connecting trails for biking across town. I know it's a work in progress, keep up the good work!	Apr 13, 2012 7:31 AM
50	Higher alpine bike trails	Apr 13, 2012 7:30 AM
51	Lights in the skatepark	Apr 13, 2012 7:09 AM
52	1) The "facilities" (Trails) that I use most often are not on Squamish Municipal lands. 2) The road cycling can be tough since there is a pervasive disrespect from drivers towards cyclists. Proper signage and bike lanes are a must, not a luxury.	Apr 13, 2012 6:52 AM
53	Improvement of off road trail networks for bike and motorcycle Including regular maintenance is needed	Apr 13, 2012 6:49 AM
54	More trails summer and winter for motorized use	Apr 13, 2012 6:40 AM
55	Mountain bike Dirt Jump/Pump track and skills park ranging in size for varying ability levels	Apr 13, 2012 6:37 AM
56	Need a fully funded trail maintenance and crew funded on a yearly basis.	Apr 13, 2012 6:35 AM
57	More organizational support for mountain biking.	Apr 13, 2012 6:33 AM
58	Outdoor bike skills park	Apr 13, 2012 6:20 AM
59	Trails need to be made a priority. Money needs to be spent on trail upkeep and new construction.	Apr 13, 2012 5:26 AM
60	All are fine	Apr 12, 2012 1:41 PM
61	Funding for ensuring biking/hiking trails are maintained is crucial- without funding eventually the trails will be degraded	Apr 12, 2012 12:35 PM
62	More and better sign-posted Offroad MTB trails.	Apr 12, 2012 6:47 AM
63	bins for doggy bags so they aren't left scattered all over the trails	Apr 12, 2012 6:43 AM
64	water park for kids	Apr 11, 2012 10:45 PM
65	ascending trail to access descending trails rather than cars for biking shuttles	Apr 11, 2012 4:30 PM
66	desperately need an covered riding arena multiuse trails compatible with horses	Apr 11, 2012 4:26 PM
67	District need to pay a trail crew. that works on all trails not just valley trails. mountain bike skills park at rec centre.	Apr 11, 2012 4:21 PM

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68	dry land year round roller ski roller and roller skate routes bike routes on roads	Apr 11, 2012 4:08 PM
69	the Legacy Park is an important addition to recreation for all in Squamish	Apr 11, 2012 3:53 PM
70	sports fields - turf, lighting	Apr 11, 2012 3:50 PM
71	turfed all weather fields	Apr 11, 2012 3:48 PM
72	ball field, hiking trails	Apr 11, 2012 1:36 PM
73	Oceanfront Park	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
74	Lack of designated Off-leash dog parks/areas	Apr 11, 2012 8:01 AM
75	garbage clen up	Apr 11, 2012 6:14 AM
76	an off-leash dog park would be greatly appreciated	Apr 10, 2012 9:05 PM
77	an appropriate place to store and to launch canoes and kayaks downtown access to estuary and Howe Sound. A downtown place to launch kiteboards.	Apr 10, 2012 1:57 PM
78	More slowpitch fields and lighting for them	Apr 10, 2012 1:47 PM
79	Additional slo-pitch fields and a running track. Is it not possible to cost share these amenities with the school board?	Apr 10, 2012 1:28 PM
80	Water Park, trails for inline skating	Apr 10, 2012 11:10 AM
81	We need off leash dog parks in every area of Squamish ie..Brackendale, Highlands, Downtown, Valleycliffe , etc.	Apr 10, 2012 10:04 AM
82	"Commuter" bike/walking paths throughout entire community so can go anywhere in town without riding or walking on road (like the trail between Mamquam bridge and Garibaldi Estates)	Apr 10, 2012 8:53 AM
83	Soccer fields draining getting better over last several years, but still room for improvement which would allow a longer playing season.	Apr 10, 2012 8:51 AM
84	Off leash dog park	Apr 9, 2012 6:05 PM
85	We need a proper running/walking track currently we cannot even have a school track and field meet	Apr 9, 2012 11:53 AM
86	mtn bike skills park so old people like me can learn to jump, do skinny's etc...in a safe environment with instruction.	Apr 9, 2012 11:29 AM
87	Parks and trails could use additional maintenace	Apr 8, 2012 10:04 AM
88	Fields need improvement for soccer!	Apr 8, 2012 9:02 AM
89	Turf Fields	Apr 8, 2012 8:06 AM
90	soccer fields	Apr 8, 2012 6:05 AM

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91	need turf fields and complex so young soccer players dont damage their legs, ankles knees on the gravel fields, having a track for running would also preserve health and save bodies from injury	Apr 7, 2012 9:40 PM
92	Outdoor gathering places, like nexen beach, the park near the farmers market downtown. Whistler has some great areas with the elaborate wood playgrounds for kids.	Apr 7, 2012 6:30 PM
93	Turf fields Outdoor safe running/walking track Lights at all current parks	Apr 7, 2012 6:17 PM
94	I would like there to be more enforcement on the trails that are shared by cyclists and walkers. I walk with a baby and am frequently scared by mountain bikers who speed by extremely fast and ride recklessly. Other than that, please don't spend any money on improving outdoor facilities, any funds should be spend on economic development, that should be our town's PRIORITY.	Apr 7, 2012 5:52 AM
95	Indoor riding ring (horse)	Apr 6, 2012 8:34 PM
96	Horseback riding facilities	Apr 6, 2012 8:15 PM
97	The SVEA (Squamish Valley Equestrian Association) clud land by Baseball fields	Apr 6, 2012 6:31 PM
98	Stop taking trails away from horseback riders! Squamish needs a covered riding arena for year round training.	Apr 6, 2012 6:12 PM
99	cross country trails for skiing/summer use	Apr 6, 2012 3:44 PM
100	On Leash Designated and patrolled trails. I have yet to be able to walk my dogs on leash on any trails without being rushed by an off leash dog. So far my dogs have been attacked causing permanent long term injuries. All on designated ON LEASH trails.	Apr 6, 2012 1:14 PM
101	paved bike trails for those of us who aren't mountain bikers	Apr 6, 2012 12:39 PM
102	bicycle and walking trails to downtown need to direct, not meandering pathways with bicycle-friendly road crossings. Nearly all intersections are car-friendly.	Apr 6, 2012 12:14 PM
103	The fields need some work, they get destroyed way too easily	Apr 6, 2012 11:22 AM
104	Off Leash dog parks	Apr 6, 2012 10:54 AM
105	As a person with mobility issues, I am finding that the trail system is in adequate to good shape in the Squamish town vicinity. The DOS has done a very good job in maintaining the Nexen Beach trails and the Valleycliffe - Downtown Trail.	Apr 6, 2012 10:40 AM
106	Quit pretending the mountain bike/hiking trails don't benefit Squamish. These trails bring lots of income to Squamish, and should have Squamish dollars put back in to them.	Apr 6, 2012 10:30 AM
107	More off leash parks/trails for our walking our dogs	Apr 6, 2012 10:25 AM
108	More for children - we now have the 4th largest pop. of children 6 and under per capita in province. More playgrounds more natural playgrounds	Apr 6, 2012 10:09 AM

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109	Need an off leash dog park	Apr 6, 2012 9:53 AM
110	We need an off-leash dog park!	Apr 6, 2012 9:52 AM
111	OFF LEASH DOG AREAS - WALKING TRAILS, PARKS ETC. AND ALONG WATER RESOURCES	Apr 6, 2012 9:33 AM
112	Physically active groups to join	Apr 6, 2012 9:31 AM
113	Dog parks	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 AM
114	More bike paths around town for fitness and getting around. It is too bad that the centennial trail was built on the East side of town as most people in the downtown area live on the west side of town. Perhaps a pedestrian overpass near Cap College over to the adventure center to link Dentville/downtown with the Centennial Trail?	Apr 6, 2012 8:46 AM
115	mtb skills park, map kiosks and trail signage	Apr 6, 2012 8:20 AM
116	Winter activities Local downhill	Apr 5, 2012 9:44 AM
117	turfed all weather field	Apr 3, 2012 3:52 PM
118	Mountain Bike Skills park Tennis courts are in bad shape Like to see outdoor fitness equipment in local parks and alongside playground	Apr 3, 2012 2:14 PM
119	Railway blocks access to River Trails. Need facilities to complement winter activities at Callaghan.	Apr 3, 2012 2:09 PM
120	soccer fields tennis courts	Apr 3, 2012 1:40 PM
121	We desperately need a covered riding arena for equestrians. Trails accessible to horses *multi use trails.	Apr 3, 2012 8:57 AM
122	covered riding ring trails accessible to horses multi use trails	Apr 3, 2012 8:53 AM
123	An indoor/covered riding arena. Move multi purpose trails access for horses please.	Apr 3, 2012 8:47 AM
124	Skills parks (MTB, BMX (aside from track))	Apr 3, 2012 8:43 AM
125	bike skills park	Apr 3, 2012 8:38 AM
126	ski jumping and biathlon. we have close access to a world class facility.	Apr 3, 2012 8:35 AM
127	canoeing/kayaking facilities in upper and middle blind channel for general public/families	Apr 2, 2012 3:57 PM
128	paddling climbing	Apr 2, 2012 3:51 PM
129	community waterfront boat storage for kayaks and stand up paddle boards; all weather field; improvements to BMX track; bike skills park	Apr 2, 2012 3:47 PM
130	no concern for me here	Apr 2, 2012 3:31 PM

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131	soccer fields are in disrepair	Apr 2, 2012 3:27 PM
132	Sustained Trail Maintenance	Apr 2, 2012 3:04 PM
133	lack of good field (soccer) went grass is closer	Apr 2, 2012 3:01 PM
134	would really like to see legacy park completed!	Apr 2, 2012 2:52 PM
135	no proper access to the water - ramp with dock, secure storage for boats by water	Apr 2, 2012 2:46 PM
136	introduction to Nordic sports facilities, ie kids ski jumping and roller skiing.	Apr 2, 2012 2:35 PM
137	The small park behind the Brackendale General store needs gravel on the trails. They have been muddy across the grass for YEARS. 2-3 loads of crushed gravel would be all that is required.	Apr 2, 2012 2:29 PM
138	fitness centre needed	Apr 2, 2012 2:21 PM
139	turf field walking track	Apr 2, 2012 2:14 PM
140	We need to follow Hood River's lead and capitalize on kiteboarding. There is no money going into it (temporarily launching floats would help) yet there is so much money that can come from it.	Apr 2, 2012 2:10 PM
141	-larger, more developed launching area for windsports (spit is too narrow) and overcrowding is dangerous -bike skills park -trail maintenance and signage for bike trails (funded)	Apr 2, 2012 2:02 PM
142	An easier way to find out what opportunities there are.	Apr 2, 2012 1:56 PM
143	Nordic training facilities Paved rollerski trails Ski jump/biathlon range	Apr 2, 2012 1:47 PM
144	skills parks - logger sports ground connector trails municipal funding to maintenance of trails	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
145	Mountain Bike skills park/dirt jump Diversifying funding (ie not just sports fields)	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
146	secure kayak/canoe storage and access on the water	Apr 2, 2012 12:22 PM
147	Want to show case ourselves as the #1 place in Canada/N America for outdoor rec. We're not there YET!	Apr 2, 2012 12:17 PM
148	mountain bike skills park	Apr 2, 2012 12:08 PM
149	turf field running track	Apr 2, 2012 12:03 PM
150	more hiking trails	Apr 2, 2012 11:59 AM
151	water sports	Apr 2, 2012 11:56 AM
152	support for trails integrated through District and independent organizations (sorca)	Apr 2, 2012 11:14 AM

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153	District ownership of trails for biking	Apr 2, 2012 11:07 AM
154	mountain bike bike skills park young and old	Apr 2, 2012 10:59 AM
155	More maintenance to outdoor trails (bike and hike)	Apr 2, 2012 10:51 AM
156	more maintenance of outdoor trails	Apr 2, 2012 10:44 AM
157	improve trails for multi use	Apr 2, 2012 10:40 AM
158	I love all of our opportunities. Would love to have better fields.	Apr 2, 2012 10:31 AM
159	Garbage, Skatepark, Bathroom	Apr 2, 2012 10:28 AM

Page 1, Q7. What are the MOST important nature areas in Squamish?

1	Brackendale eagle park	Apr 27, 2012 12:45 PM
2	paradise valley	Apr 27, 2012 12:40 PM
3	Nexen Beach, alice lake, the four lakes trail	Apr 27, 2012 12:26 PM
4	the chief alice lake murrin squamish valley	Apr 27, 2012 12:21 PM
5	estuary	Apr 27, 2012 12:15 PM
6	keep wood lot license in the Cheekeye Fan as managed forest and not for housing development	Apr 27, 2012 12:04 PM
7	mountains, rivers, forests	Apr 27, 2012 11:58 AM
8	Coho trail is by our house and we love using it for nature walks with the kids. Nexxan beach is a great area	Apr 23, 2012 6:55 AM
9	Chief, all the lake areas and the highlands	Apr 21, 2012 11:13 PM
10	the rivers that come through.	Apr 20, 2012 6:22 AM
11	Estuary Wetlands	Apr 18, 2012 9:57 AM
12	Not qualified to answer	Apr 17, 2012 1:16 PM
13	Alice Lake, Diamond head (biking and Park), Brohm Lake, Nexus lands	Apr 17, 2012 6:26 AM
14	The Chief and surrounding lakes	Apr 16, 2012 10:19 PM
15	Estuary, Garibaldi Park, Paradise Valley, the Cheif park, trailed area behind Valley Cliff, Alice Lake Park, Pretty much all of it. You name it I use it.	Apr 16, 2012 7:11 PM
16	garibaldi	Apr 16, 2012 4:51 PM
17	estuary, stream protection, protection of provincial parks,	Apr 16, 2012 3:10 PM
18	Alice Lake, and waterfront	Apr 16, 2012 7:51 AM
19	Those on the outskirts of town.	Apr 15, 2012 8:13 AM
20	All surrounding land	Apr 14, 2012 8:23 PM
21	No idea.	Apr 14, 2012 7:59 PM
22	All of them. Waterfront, trails, mountains, sports fields...	Apr 14, 2012 7:35 PM
23	Lakes	Apr 14, 2012 6:18 PM
24	All of them	Apr 14, 2012 2:21 PM
25	Chief, Howe Sound	Apr 14, 2012 2:07 PM
26	the trail system that is maintained by the trail society and sorca	Apr 14, 2012 1:49 PM

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27	Estuary, Alice lake, Crumpet woods, Paradise Valley	Apr 14, 2012 1:18 PM
28	lakes for swimming	Apr 14, 2012 12:44 AM
29	Estuary	Apr 13, 2012 11:35 PM
30	Alice lake, diamond head road area, crumpit woods,waterfront	Apr 13, 2012 8:30 PM
31	lake, river and ocean areas	Apr 13, 2012 8:02 PM
32	All of them	Apr 13, 2012 7:56 PM
33	allall	Apr 13, 2012 7:41 PM
34	estuary, brackendale parks, rivers	Apr 13, 2012 7:37 PM
35	The ones being logged.	Apr 13, 2012 1:30 PM
36	All of it	Apr 13, 2012 1:26 PM
37	all of them	Apr 13, 2012 1:13 PM
38	Alice Lake Trails. Smoke Bluffs.	Apr 13, 2012 12:58 PM
39	Trails	Apr 13, 2012 12:54 PM
40	Nexen Beach,Alice Lake, Brohm, Garibaldi park, Macheter trail and all the mountain trails	Apr 13, 2012 12:21 PM
41	Spit, estuary, rivers, Brackendale Walking Park, Smoke Bluffs and parks	Apr 13, 2012 11:49 AM
42	All our green space!!!	Apr 13, 2012 11:20 AM
43	Waterways.	Apr 13, 2012 9:21 AM
44	Alpine Bird Nesting, The fresh and salt mixed water ways, the Chief watershed, squamish valley	Apr 13, 2012 9:15 AM
45	4 Lakes Estuary	Apr 13, 2012 9:03 AM
46	Parks and trails	Apr 13, 2012 8:58 AM
47	all the trails, estuary...	Apr 13, 2012 8:51 AM
48	All of them. High on the list is the estuary, and wetlands in the garibaldi estates area. We need to preserve our wetlands.	Apr 13, 2012 8:42 AM
49	estuary	Apr 13, 2012 8:04 AM
50	The trail network.	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
51	Wetlands	Apr 13, 2012 7:31 AM
52	Everywhere	Apr 13, 2012 7:30 AM

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53	Alice Lake, Smoke Bluffs, Chief, Nexan, Slew	Apr 13, 2012 7:29 AM
54	The Chief, Alice Lake, The Spit	Apr 13, 2012 7:24 AM
55	All of it	Apr 13, 2012 7:09 AM
56	The areas surrounding Squamish.	Apr 13, 2012 6:52 AM
57	Diamond head area ,cat lake ,estuary ,waterfront ,Cheif,any old growth forest	Apr 13, 2012 6:49 AM
58	All of it.	Apr 13, 2012 6:37 AM
59	Our extensive trail system throughout the valley.	Apr 13, 2012 6:35 AM
60	Alice Lake area, Diamond Head area, Chief area	Apr 13, 2012 6:33 AM
61	Alice Lake	Apr 13, 2012 6:20 AM
62	estuary	Apr 13, 2012 5:26 AM
63	Chief provincial park, Alice lake area and trails.	Apr 12, 2012 7:44 PM
64	waterfront, estuary and surrounding forests	Apr 12, 2012 1:41 PM
65	the Estuary	Apr 12, 2012 12:37 PM
66	The woodland and trails around the town	Apr 12, 2012 6:47 AM
67	Estuary lands	Apr 12, 2012 6:43 AM
68	estuary, alice lake area	Apr 11, 2012 10:45 PM
69	Alice Lake Area Garibaldi Park and Park Road Arena OceanFront (the water and arena)	Apr 11, 2012 4:30 PM
70	the chief, garibaldi	Apr 11, 2012 4:26 PM
71	all of them	Apr 11, 2012 4:21 PM
72	estuary logger's lane	Apr 11, 2012 4:15 PM
73	Alice Lake Mountain bike trail network Smoke Bluffs	Apr 11, 2012 4:08 PM
74	Alice Lake Oceanfront/Estuary Brohm lake	Apr 11, 2012 4:03 PM
75	trails	Apr 11, 2012 3:56 PM
76	the river trails	Apr 11, 2012 3:53 PM
77	estuary	Apr 11, 2012 1:41 PM
78	estuary	Apr 11, 2012 1:36 PM
79	Estuary	Apr 11, 2012 8:01 AM

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80	Estuary	Apr 11, 2012 6:14 AM
81	Mountains, estuary and ocean	Apr 10, 2012 1:57 PM
82	Estuary, Chief/Shannon Falls, Upper Mamquam, Upper Squamish, Ray Peters trails areas	Apr 10, 2012 1:47 PM
83	The Chief, estuary and all rivers/streams.	Apr 10, 2012 1:28 PM
84	waterfront, estuary	Apr 10, 2012 11:10 AM
85	The estuary, Brackendale Farmers institute park, ray peters trail, the chief, smokebluffs, oceanfront trails.	Apr 10, 2012 10:04 AM
86	Estuary, smoke bluffs	Apr 10, 2012 8:51 AM
87	Hiking trails, biking trails, parks	Apr 9, 2012 6:05 PM
88	estuary	Apr 9, 2012 11:53 AM
89	squamish waterfront, Ray Peters trails, diamond head bike trails (ie- half nelson area)	Apr 9, 2012 11:29 AM
90	Brackendale Farmers Institute, Brohm and Alice Lake areas, Chief area	Apr 8, 2012 10:04 AM
91	Farmers Park and Dyke areas in Brackendale	Apr 8, 2012 9:02 AM
92	Alice lake. Brohm lake.	Apr 8, 2012 8:06 AM
93	Estuary, squamish chief, trails for hiking and biking	Apr 7, 2012 9:40 PM
94	Waterfront areas, nexen, lakes	Apr 7, 2012 6:30 PM
95	Estuary	Apr 7, 2012 6:17 PM
96	Fisherman's park, Nexxen beach, and the trail along the dike.	Apr 7, 2012 5:52 AM
97	Area of loggers lane	Apr 6, 2012 8:34 PM
98	Any place along the ocean. Really all of it is.	Apr 6, 2012 4:53 PM
99	streams and watercourses seem to need the most protection - managing use and protection of the estuary effectively is most important	Apr 6, 2012 3:44 PM
100	The Chief and surrounding area. The Nexen lands.	Apr 6, 2012 3:14 PM
101	trails	Apr 6, 2012 1:14 PM
102	area along the Mamquam and Squamish Rivers, The Chief	Apr 6, 2012 12:14 PM
103	brackendale is amazing by the river and the area around both schools	Apr 6, 2012 11:22 AM
104	All of them	Apr 6, 2012 10:54 AM

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105	natural streams, estuary, Brennan Park woods, etc.	Apr 6, 2012 10:43 AM
106	Estuary, Nexen Beach	Apr 6, 2012 10:40 AM
107	The trails, they attract people. The Spit, attracts people.	Apr 6, 2012 10:30 AM
108	Ocean front, area surrounding Brennan Park	Apr 6, 2012 10:09 AM
109	the parls	Apr 6, 2012 9:52 AM
110	NEXEN BEACH, ESTUARY, PROVINCIAL PARKS	Apr 6, 2012 9:33 AM
111	Estuary, parks	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 AM
112	Smoke Bluffs, Coho Park, Estuary	Apr 6, 2012 8:46 AM
113	chief, smoke bluffs and estuary	Apr 6, 2012 8:20 AM
114	parks	Apr 3, 2012 3:52 PM
115	estuary Smoke Bluff Park Howe Sound Rivers	Apr 3, 2012 2:14 PM
116	River trails along Mamquam and Squamish	Apr 3, 2012 2:09 PM
117	rivers estuary cheekeye fan Judd beach Alice lake park area Brohm lake area Smoke Bluffs	Apr 3, 2012 1:40 PM
118	estuary	Apr 3, 2012 8:53 AM
119	Alice Lake Chief	Apr 3, 2012 8:47 AM
120	Garibaldi and Alice Lake Park	Apr 3, 2012 8:43 AM
121	Alice Lake Brolin Lake The Chief Garibaldi Park	Apr 3, 2012 8:38 AM
122	estuary and waterfront	Apr 3, 2012 8:35 AM
123	Woodlot license 27 in Chiehye Fan - should stay managed woodlot! Not for housing!	Apr 2, 2012 3:57 PM
124	estuary smoke bluffs park green corridors between different areas in our community	Apr 2, 2012 3:51 PM
125	Squamish River Manquam River Estuary	Apr 2, 2012 3:47 PM
126	Estuary	Apr 2, 2012 3:41 PM
127	estuary, eagles in brack, alice lake and prov parks. all waterways	Apr 2, 2012 3:31 PM
128	The Estuary, Eagle reserve	Apr 2, 2012 3:04 PM
129	Alice Lake	Apr 2, 2012 3:01 PM
130	The Chief, Estuary, trails, parks - all important	Apr 2, 2012 2:52 PM

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131	wind, ocean, rocks, trails	Apr 2, 2012 2:46 PM
132	dough north woodlot D27	Apr 2, 2012 2:40 PM
133	red heather	Apr 2, 2012 2:38 PM
134	smoke bluffs, estuary	Apr 2, 2012 2:35 PM
135	estuary, riparian zones	Apr 2, 2012 2:29 PM
136	estuary all trails smoke bluffs koho park	Apr 2, 2012 2:25 PM
137	estuary	Apr 2, 2012 2:14 PM
138	Guaranteed wind!! You have to go to Van Island otherwise.	Apr 2, 2012 2:10 PM
139	Garibaldi park Chief Estuary Smoke Bluffs Park	Apr 2, 2012 2:02 PM
140	Oceanfront - Nexer O'Siem pavilion should be a park.	Apr 2, 2012 1:56 PM
141	The Chief The Estuary	Apr 2, 2012 1:47 PM
142	estuary smoke bluffs rivers trails	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
143	estuary, green area adjacent to neighbourhoods	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
144	waterfront	Apr 2, 2012 12:22 PM
145	Chief, Ocean, Forest Areas, Rivers & Back Country Mtn	Apr 2, 2012 12:17 PM
146	the mountains	Apr 2, 2012 12:14 PM
147	estuary forests alice lake	Apr 2, 2012 12:08 PM
148	estuary	Apr 2, 2012 11:59 AM
149	estuaries	Apr 2, 2012 11:56 AM
150	all of it. Sea to sky	Apr 2, 2012 11:54 AM
151	Garibaldi	Apr 2, 2012 11:50 AM
152	estuary checkeye fan Provincial Parks	Apr 2, 2012 11:42 AM
153	dikes estuaries	Apr 2, 2012 11:14 AM
154	Nexan	Apr 2, 2012 11:07 AM
155	oceanfront hills woods	Apr 2, 2012 10:59 AM
156	Judd beach The estuary Brohm Lake !!	Apr 2, 2012 10:51 AM
157	Judd Beach Brohm Lake!!!	Apr 2, 2012 10:44 AM

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158	The Provincial Parks	Apr 2, 2012 10:40 AM
159	Estuary Forested and areas waterfront	Apr 2, 2012 10:31 AM

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1	paradise valley	Apr 27, 2012 12:40 PM
2	the old Garibaldi springs golf course would be a nice addition	Apr 27, 2012 12:26 PM
3	all parks and areas not commercialized	Apr 27, 2012 12:21 PM
4	oceanfront smoke blufs trails at garibaldi springs and squamish golf clubs	Apr 27, 2012 12:15 PM
5	chief alice lake	Apr 27, 2012 12:08 PM
6	squamish river estuary	Apr 27, 2012 12:04 PM
7	riparian concerns adequately protect many areas BC parks are protected	Apr 27, 2012 11:58 AM
8	Alice Lake	Apr 23, 2012 6:55 AM
9	Bike trails!	Apr 21, 2012 11:13 PM
10	the fish hatchery rivers.	Apr 20, 2012 6:22 AM
11	The whole of Canada! But especially old growth forest and temperate marine rain forest areas.	Apr 18, 2012 9:57 AM
12	I don't know the answer to this	Apr 17, 2012 1:16 PM
13	All of them!	Apr 17, 2012 6:26 AM
14	The Chief	Apr 16, 2012 10:19 PM
15	The trailed area up ring creek road towards Diamond Head, The proposed area of GAS should not be developed it is important fish bearing streams and areas we use for hiking, and biking, as well as kayaking and wildlife need refuge area.	Apr 16, 2012 7:11 PM
16	power houase plunge	Apr 16, 2012 4:51 PM
17	provincial park	Apr 16, 2012 3:10 PM
18	Those close to town.	Apr 15, 2012 8:13 AM
19	All to a point	Apr 14, 2012 8:23 PM
20	Focus should be based on responsible land use and not restrictions	Apr 14, 2012 7:59 PM
21	Estuary.	Apr 14, 2012 7:35 PM
22	Lakes Bike and dirtbike trails	Apr 14, 2012 6:18 PM
23	Estuary	Apr 14, 2012 2:21 PM
24	Chief, Howe Sound	Apr 14, 2012 2:07 PM
25	all	Apr 14, 2012 1:49 PM
26	Alice lake park and surroundings - It would be nice to limit logging in the	Apr 14, 2012 1:18 PM

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	immediate area so that the trail system which is accessible for the community can be within natural settings. Convenient access to forest trails promotes use. Current logging around Alice lake is saddening.	
27	lakes	Apr 14, 2012 12:44 AM
28	Waterfront, chekeye fan, highlands to garibaldi park	Apr 13, 2012 8:30 PM
29	None open more area for sledding	Apr 13, 2012 8:10 PM
30	lakes- keep dog poo away from them	Apr 13, 2012 8:02 PM
31	All of them	Apr 13, 2012 7:56 PM
32	nv	Apr 13, 2012 7:41 PM
33	rivers & river access	Apr 13, 2012 7:37 PM
34	Above the university on the diamond head road.	Apr 13, 2012 1:30 PM
35	All of them	Apr 13, 2012 1:26 PM
36	all of them	Apr 13, 2012 1:13 PM
37	Coho Park. Nexen Beach.	Apr 13, 2012 12:58 PM
38	Estuary Lakes Trails	Apr 13, 2012 12:54 PM
39	see #7	Apr 13, 2012 12:21 PM
40	Brackendale Walking Park	Apr 13, 2012 11:49 AM
41	the estuary...the watershed...the forests	Apr 13, 2012 11:20 AM
42	Dog park	Apr 13, 2012 9:21 AM
43	The Waterfront and the rivers.	Apr 13, 2012 9:15 AM
44	Estuary	Apr 13, 2012 9:03 AM
45	Valleycliff trails	Apr 13, 2012 8:58 AM
46	Smoke bluffs Estuary	Apr 13, 2012 8:55 AM
47	All	Apr 13, 2012 8:51 AM
48	Any of our wetlands.	Apr 13, 2012 8:42 AM
49	Smoke Bluff park should be EXPANDED. And why does that park EXCLUDE mountain biking? seems a district park should try to cater to as many users as possible (i have nothign wrong with climbing - just think it should not only be a climbing park. very important we have a no net loss trail policy and stick to it.	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
50	Estuary, all undeveloped ecosystems/habitats	Apr 13, 2012 7:31 AM

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51	Don't know	Apr 13, 2012 7:30 AM
52	wet lands- slew area	Apr 13, 2012 7:29 AM
53	All of them - the spit as development is a likelihood there.	Apr 13, 2012 7:24 AM
54	All of it	Apr 13, 2012 7:09 AM
55	The waterfront. Protected by way of keeping it publicly accessible.	Apr 13, 2012 6:52 AM
56	Cat lake, all old growth forest	Apr 13, 2012 6:49 AM
57	We have several Proovincial Parks surrounding Squamish.	Apr 13, 2012 5:26 AM
58	Trails between valleycliffe and Quest	Apr 12, 2012 7:44 PM
59	estuary	Apr 12, 2012 1:41 PM
60	Woodland within 5km of town should be protected.	Apr 12, 2012 6:47 AM
61	Estuary lands and all river/stream banks. Last year someone contracted by hydro (I think) chopped down all the trees and bush surrounding the stream on the trail behind Ravens Plateau. Now somewhat rectified but I hope the contractor was dealt with for such an unnecessary act of "vandalism".	Apr 12, 2012 6:43 AM
62	I would like to see the old garibaldi golf course re-opened for walking trails/park	Apr 11, 2012 10:45 PM
63	4 lakes trail Elfin lakes	Apr 11, 2012 4:26 PM
64	estuary, rivers etc	Apr 11, 2012 4:21 PM
65	Alice Lake Oceanfront/Estuary Brohm lake	Apr 11, 2012 4:03 PM
66	the estuary	Apr 11, 2012 3:53 PM
67	estuary	Apr 11, 2012 1:36 PM
68	Nexen Beach	Apr 11, 2012 8:01 AM
69	We have fewre & fewer wildlife areas/corridors left in the area due to many trails & developmenst so more cougar /bear sightings & fewer deer	Apr 11, 2012 6:14 AM
70	Extend Stan Clarke to Mamquam Blind Channel.Provide downtown with view corridor and connection to ocean	Apr 10, 2012 1:57 PM
71	all of them	Apr 10, 2012 1:47 PM
72	As long as our streams, rivers and water sources are protected, I don't have a problem with well planned commercial development. We need jobs too!	Apr 10, 2012 1:28 PM
73	Brackenale Farmers Institute Park!! , the esturary, the chief, Ray peters trail	Apr 10, 2012 10:04 AM
74	Green space in all neighbourhoods.	Apr 10, 2012 8:53 AM

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75	Provincial park, bike trails	Apr 9, 2012 6:05 PM
76	estuary	Apr 9, 2012 11:53 AM
77	diamond head, squamish ocean front	Apr 9, 2012 11:29 AM
78	All of them, we have no shartage of overpriced housing and big box stores	Apr 8, 2012 10:04 AM
79	Farmers Park and Bluffs and Blind Channel	Apr 8, 2012 9:02 AM
80	Alice lake. The area behind starviewplace and the highlands (new golfcourse area should not be developed).	Apr 8, 2012 8:06 AM
81	Estuary, biking trails, hiking trails,	Apr 7, 2012 9:40 PM
82	All bodies of water- we should test water quality of lakes, eliminate the dog poo issue in these areas.	Apr 7, 2012 6:30 PM
83	Estuary	Apr 7, 2012 6:17 PM
84	I don't know.	Apr 7, 2012 5:52 AM
85	Chief, land of the spit, green space in Brackendale	Apr 6, 2012 8:34 PM
86	Nexen Beach	Apr 6, 2012 4:53 PM
87	Nexxen Beach and waterfront access	Apr 6, 2012 3:44 PM
88	I love all the dump trails, but I am disappointed with all the logging. It looks like something out of the movie Fern Gully from the 80s. Also,Nexun is in desperate need of some clean up.	Apr 6, 2012 2:13 PM
89	area along the Mamquam and Squamish Rivers, mountainous areas above Valleycliffe including the Chief	Apr 6, 2012 12:14 PM
90	All of the brackedale areas	Apr 6, 2012 11:22 AM
91	All of them- We are already building into land that should remain intact for the all animal species we have.	Apr 6, 2012 10:54 AM
92	natural streams, estuary, Brennan Park woods, etc.	Apr 6, 2012 10:43 AM
93	as much as possible	Apr 6, 2012 10:30 AM
94	All of them	Apr 6, 2012 10:09 AM
95	all parks should be a priority!	Apr 6, 2012 9:52 AM
96	NEXEN, ALICE LAKE, FOUR LAKES, BROHM LAKE, PORTEAU COVE	Apr 6, 2012 9:33 AM
97	All parks: The Chief, Alice Lake trails, Garibaldi Park etc.	Apr 6, 2012 9:31 AM
98	estuary	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 AM

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99	Smoke Bluffs, Coho Park, Estuary	Apr 6, 2012 8:46 AM
100	see above	Apr 6, 2012 8:20 AM
101	all of the above	Apr 3, 2012 2:14 PM
102	Brohm Lake, Alice Lake, Garibaldi	Apr 3, 2012 2:09 PM
103	All	Apr 3, 2012 1:40 PM
104	estuary	Apr 3, 2012 8:53 AM
105	4 lakes	Apr 3, 2012 8:47 AM
106	Upper Manquay Blind Channel and Sloughs Connecting between Adventure Centre and Squamish River	Apr 2, 2012 3:57 PM
107	Across Blind Channel from Rose Park Estuary	Apr 2, 2012 3:51 PM
108	Squamish estuary Mamquam river white water site	Apr 2, 2012 3:47 PM
109	Estuary - spit	Apr 2, 2012 3:41 PM
110	estuary	Apr 2, 2012 3:31 PM
111	Chief and Shannon Fall	Apr 2, 2012 3:01 PM
112	Estuary, Chief	Apr 2, 2012 2:52 PM
113	Smoke bluffs	Apr 2, 2012 2:40 PM
114	the Chief and the surrounding property	Apr 2, 2012 2:38 PM
115	listed above	Apr 2, 2012 2:35 PM
116	estuary koho park	Apr 2, 2012 2:25 PM
117	estuary	Apr 2, 2012 2:14 PM
118	The mountain bike trails	Apr 2, 2012 2:10 PM
119	all of the above, no exception	Apr 2, 2012 2:02 PM
120	Chief and Estuary	Apr 2, 2012 1:47 PM
121	estuary waterfront downtown and along channel river fronts	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
122	land based in close proximity to town (ie diamond head area, lands above alice lake, oven pit woods) that are heavily used by trail users and have no protection fro logging, power line construction...	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
123	waterfront and mountain bike trails	Apr 2, 2012 12:22 PM
124	west side of squamish river	Apr 2, 2012 11:59 AM

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125	waterfront	Apr 2, 2012 11:56 AM
126	upper blind channel	Apr 2, 2012 11:07 AM
127	oceanfront! esp. public access and ability to use it	Apr 2, 2012 10:59 AM
128	n/a	Apr 2, 2012 10:51 AM
129	lets protect pristine wilderness and use the rest for improving quality of life	Apr 2, 2012 10:40 AM

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1	a second ice sheet	Apr 27, 2012 12:50 PM
2	lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:42 PM
3	it would be nice to have the pool open later on weekends	Apr 27, 2012 12:26 PM
4	football rugby aboriginal activities	Apr 27, 2012 12:21 PM
5	bus service to get evening class qualified instructors organization (classes cancelled without telling participants) knowledgeable staff as to what classes involve	Apr 27, 2012 12:15 PM
6	aquafit classes	Apr 27, 2012 12:08 PM
7	evening time use at the senior center (see Folk Dancing: currently 6pm, should be 7pm!)	Apr 27, 2012 12:04 PM
8	exercise/weight room at Brennan Park utilizing existing under utilized space costs of improving facilities are too high for limited budget and other priorities that take precedence	Apr 27, 2012 11:58 AM
9	We need an indoor riding ring and an indoor soccer arena. Both sports can be done year round if we had facilities for them!	Apr 23, 2012 6:55 AM
10	Indoor climbing and bike park	Apr 21, 2012 11:13 PM
11	Workout gym. Indoor court gym	Apr 20, 2012 10:22 AM
12	It would be nice if Brennan park had an indoor gym and possibly a climbing wall. it would be good to have a Mountain bike skills park next to the mini skate park and it would be even better if it was covered as well as the BMX track.	Apr 20, 2012 6:22 AM
13	None	Apr 18, 2012 9:57 AM
14	Don't know	Apr 17, 2012 1:16 PM
15	Brennan Park needs to be a more complete facility - a gym/cardio area, squash courts - like Meadow Park in Whistler	Apr 17, 2012 6:26 AM
16	Salt water pool! chlorine sucks. Dance studio space and dance classes for adults would be really lovely.... Dance is part of culture.	Apr 16, 2012 7:11 PM
17	gym	Apr 16, 2012 4:51 PM
18	An indoor finished concrete slab for roller skating would be nice! Something we can use year round without having to wait for the ice to come off the rink.	Apr 16, 2012 4:03 PM
19	There seems to be adequate indoor public facilities, installing a weight room at Brennan Park is redundant and will harm the small businesses in town who already offer this service at reasonable prices. No need to provide taxpayer subsidized weight room. Not actually possible to pay for this in the time frame quoted by Rec. Director - these facilities do not pay for themselves.	Apr 16, 2012 3:10 PM
20	Squash Courts	Apr 16, 2012 7:51 AM

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21	Public gym/fitness center Indoor climbing wall Indoor cycling studio	Apr 15, 2012 9:19 PM
22	Indoor bike track	Apr 15, 2012 2:13 PM
23	2nd sheet of ice.	Apr 15, 2012 8:13 AM
24	Don't use them.	Apr 14, 2012 8:23 PM
25	No idea	Apr 14, 2012 7:59 PM
26	There are very limited indoor rec opportunities for little kiddos. I'd be delighted to see affordable activities/facilities available on weekends.	Apr 14, 2012 7:35 PM
27	More family skate time at the arena Indoor skate park	Apr 14, 2012 6:18 PM
28	Field	Apr 14, 2012 2:21 PM
29	bowling alley roller derby	Apr 14, 2012 2:07 PM
30	Fitness room and gym at brennan park. Open gym for basketball, badmiton, volleyball ect	Apr 13, 2012 8:30 PM
31	Indoor climbing	Apr 13, 2012 8:10 PM
32	Adult programs could use a lot of improvement. There aren't very many courses/classes to choose from.	Apr 13, 2012 8:03 PM
33	fitness centre	Apr 13, 2012 8:02 PM
34	Better court size gymnasium facilities	Apr 13, 2012 7:56 PM
35	no sure	Apr 13, 2012 7:41 PM
36	Roller derby/dry rink facilities year round	Apr 13, 2012 7:37 PM
37	a multi purpose indoor space for rollerderby/lacross etc	Apr 13, 2012 7:32 PM
38	Indoor gym/workout facility and then the ice rink needs a serious tune up.	Apr 13, 2012 1:30 PM
39	For a town of our size, our indoor facilities are really quite good in my opinion.	Apr 13, 2012 1:26 PM
40	indoor lacrosse/derby track!	Apr 13, 2012 1:13 PM
41	A large fitness area (indoor track, indoor climbing gym.) There are a few great bootcamp gyms but no good BIG facilities, like a rec centre for fitness.	Apr 13, 2012 12:58 PM
42	N/a	Apr 13, 2012 12:54 PM
43	indoor tennis, squash	Apr 13, 2012 12:21 PM
44	Also, the existing leisure centre needs a face lift before we invest in a fitness area. The DOS missed the boat on fitness - we now have 3 fabulous gyms. The locker rooms need updated...and the rest of the building to follow.	Apr 13, 2012 11:49 AM

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45	indoor climbing facility	Apr 13, 2012 11:20 AM
46	climbing wall?	Apr 13, 2012 9:21 AM
47	trampolines. BOUNCE in Whistler is great.	Apr 13, 2012 9:15 AM
48	Bowling alley Weight room	Apr 13, 2012 9:03 AM
49	Ice rink	Apr 13, 2012 8:58 AM
50	The programs themselves are FANTASTIC! the registration process is horrible, classes cancelled at the last minute, no spots available, too busy receptionists who are not always that helpful	Apr 13, 2012 8:55 AM
51	need an actual gym to play basketball/volleyball.. and a facility to work out in.	Apr 13, 2012 8:51 AM
52	We need a gym.	Apr 13, 2012 8:42 AM
53	brennan park ice arena- dressing rooms are a disgrace. small and dirty. need significant upgrading	Apr 13, 2012 8:21 AM
54	more rink availability for derby	Apr 13, 2012 8:04 AM
55	Covered pump track (to go in mountain bike skills park as well, Roller Derby is one of the fastest growing sports in canada (not to mention Squamish) having full year area for practice would be a huge hit. (NOT the old school track - simply a decent floor in brennan park auditorium would do it.	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
56	Brenan park pool and ice rink need to get a face lift boeth really dated	Apr 13, 2012 7:30 AM
57	as a Roller Derby participant it would be nice to have use of the arena floor for a longer period of time. Brennan Park has been amazing, and opened their doors to the rec room to us this year. However, the arena floor is just that much nicer and more ideal. Saying that, we definitely understand that ice sports are priority and that's what the arena is there for. I'm not sure what the solution is, but I do know that Roller Derby, Wheel chair Rugby and inline hockey struggle to find the space to do it.	Apr 13, 2012 7:29 AM
58	More time on the dry slab in the summer!	Apr 13, 2012 7:24 AM
59	Skatepark	Apr 13, 2012 7:09 AM
60	Squamish needs to re-jig the Rec centre. As it sits, it's an incredible waste of space. The auditorium/gymnasium should have a climbing wall in it! This climbing wall could be concealed by a curtain when not in use but this way there is another activity that could be run while another is taking place.	Apr 13, 2012 6:52 AM
61	Indoor skate park for winter	Apr 13, 2012 6:49 AM
62	Gyms open for public use. There are a lot of nice gyms in town where you can attend classes, but the local drop in are very old, outdated and lacking equipment.	Apr 13, 2012 6:37 AM
63	A decent gym to workout with different types of modern equipment an free	Apr 13, 2012 6:35 AM

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	weights.	
64	Rec Center Gym, but I believe it's happening.	Apr 13, 2012 6:20 AM
65	Maybe an indoor bike training facility for the kids.	Apr 13, 2012 5:26 AM
66	Climbing gym!!	Apr 12, 2012 7:44 PM
67	The recreation centre needs to expand beyond pool and ice rink. I IMPLORE you to visit with the SunGod Recreation Centre in North Delta (http://www.corp.delta.bc.ca/EN/main/residents/recreation_and_parks_services/147/src.html) for a fine example of a well-used popular rec centre that is not overly-ambitious. To have one centre that citizens can purchase a yearly pass or drop-in and have access to both pool and fitness facilities/classes would be a great affordable community builder.	Apr 12, 2012 1:41 PM
68	The curling rink seriously needs a new ice plant. We have been fundraising and applying for grants but need more recognition as a community resource.	Apr 12, 2012 12:37 PM
69	Brennan Park needs a Gym!	Apr 12, 2012 12:35 PM
70	2nd sheet of Ice	Apr 12, 2012 11:26 AM
71	N/A	Apr 12, 2012 6:47 AM
72	A proper indoor climbing gym would be a huge asset and would produce income from both local and out of town climbers, year round.	Apr 12, 2012 6:43 AM
73	more fitness equipment & dedicated space at Brennan Park	Apr 11, 2012 10:45 PM
74	indoor gym space (eg for 5 a side soccer)	Apr 11, 2012 4:30 PM
75	need an indoor riding arena	Apr 11, 2012 4:26 PM
76	weight room and climbing gym at the rec centre	Apr 11, 2012 4:21 PM
77	fitness centre/weight room	Apr 11, 2012 4:15 PM
78	I can't believe a town of this size has no community gym (ie weights/fitness classes)	Apr 11, 2012 4:03 PM
79	indoor tennis court	Apr 11, 2012 3:53 PM
80	curling, ice rink	Apr 11, 2012 1:36 PM
81	Gym	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
82	N/A	Apr 11, 2012 8:01 AM
83	Fitness programmes for seniors are on conflicting dates - in the community v@ seniors centre	Apr 11, 2012 6:14 AM
84	Curling Rink is in need of upgrades, gym facilities that are not so expensive	Apr 10, 2012 1:47 PM

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85	We NEED improvements to our arena. As a strating point, the dressing rooms are an absolute embarrassment and need updating asap.	Apr 10, 2012 1:28 PM
86	Fitness centre	Apr 10, 2012 11:10 AM
87	Our swimming pool is very outdated and we need a water park for kids to play outdoors in the summer!!!	Apr 10, 2012 10:04 AM
88	Upgrade to arena and pool buildings.	Apr 10, 2012 8:53 AM
89	Brennan Park Gym ceiling too low for some sports.	Apr 10, 2012 8:51 AM
90	Wave pool, expanded / upgraded pool facility (like Okanagan)	Apr 9, 2012 6:05 PM
91	the gym. Bad lighting, bad acoustics, dated decor. Could generate WAY more revenue for sports and special events if it were updated.	Apr 9, 2012 11:29 AM
92	Fitness area inside Brennan Park - affordable babysitting for kids so parents can swim or work out	Apr 8, 2012 9:02 AM
93	N/A	Apr 8, 2012 8:06 AM
94	pool	Apr 8, 2012 6:05 AM
95	Pool needs updating weight room/workout room with more machines	Apr 7, 2012 9:40 PM
96	A modern fitness facilty in downtown area, we need one.	Apr 7, 2012 6:30 PM
97	Fitness center in Brennan Park.	Apr 7, 2012 5:52 AM
98	Upgrade Brennan park	Apr 6, 2012 8:34 PM
99	We could use another hockey rink but nothing other than that!	Apr 6, 2012 6:31 PM
100	A covered riding arena for horseback riding. Squamish supports at least 5 fulltime coaches/instructors whose students need to leave town to ride every winter. We also turn students away due to lack of appropriate facilities. Most of us coaches have a waiting list of 12+ students who would like to ride with us...	Apr 6, 2012 6:12 PM
101	Indoor gym and more classes at Brennan Park for adults (aerobics, pilates, yoga, etc).	Apr 6, 2012 4:53 PM
102	n/a	Apr 6, 2012 3:44 PM
103	Indoor tennis. A bubble on two or three courts would be terrific.	Apr 6, 2012 12:14 PM
104	I think the rec centre may be old, but it is perfectly functional, maybe more access or classes though	Apr 6, 2012 11:22 AM
105	please do NOT build a fitness gym at Brennan Park. We are already very well served with many local private gyms, and do not need a public financial albatross.	Apr 6, 2012 10:43 AM
106	a low cost alternative to a membership Gym, with and indoor running track.	Apr 6, 2012 10:30 AM

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107	Forget the user fee fitness gym -	Apr 6, 2012 10:09 AM
108	My daughter figure skates and she can't between April and September as the ice is removed. This leaves her at a disadvantage compared to other children in other districts.	Apr 6, 2012 9:52 AM
109	MORE FUN SPORTS LEAGUES AS OPPOSED TO COMPETITIVE, MORE COST EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS	Apr 6, 2012 9:33 AM
110	ice arena	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 AM
111	A high quality PUBLIC weight room. We have a disproportionate amount of Olympic and National level athletes in town, plus the rest of our athletic population and we only have three very sub-par weight rooms in town. We desperately need a world class, public weight and fitness facility attached to our recreation center. I would also love to see an indoor climbing gym in town for fitness and as a social hub in the rainy (7 months of the year) months.	Apr 6, 2012 8:46 AM
112	climbing wall	Apr 6, 2012 8:20 AM
113	pool weight rooms	Apr 3, 2012 3:50 PM
114	change rooms fitness facility	Apr 3, 2012 2:14 PM
115	Indoor tennis	Apr 3, 2012 2:09 PM
116	weight room	Apr 3, 2012 1:47 PM
117	We need a covered riding arena for the horse community to use year round.	Apr 3, 2012 8:57 AM
118	needs 2nd ice surface	Apr 3, 2012 8:53 AM
119	new additional sheet of ice	Apr 3, 2012 8:47 AM
120	Indoor facility similar to Whistler's Meadow Park	Apr 3, 2012 8:43 AM
121	Bigger Pool with gym facility including room for classes (yoga, work out classes etc)	Apr 3, 2012 8:38 AM
122	lacrosse	Apr 3, 2012 8:35 AM
123	Curling rink needs new ice plant, we don't want to lose this facility!	Apr 2, 2012 3:57 PM
124	-another ice surface -gym basketball and volleyball and use -weight room - climbing wall	Apr 2, 2012 3:51 PM
125	Improvement to changeroom; second ice surface	Apr 2, 2012 3:47 PM
126	we need an indoor gym for community use	Apr 2, 2012 3:41 PM
127	Gym - this has been known for years and nothing gets done. 1/2 ice sheet - another half ice sheet would be great	Apr 2, 2012 3:31 PM
128	better advertise for indoor soccer	Apr 2, 2012 3:01 PM

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129	junior level ski jumping	Apr 2, 2012 2:43 PM
130	none	Apr 2, 2012 2:35 PM
131	gymnasium indoor track indoor climbing facility	Apr 2, 2012 2:25 PM
132	fitness centre/gym	Apr 2, 2012 2:21 PM
133	gym - fitness centre located at BP	Apr 2, 2012 2:14 PM
134	-indoor skateboard park -indoor 4 - cross track (like in Abbotsford) for biking - indoor pump track for BMX (like North Van)	Apr 2, 2012 2:02 PM
135	more options for kids and adults	Apr 2, 2012 1:56 PM
136	weight training fitness facilities	Apr 2, 2012 1:47 PM
137	Brennan park should look to North Vancouver models as example	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
138	Don't really use them. Occasional pool user.	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
139	district/community gym	Apr 2, 2012 12:22 PM
140	bowling, indoor rock climbing	Apr 2, 2012 12:03 PM
141	tracks	Apr 2, 2012 11:56 AM
142	gym, climbing	Apr 2, 2012 11:50 AM
143	more kids oriented (ie.) waterslide, indoor play areas, permanent gymnastics facility (see "oros in Whistler)	Apr 2, 2012 11:42 AM
144	gym, climbing gym	Apr 2, 2012 11:14 AM
145	bike skills area	Apr 2, 2012 11:07 AM
146	all the age groups, mainly focused on younger children multi-use indoor space/building	Apr 2, 2012 10:59 AM
147	Why IS there not a weight room at the community rec centre????!	Apr 2, 2012 10:51 AM
148	There needs to be a fitness centre at the community rec centre	Apr 2, 2012 10:44 AM
149	need better fitness facilities	Apr 2, 2012 10:40 AM
150	I don't use many of the indoor activities	Apr 2, 2012 10:31 AM

Page 2, Q11. What Arts and Culture programs and events are the MOST important to you?

1	events at the art gallery	Apr 27, 2012 12:46 PM
2	art classes in different types of media, not just watercolors would be nice	Apr 27, 2012 12:28 PM
3	cultural activities of all community	Apr 27, 2012 12:23 PM
4	loggers sports	Apr 27, 2012 12:06 PM
5	live theatre/dance music venues	Apr 27, 2012 12:00 PM
6	Events put on by youth in town, such as school plays	Apr 23, 2012 7:05 AM
7	Bike races	Apr 21, 2012 11:15 PM
8	Indian art and community arts festivals	Apr 20, 2012 6:33 AM
9	N/A	Apr 18, 2012 9:59 AM
10	music and theatre performances	Apr 17, 2012 1:19 PM
11	the farmer's market Brackendale Art Gallery Christmas Parade	Apr 17, 2012 6:30 AM
12	dances and music	Apr 16, 2012 7:16 PM
13	Theatre, music, museum	Apr 16, 2012 3:14 PM
14	Live theatre	Apr 15, 2012 9:22 PM
15	n/a	Apr 15, 2012 8:16 AM
16	None	Apr 14, 2012 8:01 PM
17	Local theatre.	Apr 14, 2012 7:42 PM
18	Children arts programs	Apr 14, 2012 6:24 PM
19	concerts	Apr 14, 2012 2:09 PM
20	theatre for kids	Apr 14, 2012 1:51 PM
21	music	Apr 14, 2012 12:48 AM
22	Theater, but let entrepreneurs find that solution	Apr 13, 2012 11:39 PM
23	Are there any?	Apr 13, 2012 8:32 PM
24	theatre, films	Apr 13, 2012 8:05 PM
25	visual	Apr 13, 2012 7:58 PM
26	It would be great to have more music in town, and I think improved architecture requirements for buildings would help us a lot.	Apr 13, 2012 1:34 PM
27	Squamish market	Apr 13, 2012 1:15 PM

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28	??	Apr 13, 2012 1:01 PM
29	Music	Apr 13, 2012 12:56 PM
30	not sure Dance- Bhangra, Belly dance, ballroom dance	Apr 13, 2012 12:27 PM
31	Concerts/Theater	Apr 13, 2012 11:51 AM
32	n/a	Apr 13, 2012 9:23 AM
33	Basscoast Project (non municipal)	Apr 13, 2012 9:19 AM
34	Dance	Apr 13, 2012 8:58 AM
35	concerts, markets	Apr 13, 2012 8:53 AM
36	The bigfoot concert event	Apr 13, 2012 8:48 AM
37	this is a RECREATION MASTER PLAN - tacking on arts and culture is a waste of money. Unless you're assuming that many sport events are arts and culture then - ok - i'll give you that point but still this is weak sauce. That said, Mountain bike events are most important. as is derby (that is some amazign performance art) I also love street art and want to see more of it.	Apr 13, 2012 7:49 AM
38	Live music	Apr 13, 2012 7:33 AM
39	Outdoor summer events like Live at Squamish. I be very clear here and say that I do not have plans on attending this event but I think it is a good thing for this community.	Apr 13, 2012 7:00 AM
40	Adult and childrens art and environmental education	Apr 13, 2012 6:55 AM
41	Music	Apr 13, 2012 6:25 AM
42	Theatre	Apr 12, 2012 7:46 PM
43	I think some 1st Nation's oriented events would be interesting. I am happy that SquamishLive is doing well. Sad to hear there will be no Saint Jean Baptiste Day this year.	Apr 12, 2012 1:45 PM
44	Family events, parades	Apr 11, 2012 10:48 PM
45	squamish logger days	Apr 11, 2012 4:32 PM
46	music festival	Apr 11, 2012 4:27 PM
47	n/a	Apr 11, 2012 4:22 PM
48	theatre choral presentation	Apr 11, 2012 4:12 PM
49	galleries/static installations	Apr 11, 2012 4:04 PM
50	equestrian facility needs an indoor arena	Apr 11, 2012 3:57 PM

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51	live shows at Eagle View Theatre	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
52	N/A	Apr 11, 2012 8:05 AM
53	Library Gallery ,theatre & concerts	Apr 11, 2012 6:22 AM
54	Art galleries, funky cafes, boutiques, outside art Sculptures, native art . carved poles...instalations	Apr 10, 2012 2:11 PM
55	Canada Day celebrations and any other events held downtown.	Apr 10, 2012 1:40 PM
56	outdoor concert and sporting events	Apr 10, 2012 11:11 AM
57	Brackendale Fall Fair and Loggers Sports and Farmers Market	Apr 10, 2012 10:07 AM
58	Local theatre and music productions	Apr 9, 2012 6:08 PM
59	I am not very up to date on thses programs	Apr 9, 2012 11:56 AM
60	BFI	Apr 8, 2012 10:05 AM
61	Cinema	Apr 8, 2012 8:09 AM
62	Brackendale art gallery. Foyer gallery, more arts exposure	Apr 7, 2012 9:42 PM
63	Arts classes for kids.	Apr 7, 2012 6:01 AM
64	N/a	Apr 6, 2012 8:36 PM
65	Art Walk	Apr 6, 2012 4:54 PM
66	music and theatre	Apr 6, 2012 3:46 PM
67	Music, dance, arts classes for children.	Apr 6, 2012 3:16 PM
68	As a visual artist I think there could be a greater colaboration between the various groups.	Apr 6, 2012 2:16 PM
69	Music and handiwork	Apr 6, 2012 12:24 PM
70	I do not know	Apr 6, 2012 11:26 AM
71	Outdoor music festivals	Apr 6, 2012 10:46 AM
72	not applicable	Apr 6, 2012 10:33 AM
73	Performing Arts	Apr 6, 2012 9:55 AM
74	MUSIC, DRAMA, DANCE	Apr 6, 2012 9:39 AM
75	n/a	Apr 6, 2012 9:33 AM
76	Perhaps a place to view live music and plays?	Apr 6, 2012 8:51 AM

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77	loggers sports	Apr 6, 2012 8:22 AM
78	arts courses culinary theatre music	Apr 3, 2012 3:15 PM
79	art theatre	Apr 3, 2012 2:11 PM
80	choir theatre	Apr 3, 2012 8:35 AM
81	celebrating community heritage	Apr 2, 2012 3:59 PM
82	music programs dance programs	Apr 2, 2012 3:33 PM
83	West Coast Railway Heritage Park, anything related to music events, loggers sports	Apr 2, 2012 2:54 PM
84	concerts	Apr 2, 2012 2:47 PM
85	all important	Apr 2, 2012 2:41 PM
86	wild at art	Apr 2, 2012 2:36 PM
87	film fests	Apr 2, 2012 2:30 PM
88	More outdoor plays and concerts	Apr 2, 2012 2:11 PM
89	n/a	Apr 2, 2012 2:04 PM
90	outdoor events (canada day)	Apr 2, 2012 1:53 PM
91	outdoor theatre in summer indoor theatre like events at the BAG	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
92	Music (HSPA), BAG	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
93	music	Apr 2, 2012 12:14 PM
94	music, dance, drawing	Apr 2, 2012 12:09 PM
95	music	Apr 2, 2012 12:04 PM
96	theatre	Apr 2, 2012 11:57 AM
97	Live at Squamish Loggerdays	Apr 2, 2012 11:54 AM
98	art classes dramatic productions musical festivals	Apr 2, 2012 11:45 AM
99	music - outdoor, indoor	Apr 2, 2012 11:37 AM
100	film events Squamish mountain festival	Apr 2, 2012 11:14 AM
101	music	Apr 2, 2012 11:01 AM
102	painting classes learn to pick mushrooms	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM
103	art classes	Apr 2, 2012 10:45 AM

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104 RFL (Relay for Life)

Apr 2, 2012 10:34 AM

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1	there doesn't seem to be as much offered for youth (9-16)	Apr 27, 2012 12:28 PM
2	public space with low cost to families/kids	Apr 27, 2012 12:16 PM
3	forestry museum	Apr 27, 2012 12:06 PM
4	improvements/modifications to loggers sports ground to make it more multi-use	Apr 27, 2012 12:00 PM
5	More community programs for youth. Such as art programs, drama and dance	Apr 23, 2012 7:05 AM
6	N/a	Apr 21, 2012 11:15 PM
7	Marketing Squamish "Without" Whistler	Apr 20, 2012 6:33 AM
8	N/A	Apr 18, 2012 9:59 AM
9	don't know	Apr 17, 2012 1:19 PM
10	it would be amazing to see the farmer's market take over Cleveland St on Saturdays - see people walking everywhere, enjoying the market, stores and restaurants	Apr 17, 2012 6:30 AM
11	Affordable studio space that could be rented out for dance lessons and classes	Apr 16, 2012 7:16 PM
12	Need a museum - unusual for any community to not have a museum.	Apr 16, 2012 3:14 PM
13	A mutli use theatre	Apr 15, 2012 9:22 PM
14	n/a	Apr 15, 2012 8:16 AM
15	No idea	Apr 14, 2012 8:01 PM
16	Assist local arts groups with affordable and adequate facilities to house productions.	Apr 14, 2012 7:42 PM
17	More events	Apr 14, 2012 6:24 PM
18	outdoor concerts	Apr 14, 2012 2:09 PM
19	provide an all age music venue for live music	Apr 14, 2012 12:48 AM
20	Bring back wild at art	Apr 13, 2012 8:32 PM
21	nuture local flimmaking, there are a ton of film companies in the corridor	Apr 13, 2012 8:05 PM
22	More support	Apr 13, 2012 7:58 PM
23	I think we should pay a lot more attention to how our town looks; especially with building architecture, street design, etc.	Apr 13, 2012 1:34 PM
24	not sure	Apr 13, 2012 1:15 PM
25	Supporting local artists.	Apr 13, 2012 1:01 PM

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26	N/A	Apr 13, 2012 12:56 PM
27	more choices on non work hours . beyond 4 pm weekdays	Apr 13, 2012 12:27 PM
28	get something built on the waterfront with a view of the chief!	Apr 13, 2012 11:51 AM
29	Attracting tourism through showing the space that is Squamish	Apr 13, 2012 9:19 AM
30	More accesible dance programs through brennan park	Apr 13, 2012 8:58 AM
31	more outdoor concerts in the summer. make use of open spaces to bring the community together	Apr 13, 2012 8:53 AM
32	No comment	Apr 13, 2012 8:48 AM
33	how about NOT address it through a RECREATION study. encourage street art - work with artists in town (not the arts council with it's current leadership (rant for another time)	Apr 13, 2012 7:49 AM
34	More live shows	Apr 13, 2012 7:33 AM
35	Leave the district out of it. The district should only enable, not build.	Apr 13, 2012 7:00 AM
36	More music venues, Museum,improved town aesthetic	Apr 13, 2012 6:55 AM
37	none	Apr 13, 2012 5:35 AM
38	Public theatre space	Apr 12, 2012 7:46 PM
39	An indoor facility to promote concerts for all ages A Museaum,	Apr 12, 2012 11:32 AM
40	activities to keep teens interested and out of trouble	Apr 11, 2012 10:48 PM
41	multi use community centre/theatre building downtown	Apr 11, 2012 4:32 PM
42	fund arts groups	Apr 11, 2012 4:22 PM
43	facilitate downstream	Apr 11, 2012 4:12 PM
44	performing arts stage would be ideal. Broader range of language courses.	Apr 11, 2012 4:04 PM
45	stay within budget and give all A&C organizations equal support	Apr 11, 2012 3:57 PM
46	Revitalize Downtown Squamish	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
47	Faciliate "Music in the park" (downtown pavillion) on weekends.	Apr 11, 2012 8:05 AM
48	do not cut existing grants	Apr 11, 2012 6:22 AM
49	Focus on Downtown Squamish instead of Uptown Development. Reconise the potential!!!!!!!	Apr 10, 2012 2:11 PM
50	events coordination	Apr 10, 2012 11:11 AM

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51	not sure	Apr 10, 2012 10:07 AM
52	Facilities, funding for community groups	Apr 9, 2012 6:08 PM
53	not sure	Apr 9, 2012 11:56 AM
54	Keep the Cinema	Apr 8, 2012 8:09 AM
55	Focus on community, developing events that aid communication and collaboration	Apr 7, 2012 6:33 PM
56	Making sure there are opportunities for the residents of Squamish, particularly children, to communicate in programs.	Apr 7, 2012 6:01 AM
57	YES!	Apr 6, 2012 4:54 PM
58	A useful, purpose built theatre space.	Apr 6, 2012 3:46 PM
59	Provide leadership and some funding. Not all, perhaps one third to one half.	Apr 6, 2012 12:24 PM
60	I do not know	Apr 6, 2012 11:26 AM
61	DOS should NOT overly extend itself on Arts & Culture, which should be supported by those interested in any particular area	Apr 6, 2012 10:59 AM
62	I am very disappointed with the new O'Siem Pavilion downtown. I do not feel that this is remotely adequate to provide a suitable venue for performers. IMO it is far worse than what we had previously, as far as the design of the Pavilion. It has no raised stage area and is quite small. I feel that more should be done in promoting street festivals and arts in the downtown area.	Apr 6, 2012 10:46 AM
63	don't know	Apr 6, 2012 10:33 AM
64	Much less waste and better long range planning for sustainable art & culture programs. Working together & drawing together existing arts & culture programs.	Apr 6, 2012 9:55 AM
65	COST EFFECTIVENESS, BROADER SELECTIONS/OPPORTUNITIES	Apr 6, 2012 9:39 AM
66	Unsure.	Apr 6, 2012 8:51 AM
67	programming education facilities	Apr 3, 2012 3:15 PM
68	-organizational development (support arts council) -community museum/forestry museum	Apr 2, 2012 3:59 PM
69	the arts should remain a priority for over community as much of the Arts if tied to our natural elements around them.	Apr 2, 2012 3:52 PM
70	don't know. I think all these questions are a bit ridiculous - budget weighs in and reality is what is providing some framework prior to survey would have been nice.	Apr 2, 2012 3:33 PM
71	Development of a performing space larger than anything we have now (500+ plus)	Apr 2, 2012 2:54 PM

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72	More outdoor arts events	Apr 2, 2012 2:11 PM
73	-culture crawl -arts performances at OSiem Pavillion -Promote opportunities (I live here and don't know of any)	Apr 2, 2012 2:04 PM
74	Utilize loggers sports grounds year round. lose the current exclusivity	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
75	allow more arts and entertainment and sidewalk cafe atmosphere downtown	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
76	Performing arts and activities that lead to. Artists community and showcase waves.	Apr 2, 2012 12:18 PM
77	don't know	Apr 2, 2012 12:14 PM
78	bring in great instructors to run programs	Apr 2, 2012 12:09 PM
79	more events that put Squamish on the map for visitors	Apr 2, 2012 12:00 PM
80	build a theatre	Apr 2, 2012 11:54 AM
81	kids entertainment is non-exist schedule kids' performers/performances	Apr 2, 2012 11:45 AM
82	need more focus ion intent and mix. should be complimentary, not on front...?	Apr 2, 2012 11:37 AM
83	increase availability to older children	Apr 2, 2012 11:01 AM
84	its all tailored to the young and the elderly	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM

Page 2, Q14. How would you prefer that Squamish pays for any new or improved recreational facilities?

1	I don't like any of them, but raising taxes seems to make the most sense	Apr 27, 2012 12:28 PM
2	it should be able to pay for itself	Apr 27, 2012 12:23 PM
3	more efficient programming	Apr 27, 2012 12:16 PM
4	we must strive to bring various industries to Squamish to help pay for recreational facilities as well as for increasing cost to our infrastructure. housing alone can not do this.	Apr 27, 2012 12:06 PM
5	a careful balance apply resources effectively (through user groups where possible) and where they will have the most economic impact - outdoor recreation	Apr 27, 2012 12:00 PM
6	I would be willing to pay a little extra for using these facilities through the seasons.	Apr 23, 2012 7:05 AM
7	And of course putting more public voting power behind what we spend our money on rather than closed door approvals for things Squamish residents don't need or want.	Apr 20, 2012 6:33 AM
8	all of the above	Apr 17, 2012 6:30 AM
9	I have no idea. I don't pay property taxes, but I know they are high. I would say you need a combination of community fund-raising, and imposing user fees, but you also can't make it so high that no one can afford to use the new facilities...	Apr 16, 2012 7:16 PM
10	Work within the existing budget - reallocate funds from underused areas, potentially raise fees, add more low-cost (low equipment) programs for all ages - Brennan Park offers very limited programming - make better use of existing space - offer Circuit training with handweights, bands, body weight rather than an expensive and potentially underused weight room.	Apr 16, 2012 3:14 PM
11	Creative fundraising	Apr 15, 2012 8:16 AM
12	Take it from the areas where are already high tax dollars are wasted	Apr 14, 2012 8:30 PM
13	More responsible spending	Apr 14, 2012 8:01 PM
14	As long as the increase is reasonable (unlike local utilities and property tax hikes) I don't mind paying a bit more so everyone can afford to participate. If you make user fees too high too many will be unable to share opportunities.	Apr 14, 2012 7:42 PM
15	A marginal increase across all properties over a few years.	Apr 13, 2012 1:36 PM
16	However, that increase must directly reflect improvement in recreational facilities! It must be transparent. I don't mind paying more for a NEW recreational facility that expands our options of sports to do. Unlike the redundancy of another artificial turf soccer field.....(I know this was not tax dollars, but the money was poorly spent here)	Apr 13, 2012 11:31 AM
17	memberships. trail passes.	Apr 13, 2012 9:19 AM
18	this is a tricky one - needs to be a balance. the trick is that we have given	Apr 13, 2012 7:49 AM

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	multiple millions to hockey and ball while mountain biking has got squat - until this year. soccer and hockey fees MUST BE WORKED OUT - every user group has to know how much they are subsidised to stop fighting. if the new field is going to make soccer fees 500\$ then that has to be known. same with hockey and ball.	
19	Don't know	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
20	I think a bit of each option to lessen the load in any one area would be a good way to work it if possible.	Apr 13, 2012 7:28 AM
21	Increase user fees, if an activity becomes too expensive (like hockey), then that person can take up another sport. I ride an expensive bike but I accept this as a component of the sport. I also played hockey as a kid and it was expensive to buy gear as I grew in size. Soccer is dirt cheap and can be played anywhere, the costs only come up when played on an official field. Hockey was easy to support in areas where there are outdoor rinks.	Apr 13, 2012 7:00 AM
22	a little budget will go a long ways in the right hands.	Apr 13, 2012 5:35 AM
23	Taking a balanced approach using a combination of fees and taxes as well as creating private/public partnerships would be ideal	Apr 12, 2012 12:41 PM
24	Given the amount of money to be spent on failing infrastructure, I do not think any "surplus" taxes should be spent on the expansion to Brennan (which is what I assume this survey is all about)	Apr 12, 2012 6:48 AM
25	happy to "pay to play"	Apr 11, 2012 4:32 PM
26	for sports that benefit fewer than 100 or 200 people, those people should have to fund their own sports facilities	Apr 11, 2012 4:27 PM
27	reduce muni workers wages and benefit packages	Apr 11, 2012 4:22 PM
28	public recreation is too important to risk leaving it to public user groups. needs to be priority like transportation, policy and health.	Apr 11, 2012 4:12 PM
29	Mountain Bike Events should pay user fees or "x" amount man hours maintenance in exchange for use of trails	Apr 11, 2012 3:57 PM
30	only increase taxes if other areas cannot be found.	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
31	We should not expect something for nothing -but give seniors a discount!!!	Apr 11, 2012 6:22 AM
32	a mix of all 3, but don't make the user fees so much that lower income families can't afford it.	Apr 10, 2012 9:09 PM
33	What does it cost to plant trees and place intresting art work along Second aAve and Cleveland.Nothing like the eight million spent,on the Ocean Front Lands	Apr 10, 2012 2:11 PM
34	Limited user fees would also be okay.	Apr 10, 2012 1:40 PM
35	Money spent on physical health can be saved in the long term on by not being spent in medical field.	Apr 10, 2012 8:56 AM

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36	i think this depends on many things and is not so easily defined by a multiple choice question/answer	Apr 9, 2012 11:56 AM
37	There needs to be a balance	Apr 7, 2012 6:25 PM
38	Tax money needs to be spent on economic development, that needs to be our PRIORITY!	Apr 7, 2012 6:01 AM
39	I dont think we need a new facility! Its old yes it looks dated yes, but why spend millions on something when it isn't even broken!?	Apr 6, 2012 11:26 AM
40	Please be very cautious in introducing any new recreational facilities, particularly NO fitness gym at BP. We already have a serious backlog of other DOS infrastructure needs.	Apr 6, 2012 10:59 AM
41	The people that do not use the facility should not have to pay more for it.	Apr 6, 2012 10:57 AM
42	user fees will just deter those who can't afford the high priced facilities that already exist	Apr 6, 2012 10:33 AM
43	Mix of all three	Apr 6, 2012 10:16 AM
44	Much, much better long range planning. There is so much waste. Why build an expensive waterfall at the Adventure Center when we have so many natural waterfalls?	Apr 6, 2012 9:55 AM
45	I think a combination of options should be used	Apr 6, 2012 9:54 AM
46	I have zero issue paying higher taxes if the District builds a better public fitness/weight center. I am opposed to the turf fields however. I have no interest at all in turf sports personally.	Apr 6, 2012 8:51 AM
47	There are other revenue opportunities - increase taxation base - density, commercial development	Apr 3, 2012 3:15 PM
48	Apply for Federal/Provincial Grants to reduce need to utilize above options. Fundraise.	Apr 3, 2012 1:41 PM
49	all are required	Apr 2, 2012 3:33 PM
50	we don't need more money wasted on making new trails that parallel existing trails	Apr 2, 2012 3:28 PM
51	would be a combination of all three	Apr 2, 2012 3:05 PM
52	seems appropriate for the user to pay	Apr 2, 2012 2:54 PM
53	status quo with long term plan of priorities	Apr 2, 2012 2:30 PM
54	specific users should pay for their specific activity, but tax money could help out	Apr 2, 2012 2:26 PM
55	I think there should be a balance as opposed to one particular area shouldering the burden	Apr 2, 2012 2:16 PM

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56	Kiteboarding is one of the fastest growing sports in the world. We should capitalize on it.	Apr 2, 2012 2:11 PM
57	balanced approach	Apr 2, 2012 2:04 PM
58	if recreation programs. do not charge park fees.	Apr 2, 2012 1:57 PM
59	seems unfair to burden the taxpayer even more with bit ticket rec items. Grants and user pay initiatives (ie matching those funds) like the SORCA trail pass seem to be good.	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
60	also - reallocation from less popular activities	Apr 2, 2012 12:09 PM
61	slightly!	Apr 2, 2012 12:04 PM
62	either or	Apr 2, 2012 11:57 AM
63	partnerships with business	Apr 2, 2012 11:54 AM
64	recreation specific	Apr 2, 2012 11:45 AM
65	Capital cost should be taxed	Apr 2, 2012 11:07 AM
66	prov/fed taxes. Infrastructure should be funded through taxes. Improve revenue of facilities by other use.	Apr 2, 2012 11:01 AM
67	save ahead of time before you build	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM
68	get more engaged citizens to lobby for grants!	Apr 2, 2012 10:28 AM

Page 2, Q16. What do you see as the benefits for Squamish residents of being the 'Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada'?

1	tourism	Apr 27, 2012 12:46 PM
2	the residents will be healthier with more emphasis place on outdoor recreation	Apr 27, 2012 12:28 PM
3	good lifestyle	Apr 27, 2012 12:10 PM
4	not a lot	Apr 27, 2012 12:06 PM
5	O.R. is the driver of our 'lifestyle based' economy and could be the key to stimulating the knowledge-based, technology and innovation sectors - will continue to grow tourism	Apr 27, 2012 12:00 PM
6	We can get many more tournaments and games played here if we had the facilities to do so.	Apr 23, 2012 7:05 AM
7	Increased tourism	Apr 21, 2012 11:15 PM
8	We have a great avenue to bring in outside \$ to the community if we could get a few thing completed and tied together so there is a.b.c.d.e rather than a.c.e. Which lends to only the confident in there sport to come and use Squamish which those people don't spend as much or tour the town as much they come in use us and leave.	Apr 20, 2012 6:33 AM
9	Recreational opportunities Job opportunities Entrpeneurial opportunities Increased revenue to the area	Apr 18, 2012 9:59 AM
10	Happy healthy community & income from tourism	Apr 17, 2012 1:19 PM
11	it's a destination to attract tourists - we should focus on the NATURAL attractions of Squamish	Apr 17, 2012 6:30 AM
12	Healthy population, development focused on sustainable activities rather than destructive industry.	Apr 16, 2012 7:16 PM
13	none	Apr 16, 2012 4:06 PM
14	More tourists.	Apr 16, 2012 3:14 PM
15	Tourism	Apr 16, 2012 7:53 AM
16	It can market and attract people from all over the world.	Apr 15, 2012 9:22 PM
17	Other than the obvious health and lifestyle benefits, it helps Squamish become a destination - for biking, climbing and wind sports, among others.	Apr 15, 2012 8:16 AM
18	I would hope that Squamish people can have time to do some of these activities	Apr 14, 2012 8:30 PM
19	Endless!!	Apr 14, 2012 8:01 PM
20	Not sure. Added tourism I expect.	Apr 14, 2012 7:42 PM
21	Mental and physical well being Tourism job opportunity	Apr 14, 2012 6:24 PM

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22	Economic and social	Apr 14, 2012 2:22 PM
23	Tourism dollars and awareness of conserving local environment to promote visitors.	Apr 14, 2012 1:20 PM
24	as locals, we should get access to all the recreational stuff for less (discounted price)	Apr 14, 2012 12:48 AM
25	Quick access, that's why they live here and not have to drive from the city. They do not have to be pristine...	Apr 13, 2012 11:39 PM
26	None to residents, business somewhat	Apr 13, 2012 9:21 PM
27	Health, wellness, like minded people and tourism	Apr 13, 2012 8:32 PM
28	happiness, pride, tourism, few jobs	Apr 13, 2012 8:05 PM
29	motivating for people to get outside and be active	Apr 13, 2012 7:41 PM
30	Tourism	Apr 13, 2012 7:39 PM
31	health and leisure benefits	Apr 13, 2012 3:17 PM
32	The current leaders in most disciplines of mountain biking being from Squamish prove that if even a small investment more will show more talented riders emerging out of the woodwork.	Apr 13, 2012 1:36 PM
33	Being the outdoor rec capital will help us attract people with more disposable income, and will support the growth of higher-paying industries in town. But, we have to be more than the outdoor rec capital just in name .. we have to back it up with what we spend our town's money on.	Apr 13, 2012 1:34 PM
34	increased tourism, increased lifestyle opportunities - there's a reason we choose to live here and it's not the booming economy ;)	Apr 13, 2012 1:15 PM
35	Destination for tourists. There is huge potential for people to travel here as we have some of the BEST trail running, rock climbing and mountain biking in the world. With Whistler as our neighbour we should be able to attract a ton of tourists!	Apr 13, 2012 1:01 PM
36	Geography	Apr 13, 2012 12:56 PM
37	Healthy People= Happy people and stable family life	Apr 13, 2012 12:27 PM
38	Huge tourism dollars that will eventually bring in more residents and businesses.	Apr 13, 2012 11:51 AM
39	Visitors! The more we have to offer the more people our going to visit and spend time here. The more time spent here, equals to more \$\$ coming into and supporting our community. Whether it be \$\$ spent on food, clothing, repairs it is supporting our town and the jobs within it.	Apr 13, 2012 11:31 AM
40	Tourism. However, dirtbikers and dog parks and horseback riders seem to get ignored.	Apr 13, 2012 9:23 AM

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41	its a self feeding desire. the more it is released the more it becomes true. healthy lifestyle.	Apr 13, 2012 9:19 AM
42	Tourism	Apr 13, 2012 9:00 AM
43	A common goal for small businesses/marketing, a reason to not be seen as the macdonalds on the highway	Apr 13, 2012 8:58 AM
44	unlimited access to amazing trails, mountains, and the ocean.	Apr 13, 2012 8:53 AM
45	Squamish has natural beauty that is beyond the norm. If we play our cards right, we will have a thriving town, that is the envy of the world. Play them wrong and we are another mistake, another Nanaimo. We are already attracting many young professionals because of the lifestyle Squamish offers.	Apr 13, 2012 8:48 AM
46	this will bring in revenue	Apr 13, 2012 8:26 AM
47	haven't seen much yet - local businesses are still not pulling in new customers	Apr 13, 2012 8:07 AM
48	Huge. Once the housing boom came and all the jobs left - the majority of the people who veminantly hate bikes and trails also got out of town. Those who moved here did NOT do so for work - they did for play - which is awesome. DOS has never put adequate funding into what is really important to squamish because of incompetant staff and leadership - I hope that has changed. there are lots of good jobs to be found with R&D we just have to find space for these companies to re-locate here it's an ED decision as much as it is a rec decision	Apr 13, 2012 7:49 AM
49	Improved lifestyle and satisfaction	Apr 13, 2012 7:44 AM
50	Increased tourismn\$	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
51	Healthy active lifestyles	Apr 13, 2012 7:33 AM
52	Bringing more tourism to the town - local businesses can benefit from more foot traffic	Apr 13, 2012 7:28 AM
53	Health, tourism jobs?	Apr 13, 2012 7:11 AM
54	The biggest benefit is that people WANT to live here as a result. I see billboards in small BC communities trying to lure doctors to live and work there. These billboard ads are trying to sell an active outdoor lifestyle and yet they do not even have half the available activities that Squamish does.	Apr 13, 2012 7:00 AM
55	Employment in recreation,tourism,satisfaction of life creating a strong capable population	Apr 13, 2012 6:55 AM
56	Tourism and a young active vibrant community	Apr 13, 2012 6:42 AM
57	Increased health and fitness Employment opportunities	Apr 13, 2012 6:36 AM
58	Attractive and engaging lifestyle opportunities	Apr 13, 2012 6:35 AM
59	Destination travel (and money spent) then eventual relocation to Squamish.	Apr 13, 2012 6:25 AM

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	That was me.	
60	Many residents have made Squamish home because of the outdoor opportunities. We have visitors from around the globe who visit here because of our trails. We need to continue to improve our surrounding trail network. Volunteers can not and should not be expected to carry the load for our main attraction.	Apr 13, 2012 5:35 AM
61	Attracting business that see Squamish as an ideal location for their employees to live.	Apr 12, 2012 7:46 PM
62	The importance to PRESERVE the natural habitats that surround and are within Squamish.	Apr 12, 2012 1:45 PM
63	Tourism	Apr 12, 2012 12:41 PM
64	Drives people to the area to recreate and hopefully visit areas away from the highway!	Apr 12, 2012 12:41 PM
65	Attracting new business to Squamish to create jobs and add to the tax base.	Apr 12, 2012 11:32 AM
66	more job possibilities and more small business opportunities to accommodate visitors and keep them in Squamish longer.	Apr 12, 2012 6:48 AM
67	A place to live where people are focused on living, not working.	Apr 11, 2012 10:48 PM
68	huge in terms of both tourism and happiness of residents. also very important with regard to attracting new businesses (an attractive place to work)	Apr 11, 2012 4:32 PM
69	health benefits form being active outdoors	Apr 11, 2012 4:27 PM
70	economic development civic pride	Apr 11, 2012 4:16 PM
71	How obvious... too numerous to detail. District puts almost no resources in this direction! This needs to change.	Apr 11, 2012 4:12 PM
72	Quality of life unparalleled elsewhere	Apr 11, 2012 4:04 PM
73	more diversification	Apr 11, 2012 3:57 PM
74	advertisement	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
75	Close proximity to recreation areas, healthy lifestyle, endless possibilities for attracting new residents, tourism, etc.	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
76	Living in a healthy place where there are so many opportunities to stay active	Apr 11, 2012 8:05 AM
77	Easier access to the outdoors via trails etc - healthier population	Apr 11, 2012 6:22 AM
78	More tourists,=more business opportunities= more jobs....	Apr 10, 2012 9:09 PM
79	Less bull shit, more actoon	Apr 10, 2012 2:11 PM

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80	Not a whole lot - industry with better paying jobs needs to be better sought after	Apr 10, 2012 2:08 PM
81	Until we have some real job creation related to this branding, it's just a nice logo for a tee shirt.	Apr 10, 2012 1:40 PM
82	increased tourism, health, fitness	Apr 10, 2012 11:11 AM
83	increasing tourist traffic	Apr 10, 2012 10:07 AM
84	Local, provincial, national and international visitor feedback about the amazing trail systems we have. Brings people back or they talk their friends into coming.	Apr 10, 2012 8:56 AM
85	Bragging rights, keep people local, keep people fit and healthy	Apr 9, 2012 6:08 PM
86	health and fitness and community interaction	Apr 9, 2012 11:56 AM
87	It allows the provincial government to utilize our brand in international marketing materials with zero support from our municipality other than putting a sign up as you enter town.	Apr 9, 2012 11:32 AM
88	attracts tourists to spend \$\$ We need big business with good livable wages to be attracted so more people can WORK and LIVE and play here!	Apr 8, 2012 9:04 AM
89	Tourists and money	Apr 8, 2012 8:09 AM
90	Tourists dollars coming to the town-jobs, more businesses building bases here	Apr 7, 2012 9:42 PM
91	Tourism, jobs, new residents	Apr 7, 2012 6:33 PM
92	none if it is in name only. we need to back up the claim with support. And remember that outdoor recreation is more than biking and climbing.	Apr 7, 2012 6:25 PM
93	Not many. This may bring in more jobs, but they will be \$10 an hour jobs in coffee shops and bike stores. We need to focus on getting good, well-paid jobs in Squamish, not attracting more cyclists.	Apr 7, 2012 6:01 AM
94	Get to enjoy outdoor recreation	Apr 6, 2012 8:36 PM
95	So many! Our society has become sedentary, and our health suffers due to this. The opportunity to become the true Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada should not be wasted!! Healthy lifestyles benefit everyone, in ways that are immeasurable.	Apr 6, 2012 8:12 PM
96	More athletes becoming stronger, and some wanting to go to the olympics later in there live, might be able too.	Apr 6, 2012 6:33 PM
97	There is so much to do here year round.	Apr 6, 2012 4:54 PM
98	increased tourism attracting young professionals who want to live, work and play at home	Apr 6, 2012 3:46 PM
99	Increased tourism and hopefully valuable lessons about the environment for our children.	Apr 6, 2012 3:16 PM

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100	safe trails and activities for all to enjoy. far too many people littering, and off leash dogs attacking or rushing people and or other dogs and or wildlife.	Apr 6, 2012 1:16 PM
101	tourism & jobs	Apr 6, 2012 12:42 PM
102	encourages active lifestyle and healthy citizens, business opportunities and employment, minimizing our carbon footprint	Apr 6, 2012 12:24 PM
103	None really	Apr 6, 2012 11:26 AM
104	Merely drawing more residents, as anyone who studies municipal taxation knows, is a net negative, because residential TAKES more than it GIVES. The main advantage to DOS ORCC is tourism and the hope of drawing major companies with young employees who want to live here for the lifestyle.	Apr 6, 2012 10:59 AM
105	Not much	Apr 6, 2012 10:57 AM
106	So far, I have not really seen much in the way of benefits for Squamish residents. The DOS is fumbling the ball on promoting Squamish. Businesses continue to struggle or close shop.	Apr 6, 2012 10:46 AM
107	Tourism will bring in so much money!	Apr 6, 2012 10:33 AM
108	People are moving here for just this. Healthy active families with young children want to live here.	Apr 6, 2012 10:16 AM
109	Many more seniors will want to retire here and stay in town rather than going to Vancouver for activities.	Apr 6, 2012 9:55 AM
110	BETTER HEALTH	Apr 6, 2012 9:39 AM
111	Increased tourism dollars, increased job opportunities for locals in businesses that are related to outdoor recreation, improved health and wellness of residents, pride in community for being a unique and beautiful place to live that has opportunities that other towns in the world do not have. Squamish can be a place that attracts healthy and intelligent individuals to live, work and invest because it can offer things that most places in the world lack. We need to capitalize on our potential with a great plan and investment in infrastructure and facilities.	Apr 6, 2012 8:51 AM
112	more tourism \$\$ and increased tourism based businesses of many different sorts	Apr 6, 2012 8:22 AM
113	tourist destination which will help local economy and increase local employment	Apr 5, 2012 9:48 AM
114	Connection and nature = value affordable fitness (relatively) options	Apr 3, 2012 3:15 PM
115	Increase in tourism to boost economy. Increase in healthier population living here.	Apr 3, 2012 1:41 PM
116	This is an excellent opportunity for Squamish to promote the benefits of recreation for ALL usergroups, including those who ride horses for recreation.	Apr 3, 2012 8:59 AM
117	Increase in activity for the young to be a life long learned passion for health benefits physically and mentally.	Apr 3, 2012 8:48 AM

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118	bike trails hiking trails the sound (water activities)	Apr 3, 2012 8:39 AM
119	I think that the brand attracts residents of a similar mind	Apr 3, 2012 8:35 AM
120	I think this may be over emphasized as economic development strategy. Need healthy industry, tax base to pay for recreation programs and facilities	Apr 2, 2012 3:59 PM
121	healthy lifestyle Tourism opportunities	Apr 2, 2012 3:48 PM
122	health and welfare of residents, tourism attraction	Apr 2, 2012 3:05 PM
123	Nature is big and bring tourist	Apr 2, 2012 3:02 PM
124	a draw to the community that will result in more employment opportunities, a better community spirit more business	Apr 2, 2012 2:54 PM
125	healthy lifestyle attracts active residents	Apr 2, 2012 2:47 PM
126	tourism	Apr 2, 2012 2:44 PM
127	More visitors for commercial interests	Apr 2, 2012 2:41 PM
128	opportunities for youth, opportunities for local residents. attract visitors	Apr 2, 2012 2:36 PM
129	healthy citizens = productive citizens	Apr 2, 2012 2:30 PM
130	-increased tourism -increased business development -development of facilities that locals can also benefit from	Apr 2, 2012 2:16 PM
131	economic impact - take hood river, or as an example... attracts visitors from all over the lower mainland because of it's well developed, well signed, strongly marketed sports (outdoor) opportunities	Apr 2, 2012 2:04 PM
132	Tourism	Apr 2, 2012 1:57 PM
133	Healthy Community, Economic Stimulus. People will want to live here due to rec opportunities.	Apr 2, 2012 1:53 PM
134	We have climate, location and topography to be the outdoor rec "capital" lets capitalize on that opportunity - we are already on our way there.	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
135	Drive tourism and spinoff industry while maintaining existing industrial base.	Apr 2, 2012 12:23 PM
136	Pride and an unbelievable place to live and raise families	Apr 2, 2012 12:18 PM
137	increased visitation - increased business back - increased taxes - better facilities	Apr 2, 2012 12:09 PM
138	relatively small now but the potential is huge	Apr 2, 2012 12:00 PM
139	healthy living	Apr 2, 2012 11:57 AM
140	tourism	Apr 2, 2012 11:51 AM

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141	Increase in number of O.R. events like T.O.M., triathlons, climbing/kayaking fests etc.	Apr 2, 2012 11:45 AM
142	able people, great and many outdoor opportunities. build on that.	Apr 2, 2012 11:01 AM
143	more people stopping on the way to Whistler, but then choosing to come back possible cottage industries	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM
144	more people coming here	Apr 2, 2012 10:45 AM
145	creates a tourism industry and creates Squamish as a desirable place to live	Apr 2, 2012 10:41 AM
146	Healthy lifestyle - tourism Attracting quality businesses	Apr 2, 2012 10:34 AM

Page 2, Q18. If you support hosting large events, what types of events or fesitvals would you like to see more of in Squamish?

1	lacrosse	Apr 27, 2012 12:43 PM
2	aboriginal events powwow, cultural to bring community together and integrate them	Apr 27, 2012 12:23 PM
3	all of the above are good for the economy and good for our quality of life	Apr 27, 2012 12:00 PM
4	Skills building events	Apr 20, 2012 6:33 AM
5	Equestrian events	Apr 17, 2012 1:19 PM
6	Let's get a upper league hockey team!	Apr 14, 2012 6:24 PM
7	derby tournaments	Apr 13, 2012 8:03 PM
8	roller derby events!	Apr 13, 2012 7:41 PM
9	Dry Rink/roller derby bouts/tournaments/boot camps	Apr 13, 2012 7:39 PM
10	Conferences, "mountain festivals" (sport, music, culture, AND fashion etc. rather than 'just' sport or 'just' music)	Apr 13, 2012 1:34 PM
11	music festivals are okay, however last years was loud and ran to late onthe sunday. sould have ended at 8pm instead of 1030pm. Poeples havd to work and children likely have to go to school	Apr 13, 2012 8:26 AM
12	Flat Track Roller Derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:49 AM
13	As long as we don't host something with an above average risk of forest fire or pollution or something... Or trail damage whose repairs are unfunded	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
14	ALL of the ABOVE. We are a tourist town, why is this not understood?????	Apr 13, 2012 7:00 AM
15	bc summer games	Apr 11, 2012 4:27 PM
16	bring them on! exposure is good.	Apr 11, 2012 4:04 PM
17	ball tournaments curling events	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
18	One music festival is fine !!	Apr 11, 2012 6:22 AM
19	I'd like to see the Logger Sports Ground used more effectively - natural amphitheatre.....	Apr 10, 2012 9:09 PM
20	conference and meetings. They require less infrastructure and create opportunities for the service and tourism industry. We have a university and railway museum to host large events. If we'd fix the gym up we'd have a municipal venue for hosting small to medium events.	Apr 9, 2012 11:32 AM
21	However, a long term calendar needs to be established so that there isn't overkill especially if something interferes with established events. IE Gran Fondo and the Brackendale Fair and the opening day of Soccer etc.	Apr 7, 2012 6:25 PM

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22	Anything that can improve business in our corridor with some focus to direct people to the downtown. The closed stores are starting to make us look like a ghost town. It will only get worse with Fields closing.	Apr 6, 2012 2:16 PM
23	activities attractive too the senior & near retirement age group ie boomers	Apr 6, 2012 12:42 PM
24	Cross cultural events. I think it's wonderful when we, as citizens, can share in cultural events hosted by fellow citizens of different racial origins.	Apr 6, 2012 12:24 PM
25	The main condition being that DOS outlay is very small, and that there is a clear net benefit to the economy.	Apr 6, 2012 10:59 AM
26	If we had off leash dog parks- there could be a dog friendly event- The focus seems to have been only on cyclists lately- Time to support the dog owner populace	Apr 6, 2012 10:57 AM
27	Regular visits by traveling arts : dance, theatre, non-heavy metal singing groups. Get rid of the extremely noisy rock group performing annually in Squamish.	Apr 6, 2012 9:55 AM
28	Great Economic development drivers	Apr 3, 2012 3:15 PM
29	Endurance Horse Races BC Summer Games Equestrian	Apr 3, 2012 8:59 AM
30	Logger's sports	Apr 2, 2012 3:59 PM
31	really all of the above seem like terrific	Apr 2, 2012 3:52 PM
32	I was unaware that "farmer" market/artisan market are recreational	Apr 2, 2012 2:41 PM
33	attracting non residents presents an opportunity to attract their money - restaurants, retail, pubs etc.	Apr 2, 2012 2:04 PM
34	This could help pay for improvements in all areas	Apr 2, 2012 12:18 PM
35	hold them on the oceanfront	Apr 2, 2012 10:28 AM

Page 2, Q19. If you do not support hosting events, why?

1	love the local farmers market but keep it locally organized for squamish residents + artisans	Apr 27, 2012 12:16 PM
2	Gran Fondo - I do not support not being able to leave my house that goes onto Hwy 99 directly	Apr 27, 2012 12:10 PM
3	Squamish Live. the first year was good-not extremely busy, more family oriented, and lots of folks having fun without being totally intoxicated....but the second year was out of control. Too many teenagers doing drugs in front of the Children who were allowed to be at the event too. There should be a limit on how many people can attend.	Apr 13, 2012 12:27 PM
4	Large events trash trails and do nothing to help maintain trails, but we need to remedy this. Money needs to be spent to offset the damage caused by these events.	Apr 13, 2012 5:35 AM
5	sadly the Arts Council for example, run by a couple of people promoting themselves not the community.	Apr 10, 2012 2:11 PM
6	If one more person flaunts "how much this event brings into town" I may vomit. It is insulting to those of us who live here and pay taxes and spend the vast majority of our income at local stores everyday of the year! Seriously!	Apr 7, 2012 6:25 PM
7	MANY residents do NOT support the RBC Gran Fondo in its form of the past two years. Please STOP the bikes after the first half hour of leaders passing through, and allow our other important activities of the day to proceed. We need to stop these RBC Gran Fondo people from walking all over us.	Apr 6, 2012 10:59 AM
8	NOT TOO LARGE AS OVERRUNS COMMUNITY	Apr 6, 2012 9:39 AM
9	interference of the daily running of business/life. Once in a while is ok, but constantly no. Also avoid over scheduling and do not let one event supercede local events.	Apr 2, 2012 2:16 PM
10	I found it very loud as a resident during the music festival, maybe it can be moved further out of town	Apr 2, 2012 1:57 PM
11	My only hesitation is that events that use infrastructure need to be put back - ie. you need to pay for the fields for a soccer tournament, why not for trails?	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
12	funding from events need to benefit community	Apr 2, 2012 11:51 AM
13	those people who do not support this have a blackness in their hearts.	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM

Page 2, Q20. Are you currently a regular member or participant in any local organizations or volunteer groups?

1	squamish minor hockey association	Apr 27, 2012 12:51 PM
2	SORCA	Apr 27, 2012 12:46 PM
3	bmx hockey soccer ball	Apr 27, 2012 12:43 PM
4	Squamish scouts Valleycliffe Elementary PAC	Apr 27, 2012 12:28 PM
5	aboriginal events - education (sharing)	Apr 27, 2012 12:23 PM
6	walking groups library programs history trails	Apr 27, 2012 12:16 PM
7	dancing / hiking / walking	Apr 27, 2012 12:06 PM
8	SORCA, Old Timer's Hockey	Apr 27, 2012 12:00 PM
9	SVEA	Apr 23, 2012 7:05 AM
10	SORCA	Apr 21, 2012 11:15 PM
11	SORCA, Squamish Fire department, SDBA, SBMX,	Apr 20, 2012 6:33 AM
12	SVEA	Apr 18, 2012 9:59 AM
13	Squamish Valley Equestrian Association	Apr 17, 2012 1:19 PM
14	sorca, callaghan winter sports club	Apr 17, 2012 6:30 AM
15	Black Tusk Caledonia pipe band, Sea to Sky singers, Rod and Gun club	Apr 16, 2012 10:21 PM
16	Squamish CAN, Squamish River Watershed Society	Apr 16, 2012 7:16 PM
17	Sea to Sky Sirens Roller Derby Team, Brackendale PAC	Apr 16, 2012 4:06 PM
18	sorca	Apr 16, 2012 7:53 AM
19	SORCA Fusion Cycling Republic and Corsa group rides	Apr 15, 2012 9:22 PM
20	Sorca	Apr 15, 2012 8:16 AM
21	Between shifts theatre	Apr 14, 2012 7:42 PM
22	BTSC SDBA	Apr 14, 2012 6:24 PM
23	Squamish Minor hockey	Apr 14, 2012 1:51 PM
24	Volunteer Fire Fighter, Soccer Coach, Community Group Board member	Apr 13, 2012 11:39 PM
25	Sorca	Apr 13, 2012 8:32 PM
26	surfrider	Apr 13, 2012 8:05 PM
27	SSA SYSA SSPA	Apr 13, 2012 7:58 PM

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28	Squamish Women's Roller Derby Association.	Apr 13, 2012 7:39 PM
29	Test of Metal	Apr 13, 2012 3:17 PM
30	SORCA, Inside Edge, Chamber of Commerce, Civics Club, Philosopher's Cafe, Maker/Hacker space, Facebook Squamish Speaks	Apr 13, 2012 1:34 PM
31	Chamber	Apr 13, 2012 1:01 PM
32	SORCA Squamish SAR	Apr 13, 2012 11:51 AM
33	Squamish CAN, SORCA	Apr 13, 2012 11:31 AM
34	Squamish Valley Equestrian Association. Squamish Valley Dirtbike Association.	Apr 13, 2012 9:23 AM
35	SORCA trail crew	Apr 13, 2012 9:19 AM
36	Volunteer for Helping hands and several bike races	Apr 13, 2012 8:58 AM
37	Sorca	Apr 13, 2012 8:48 AM
38	sorca	Apr 13, 2012 8:26 AM
39	Sea to Sky Sirens	Apr 13, 2012 8:07 AM
40	Loggers sports, lions, sorca - roller derby CAN, squamish triathlon, test of metal	Apr 13, 2012 7:49 AM
41	Sorca	Apr 13, 2012 7:33 AM
42	Squamish Women's Roller Derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:28 AM
43	Sorca	Apr 13, 2012 7:11 AM
44	SORCA.	Apr 13, 2012 7:00 AM
45	Saq ,sdba,sorca	Apr 13, 2012 6:55 AM
46	Snowmobile clubs dirt bike clubs	Apr 13, 2012 6:42 AM
47	SORCA	Apr 13, 2012 6:35 AM
48	SORCA, SDBA, CPTA, Trail Builders Anonymous.	Apr 13, 2012 5:35 AM
49	Between Shifts Theatre	Apr 12, 2012 7:46 PM
50	SPCA	Apr 12, 2012 6:23 PM
51	Squamish Gardeners	Apr 12, 2012 1:45 PM
52	Curling Club	Apr 12, 2012 12:41 PM
53	sorca, climbing association	Apr 12, 2012 12:41 PM
54	Last year I volunteer for Gearjammer and the Squamish Triathlon and will do so	Apr 12, 2012 6:48 AM

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	again this year. Due to the fact that I work in Vancouver all week, I cannot take on any more volunteering at the moment but plan to as soon as we are retired.	
55	sorca	Apr 11, 2012 4:32 PM
56	soccer club Squamish Valley equestrian association	Apr 11, 2012 4:27 PM
57	SORCA	Apr 11, 2012 4:22 PM
58	CVWSC	Apr 11, 2012 4:16 PM
59	sorca Callaghan winter sports club	Apr 11, 2012 4:12 PM
60	STS SORCA	Apr 11, 2012 4:04 PM
61	SVEA	Apr 11, 2012 3:57 PM
62	Callaghan Winter Sports club	Apr 11, 2012 3:53 PM
63	squamish fire/rescue squamish slo pitch assoc loggers sports soccer	Apr 11, 2012 3:51 PM
64	SSA	Apr 11, 2012 3:48 PM
65	curling, hospice	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
66	Squamish Rotary Club	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
67	Hospice, Friends of Library ,Seniors Centre , WOW bike group, Hiking groups	Apr 11, 2012 6:22 AM
68	SVRGC - Archery	Apr 10, 2012 9:09 PM
69	Relay for Life, Curling Club, Slowpitch	Apr 10, 2012 2:08 PM
70	SORCA	Apr 10, 2012 1:40 PM
71	Squamish Youth Soccer Association, Womens Soccer, Search and Rescue, Squamish Youth Triathlon, SORCA, Squamish Paddling Club, school PACs, mountain bike races (timing, first aid)	Apr 9, 2012 6:08 PM
72	Squamish Soccer Association Squamish Youth Soccer Association Thirtysomething Soccer Squamish Slopitch Association	Apr 9, 2012 11:56 AM
73	sorca, Squamish.fm	Apr 9, 2012 11:32 AM
74	Squamish youth soccer for fourteen years.	Apr 8, 2012 8:09 AM
75	Squamish Youth soccer, school PAC	Apr 7, 2012 9:42 PM
76	Inside edge meetup	Apr 7, 2012 6:33 PM
77	SYSA, SSA, Relay for Life, School PAC,	Apr 7, 2012 6:25 PM
78	Squamish valley equestrian assoc.	Apr 6, 2012 9:29 PM

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79	SVEA	Apr 6, 2012 8:36 PM
80	Squamish Valley Equestrian Association	Apr 6, 2012 8:12 PM
81	SVEA	Apr 6, 2012 6:33 PM
82	Visuals	Apr 6, 2012 4:54 PM
83	Callaghan Winter Sports Club	Apr 6, 2012 3:46 PM
84	Squamish Access Society	Apr 6, 2012 3:16 PM
85	Rotary,	Apr 6, 2012 2:16 PM
86	Trails soc.	Apr 6, 2012 12:42 PM
87	Taoist TaiChi, Callaghan Winter Sports Club, Squamish Nordic XC, Event volunteer at Callaghan Valley	Apr 6, 2012 12:24 PM
88	STS, SES, Streamkeepers, Seniors Creative Connections, Squamish Civic Club, Squamish CAN, Garden Club, Historical Society, Sport Fish Advisory Committee, and now relatively inactive Cheakamus Spill committee. This is a great town for lots of rich opportunities for engagement and volunteering.	Apr 6, 2012 10:59 AM
89	Loggers Sports	Apr 6, 2012 10:57 AM
90	SORCA, mountain biking club	Apr 6, 2012 10:33 AM
91	Volunteer host family for Quest students, lead hiking, walking, biking, canoeing groups.	Apr 6, 2012 9:55 AM
92	Squamish Skating Club	Apr 6, 2012 9:54 AM
93	SYSA, HSMBA, HSDA, WAYVA,	Apr 6, 2012 9:39 AM
94	Dog agility RCMP auxiliary	Apr 6, 2012 9:33 AM
95	SORCA	Apr 6, 2012 8:51 AM
96	trails society, sorca, test of metal, loggers sports	Apr 6, 2012 8:22 AM
97	soccer ball	Apr 3, 2012 3:52 PM
98	Squamish days	Apr 3, 2012 3:50 PM
99	helping hands	Apr 3, 2012 3:15 PM
100	Biathlon Cross country Tai Chi Jumping	Apr 3, 2012 2:11 PM
101	Squamish River Watershed Society Sea to Sky Invasives	Apr 3, 2012 1:41 PM
102	Squamish Valley Equestrian Association Back country Horsemen of BC Endurance Riders Association of BC	Apr 3, 2012 8:59 AM

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103	SVEA Logger sports Girl Guides	Apr 3, 2012 8:54 AM
104	Sorca	Apr 3, 2012 8:43 AM
105	Sorca	Apr 3, 2012 8:39 AM
106	SYSA HSMBA	Apr 3, 2012 8:35 AM
107	Squamish arts council, Howe Sound Curling Club, Squamish Water Trails Group, Forestry Centre Society	Apr 2, 2012 3:59 PM
108	Smoke Bluffs Park Committee Squamish Trails Society SORCA	Apr 2, 2012 3:52 PM
109	SYSA SSPA	Apr 2, 2012 3:28 PM
110	SORCA Squamish Estuary Management Committee	Apr 2, 2012 3:05 PM
111	soccer organization	Apr 2, 2012 3:02 PM
112	biathlon, ski jumping, farmers market, church, various musical events, singing for seniors	Apr 2, 2012 2:54 PM
113	Squamish yacht club relay for life curling	Apr 2, 2012 2:47 PM
114	SVEA WMSC	Apr 2, 2012 2:44 PM
115	Squamish Valley Rod and Gun club	Apr 2, 2012 2:41 PM
116	Quest University	Apr 2, 2012 2:39 PM
117	Callaghan Winter Sports Club Squamish Nordics Sorca	Apr 2, 2012 2:36 PM
118	nordic skiing, mountain biking (test of metal organizing committee member for 10 years)	Apr 2, 2012 2:30 PM
119	sorca	Apr 2, 2012 2:26 PM
120	Sorca	Apr 2, 2012 2:22 PM
121	SYSA Relay for Life	Apr 2, 2012 2:16 PM
122	sorca chamber of commerce	Apr 2, 2012 2:04 PM
123	mt biking community schools	Apr 2, 2012 1:57 PM
124	Callaghan Winter Sports club Squamish Yacht club	Apr 2, 2012 1:53 PM
125	sorca SQ sar Ladies road biking test of metal committee	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
126	SORCA	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
127	Squamish paddling club Youth triathlon	Apr 2, 2012 12:23 PM
128	sorca howe sound minor baseball crime stoppers	Apr 2, 2012 12:09 PM

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129	Squamish yacht club Club flex Sysa - Rep team (child)	Apr 2, 2012 12:04 PM
130	SVRG Club Sq Yacht club	Apr 2, 2012 12:00 PM
131	sorca	Apr 2, 2012 11:51 AM
132	SYSA, Squamish Youth Tri	Apr 2, 2012 11:45 AM
133	SWS Sorca	Apr 2, 2012 11:14 AM
134	sorca	Apr 2, 2012 11:07 AM
135	sorca	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM
136	Sorca	Apr 2, 2012 10:45 AM
137	Squamish Nordics SUEA CWSC	Apr 2, 2012 10:41 AM
138	ladies over 30 soccer Squamish Dragon boat Relay for Life	Apr 2, 2012 10:34 AM

Page 3, Q21. How satisfied are you with the quantity and quality of parks in Squamish?

1	would like more parks in our area, perhaps more up the valley	Apr 27, 2012 12:46 PM
2	small park within walking distance	Apr 27, 2012 12:23 PM
3	poor maintenance same problem as trails	Apr 27, 2012 12:16 PM
4	we are surrounded by 'park'	Apr 27, 2012 12:01 PM
5	Our kids are young, and so we are just starting to use many of the parks...we still don't know where they all are though	Apr 23, 2012 7:07 AM
6	all the parks have swings that are too low, the kids in Squamish need more physical challenge, not to mention just more of each thing at the parks rather than kids having to wait in line.	Apr 20, 2012 6:35 AM
7	More parks, more trails, more camping. Basically more access require to the great outdoors in a managed but low impact setting.	Apr 18, 2012 10:01 AM
8	don't really use them	Apr 17, 2012 1:19 PM
9	There are only a handful of parks in Squamish, and few of those make a visit worth while unless you have young children	Apr 16, 2012 10:24 PM
10	Some of the parks are quite dirty and outdated.	Apr 16, 2012 4:08 PM
11	Lacking to waterfront parks and trail systems	Apr 16, 2012 7:54 AM
12	I do not appreciate parking fees and dog bans in local parks.	Apr 14, 2012 7:44 PM
13	Dirt bike track please. Lights on a timer at the skate park, some of us older guys would like to use it after work in the winter months.	Apr 14, 2012 6:27 PM
14	need more park areas around Howe Sound	Apr 14, 2012 2:10 PM
15	Natural greenspase is more important than manicured parks. I would like to see extensions to provincial parks and more natural community parks - like the former Garibaldi Springs Golf club as a community nature reserve.	Apr 14, 2012 1:22 PM
16	More is always better. Since my are lacks sidewalks, would like a park closer	Apr 13, 2012 8:34 PM
17	need playgrounds/park areas for children that aren't covered in dog poo	Apr 13, 2012 8:06 PM
18	Not enough kid friendly and dog friendly places. Need more places with better grassy areas and dog clean up stations. (baggies, garbage cans)	Apr 13, 2012 8:05 PM
19	I don't really use the parks much (in terms of parks with a kids' playground, baseball field etc).	Apr 13, 2012 1:35 PM
20	The maintenance of trail system is really good.	Apr 13, 2012 1:02 PM
21	Love that we have many lakes at our finger tips. Each with it's own purpose. Alice lake for family, Brohm Lake for dog owners, and Cat Lake for the rowdy party goers. Murrin for the tourists who need to stretch their legs on their journey. Murrin for climbing too. The Chief for hikers, and climbers . Awesome place!	Apr 13, 2012 12:29 PM

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22	No dog park	Apr 13, 2012 9:24 AM
23	poor upkeep	Apr 13, 2012 8:59 AM
24	hard to access some parks by bus	Apr 13, 2012 8:08 AM
25	We have a lot of great greenspaces here - and they are pretty well taken care of	Apr 13, 2012 7:29 AM
26	The idea of a park in Squamish is kinda funny to me but the parks that are there are pretty good by default, most municipalities in Canada have to spend much more than Squamish does to make a park look beautiful.	Apr 13, 2012 7:01 AM
27	Poor maintenance and development	Apr 13, 2012 6:57 AM
28	There is so much backcountry in combination with the local parks, I find that enough	Apr 13, 2012 6:27 AM
29	I use trails more than the parks/	Apr 13, 2012 5:37 AM
30	There aren't many and they aren't places that make you want to go and spend time there. We take our dog to the tennis court park near our house to throw the ball.	Apr 12, 2012 12:46 PM
31	With all the natural areas surrounding Squamish, we don't use the parks as such but they are important for young families.	Apr 12, 2012 6:49 AM
32	a larger central greenspace downtown would be awesome. Parks in residential areas important too - no just housing	Apr 11, 2012 4:34 PM
33	please keep working on creating parks and useable green space	Apr 11, 2012 4:12 PM
34	too many cooks	Apr 11, 2012 3:48 PM
35	parks I know are great. however, a map of parks is needed	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
36	Lacking Oceanfront Park	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
37	Need off-leash dog parks	Apr 11, 2012 8:07 AM
38	My grandchildren enjoy them so visit parks mostly when they are here	Apr 11, 2012 6:25 AM
39	I think we could do a better job, especially in the downtown - better park/playground/picnic area for locals and visitors. Could also hold events.	Apr 10, 2012 9:11 PM
40	Lets not destroy Class A Prov. Park by allowing development i.e. Sea to Sky Gondola.	Apr 10, 2012 2:11 PM
41	It would be nice to see a larger multi-use park, other than Brennan Park, incorporated into future subdivision plans.	Apr 10, 2012 1:48 PM
42	lacking in play equipment, need off leash dog areas (people are doing it anyways!!) where there is a poop bag dispenser there should be a garbage can!!!!!! come on squamish lets DO this!	Apr 10, 2012 10:08 AM

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43	It would be nice to have at least 2 baby swings and 2 big-kid swings at all the DOS parks.	Apr 8, 2012 9:06 AM
44	Love all the little pocket parks in the Highlands. They have improved greatly over the years but still opportunities for more improvement	Apr 7, 2012 9:43 PM
45	For children, better playgrounds and less dog feces would be something to work towards	Apr 7, 2012 6:34 PM
46	Valleycliffe is underserved. McNaughton Park is poorly located in some ways.	Apr 7, 2012 6:28 PM
47	There are many wonderful parks in Squamish.	Apr 7, 2012 6:01 AM
48	Some parks still have equipment that is decades old and in sore need of replacement (e.g. the park off Argyle Crescent in the Highlands).	Apr 6, 2012 3:17 PM
49	I would LOVE to see a water park for young children. Given our demographic	Apr 6, 2012 2:17 PM
50	Particularly happy with engagement of Scott Lamont.	Apr 6, 2012 11:04 AM
51	More funding towards parks for maintenance.	Apr 6, 2012 9:56 AM
52	NO OFF LEASH DOGS AREAS OR PARKS!	Apr 6, 2012 9:40 AM
53	we need more dog parks	Apr 6, 2012 9:35 AM
54	I would like to see more parks. I am originally from Victoria and I love all of the public parks and greenspace and gardens there. We could have a much more beautiful town. Squamish is quite rough around the edges still. We can improve upon it quite a bit I think.	Apr 6, 2012 8:53 AM
55	getting better, like to see community/communal gardens in civic parks - outdoor fitness	Apr 3, 2012 3:16 PM
56	children have no place to play	Apr 3, 2012 8:49 AM
57	It would be great to have a park granting access and greater use of the waterfront.	Apr 3, 2012 8:44 AM
58	Great variety from Brennan Park, Smoke Bluff Park and neighbourhood park with playgrounds	Apr 2, 2012 3:53 PM
59	lots of parks everywhere!	Apr 2, 2012 3:33 PM
60	Brennan Park is a hub for sports and we have 2 swings and 1 slide... really?	Apr 2, 2012 3:29 PM
61	visit rarely	Apr 2, 2012 2:59 PM
62	lots of parks close to housing	Apr 2, 2012 2:36 PM
63	Goose poo is a huge problem! needs to be addressed	Apr 2, 2012 2:26 PM
64	Valleycliffe is lacking	Apr 2, 2012 2:17 PM

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65	signage is lacking	Apr 2, 2012 2:05 PM
66	we need better access points and linkage - better signage and better maintenance	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
67	parks are great fro kids (playground, swingset). Smola bluffs beign an exception and I applaud what has been done there	Apr 2, 2012 12:37 PM
68	Would like to see a park East of Government, South of Depot road	Apr 2, 2012 12:19 PM
69	would like a park in Garibaldi Highlands up Thunderbird	Apr 2, 2012 12:10 PM
70	need more play areas for children	Apr 2, 2012 12:00 PM
71	they're dirty!	Apr 2, 2012 11:57 AM
72	Prov Parks and Muni parks - not enough equipment	Apr 2, 2012 11:46 AM
73	better benches at beaches River front	Apr 2, 2012 11:15 AM
74	they are everywhere and green	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM
75	there is lots to chose from	Apr 2, 2012 10:46 AM

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1	SMHA Squamish youth soccer women's hockey baseball	Apr 27, 2012 12:51 PM
2	brennan park PCMHA	Apr 27, 2012 12:46 PM
3	swimming	Apr 27, 2012 12:23 PM
4	recreation centre seniors centre golf alpenloft yoga (zumba classes)	Apr 27, 2012 12:10 PM
5	seniors centre	Apr 27, 2012 12:06 PM
6	Brennan Park, SVEA grounds, Bodystorm fitness, soccer fields	Apr 23, 2012 7:07 AM
7	Brennan park,	Apr 20, 2012 6:35 AM
8	Alpenloft Yoga SVEA	Apr 17, 2012 1:19 PM
9	Squamish Athletic Club, Crossfit Squamish	Apr 17, 2012 6:31 AM
10	Roller Derby	Apr 16, 2012 4:08 PM
11	Rec Ctr Pool Group rides from Corsa and Republic Challenge by choice Fusion Cycling club	Apr 15, 2012 9:24 PM
12	Soccer	Apr 15, 2012 2:15 PM
13	Crossfit	Apr 15, 2012 8:17 AM
14	Bee an Park	Apr 14, 2012 8:32 PM
15	Curves, whistler blackcomb	Apr 14, 2012 7:44 PM
16	Brennan park Skate park	Apr 14, 2012 6:27 PM
17	Brennen park Soccer Sorca	Apr 14, 2012 2:23 PM
18	Brennan Park kid and youth programs Squamish Minor hockey Squamish youth soccer Squamish minor ball	Apr 14, 2012 1:52 PM
19	BodyStorm	Apr 13, 2012 11:40 PM
20	SAC, sorca	Apr 13, 2012 8:34 PM
21	in vancouver, steve nash gym... the fitness facilities in squamish are poor quality	Apr 13, 2012 8:06 PM
22	We use the swimming pool on a regular bases with our infant daughters. I also occasionally use the fitness equipment inside the pool area.	Apr 13, 2012 8:05 PM
23	Squamish soccer	Apr 13, 2012 7:59 PM
24	sea to sky sirens and brennan park	Apr 13, 2012 7:42 PM
25	Brennan Park, Squamish Roller Derby	Apr 13, 2012 7:40 PM

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26	squamish derby, sorca,	Apr 13, 2012 3:44 PM
27	Squamish rec center (which needs a gym!!)	Apr 13, 2012 1:38 PM
28	Club Flex, Violet Quartz Wellness, SORCA trails	Apr 13, 2012 1:35 PM
29	Body Storm	Apr 13, 2012 1:02 PM
30	Brennan Park, BMX	Apr 13, 2012 12:29 PM
31	Crossfit Squamish	Apr 13, 2012 11:52 AM
32	SORCA	Apr 13, 2012 11:33 AM
33	Brennan park we are at 4-5 days a week	Apr 13, 2012 8:59 AM
34	Challange by Choice	Apr 13, 2012 8:53 AM
35	Sorca, Squamish BMX, Brennan Park swimming pool.	Apr 13, 2012 8:49 AM
36	sorca and brennan park	Apr 13, 2012 8:27 AM
37	brennan park	Apr 13, 2012 8:08 AM
38	Sorca	Apr 13, 2012 7:46 AM
39	Sorca, Bodystorm	Apr 13, 2012 7:34 AM
40	Squamish Roller Derby - Brennan Park auditorium in the winter and Dry slab in the summer	Apr 13, 2012 7:29 AM
41	SORCA and Challenge by Choice.	Apr 13, 2012 7:01 AM
42	Yoga sdba sourca	Apr 13, 2012 6:57 AM
43	The SAC Brennan Park pools SORCA	Apr 13, 2012 6:39 AM
44	Crossfit and SORCA Twoonie races.	Apr 13, 2012 5:37 AM
45	Curling Rink pool at Brennan Park Seniors' Centre Club Flex Trails Society	Apr 12, 2012 12:46 PM
46	ice rink and pool	Apr 12, 2012 12:41 PM
47	Brennan swimming pool	Apr 12, 2012 6:49 AM
48	sorca (if that counts)	Apr 11, 2012 4:34 PM
49	dream fitness	Apr 11, 2012 4:27 PM
50	SORCA squamish titans SAC	Apr 11, 2012 4:17 PM
51	private club	Apr 11, 2012 4:12 PM

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52	West Vancouver community centre squash club figure skating club paddling club Callaghan valley CBC (Challenge by choice gym) Squamish Titans	Apr 11, 2012 4:05 PM
53	only horse club	Apr 11, 2012 3:57 PM
54	slo pitch	Apr 11, 2012 3:51 PM
55	soccer	Apr 11, 2012 3:48 PM
56	curling	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
57	Challenge by Choice, Howe Sound Dance Academy, Brennan Park, Whistler/Blackcomb Season Pass Holders	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
58	house league soccer Sorca Curves	Apr 11, 2012 8:07 AM
59	Seniors , Aquafit , seniors centre	Apr 11, 2012 6:25 AM
60	SVRGC - Archery and BPR - pool	Apr 10, 2012 9:11 PM
61	Curling, Adult volleyball, Slowpitch	Apr 10, 2012 2:08 PM
62	Brennan park rink, fields and pool. I have used the fitness equipment at the pool for the past eight years and we definitely need better equipment and facilities.	Apr 10, 2012 1:48 PM
63	Brennan Park,	Apr 10, 2012 11:12 AM
64	brennan park (swim pass)	Apr 10, 2012 10:08 AM
65	Brennan Park	Apr 10, 2012 8:56 AM
66	Brennan Park Rec Centre, SORCA, paddling club, soccer	Apr 9, 2012 6:09 PM
67	Squamish Youth Soccer Association Squamish Slopitch Association Squamish Soccer Association Thirtysomething Soccer	Apr 9, 2012 11:57 AM
68	I swim 2x a week at Brennan Park.	Apr 9, 2012 11:33 AM
69	Brennan Park pool, soccer (over 30's Women)	Apr 8, 2012 9:06 AM
70	Dream fitness Yoga Sysa	Apr 8, 2012 8:10 AM
71	Squamish Youth soccer, kayak club, Sorca,	Apr 7, 2012 9:43 PM
72	Club flex, the athletic club just do not cut it.	Apr 7, 2012 6:34 PM
73	Squamish Youth Soccer Mens Soccer Mens Hockey Mens Fastball Howe Sound Minor Ball Curling club Curves Brennan Park Pool Brennan Park Arena Slo Pitch T'ai Chi	Apr 7, 2012 6:28 PM
74	Brennan Park	Apr 7, 2012 6:01 AM
75	Squamish valley equestrian. Assoc.	Apr 6, 2012 9:30 PM

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76	Ice rink and SVEA riding ring	Apr 6, 2012 8:37 PM
77	Squamish Valley Equestrian Association	Apr 6, 2012 8:12 PM
78	Dream Fitness and Club Flex	Apr 6, 2012 4:55 PM
79	Whistler Olympic Park	Apr 6, 2012 3:47 PM
80	Brennan Park	Apr 6, 2012 2:17 PM
81	Taoist Tai Chi, Callaghan Winter Sports Club, Whistler Senior Ski Team	Apr 6, 2012 12:26 PM
82	Brennan Park	Apr 6, 2012 11:28 AM
83	Club Flex, one of our three large private fitness gyms, delivering terrific value on monthly subscription. Again, while the pool was a necessary municipal asset, unable to be provided through private means, we do NOT need to be spending \$1.5M capital with ongoing staffing losses on a fitness gym at Brennan Park.	Apr 6, 2012 11:04 AM
84	mountain biking, 3 family memebbers	Apr 6, 2012 10:34 AM
85	Brennan Park Ice skating, swimming	Apr 6, 2012 10:17 AM
86	Soccer and skating clubs	Apr 6, 2012 9:54 AM
87	BPRC	Apr 6, 2012 9:40 AM
88	soccer, jazz dance, belly dancing	Apr 6, 2012 9:35 AM
89	I would be a regular user if we had a public fitness facility and public climbing gym.	Apr 6, 2012 8:53 AM
90	sorca	Apr 6, 2012 8:22 AM
91	SSA Slo pitch	Apr 3, 2012 3:53 PM
92	logger sports	Apr 3, 2012 3:51 PM
93	Dream fitness SORCA trail pass	Apr 3, 2012 3:16 PM
94	CWSC	Apr 3, 2012 2:11 PM
95	Brennan Park	Apr 3, 2012 1:48 PM
96	Brennan Park Sea to Sky Women's Soccer Squamish Pirates	Apr 3, 2012 1:42 PM
97	Squamish Valley Equestrian Association	Apr 3, 2012 9:00 AM
98	Squamish Valley Equestrian association	Apr 3, 2012 8:49 AM
99	SORCA Pool membership	Apr 3, 2012 8:44 AM
100	SORCA Dream fitness Curling club Whistler Olympic Park (XC Ski)	Apr 3, 2012 8:39 AM

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101	HYSA HSMBA	Apr 3, 2012 8:36 AM
102	Curling club	Apr 2, 2012 3:59 PM
103	not currently	Apr 2, 2012 3:53 PM
104	Squamish BMX	Apr 2, 2012 3:48 PM
105	skating soccer hockey dragon boat	Apr 2, 2012 3:41 PM
106	NSWC to take advantage of facilities	Apr 2, 2012 3:33 PM
107	SYSA SSPA	Apr 2, 2012 3:29 PM
108	SORCA	Apr 2, 2012 3:05 PM
109	bicicle Soccer club	Apr 2, 2012 3:02 PM
110	dream fitness Callaghan winter sports club Squamish rod and gun club	Apr 2, 2012 2:59 PM
111	curling, squamish yacht club	Apr 2, 2012 2:48 PM
112	Squamish Valley Rod and Gun club	Apr 2, 2012 2:42 PM
113	nordic skiing mountain biking	Apr 2, 2012 2:30 PM
114	Squamish Athletic Club Sorca	Apr 2, 2012 2:22 PM
115	SYSA Minor hockey Men's Fastball slo pitch men's soccer Squamish minor ball curves Brennan park - numerous meetings Curling club	Apr 2, 2012 2:17 PM
116	Brennan Park - gym, fields School grounds	Apr 2, 2012 1:57 PM
117	Brennan Park	Apr 2, 2012 1:53 PM
118	cross fit, engage the owners they know coaching	Apr 2, 2012 12:45 PM
119	Sq Community Centre Violet Quartz	Apr 2, 2012 12:23 PM
120	Organized hockey, Brennan Park Tae Kwon Do CBC Gym	Apr 2, 2012 12:19 PM
121	club flex squamish yacht club SYSA - rep team (child)	Apr 2, 2012 12:04 PM
122	club flex	Apr 2, 2012 12:00 PM
123	Sorca	Apr 2, 2012 11:52 AM
124	SYSA, Brennan Park	Apr 2, 2012 11:46 AM
125	HSCC	Apr 2, 2012 11:37 AM
126	Brennan park pool, Cross fit	Apr 2, 2012 11:15 AM

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127	swimming pool rec centre	Apr 2, 2012 11:01 AM
128	sorca? howe sound curling club	Apr 2, 2012 10:54 AM
129	Sorca?	Apr 2, 2012 10:46 AM
130	CWSC SN SUEA	Apr 2, 2012 10:41 AM
131	SQ Dragon boat Dream Fitness Brennan Park Pool	Apr 2, 2012 10:35 AM
132	skatepark trails	Apr 2, 2012 10:28 AM

Page 4, Q27. How many years have you lived in Squamish?

1	9	Apr 27, 2012 12:51 PM
2	20	Apr 27, 2012 12:49 PM
3	2	Apr 27, 2012 12:47 PM
4	33	Apr 27, 2012 12:43 PM
5	14	Apr 27, 2012 12:41 PM
6	18	Apr 27, 2012 12:39 PM
7	35	Apr 27, 2012 12:29 PM
8	45	Apr 27, 2012 12:24 PM
9	23	Apr 27, 2012 12:20 PM
10	4	Apr 27, 2012 12:18 PM
11	22	Apr 27, 2012 12:10 PM
12	51	Apr 27, 2012 12:07 PM
13	17	Apr 27, 2012 12:03 PM
14	5	Apr 23, 2012 7:09 AM
15	1	Apr 21, 2012 11:17 PM
16	12yrs	Apr 20, 2012 6:38 AM
17	15	Apr 18, 2012 10:01 AM
18	15	Apr 17, 2012 1:21 PM
19	8	Apr 17, 2012 6:31 AM
20	18	Apr 16, 2012 10:24 PM
21	4	Apr 16, 2012 7:16 PM
22	2	Apr 16, 2012 4:08 PM
23	one	Apr 16, 2012 3:17 PM
24	3	Apr 16, 2012 7:55 AM
25	2	Apr 15, 2012 9:24 PM
26	5	Apr 15, 2012 2:16 PM
27	13	Apr 15, 2012 8:18 AM

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28	2	Apr 14, 2012 8:34 PM
29	None due to lack of work. Weekend visitor	Apr 14, 2012 8:04 PM
30	13	Apr 14, 2012 7:47 PM
31	14	Apr 14, 2012 6:28 PM
32	8	Apr 14, 2012 2:24 PM
33	5	Apr 14, 2012 2:10 PM
34	39	Apr 14, 2012 1:52 PM
35	1	Apr 14, 2012 1:22 PM
36	7	Apr 14, 2012 12:50 AM
37	47	Apr 13, 2012 11:41 PM
38	20	Apr 13, 2012 9:30 PM
39	6	Apr 13, 2012 8:36 PM
40	3	Apr 13, 2012 8:08 PM
41	22 years. My whole life.	Apr 13, 2012 8:06 PM
42	27	Apr 13, 2012 8:01 PM
43	2 1/2	Apr 13, 2012 7:44 PM
44	30	Apr 13, 2012 7:40 PM
45	1996	Apr 13, 2012 3:47 PM
46	5 years	Apr 13, 2012 1:42 PM
47	2	Apr 13, 2012 1:38 PM
48	7	Apr 13, 2012 1:16 PM
49	5	Apr 13, 2012 1:02 PM
50	14	Apr 13, 2012 12:57 PM
51	6	Apr 13, 2012 12:30 PM
52	18	Apr 13, 2012 11:53 AM
53	4	Apr 13, 2012 11:36 AM
54	30	Apr 13, 2012 9:26 AM

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55	1	Apr 13, 2012 9:20 AM
56	38	Apr 13, 2012 9:01 AM
57	18	Apr 13, 2012 9:00 AM
58	3	Apr 13, 2012 8:54 AM
59	5	Apr 13, 2012 8:49 AM
60	1.5 years however have been part of local events for 15 + years	Apr 13, 2012 8:28 AM
61	12	Apr 13, 2012 8:08 AM
62	5	Apr 13, 2012 7:47 AM
63	2	Apr 13, 2012 7:45 AM
64	27	Apr 13, 2012 7:35 AM
65	Total of about 8 with a break in the middle	Apr 13, 2012 7:30 AM
66	7	Apr 13, 2012 7:13 AM
67	8	Apr 13, 2012 7:04 AM
68	12	Apr 13, 2012 6:58 AM
69	8	Apr 13, 2012 6:40 AM
70	16	Apr 13, 2012 6:37 AM
71	7 years	Apr 13, 2012 6:27 AM
72	13 years	Apr 13, 2012 5:40 AM
73	9	Apr 12, 2012 7:46 PM
74	12	Apr 12, 2012 6:25 PM
75	2 years	Apr 12, 2012 1:46 PM
76	41	Apr 12, 2012 12:47 PM
77	12	Apr 12, 2012 12:42 PM
78	5	Apr 12, 2012 6:49 AM
79	6	Apr 11, 2012 10:51 PM
80	4	Apr 11, 2012 4:34 PM
81	13	Apr 11, 2012 4:28 PM

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82	10	Apr 11, 2012 4:24 PM
83	7	Apr 11, 2012 4:17 PM
84	17	Apr 11, 2012 4:13 PM
85	10	Apr 11, 2012 4:06 PM
86	24 years	Apr 11, 2012 3:58 PM
87	6 years	Apr 11, 2012 3:54 PM
88	33 years	Apr 11, 2012 3:51 PM
89	36 years	Apr 11, 2012 1:42 PM
90	32	Apr 11, 2012 1:40 PM
91	5	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
92	10	Apr 11, 2012 8:08 AM
93	40	Apr 11, 2012 6:27 AM
94	20	Apr 10, 2012 9:13 PM
95	30	Apr 10, 2012 2:30 PM
96	20	Apr 10, 2012 2:11 PM
97	18	Apr 10, 2012 1:50 PM
98	12	Apr 10, 2012 11:13 AM
99	10+	Apr 10, 2012 10:10 AM
100	2.5	Apr 10, 2012 8:58 AM
101	Eighteen	Apr 10, 2012 8:55 AM
102	19	Apr 9, 2012 6:09 PM
103	all my life (40 years)	Apr 9, 2012 11:58 AM
104	10	Apr 9, 2012 11:37 AM
105	10	Apr 8, 2012 9:06 AM
106	Sixteen	Apr 8, 2012 8:11 AM
107	20	Apr 7, 2012 9:45 PM
108	7	Apr 7, 2012 6:36 PM

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109	38	Apr 7, 2012 6:30 PM
110	1.5	Apr 7, 2012 6:02 AM
111	22yrs	Apr 6, 2012 9:31 PM
112	5	Apr 6, 2012 8:37 PM
113	10 years	Apr 6, 2012 8:13 PM
114	15	Apr 6, 2012 6:35 PM
115	9	Apr 6, 2012 4:55 PM
116	21	Apr 6, 2012 3:49 PM
117	10	Apr 6, 2012 3:18 PM
118	4	Apr 6, 2012 2:17 PM
119	13	Apr 6, 2012 2:11 PM
120	5	Apr 6, 2012 1:18 PM
121	5+	Apr 6, 2012 12:46 PM
122	Six	Apr 6, 2012 12:28 PM
123	27	Apr 6, 2012 11:29 AM
124	43 years	Apr 6, 2012 11:12 AM
125	My entire life	Apr 6, 2012 11:01 AM
126	1973-1989 returning in 2006-present.	Apr 6, 2012 10:50 AM
127	44 years	Apr 6, 2012 10:35 AM
128	6	Apr 6, 2012 10:19 AM
129	35 years	Apr 6, 2012 9:59 AM
130	19 years	Apr 6, 2012 9:55 AM
131	6	Apr 6, 2012 9:42 AM
132	38	Apr 6, 2012 9:36 AM
133	7	Apr 6, 2012 8:54 AM
134	22	Apr 6, 2012 8:24 AM
135	2	Apr 5, 2012 9:49 AM

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136	23 years	Apr 3, 2012 3:53 PM
137	40 years	Apr 3, 2012 3:51 PM
138	19 years	Apr 3, 2012 3:17 PM
139	6 years	Apr 3, 2012 2:12 PM
140	22 years	Apr 3, 2012 1:48 PM
141	12.5 years	Apr 3, 2012 1:43 PM
142	10 years	Apr 3, 2012 9:01 AM
143	23	Apr 3, 2012 8:55 AM
144	17 years	Apr 3, 2012 8:50 AM
145	6 years	Apr 3, 2012 8:45 AM
146	6 years	Apr 3, 2012 8:41 AM
147	20	Apr 3, 2012 8:36 AM
148	50 years	Apr 2, 2012 4:01 PM
149	14 years	Apr 2, 2012 3:53 PM
150	16	Apr 2, 2012 3:49 PM
151	19 years	Apr 2, 2012 3:41 PM
152	33 years	Apr 2, 2012 3:29 PM
153	30 years	Apr 2, 2012 3:03 PM
154	18	Apr 2, 2012 2:49 PM
155	10 years	Apr 2, 2012 2:45 PM
156	31 years	Apr 2, 2012 2:42 PM
157	3 years	Apr 2, 2012 2:39 PM
158	5 years	Apr 2, 2012 2:37 PM
159	20	Apr 2, 2012 2:31 PM
160	4	Apr 2, 2012 2:27 PM
161	5 years	Apr 2, 2012 2:22 PM
162	40 years	Apr 2, 2012 2:17 PM

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163	2 years	Apr 2, 2012 2:12 PM
164	3	Apr 2, 2012 2:07 PM
165	18 (son has disability)	Apr 2, 2012 1:58 PM
166	7 years	Apr 2, 2012 1:54 PM
167	18	Apr 2, 2012 12:44 PM
168	25 plus	Apr 2, 2012 12:38 PM
169	9 years	Apr 2, 2012 12:24 PM
170	6 years	Apr 2, 2012 12:19 PM
171	5 years	Apr 2, 2012 12:15 PM
172	5 years	Apr 2, 2012 12:10 PM
173	21 years	Apr 2, 2012 12:05 PM
174	22 years	Apr 2, 2012 12:01 PM
175	1 year	Apr 2, 2012 11:58 AM
176	6 months	Apr 2, 2012 11:55 AM
177	4 years	Apr 2, 2012 11:52 AM
178	13 years	Apr 2, 2012 11:48 AM
179	6 years	Apr 2, 2012 11:17 AM
180	20 years	Apr 2, 2012 11:08 AM
181	22 years	Apr 2, 2012 11:02 AM
182	3 years	Apr 2, 2012 10:55 AM
183	3 years	Apr 2, 2012 10:46 AM
184	26	Apr 2, 2012 10:36 AM
185	7 years	Apr 2, 2012 10:29 AM

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1	Squamish Band School	Apr 27, 2012 12:41 PM
2	sorca, facebook, friends	Apr 17, 2012 6:31 AM
3	Facebook	Apr 16, 2012 7:55 AM
4	Facebook	Apr 14, 2012 6:28 PM
5	twitter, facebook, pique	Apr 13, 2012 8:08 PM
6	one comment - district advertising in the paper is horrible - it looks like somehting eyes are trained to avoid	Apr 13, 2012 3:47 PM
7	Email, Facebook, Twitter	Apr 13, 2012 1:38 PM
8	The Pique (I never read the Chief)	Apr 13, 2012 1:02 PM
9	facebook, pinkbike, SORCA, Bivouac.com	Apr 13, 2012 11:36 AM
10	through websites of organizations I belong to.	Apr 13, 2012 9:26 AM
11	facebook	Apr 13, 2012 9:00 AM
12	Bike Squamish on Facebook.	Apr 13, 2012 7:04 AM
13	Facebook	Apr 13, 2012 6:58 AM
14	SORCA	Apr 13, 2012 6:37 AM
15	SORCA.CA Facebook NSMB.com Pinkbike.com vitalmtb.com squamishdirtbikeassociation.com	Apr 13, 2012 5:40 AM
16	Facebook	Apr 11, 2012 10:51 PM
17	email from Sorca	Apr 11, 2012 4:34 PM
18	svea.ca	Apr 11, 2012 4:28 PM
19	social media SORCA	Apr 11, 2012 4:24 PM
20	club	Apr 11, 2012 3:58 PM
21	Seniors centre	Apr 11, 2012 6:27 AM
22	District email	Apr 10, 2012 8:58 AM
23	email via lists I subscribe to and Facebook	Apr 9, 2012 11:37 AM
24	Twitter, facebook, meetup.com	Apr 7, 2012 6:36 PM
25	www.svea.ca	Apr 6, 2012 8:13 PM
26	Facebook!	Apr 6, 2012 4:55 PM

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27	usually stumble across info accidentally	Apr 6, 2012 12:46 PM
28	local organization emails	Apr 6, 2012 11:12 AM
29	Getting out and finding them myself.	Apr 6, 2012 10:50 AM
30	Vancouver Outdoor Groups	Apr 6, 2012 9:59 AM
31	EMAIL THRU SCHOOLS	Apr 6, 2012 9:42 AM
32	email	Apr 3, 2012 3:53 PM
33	get on email lists	Apr 3, 2012 2:12 PM
34	svea.ca	Apr 3, 2012 9:01 AM
35	svea.ca	Apr 3, 2012 8:50 AM
36	should be social media	Apr 3, 2012 8:45 AM
37	please mail out rec centre guide again	Apr 2, 2012 3:29 PM
38	what's on squamish, facebook, email	Apr 2, 2012 3:00 PM
39	facebook	Apr 2, 2012 2:39 PM
40	social media	Apr 2, 2012 2:22 PM
41	sorca, mbx, facebook	Apr 2, 2012 2:07 PM
42	when they used to send it to us. I would like to see them do that again (rec centre guide)	Apr 2, 2012 1:58 PM
43	facebook, sorca emails and website	Apr 2, 2012 12:44 PM
44	SORCA, Tom	Apr 2, 2012 12:38 PM
45	smart phone apps	Apr 2, 2012 12:19 PM
46	twitter, facebook	Apr 2, 2012 11:58 AM
47	twitter and other websites	Apr 2, 2012 11:55 AM
48	facebook	Apr 2, 2012 11:52 AM
49	SYSA, school notices	Apr 2, 2012 11:48 AM
50	Great Place. Squamish.	Apr 2, 2012 11:37 AM
51	mainly word of mouth	Apr 2, 2012 11:02 AM
52	sorca, what's on squamish	Apr 2, 2012 10:55 AM
53	Sorca website	Apr 2, 2012 10:46 AM

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54	from Rec Staff	Apr 2, 2012 10:42 AM
55	What's on Squamish Visitor's Choice	Apr 2, 2012 10:36 AM

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1	overall there are good opportunities for outdoor recreation in our area	Apr 27, 2012 12:47 PM
2	lacrosse should be in squamish	Apr 27, 2012 12:43 PM
3	don't forget about new groups like rugby football all other new groups to be involved in Squamish	Apr 27, 2012 12:24 PM
4	the outdoor facilities and spaces are best reason to live here the indoor programs need work whether its a little coaching or the newer outdoor gym at Brennan, the structure at the seniors, booking and teaching staff who know whats going on	Apr 27, 2012 12:18 PM
5	invest in O.R. not for local O.R. not for local practitioners who all think they live in paradise, but to 1. stimulate tourism 2. stimulate the economy 3. because it is cost effective / inexpensive 4. because we never have despite calling ourselves the O.R. Capital of Canda	Apr 27, 2012 12:03 PM
6	I understand that there will be a fitness center added to the Brennan Park pool. I think there needs to be some childcare facility added in order for many people to be able to use it.	Apr 23, 2012 7:09 AM
7	I think we are turning down the right track in some areas we just need to support them and complete them and keep working on all the others we have here.	Apr 20, 2012 6:38 AM
8	No	Apr 18, 2012 10:01 AM
9	Too much focus on trails for mountain bikes only, without considering needs and usage for equestrian pursuits	Apr 17, 2012 1:21 PM
10	You have too many managers given the number of programs offered and facilities that need to be managed - most communities have a director of culture and rec and then a manager of the facility(ies) - I've never seen so many managers in a city with only one actual building to manage and a handful of programs.	Apr 16, 2012 3:17 PM
11	Protect what we have, improve it and attempt to expand it in a logical manner.	Apr 15, 2012 8:18 AM
12	Just to make sure that there are many different ones	Apr 14, 2012 8:34 PM
13	Squamish is great. Wish there was more jobs in the area	Apr 14, 2012 8:04 PM
14	I appreciate what we have... we live in an amazing area.	Apr 14, 2012 7:47 PM
15	Dirtbike track please and let turn on some lights at the skate park	Apr 14, 2012 6:28 PM
16	glad to see you are looking for general consensus	Apr 13, 2012 11:41 PM
17	Recreation oppotunities is why we live here. Make more and improve quality through creation and maintenance.	Apr 13, 2012 8:36 PM
18	We need to address the garbage and dog poo issue, squamish starts to look dirty and unkept when plastic bags, etc are everywhere in the bush.	Apr 13, 2012 8:08 PM
19	A full two turf field facility with IAFF track would give us the opportunity to host	Apr 13, 2012 8:01 PM

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	BC Senior and Summer games. Estimated 20M revenue to the host community for such an event	
20	a new indoor multi purpose center year round (ie. for roller derby, lacross, events)	Apr 13, 2012 7:44 PM
21	We need a dry rink - can be used for roller derby, other indoor sports, roller hockey...	Apr 13, 2012 7:40 PM
22	getting better - very glad this study is happening and we can figure out what will happen to future amenities. It's going to be expensive so everyone better realise that and no cying at tax time	Apr 13, 2012 3:47 PM
23	We need to define exactly what "Outdoor Recreation" is, and decide if that is Squamish's primary Brand. If it is, we need to bring our investment in line with this Brand. We are crazy to be putting as much money into a turfed field and a Brennan Park Gym addition while we're right in the middle of doing this Master Plan (especially when to me, those items don't seem to be the top priorities that match our supposed current Brand).	Apr 13, 2012 1:38 PM
24	The DOS needs to be involved and proactive not reactive.	Apr 13, 2012 11:53 AM
25	I think we have a good thing going here in Squamish and to keep going and improving it. I wish dog owners wouldn't throw there dog poop bags on the side of trails....	Apr 13, 2012 11:36 AM
26	To not focus on the mountainbikers in this community, more focus on the kids who want to ride horses to stay out of trouble, and the boys who want to dirtbike, but can't because there's no where within district limits. Terrible.	Apr 13, 2012 9:26 AM
27	Love it... Keep up the great work	Apr 13, 2012 8:54 AM
28	Seems pretty good. Always room for improvement though.	Apr 13, 2012 7:13 AM
29	There needs to be more activities for disabled people. There also needs to be some activities for children with parents that work outside of Squamish, maybe the hours needs to be tweaked?	Apr 13, 2012 7:04 AM
30	invest in trails surrounding our great town.	Apr 13, 2012 5:40 AM
31	We love raising our family here and appreciate that you are working to make it an even better place.	Apr 11, 2012 10:51 PM
32	we have a great system but if we are going to promote it to attract more users as a revenue generator for the town, it needs eo be funded accordingly.	Apr 11, 2012 4:24 PM
33	keep building it... a great start.	Apr 11, 2012 4:13 PM
34	signage for valley bottom trails needs ongoing support/improvement especially for visitors. language (foreign) education options would be great.	Apr 11, 2012 4:06 PM
35	horses need to be considered in decisions regarding horse use. As an owner of horses I keep mine on my property and pay nearly \$5000 a year in property taxes as do other horse owners that keep their animals on their properties.	Apr 11, 2012 3:58 PM

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36	Please build Oceanfront Park	Apr 11, 2012 10:26 AM
37	Improved over 40 years !!!	Apr 11, 2012 6:27 AM
38	I would love to see an official off leash dog park in Squamish - and not a small, fenced barren area. Something similar to Ambleside! It is completely feasible for Squamish to do this!	Apr 10, 2012 9:13 PM
39	I think there are a lot of opportunities for children and adults to participate in a variety recreational and sports activities. It could be financially unaffordable to some families or transit may not work for them (timing of buses, etc). The new trails system is fantastic, I love being able to ride downtown and not worry about being on the highway or in traffic	Apr 10, 2012 2:30 PM
40	Requesting input from residents and hopefully acting on the feedback is a great initiative on the Districts' part.	Apr 10, 2012 1:50 PM
41	please find us some off leash dog park spaces, were between w.van and whistler both have AMAZING off leash areas not fenced in poop patches!!! PLEASE!! :)	Apr 10, 2012 10:10 AM
42	Very committed staff. Great potential for expanded programming.	Apr 10, 2012 8:58 AM
43	It needs improvement and the district needs to listen to the community and not just the loudest voices	Apr 9, 2012 11:58 AM
44	Incremental improvements in programming and facilities would be awesome. We don't need to re-invent the wheel or add more infrastructure (ie- weight room) Fundamentally we have an excellent, but under utilized system. Parks and Rec needs to do a way better job of promoting fitness, recreation and culture. Squamish has the unusual position of having under utilized facilities. If we are going to allow large events to work with Squamish, some of that money should go into community amenities .	Apr 9, 2012 11:37 AM
45	Turf Fields please	Apr 8, 2012 8:11 AM
46	It has developed well over the years but there is always room for improvement and I believe building the sports complex with the turf fields and track, concession and accessories to support this complex would greatly benefit Squamish and encourage more and more use of the facility.	Apr 7, 2012 9:45 PM
47	The four main grass fields need to be rebuilt no matter what. Just because the grass looks nice doesn't mean it is!!!	Apr 7, 2012 6:30 PM
48	Please spend money on economic development! Not attracting more mountain bikers.	Apr 7, 2012 6:02 AM
49	A healthy Parks and Rec department as well as a healthy arts community makes a more attractive location for businesses because it is more attractive to their employees and their families.	Apr 6, 2012 3:49 PM
50	Off leash dog attacks are too abundant. Having even one trail ON LEASH only and partrolled would be nice. My dogs have been attached one too many times it's unfortunate I can't even walk on the trails or in my neighborhood without out	Apr 6, 2012 1:18 PM

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	having to deal with an off leash dog	
51	too much orientation to the young & fit group. There are a huge number of us 'boomers ' with free time & money but if we're not interested in mountain biking Squamish has little to offer and tempt our demographic to spend time and money here.	Apr 6, 2012 12:46 PM
52	Would like to see easier access to the Squamish River and its trails. Access is very limited by the CN Tracks and fences.	Apr 6, 2012 12:28 PM
53	I believe that since we do NOT have any hope of a reasonable conventional park within safe access of the Kingswood (Redpoint, etc.) development, it is ridiculous to pack 400 units with 1200 residents into this tiny space. Any development in this area should be very limited for residential. A good model might be light industrial business below and residential above, as in many other local developments. The people of Squamish should be zoning this and all other areas as we reasonably wish them to be. The developers should NOT be dictating zoning and use.	Apr 6, 2012 11:12 AM
54	We need off leash dog parks- Most if not all other communities the same size have them- People need to have some where to go to allow dogs off leash without having to leave the boundaries of Squamish. Walking and interacting with other people and dogs is healthy and best of all costs nothing- We have enough cycling sports- Time for other people to have an opportunity to enjoy the outdoor beauty we have here,. There are many places people can walk, none of which allow off leash dogs.	Apr 6, 2012 11:01 AM
55	I would like to see more off leash dog parks, and, at the same time, I would like to see by-law enforcement of current leash laws in relation to dogs on local trails. I am a dog walker, and find it a constant frustration when my leashed dog is confronted by off leash dogs.	Apr 6, 2012 10:50 AM
56	The future is getting young families to settle here - so we must stress activities for the young as cheap as possible	Apr 6, 2012 10:19 AM
57	MOST OUTDOOR PEOPLE OWN DOGS, WE NEED TO FACILITATE AND PROMOTE HEALTHY LIVING WITH OUR PETS	Apr 6, 2012 9:42 AM
58	We need more dog parks	Apr 6, 2012 9:36 AM
59	don't spend any more money on the "traditional" sports based at Brennan park. give the "non traditional" sports a chance to grow as that is where our future lies both for the local and non local	Apr 6, 2012 8:24 AM
60	too many chiefs	Apr 3, 2012 3:53 PM
61	arts and culture needs to be better integrated into Brennan Park and District planning. BP should be an inviting and vibrant place. Fitness centre in BP to compliment programming.	Apr 3, 2012 3:17 PM
62	Continue to improve on it as it is a very important asset for a community.	Apr 3, 2012 1:43 PM
63	Squamish has a lengthy history that includes horses and riding. Our local riding	Apr 3, 2012 9:01 AM

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	club has been around for 60 years, yet we are losing access to our trails and don't have the facilities for local equestrians to practice and train year round.	
64	I would hope the DOS would consider all user groups, not just a select few.	Apr 3, 2012 8:55 AM
65	It's largely outdated, like many of our community's amenities. More often than not there are too many people attempting to use a facility (eg. pool) because the size did not grow at rate that the community did.	Apr 3, 2012 8:45 AM
66	Worry about over development of natural environment (clear cutting areas for logging, industry and gondola (?)) Opportunity to maintain and enhance what we have (parks, better sound, water access for beaches/boats) Improvement of Brennan Park into multi use centre essential! It rains a lot here - we need indoor opportunity.	Apr 3, 2012 8:41 AM
67	-Programs and facilities for youth and seniors can be under emphasized - Mountain biking has big lobby! -Facilities in Manquam Blind Channel for canoeing and kayaking for beginners and families - put in take out, boat storage, washrooms and signage -Umbrella organization for recreational programs and organizations is lacking in Squamish. A District "Recreation Association" used to exist. It is needed again today.	Apr 2, 2012 4:01 PM
68	very driven to get a kayak storage on Cattermole Slough	Apr 2, 2012 3:49 PM
69	lack of welcoming nature of our library	Apr 2, 2012 3:34 PM
70	The sink holes in Brennan soccer fields will injure people - a must fix!	Apr 2, 2012 3:29 PM
71	I'm pleased to see the planning that is taking place right now and excited about the future of squamish!	Apr 2, 2012 3:00 PM
72	I started a youth sailing school 4 years ago and it is growing and doing well. What is lacking is a ramp and secure storage for dingies, kayaks, canoes. Unfortunately Squamish has its back to the ocean. We need to make the water more accessible.	Apr 2, 2012 2:49 PM
73	we need to have more youth programs - ages 10 - 16 boys stuff. not all parents bike or climb. cooperate with local groups to mentor squamish youth.	Apr 2, 2012 2:45 PM
74	start developing waterfront park this year please. it's the only convenient and easily accessible access to the ocean/beach front	Apr 2, 2012 2:31 PM
75	Squamish is losing out on it's wind sports. Signage to the spit is poor and doesn't run people through town (losing potential revenue). It's crowded there and dangerous.	Apr 2, 2012 2:12 PM
76	In order to live up to our slogan "outdoor recreation capital of canada" we need to not only market ourselves accordingly, but make it possible for non-residents to participate by developing recreation areas (ie trail signage, bike shuttle service, larger windsport launching area, small boat launch and storage, lighting at skatepark and BMX track, lighting on turf fields, interpretive signage along hiking trails in protected areas, mountain bike skills park, funded bike trail maintenance, signage in bouldering areas)	Apr 2, 2012 2:07 PM

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77	Yes, I would like to see the Squamish Legacy Sports Park (Nordic Sport Facilities training ski jumps, rollerski trails - paved, Dryland Biathlon Facility)	Apr 2, 2012 1:54 PM
78	It would be great to see a study actually implemented rather than documented and shelved. Our P&R is the largest community asset - we need to invest, advertise, protect and brag about it. Brennan park is falling behind the times and needs a facelift. Solicit grant or donation for improvements. Don't stop working on the corridor trail - get lighting, keep it maintained.	Apr 2, 2012 12:44 PM
79	Smoke bluffs park is a great facility and I applaud the DOS and volunteers for what has been done there. Some funding for bike trails would be great, but difficult to administer. Consider land use planning and conservation of lands (green spaces) within 10km radius of town to preserve access to important recreation areas immediately adjacent to neighbourhoods.	Apr 2, 2012 12:38 PM
80	Having 'discovered' the waterfront and sound over the past few years I can not believe how untapped of a resource it is. This must be made easy to access for residents. Thanks.	Apr 2, 2012 12:24 PM
81	excited about the possibility of a new turf field!	Apr 2, 2012 12:05 PM
82	We need a muni fitness centre, a bar over the ice rink and a bank machine in Brennan Park Rec Centre. Also, we need a user agreement with the School Board for access to the facilities in/around the schools. Need a lacrosse box and a rubberized full sized track.	Apr 2, 2012 11:48 AM
83	It is very important that the district supports the trail system. Both on its own land and private land. Trails are foundational to the community recreation infrastructure in the lack of further land development it is very important it remains a priority to maintain access to trails, rock, water and the natural areas we currently are lucky enough to use.	Apr 2, 2012 11:17 AM
84	Squamish is good for outdoor facilities, but lacks indoor things to do. Squamish benefits from volunteer built mountain bike trails and needs to support it.	Apr 2, 2012 11:08 AM
85	more effort to protect/maintain the mtn bike network!!	Apr 2, 2012 10:55 AM
86	we need better fitness facilities and better ventilation in the pool	Apr 2, 2012 10:42 AM
87	I think all our district does a great job with the resources they have - so pleased to see this kind of interaction	Apr 2, 2012 10:36 AM
88	One thing I would love to see is an undercover mini ramp made out of concrete somewhere in Brackendale or Garibalde Estates. (24' wide). can get volunteer to build. Mike Quesnel 604 898 9800 call me.	Apr 2, 2012 10:29 AM

APPENDIX B CONTINUED

QUESTIONNAIRE #2

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2012 IN CONJUNCTION WITH OPEN HOUSE #3

1ST DOCUMENT IS A SUMMARY OF PAPER RESPONSES

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District of Squamish Parks and Recreation Master Plan
OPEN HOUSE #3 PAPER QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES

Black = Was there a response?
 Blue = YES/NO Questions
 = Tally from the online feedback

Red lettering indicates online survey responses

	Response			Total	Comments
	YES	NO	Abstain		
Board #1: Recreation Services + Parks Vision					
<p>Q1 - What is your opinion of the Draft Vision, Mission and Principles for Recreation and Parks? Needs work and provide more info. (e.g. paper outline, cost implications). Generally seen as an okay first draft, it is vague and needs revision.</p> <p>Account for user diversity. Need to incorporate user feedback. Equestrian input significantly left out.</p>	30		4	34	<p>Plan doesn't account for user diversity. Groups left out. Poor job getting feedback from users. DOS should listen to feedback more frequently. Hard to Equestrian needs not sufficiently considered, responders don't like the idea of moving to SVEA land. Kids, horses, guns = danger. Time and money invested in existing rings. (16)</p> <p>Include the Ocean Front for Windsports, Sailing, Park, etc. (1), Needs work - applies urban principles to a more natural environment (1). More focus on tourists than locals. (1)</p> <p>Role of non-municipal organizations not clear. Partnerships underemphasized. To much emphasis on developing Brennan Park (1) Focus more on natural recreation opportunity. (2)</p> <p>Clearly presented. Support as is, no change suggested. (5) Add additional activities where needed, don't move current activities (1). Need more cost info. (1)</p> <p>People who have input are less resistant to change. Inhabitants know the community ways best. Squamish familiar with volunteers for activities. Good solution given limited tax base.</p> <p>Uncertainly regarding the role of non-municipal organization programs in Program & Facility User Advisory groups. Why an Art Advisory committee? We have Squamish Arts council.</p> <p>Advisory groups not understood. Lack of details on volunteers needed (number, how often needed, etc). Volunteer groups need balanced representation. (3)</p> <p>How do we make these groups accountable to public, and not favor personal objectives? (1)</p>
	20	24	30	74	
	50	24	34	108	
<p>Q2 - Do you agree with the recommendations for creating volunteer advisory groups? Why or why not? Strong support. But needs some clarification on details of volunteer roles to be understood. Ensure balanced interest group representation.</p> <p>How do we make these groups accountable to public?</p>	24	4	6	34	
	55	10		65	
	79	14	6	99	
Board #2: Squamish Recreation Centre + Community Centres					
<p>Q3 - Do you agree with the recommendations for the Recreation Centre upgrades? What should the highest priorities be? Some support. Support for Ice Rink, Gym/Fitness centre & inclusion of Equestrian strongest priorities. Physio/health not a priority.</p>	14	10	10	34	<p>Priorities - 2nd Turf field (2), Ice rink (5), Gymnastics (2), Youth centre (1). Community feedback (1). Community gym (2). Equestrian needs & covered riding ring (16).</p> <p>Weight training facility. (1) Tea bar with real tea (1) Fitness centre (2). Night lighting for playing field (1).</p> <p>Advisory group needed to advise on Rec Centre investments. Needs to be more structured.</p> <p>Not necessary to rename. Upgrading the Rec Centre and maintaining it will Doubt if 2nd rink is needed given light use (1) Can better fully use existing facilities (1) Physio/healthcare already available in town (2)</p>
	26	26	11	63	
	40	36	21	97	

<p>Q4 - What do you think of the recommendations for the Ministry of Forests Site, the Youth Centre and the Senior Centre? Majority seem to think Youth Centre should not move and remain central. Strong support for Senior Centre development. Opportunity for Montessori school to buy vacated current spaces. Fairly good support for these recommendations on the whole.</p>	22	12	34	<p>Rec centre area to host gatherings by pool. Income from pool parties. (1) Need</p> <p>Primary thought is that YC should not move and stay central. (8) Its next to highschool and skate park. This is convenient for after school programs to use. If YC moved from down town, shuttle may be needed. Work with SSCS to ensure youth still have place to go in their facilities. MOF site has potential, but is by a busy truck route and industrial area. Good idea incorp MOF into the Rec Centre (1). Need cost info (1)</p> <p>Activities offered under proposal already available. What happens to current space when they are moved? Montessori school needs space and interested in purchasing (2) this property to offer daycare & elementary school. Support for Senior Centre Site should remain as is until current usage is vacated (1). Café and physiotherapy areas not needed - they are elsewhere in town. (2) Support as is, no change suggested. (5)</p>	
<p>Q5 - Are there any gaps in the recreation facilities and programs that have not been addressed through the recommendations? activities and music programs. Stronger recommendations for Ice Rink wanted. More info about cost and environmental impact desired.</p>	22	1	10	33	<p>Gaps include: Strong feelings not to move the Equestrian ring. Should enhance equestrian facilities. (16) Stress to animals and dangerous being near gun Time and ~ \$100K money invested in the rings. Suggests turning Squamish into equestrian centre with economic benefits. Horse trails also missing from the Additional gaps: Waterfront activities, no solid recommendation about Ice Rink</p> <p>No attention to non-municipal facilities and programs (e.g. Curling, Golf, Squash clubs are significant). Rod & Gun club overlooked. Support for municipal camping. DOS to subsidize outhouse and basic facilities Brennan doesn't have to be the encompassing hub. Doesn't have to be centralized. (2) No mention of environmental impact (1)</p>
<p>Board #3: Outdoor Recreation Capital + Brennan Park Visions</p>	39	15	10	54	
<p>Q6 - Please provide comments on the Vision for Brennan Park. What is your top priority to have at the park? Priorities include an improved swimming pool ice rink, gym, and improvement of trails to be multi-use (in particular improving horse-riding capability) Improved lighting and access to Brennan park are also important it is described as overcrowded and difficult to manouver</p>	28	6	34	<p>Better, affordable gym (3) - concern compete against private gyms (1), Trail system with km markers for X-country runners (1). Better swimming pool and Improved change rooms (4).</p> <p>Health & wellness cafe-better entrance off highway (1). Greater trail access (1). Children's programs (1) Seniors programs (1). Better public transportation around community (2)</p> <p>Lit and paved transport to park. (3) Want a second ice rink. (4) Better use of auditorium space. (1) Existing facilities can use improvement. (1) Bike skill park. (1) Develop hub.</p> <p>Strong opinions that Equestrian site should not be moved and SVEA should get more funding. A covered ring is requested (16). Improvement to gymnastics (1)</p>	
61	16	10	87		

				<p>Brennan Park used as a hub will be overburdened, manouvering problem. Weekend parking already a nightmare. Shouldn't centralize. (2) Increase use for youth should be priority (1)</p> <p>Brennan Park should be central sports hub. It is convenient for families with children in different sports. (1)</p> <p>Draft plan does not consider the Al McInosh Loggers Sports Grands built by volunteers. Vision is flawed as there access problems to the Brennan site. (2)</p> <p>Need to encourage variety.</p>	
Board #4: Outdoor Recreation Capital + Brennan Park Visions					
<p>Q7 - What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports Programming?</p> <p>Focus on support for better ice rink facility and equestrian endeavours.</p>	18	16	34	<p>More funding for Equestrian society. Horseback riding is year round while other sports are not. Do not take space away. (16)</p> <p>Want a second ice rink. (3), Sports programming for all levels/ages (1). Enough fields! (3) Expand and streamline programming (1). Funding unbalanced in favor Agree with better ball park and turf (1). Improve night lighting (1) Support as is,</p>	
<p>Q8 - What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports fields additions and improvements? (Note: Sports filed allocation is on Board 7: Parks)</p> <p>More people believe current fields are under used, so new ones aren't needed - but existing ones could be upgraded.</p>	20	14	34	<p>Support for improving existing fields (4) e.g. mark distances for runner training. Need for affordable storage space also not only to sports, but also to Arts & Culture groups.</p> <p>Rugby should not be played on artificial surfaces. Reduce socceer/baseball field conflict (1). Logger sports has historical value, not sacrificed for Live at Already many fields under utilized. Improve what we have. School fields hardly</p>	
Board #5: Events, Arts, Culture + Heritage					
<p>Q9 - Do you have any comments on the recommendations for improving the Districts ability to successfully host events?</p> <p>Strong mention of need for music/theatre venue with good acoustics and need of an event organizer.</p> <p>In addition, there is support to leverage the equestrian facilities to host events.</p>	18	3	13	34	<p>Facility that can hold 400-500 people for indoor music, theatre, lectures. (1)</p> <p>Assign an event organizer. (3) Municipal campgrounds. (1) Better entrances to recreation hub. (1)</p> <p>Equestrians are travelllers. Set up an indoor ring and expand equestrian facilities. This will attract tourism and increase community income. Fund SVEA to host more shows. (4)</p> <p>Overlooks role of non-municipal organizations hosting events. (1) Loggers sport grounds needs to be developed for better suitability for large and broader range of events. (1)</p> <p>Worth the money. Live at Squamish is an example (1) Need a music drama theatre (1). Want information on cost (1)</p>
<p>Q10 - What is your opinion of the recommendations to increase the presence of Arts, Culture + Hertiage in the District Recreation and Parks system?</p> <p>Key - Strong support. Investigate overlap or partnership with existing organizations.</p>	16		18	34	<p>Support to increase. (11) Heritage conservation policy is long overdue. Already significant planning and activities as part of Squamish Arts Council, Sea to Sky Forest society</p> <p>Downtown improvement association. Bring more arts/culture programs (e.g. photography) to senior centre. Need area with proper acoustics for music & drama. (1)</p> <p>Suggestion there is some duplication with other orgs efforts, there should be focus on promoting sport activities in this plan (2) Red Herring (1).</p>
	22	3	25	50	
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Board #6 + 7: Parks 1 + 2

Q11 - Are there any gaps in the parks system that have not been addressed through the recommendations?

Primary gaps appear to be Marine access and potential for Ocean front activities, ice rink upgrade/replacement, and need for horse trails.

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Q12 - What would be the best location for a water park or play fountain?

Downtown is the most popular choice.

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	Downt	Oceanfront	Brennan	Other
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Q13 - Do the trails, waterfront and environment recommendations met the needs of the community for access and environmental protection?

A key area is the Waterfront and water sports support which needs development. The Spit is overcrowded and marine access is a problem

Trails should be paved and made multi-use.

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48	26	10	84
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Rink face lift or replacement. (5)
Feedback from users was not listened to. Marine access & Ocean front

More dog off leash parks. (2)
Transportation - want bus services. (1)
Bike paths need lighting. (3) Golfing, Curling, Rifle range (1) Gymnastics (1).
Horse trails needed (16) Perhaps alongside bike paths in Brennan Park area. Growth of climbers needs facilities
What about keeping wild animals away?
The Slough between Adventure Centre and CN Rail tracks. Should not be
Resistance to urbanizing parks. Strong desire to keep them natural (3). Improve

Other - Across from Adventure Centre. 3 people voted for 2 locations.
Recycled water fountains only. (1)

Improved but more can be done.
Access is limited and a problem. (4)
Better signage, Dredging of the blind Potential at Waterfront untapped and needs development. (4) Look at Marina area where BC rail put fences up. Rink needs upgrades (1)
The Spit is overcrowded - safety risk. (1) The silting in the canal is a problem.
Horse trails are missing. No more trails without pavement. Unsafe for non-walkers. Bridges need to be horse safe. Supports the blueway route for canoes and kayaks. BC Rail line and adjacent to Loggers Lane isn't a significant issue. The tracks should not be removed. Preferred to be enjoyed in natural state.

Other Suggestions or Comments

Q14 - Do you have any additional suggestions or comments in relation to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

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Missed the rail area completely. Need to enhance the rail area on Loggers Lane. It is ugly. Maybe a dog park. Move garbage cans.
Input by Equestrian association has been ignored. Support for improving and Majority of budget should focus on outdoor recreation. Comment " Don't be

The existing asset of the Thunderbird Equestrian centre is ignored, there is potential economic benefit here.
We need to include Oceanfront included in future of plan. We have champion windsurfers training here. Windsport society at Spit is at capacity. Consider Nexen Park plan.

Better boat launches. Municipal camping wanted. Subsidized by DOS, managed by community groups. Where is the money coming from?

There are plans for Ocean Front cultural events, library and theatre - not needed at Brennan park. Don't relocate them. Work on enhancing waterfront for locals and tourists.

School properties could be utilized. Need dog parks. Lack of clarity regarding role of non-municipal organizations.
SORCA needs funding. Mountain biking is a growing sport. Hockey is a growing

Squamish Parks and Recreation Master Plan Review of Draft Recommendations






1. What is your opinion of the Draft Vision, Mission and Principles for Recreation and Parks?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Agree		27.0%	20
Neutral		40.5%	30
Disagree		32.4%	24
Please provide comments regarding your opinion			33
answered question			74
skipped question			16

2. Do you agree with the recommendations for creating volunteer advisory groups?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		84.6%	55
No		15.4%	10
Please explain why or why not			27
answered question			65
skipped question			25

3. Do you agree with the recommendations for the Recreation Centre upgrades?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Agree		41.3%	26
Neutral		17.5%	11
Disagree		41.3%	26
	Specific Feedback:		47
	answered question		63
	skipped question		27



4. What should the highest priorities be?

	Response Count
	56
answered question	56
skipped question	34

5. What do you think of the recommendations for the Ministry of Forests Site, the Youth Centre, and the Seniors' Centre?

	Response Count
	50
answered question	50
skipped question	40

6. Are there any gaps in the recreation facilities and programs that have not been addressed through the recommendations?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		72.2%	39
No		27.8%	15
	If yes, what are they?		40
	answered question		54
	skipped question		36

7. Please provide comments on the Vision for Brennan Park. What is your top priority to have at the park?

	Response Count
	59
answered question	59
skipped question	31

8. What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports Programming?

	Response Count
	38
answered question	38
skipped question	52




9. What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports field additions and improvements? (Note: Sports field allocation is on Board 7: Parks)

	Response Count
	40
answered question	40
skipped question	50

10. Do you have any comments on the recommendations for improving the District's ability to successfully host events?

	Response Count
	35
answered question	35
skipped question	55

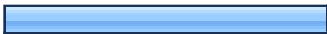

11. What is your opinion of the recommendations to increase the presence of Arts, Culture + Heritage in the District Recreation and Parks system?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Agree		44.0%	22
Neutral		50.0%	25
Disagree		6.0%	3





Please provide comments regarding your opinion 15

answered question	50
skipped question	40



12. Are there any gaps in the parks system that have not been addressed through the recommendations?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		48.6%	17
No		51.4%	18
	If so, please specify		15
answered question			35
skipped question			55

13. What would be the best location for a water park or play fountain?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Downtown (Pavillion Park near the Farmer's Market)		33.3%	20
Within the Future Oceanfront Development		21.7%	13
Brennan Park		40.0%	24
Other		5.0%	3
answered question			60
skipped question			30

14. Do the trails, waterfront and environment recommendations meet the needs of the community for access and environmental protection?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		78.4%	40
No		21.6%	11

Please provide comments regarding your response 20

answered question	51
skipped question	39

15. Do you have any additional suggestions or comments in relation to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

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answered question	37
skipped question	53

Page 2, Q1. What is your opinion of the Draft Vision, Mission and Principles for Recreation and Parks?

1	AFFORDABLE IS VERY IMPORTANT.	Nov 9, 2012 4:48 PM
2	I actually think it's a good start, and I appreciate the efforts being made to including the public in the discussion. I think it is going to be really valuable to look at the vision not only from the perspective of what current citizens want, but also what makes sense from an economic development perspective. An important context that has been missing from our vision so far is the fact that our town is currently borrowing about \$1.5 million / year to cover basic infrastructure and services.	Nov 9, 2012 10:29 AM
3	We need the Ice Arena updated and a second sheet of ice. In a town where hockey and figure skating are both so popular - we need practice times that are after school and early evenings! School age kids should not be getting up before 5 am to practice or practicing till 11 on school nights.	Nov 8, 2012 9:39 PM
4	We need to have a plan in place to have an ice rink of satisfactory standards at all times available to the community.	Nov 8, 2012 1:38 PM
5	Would like to see some plans for Ice upgrades or replacement of the existing rink.	Nov 8, 2012 10:13 AM
6	I think it is well laid out and represents a good plan to move forward	Nov 8, 2012 9:19 AM
7	Our family spends at least 6 days a week at the rink and yet there are no plans for upgrades or replacements or a second rink!	Nov 8, 2012 6:37 AM
8	A new hockey arena needs to become a priority. The community is very short on ice time, and the current cement pad is in disrepair along with the boards. Throughout the summer months, one pad could remain ice for various ice user groups and the other could be used for box lacrosse as the vision already states.	Nov 7, 2012 11:08 PM
9	There is no provisions or future plans to upgrade the arena that was built in 1975 and only upgrades we have seen are done because they have to be done to stay within codes our it is failing.	Nov 7, 2012 9:42 PM
10	Need more ice or at least some updates to arena	Nov 7, 2012 7:03 PM
11	Though I agree with the overall vision, I don't entirely agree with all of the implementation plans.	Nov 7, 2012 9:53 AM
12	The ice rink should not be left out of the plan it needs upgrades that have been mentioned in every ice users meetings but we seem to be forgotten.	Nov 6, 2012 8:37 AM
13	no mention isw made of upgrades to the ice rink/facilities	Nov 5, 2012 4:57 PM
14	As this plan does not seem to have considered a significant number of user groups (equestrian, ice sports, forest service etc) I am concerned about the entire plan. While some aspects I may agree with I cannot agree with the whole plan until it considers all groups affected not just a few.	Nov 5, 2012 11:12 AM
15	I would love to see improvement to our ice arena. Squamish is in dire need of another sheet of ice. One wonderful example of a double sheet ice arena is Parksville's Karen Magnussen. The two sheets allow room for special event skates (holiday etc) to be up for multiple days. Also, tournaments don't affect	Nov 4, 2012 10:54 PM

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	regularly scheduled events such as practices and public/family skates. Though artful hydro boxes are esthetically nice to look at, they should not be a priority in any near future for Squamish. The money would be much better spent on another sheet of ice. Though I do agree with the title of "outdoor recreation capital" , we as a community need to also remember that there is a wonderful figure skating program and hockey program.	
16	The vision statement is focused on outdoor recreation. Although outdoor recreation is big in Squamish the vision statement should not focus on this solely.	Nov 4, 2012 3:21 PM
17	i like the ideas but improving is best adding another ice arena and a bigger pool would help with having swimming lessons and hockey game going on while recreation is going on and this is a good way for our town to make money and help with the bills. a high diving board and a deeper en going towards the south and anothe ice arena going out the east side of the arean that is there already.	Nov 4, 2012 8:48 AM
18	health of the community should get greater emphasis	Nov 3, 2012 7:46 AM
19	There is no mention of ice facility - we don't need another trail or bike track ! - nature provides this with abundance in our area - it doesn't provide ice or a place to do recreation especially in the winter months	Nov 2, 2012 4:55 PM
20	- No mention of ice user improvements - No mention of need for another sheet of ice	Nov 2, 2012 2:25 PM
21	I have a child involved in soccer and the plan does discuss improvements to the soccer fields which is important. My other child is involved in Figure Skating, but the plan doesn't say anything about improvements to the arena or the possibility of building a second arena. I consider this to be important as well.	Nov 2, 2012 9:11 AM
22	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:03 AM
23	The arena is in dire need of upgrades and/or second facility built.	Nov 2, 2012 4:58 AM
24	I agree with some of what is in the plan but am in grave disagreement with other parts including: 1) ? The need of a gymnastics facility - I dont think so 2) ? No need for improvements at the rink.....BIG MISS!!!! Did Lees and Associates even go into the rink or consider the fact that the season has been shortened due to the age and inadequateness of the compressors? Revenue generating programs are being lost doe to this shortening 3) The equestrian center by the Gun Club - IDIOTIC - People proposing these ideas have not thought about this at all. Many people in this community are very concerned about this now.	Nov 1, 2012 7:58 PM
25	we should update the arena . make bigger dressing rooms. either another full ice, possible half size?	Nov 1, 2012 6:07 PM
26	I generally agree with the concepts of the plan. However I am very dismayed at the lack of attention paid to the arena facility. This building desperately needs upgrading at the very least.	Nov 1, 2012 12:33 PM
27	I am disappointed that a fitness facility and gymnasium take priority over a FAILING arena. Squamish is the outdoor recreation capital- people can get fit	Oct 26, 2012 8:42 PM

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	outside hiking the chief or at one of the many gyms in Squamish that are struggling to stay open. The rink needs an upgrade!	
28	Not enough inclusion for arts and culture. We need facilities, arts centre, performance theatre with art gallery, meeting space and storage.	Oct 25, 2012 6:49 AM
29	The improvement of slopitch fields is welcomed	Oct 24, 2012 8:24 PM
30	It professes to build on the image of Squamish as the "Outdoor Capital of Canada", which frankly is presumptuous and should be renamed to reflect its reality, BUT it virtually ignores and discounts the natural environment and its biodiversity. In fact the wildlife of this magnificent area is not even mentioned; no provision is made for protecting or enhancing wildlife corridors.trails, habitat (whether land, sea or air); it gets total short shrift. The environment comes across as a secondary if not tertiary concern or interest, and mostly it is perceived as something that should be paved over and converted to human use, without any real concern for its integration. This is in many ways a Plan that is more 1970's than 2020's - lacking in a vision of what the future could and should offer. Unlike Vancouver which is striving to be the "Greenest City in the World by 2020", this comes across as being the most paaved over community, with only a nod to the environment which makes this place. Without the environment and its accompanying biodiversity this place would be nothing, but we appear to keep on wanting to trample on it rather than work with it in an integrative way. Overall the Vision is inchoate, which leads to a muddied Mission and Set of Principles.	Oct 24, 2012 3:14 PM
31	It really depends on the cost of each reccomendation.	Oct 24, 2012 8:31 AM
32	Have no idea. What is the draft vision, mission and Principles? Please provide more information.	Oct 21, 2012 9:09 PM
33	What is this even referring to?	Oct 21, 2012 8:07 PM

Page 2, Q2. Do you agree with the recommendations for creating volunteer advisory groups?

1	Surprised to see it here. It is so important.	Nov 8, 2012 9:15 PM
2	Cost cutting and they have an invested interest because of their involvement with the group they represent	Nov 8, 2012 1:38 PM
3	Volunteers have their own agendas. A few people would be influencing the future of our recreation. Should be a more neutral committee.	Nov 8, 2012 10:13 AM
4	I think it would be beneficial to have some guidelines in place that people could approach and follow through - right now each organization is utilizing their own volunteers and avenues but a forum where all of them could work together would be great - there is a lot to be gained from working with the different groups within Squamish that utilize volunteers and much to be gained if they have a set place to approach proposals etc as a united front.	Nov 8, 2012 9:19 AM
5	Advisory groups often lack an objective approach and members tend to focus only on their personal interests rather than the broader interests of the community.	Nov 7, 2012 11:08 PM
6	As this will fall by the wayside as Volunteer help is stretched to the max in most areas already in town and the same people are always the ones that try to take and stand and help out.	Nov 7, 2012 9:42 PM
7	How will they be chosen? What interest groups will they represent?	Nov 6, 2012 8:31 PM
8	opportunity for volunteerism. more of the monies paid for sports/usage of facility would hopefully go toward programs, staffing and upgrades--the ice arena, for instance	Nov 5, 2012 4:57 PM
9	creating smaller committees puts less pressure on bigger councils	Nov 4, 2012 10:54 PM
10	Volunteers are an important part of any recreation system in any community. Without them most events would not happen. However volunteers are not (and cannot) be held accountable to the general public on the decisions they make. There is no recourse for the general public. Some voluntary advisory groups can be stacked with special interest groups promoting their own interests first. It is difficult to manage this with voluntary positions.	Nov 4, 2012 3:21 PM
11	direct user feedback is mandatory.	Nov 3, 2012 7:46 AM
12	Hidden agendas	Nov 2, 2012 4:55 PM
13	- They are very helpful but as you know often become co-opted by special interest groups	Nov 2, 2012 2:25 PM
14	I think we need some kind of volunteer coordination. There may be volunteer out there whose skills aren't being used effectively.	Nov 2, 2012 9:11 AM
15	We need people without an agenda	Nov 2, 2012 8:03 AM
16	because only the loud people with time on their hands will drive the agenda / plan	Nov 2, 2012 12:11 AM
17	Volunteers are the foundation of Squamish	Nov 1, 2012 7:58 PM

Page 2, Q2. Do you agree with the recommendations for creating volunteer advisory groups?

18	i can see it back firing and blowing up in r faces	Nov 1, 2012 6:07 PM
19	I think it is a good representative of the community to have a percentage of them on an advisory group.	Nov 1, 2012 4:39 PM
20	more community involvement and input the better	Nov 1, 2012 3:49 PM
21	There are many examples of advisory groups working with the DoS(Smoke bluffs) which seem to work	Oct 28, 2012 7:17 PM
22	The volunteers have a better idea of what the needs of their individual groups, and by meeting with other volunteers from other groups and the DOS it gives everyone a much clearer picture of what each group needs and how everyone can work together.	Oct 25, 2012 7:28 PM
23	Yes, arts advisory committee should include representation from all arts groups including the SAC.	Oct 25, 2012 6:49 AM
24	volunteers rock	Oct 24, 2012 8:24 PM
25	Pity you did not have a "Maybe" answer. I would say it depends. At one time DoS had a set of various volunteer advisory committees/groups, but all or most were disbanded because certain Councils or Mayors did not like the fact that volunteers/advisors, many of whom had much more expertise, knowledge and experience than council members, did not always rubber-stamp, endorse or approve of certain directions, practices or programs that DoS Council and/or staff were advocating/pushing. The whole Volunteer Advisory System needs revamping, with substantial and substantive inputs from community members, new comers and those who have had past experiences with past committees. To set up one or more Advisory Groups for Parks and Recreation, without considering the over-arching needs of Squamish, its community, and even DoS, merely replicates the mistakes of the past. The way you intend to set these Advisory Groups will put too much emphasis on Council members & DoS staff, thereby costing alot of unnecessary time inputs and costs by them, while more than likely undermining the Volunteers themselves. What you are proposing looks costly, and not much different from the past, except with more bureaucratic overlays. You will quickly subvert and lose the imagination and expertise of Volunteers, and do what has been done before, cause disenchantment amongs the Volunteers.	Oct 24, 2012 3:14 PM
26	Need a great chair that can balanc all of the different interests and personalities.	Oct 24, 2012 8:31 AM
27	What recommendations	Oct 21, 2012 8:07 PM

Page 3, Q3. Do you agree with the recommendations for the Recreation Centre upgrades?

1	Definitely want a gym in the facility. Not so worried about the offices and natural lighting... costs a lot and not a lot of benefit. would rather they moved their offices and used the space for a gym etc.	Nov 9, 2012 5:01 PM
2	I fear that at this point, too much focus has been put on the rec centre when that is not what will set us apart from other communities, especially with our existing branding as the "Outdoor recreation capital of Canada".	Nov 9, 2012 10:31 AM
3	Expanding gymnastics is a good thing, but the number of kids in ice sports far exceeds the number of kids in the gymnastics program, so the arena issues need to be addressed to and provided for in the plan	Nov 8, 2012 9:48 PM
4	A fitness centre is needed as the ones currently available through private enterprise are poorly run and aging RAPIDLY.	Nov 8, 2012 2:41 PM
5	Need to focus more on the ice rink itself rather than just the foyer and pool	Nov 8, 2012 1:39 PM
6	I don't think we need a Gymnastic Facility. We need a plan for our Ice Rink. It is aging and eventually will fail. Squamish is not a community that should be without a rink.	Nov 8, 2012 10:16 AM
7	I do agree with the thoughts on having a 'one-stop-shop' idea of a central place for the recreational community. I think that a fitness center would benefit the community a great deal. I do have concerns over the arena facility - dressing rooms, etc. As a member of the Squamish Roller Derby Association we have struggled to have a practice space and place where we can host games, the arena is the only place in Squamish that can be used for a full production bout and our season is VERY short in comparisson to others in BC - with the ice only out for a few short months we have a home season that is in jeapardy. We brought in large crowds to every game last year and this year and do think that a year round indoor/covered dry slab space would benefit the community for many groups - lacross, roller derby, roller hockey, dancing, the list can go on and on.	Nov 8, 2012 9:35 AM
8	I think the recreation centre needs another rink. The current one is old and there is not enough time for all the groups to get proper use of the ice. This town is growing and so will the need for sport facilities and already the figure skating club is hitting the maximum number of skaters per session and there are 1 other useful ice times available for continued growth of the club.	Nov 8, 2012 7:48 AM
9	We have at least two user groups that struggle to share the ice yet this is not a priority?	Nov 8, 2012 6:40 AM
10	Gymnastics facility will benefit a very small fraction of the population and the cost would be very high. A new hockey pad is what Brennan Park needs first. Get the current building running smoothly before biting off more that our community can chew.	Nov 7, 2012 11:11 PM
11	No as there is nothing for the arena end. I see alot of the other ideas as helpful and fill other needs that are out there but it doesn't do it all.	Nov 7, 2012 9:47 PM
12	I would like to see a more effective office/entrance area - the current foyer/office/sales area doesn't particularly serve the rec centre side (although it is fine for the pool). There is a lot of wasted space in the present foyer/hall	Nov 7, 2012 7:09 PM

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	arrangement that could be used much more effectively.	
13	it is ridiculous to have a fitness center with no fitness facility in it (ie a gym)	Nov 7, 2012 5:50 PM
14	I agree that there should be added focus to the drop in, and non competitive sports programs. I believe that there is little need to add physiotherapy/health care offices to the recreation centre as there are many businesses in Squamish that focus around these things. It is important to promote Squamish on the whole as the Outdoor Recreation Capital and not displace all of the attention solely on the Loggers Lane area.	Nov 7, 2012 10:24 AM
15	What is the plan for the Skating Rink? The rink needs to be upgraded. A new rink would be an even better idea. I'm sorry, I didn't see anything about that in the "recommendations". And you turn the rink into a Rollerderby rink for 4 months of the year ... how completely PATHETIC. Squamish NEEDS ICE YEAR ROUND. Children have a right to skate all year round.	Nov 6, 2012 8:42 PM
16	I disagree with the upgrades as no upgrades to the ice rink itself - you say that we rank high on the popularity and use but no changes to be made. I do agree that there needs to be more youth activities and a youth centre is a good idea but dog parks, and water parks, etc. should not be on the top of our list as most dog owners who use our trails do not clean up after their dogs and we do not have enough garbage bins for disposal so the ones who do bag it throw it into the bush to hang off of trees. Squamish is always under a water restrictions so how is a water park going to keep open - have the residences not use any water for gardens?	Nov 6, 2012 8:49 AM
17	upgrades NEED to INCLUDE ICE ARENA	Nov 5, 2012 4:59 PM
18	Again while the upgrades noted I may agree with I cannot agree with plan as it excludes upgrades to the ice rink and associates facilities (change rooms are a big issue).	Nov 5, 2012 11:15 AM
19	2 sheets of ice is what squamish really really needs. there is so little flexibility with the current schedule	Nov 4, 2012 10:59 PM
20	One of the most important aspects about community recreation is to keep kids active. Recreation is also for the adults but the major focus should be towards the kids. This brings up two major points: There seems little effort or desire in the panel presentation for Ice Arena upgrades or expansion. Yet if you look at the survey it is the fourth most popular item. Swimming, Soccer, and skiing were the 3 listed above. The pool is in good shape but doesn't seem overcrowded. It appears to be getting its adequate maintenance with this December's outage. Soccer just had a new artificial turf installed. (good project). Skiing and Snow boarding does not need addressing from Squamish Parks and Rec. This leaves the Ice Arena as the next priority on the list yet nothing is being done. Arena work/expansion is very costly. Understood, but if the community is bursting at the arena we need to start saving for this facility. Don't spend the pennies elsewhere. Question the need for a fitness center at Brennan park. First I think the money can be used elsewhere more effectively and second with the amount of private gyms available I don't see the need for more fitness room availability. We must be very careful to find out from the people pushing for this new fitness facility is if their only reason is to get cheaper access to a gym? Don't believe we	Nov 4, 2012 3:42 PM

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	need to be subsidizing adult fitness.	
21	bigger pool and another ice areana	Nov 4, 2012 9:26 AM
22	Need upgraded ice arena	Nov 4, 2012 9:04 AM
23	The ice rink is in need of upgrades too so this work needs to be part of the Recreation Centre upgrades.	Nov 3, 2012 5:24 PM
24	exercise equipment needs to be robust and user friendly.	Nov 3, 2012 7:49 AM
25	Need another ice surface - this is priority number 1	Nov 2, 2012 4:57 PM
26	- Building should be torn down due to significant required seismic upgrades - Pool and existing sheet of ice to be kept - Create rental space for local business (spa, daycare, cafe, restaurant, study room, etc)	Nov 2, 2012 2:32 PM
27	Yes, but I think there needs to be discussions about upgrading the ice/arena and more about upgrades to the pool area. They are getting old and not nearly as good as what my hometown(similar to Squamish) had 30 years ago.	Nov 2, 2012 9:17 AM
28	Our family has been a heavy user of the ice arena for 10 yrs now and our facility is small, dated and failing. I see no plan for upgrades or expansion of the most essential part of the rec centre. This would be our top priority.	Nov 2, 2012 9:09 AM
29	Get a proper arena and dressing rooms. We really should be a hockey town and that's the p[lace to start.	Nov 2, 2012 8:33 AM
30	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:12 AM
31	There is no plan to upgrade the much needed ice arena.	Nov 2, 2012 5:00 AM
32	ice rink time is severely at a premium as it is. need more jce surfacr be it smaller mini surface or another one	Nov 2, 2012 12:15 AM
33	Needs an increase in the emphasis on arena expansion. I have compared all communities in BC with similar populations and found that the majority of them have 1 or 2 arena/complexes with an average total of 2 rinks per community. I am convinced that there would be an increase in player numbers if they didn't have to be limited to minimal (and often poor) ice times, which tends to drive the truly committed playes out of town. Our teams need greater access to additional practises in order to improve and keep up with other communities.	Nov 1, 2012 9:14 PM
34	No improvement to the rink? Simply crazy. Have you seen the dressing rooms? Any idea of the age or condition of the compressors? Gymnastics facility? Seriously....how many gymnasts vs ice users in this community? This report has been very ill prepared	Nov 1, 2012 8:10 PM
35	another, better ice serface	Nov 1, 2012 7:39 PM
36	I am disappointed that there is no focus on improvements to the ice arena. Hockey is a sport that runs 8-10 months and a great source of winter sports. Especially if the kids and/or family does not Ski or Snowboard. I believe that ice sports is ranked #3 in Squamish for top kids activities and it is not even outlined	Nov 1, 2012 5:03 PM

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in a 20 year plan.

37	do not currently use it, but may use a fitness centre	Nov 1, 2012 3:50 PM
38	I would like to see a fitness centre built into the complex as it would create a focus for recreation. As I indicated before, this plan has no consideration to upgrading or replacing the arena facility. The dressing rooms are very deficient, the facility is very drab and dated and the ice is at times very bad. My family uses this facility a number of times per week throughout the skating season as they participate in rep hockey and both boys referee. This is their major sport they participate in. Due to the refocus on hockey in the past couple of years, enrollment in hockey is up, especially at the younger ages. We are told that ice time will be reduced in the spring and summer to protect the compressor as it is on its last legs and cannot adequately maintain ice in the warmer months.	Nov 1, 2012 12:40 PM
39	A disc golf course would be nice	Oct 30, 2012 1:09 PM
40	I believe that a workout facility would be a nice addition, but it shouldn't be a large expense. A few more machines and free weights could be placed in unused space within the existing envelope. There are enough commercial gyms in Squamish to service people who are looking for large gyms with lots of equipment. I don't think that there needs to be the "one stop approach" for health services located here. I think there are more suitable places downtown. I would be in favour of seeing a dedicated gymnastics facility, but in a small scale with room to grow. I would like to see all the school gyms used to capacity prior to renovating the rec centre one.	Oct 28, 2012 7:45 PM
41	Fix the arena or better yet add a second sheet of ice. When this one fails we will have no choice but to take our children and our money to the city for hockey.	Oct 26, 2012 8:48 PM
42	the building is old and out of date. it has not had any major upgrades in years	Oct 26, 2012 6:48 AM
43	No mention of another ice rink even though many residents saw it as a major concern.	Oct 25, 2012 5:24 PM
44	yes	Oct 24, 2012 8:26 PM
45	To what extent is the whole facility Earthquake and Flood-proof? This does not appear to be mentioned or given an particular emphasis. How safe is the whole Brennan Park? Are there any Safety zones, and why aren't they marked out? What about Safety Equipment, such as AEDs, accessible First Aid Kits, fire extinguishers? Why aren't there large, noticeable signs indicating to the public where such exist? For instance, why is the pool AED located just in the lifeguards' room with no indication to the public, if an emergency arose, where it is located. At least at the Seniors' Centre, the sole AED is well marked and is noticeable. Why isn't consideration being given to expanding the Pool area, perhaps with 2 more lanes, which would then position the facility for hosting more and larger swim meets/events? And expanding the deck outwards, with movable glass walls so that swimmers and hot-tubbers in warm weather can avail themselves of the outdoors? This too would make the pool area more amenable for large swim meets. Also need a Lifeguard chair! The changing rooms all need upgrading, including more workable and better positioned hair-dryers (minor perhaps, but which make the facility more attractive), better	Oct 24, 2012 4:59 PM

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drainage to keep the rooms cleaner and more sanitary. All equipment, especially fins, need to be periodically sanitized. This past summer the pool area and changing rooms have been unusually "grungy" (due to the hiring of some incompetent guards). A lot of the changes being proposed seem to be somewhat superficial - over the years signs keep being moved around, floors are redone, furniture moved in and out, offices re-arranged but none of it is cohesive, and does not really affect the entirety of the programs. Other items should have priority. Brennan Park does need a decent cafe/eating area, with attractive seating arrangements, and good/healthy food, so that people can actually socialize after their various activities or events. Community centres such as Penticton, Abbotsford, W. Van., Surrey etc all are good examples of the benefits of having a cafe/restaurant - why not Squamish? Br.Pk could and should be a social hub for the community, but it is NOT. People come, do their thing, and leave, and seldom socialize because the facilities are not available or amenable. Linked with a decent gym, which does not have to be very "high-end" and hugely costly but just effective, should be space for massage therapist/physiotherapist, etc. to work with customers.

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| 46 | Again, cost is a factor. | Oct 24, 2012 8:31 AM |
| 47 | The playing fields need upgrading as well as the facility. | Oct 24, 2012 8:28 AM |

Page 3, Q4. What should the highest priorities be?

1	a gym a track to do sprints and track and field on	Nov 9, 2012 5:01 PM
2	Recreation investment that will have the greatest economic benefit.	Nov 9, 2012 10:31 AM
3	The kids in hockey that have to get up at 4am.... another sheet of ice is called for in this town!	Nov 8, 2012 9:48 PM
4	Fitness area and Ice area upgrade.	Nov 8, 2012 9:17 PM
5	First Priority should be the Gymnasium since this can be a revenue source for larger meetings, a de-facto town hall and evening basketball leagues for youths in Squamish during the winter months.	Nov 8, 2012 2:41 PM
6	Ice rink	Nov 8, 2012 1:39 PM
7	Improving our existing facilities and then building out from there.	Nov 8, 2012 10:16 AM
8	Upgrades to existing facility & plans to add additional multi use year round dry slab surfaces.	Nov 8, 2012 9:35 AM
9	1. New arena 2. Work out facility	Nov 8, 2012 7:48 AM
10	Upgrades to the rink and plans for a second one!	Nov 8, 2012 6:40 AM
11	Look at the big picture. Ice is use from 5:45am-12am most days of the entire week with kids being turned away to train and compete in other communities that have more ice to offer. I feel we have tonnes of trails and ridiculous as it is we have paved them!!! Really it is a outdoor trail!	Nov 7, 2012 9:47 PM
12	Improving the useable spaces - many are not generally useful in their present configuration/furnishing - so that a variety of user groups can be accommodated.	Nov 7, 2012 7:09 PM
13	building a gym	Nov 7, 2012 5:50 PM
14	Drop-in programs and non competitive sports programs.	Nov 7, 2012 10:24 AM
15	The skating rink, the skating rink and finally, the skating rink.	Nov 6, 2012 8:42 PM
16	Youth activities that promote a healthy lifestyle	Nov 6, 2012 8:49 AM
17	ICE ARENA/FACILITY UPGRADES	Nov 5, 2012 4:59 PM
18	The ice rink.	Nov 5, 2012 11:15 AM
19	another sheet of ice please! and a re-do of the drainage at hendrickson fields	Nov 4, 2012 10:59 PM
20	Ice Arena as explained above. Three top activities for kids have all been addressed (see above). The arena is the next highest popular item for kids.	Nov 4, 2012 3:42 PM
21	bigger pool and another ice areana	Nov 4, 2012 9:26 AM
22	fitness	Nov 3, 2012 7:49 AM
23	Ice surface ASAP	Nov 2, 2012 4:57 PM

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24	Extensive renovation and another sheet of ice installed	Nov 2, 2012 2:32 PM
25	Pool, Ice rink, soccer fields	Nov 2, 2012 9:17 AM
26	Ice centre upgrades and expansion All other facilities are on par or above other communities.	Nov 2, 2012 9:09 AM
27	ARENA, ARENA , ARENA	Nov 2, 2012 8:33 AM
28	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:12 AM
29	Ice arena!!	Nov 2, 2012 5:00 AM
30	ice. NOT a bunch of flat screen tvs, playing random sports, like was just purchased	Nov 2, 2012 12:15 AM
31	arena	Nov 1, 2012 9:18 PM
32	Arena expansion/dressing room upgrades is an absolute priority for the leisure centre.	Nov 1, 2012 9:14 PM
33	Fitness center not allowing the district staff or leeds and associates opportunity for involvement in this	Nov 1, 2012 8:10 PM
34	ice surface,	Nov 1, 2012 7:39 PM
35	Ice rink and Change room upgrades, we have the smallest and dingiest change rooms in all of BC	Nov 1, 2012 6:24 PM
36	updating the arena	Nov 1, 2012 6:08 PM
37	a second sheet of ice.	Nov 1, 2012 5:03 PM
38	make an nothere ice rink	Nov 1, 2012 4:44 PM
39	Upgrade to ice arena facilities, anpther sheet of ice, bigger changerooms	Nov 1, 2012 12:44 PM
40	Upgrade the arena facility - or look to build a second sheet or replace the existing one. Consider looking at private enterprise to provide the facility.	Nov 1, 2012 12:40 PM
41	Mountain Bike skills park & pump track. Renovation of the loggers sports area.	Nov 1, 2012 5:38 AM
42	more outdoor activities	Oct 30, 2012 1:09 PM
43	cosmetic upgrades	Oct 29, 2012 9:34 AM
44	I don't use the rink much, but it looks like a re-paint of the change rooms is due.	Oct 28, 2012 7:45 PM
45	The FAILING arena slab. I really don't think you are taking this seriously.	Oct 26, 2012 8:48 PM
46	Second Ice Pad	Oct 25, 2012 5:24 PM
47	Arts programs.	Oct 25, 2012 6:52 AM

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48	slopitch fields	Oct 24, 2012 8:26 PM
49	Earthquake-proofing; Safety. Improved pool and changing room facilities. Proper gym with access to health professionals. A pleasant cafe,, with healthy food, to encourage socializing.	Oct 24, 2012 4:59 PM
50	Dog Parks, Equestrian Facility. Ice areana	Oct 24, 2012 1:50 PM
51	Gym	Oct 24, 2012 8:31 AM
52	Playing fields and turf fields and the Rec Centre upgrades	Oct 24, 2012 8:28 AM
53	OVERhaul pool - wave pool? FItness facilities for parents while kids are in programs	Oct 24, 2012 7:45 AM
54	Field lighting	Oct 24, 2012 5:42 AM
55	Sport fields and lighting	Oct 24, 2012 5:39 AM
56	building maintenance and upgrades	Oct 22, 2012 5:20 AM

Page 3, Q5. What do you think of the recommendations for the Ministry of Forests Site, the Youth Centre, and the Seniors' Centre?

1	seems logical. need to consult with SSCS regarding Youth Centre and children's programs changes and with other seniors groups for seniors centre	Nov 9, 2012 5:01 PM
2	Like it	Nov 8, 2012 9:17 PM
3	If the Forestry Building is re-purposed, then move it somewhere appropriate. Possibly the commercial/industrial district?	Nov 8, 2012 2:41 PM
4	None	Nov 8, 2012 1:39 PM
5	I think this is a great idea.	Nov 8, 2012 10:16 AM
6	Fine	Nov 8, 2012 6:40 AM
7	Old Youth Center given to the school district.	Nov 7, 2012 11:11 PM
8	I do think this fill some large needs for all age groups	Nov 7, 2012 9:47 PM
9	I like the idea of using the Forestry Site for pre-school programs - a nice fit with the Montessori school that is presently a tenant there. I wonder about having the youth centre located there - I suspect that part of the appeal of the present Youth Centre is that it isn't located in a general use facility. The idea of relocating the Seniors' Centre out of the downtown core, and away from easy walking distance of the greatest number of senior users seems somewhat counter productive when transit options are very limited.	Nov 7, 2012 7:09 PM
10	neutral	Nov 7, 2012 5:50 PM
11	As the District Manager of the local Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, I am very concerned that the recreation master plan proposes the "Ministry of Forests site" be turned into a Family and Children's Centre. I have not been provided an opportunity to engage as a potentially impacted stakeholder and furthermore the release of this information via a public meeting was not an appropriate method of informing a long term tenant of the District of Squamish's plans to potentially displace the building's current lease holder. By not being forewarned or provided the courtesy of being able to proactively engage with my staff and clients, this has caused some unnecessary workload dealing with local concerns that, by the District of Squamish proposing a plan which would see the eventual end to the lease of the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, this is seen as a sign of economic instability in Squamish and / or government restructuring. Having the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure located in Squamish not only provides for 35 direct jobs but also allows for local input into the decision making process under the provincial governments "one land manager" approach to community and landbase decisions. Our staff are the provincial agency responsible for many local decisions including those related to highways, forest roads and bridges, controlling wildfire, adventure tourism, first nations consultation, BC Timber Sales, clean energy projects, forest harvesting operations, land use planning, wildlife and species at risk protection, recreation sites and trail, compliance and enforcement, etc. etc. All of which has significant downstream economic benefits to the local community. I trust the	Nov 7, 2012 3:56 PM

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District of Squamish will consider the many benefits to our community and local industries for retaining both Ministries as tenants. I appreciate the District of Squamish owns the building and it is 100% within their ability to manage to the district's needs, however I would hope that the DOS would work hard to do whatever is in their abilities to keep these 35 jobs and resource decision making local to Squamish. I want to make it abundantly clear that the Ministry of Forest, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure wish to remain in their current location well into the future. Dave Southam District Manager

12	The Seniors Centre has become viewed as an elitist facility. I agree that with its location it is full of unused potential that could help attract/keep the older demographic. Though I agree that the Forestry Site could be a good place to use as an extension to the rec centre I think it would be mindful to remember that Squamish's economy does not run off of recreation alone. It is not just the forestry office that would be being evicted from the building. There is also the Ministry of Transportation, the wildfire management branch, and squamish search and rescue. If evicted it is possible that the forestry office would not be re-established in Squamish.	Nov 7, 2012 10:24 AM
13	No, No, No	Nov 6, 2012 8:42 PM
14	I agree with the recommendations	Nov 6, 2012 8:49 AM
15	good	Nov 5, 2012 4:59 PM
16	again not enough/any consultation with parties involved to make any decision	Nov 5, 2012 11:15 AM
17	the youth center should stay where it is (perhaps new building) but should definitely be a separate space it teens are going to use it realistically. having the senior's center makes sense for it to be at the rec center	Nov 4, 2012 10:59 PM
18	Be careful with this one. As mentioned there are 35 jobs at the ministry of forest building. Would hate to see those jobs leave town.	Nov 4, 2012 3:42 PM
19	state of the are equipment	Nov 4, 2012 9:26 AM
20	don't know	Nov 3, 2012 5:24 PM
21	agree that seniors centre is under utilized and could be of more benifit to entire community	Nov 3, 2012 7:49 AM
22	- Depends on condition of buildings and access for kids on bikes, buses etc	Nov 2, 2012 2:32 PM
23	I really like the idea.	Nov 2, 2012 9:17 AM
24	No comment	Nov 2, 2012 9:09 AM
25	Feel the youth and senior centre should take president.	Nov 2, 2012 8:33 AM
26	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:12 AM
27	Great	Nov 2, 2012 5:00 AM

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28	good	Nov 2, 2012 12:15 AM
29	ok	Nov 1, 2012 9:18 PM
30	Makes sense.	Nov 1, 2012 9:14 PM
31	MoFS - seems reasonable Youth Center - having been a youth programmer earlier in my career, I can assure you that Leeds and Ass. nor our current district staff are in touch enough with the youth in this community to have any idea of what they want. We need a youth programmer to assess the needs of the youth and be involved at the school level to connect with the youth and get them involved with the youth....just ask whistler....they started out this way, then shifted the emphasis on facilities instead of programs and essentially blew it up....crazy No real comment on the seniors facility except again to start with a good programmer	Nov 1, 2012 8:10 PM
32	acceptable	Nov 1, 2012 7:39 PM
33	do the plan!	Nov 1, 2012 6:08 PM
34	Neutral	Nov 1, 2012 5:03 PM
35	not sure	Nov 1, 2012 4:44 PM
36	good ides	Nov 1, 2012 3:50 PM
37	I think that building should remain in it's current role and the children's centre should stay on the same part of the site as the main recreation building.	Nov 1, 2012 5:38 AM
38	I am for it.	Oct 30, 2012 1:09 PM
39	I think that they are great	Oct 29, 2012 9:34 AM
40	There may be more suitable locations for the tenants of the Forestry building downtown or a the municipal works yard. The district shouldn't be in the campground business. I think the youth centre should stay where it is. It's easier for downtown kids to use it. The skatepark needs more attention by the district. The area to the north of the skatepark would be a good location for bike dirt jumps. I don't know about the seniors centre. Could we have shared programs. i.e. art programs lead by seniors teaching kids?	Oct 28, 2012 7:45 PM
41	They are fine	Oct 26, 2012 8:48 PM
42	Great	Oct 25, 2012 5:24 PM
43	Yes, seniors centre should become an arts and culture facility.	Oct 25, 2012 6:52 AM
44	neutral	Oct 24, 2012 8:26 PM
45	It appears that the District, as is usual, has again jumped the gun and chopped down the large coniferous trees, some close to 100 years old, in the guise of "re-purposing" the MoF Site. This has made that area look ugly, again. And goes into this lack of respect for or regard for the environment and biodiversity. This	Oct 24, 2012 4:59 PM

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whole Report and Action Plan needs strengthening on the environmental front otherwise more and more trees will be cut down and habitat lost to hard surface/asphalt. As much as Squamish does not like to hear it, it could adopt an approach to landscaping and habitat retention/enhancement which has served Whistler well. Before action is taken on the Seniors Centre, the seniors community should be consulted as a whole in an open forum. Many seniors worked for years and made heavy volunteers and financial contributions to get the Seniors Centre in place and they should have a major say in what happens there. There had been a Seniors Committee which reported to Council but this was disbanded by the present Council. This is short-sighted, and goes into the need for looking at the Volunteers Advisory Committee System as a whole, and not just on an ad hoc basis for a particular interest-group or activity. The Seniors Centre has not been used as well as it might have been due to Council not being receptive to recommendations from the Centre's own Board and committee members about retaining an Advisory Committee within the DoS structure, plus any number of other suggestions or recommendations. The segregation between the Centre and Br Pk is partly due to a lack of a decent transportation system or even a shuttle bus between the 2 facilities. That applies to the Youth Centre as well.

46	like it	Oct 24, 2012 1:50 PM
47	Don't have kids, neutral	Oct 24, 2012 8:31 AM
48	Good	Oct 24, 2012 8:28 AM
49	Agree, particularly to move the Youth Centre to Brennan Park where more oversight might cut down on issues such as drug use; would make facilities more open to younger teenagers and pre-teens	Oct 24, 2012 7:45 AM
50	Good idea to move the preschool over there to make room for other activities at center, and improving outdoor play facilities there is necessary.	Oct 24, 2012 5:39 AM

Page 3, Q6. Are there any gaps in the recreation facilities and programs that have not been addressed through the recommendations?

1	As a Squamish Titans (multisport swim/bike//run club) executive member, we think there should be some focus on trails that have km markers. WE'd like to see a 5 km loop system somewhere "official" so we do'nt have to pollute with our trail tape etc. we also use the pool and would love to see a gym area and the possibility of a room to rent out for yoga, stretching workshops etc. would there be a bike "spinning" area? either bring your own bike or with spinners provided. there are about 150 Titans members at any given time, so we run, swim and bike all year to train for triathlons. with the Ironman only half an hour away for the next 5 years it is a good time to start planning for long distance courses here in squamish for training as we have a less snowy winter usually... good to get people here to train for the event. also, running on trails and roads in winter is dark and dangerous. we'd love to see a few km of trail lit up for safety. the valley trail system is looking great. Any chance to get some lights on it and some KM markers so we could do a 5 - 10 km safe run ...?	Nov 9, 2012 5:01 PM
2	Parking. Nice to think that people will use transit but we are a tourist town and tourism is growing. Large scale events will not come or stop coming if this is underestimated.	Nov 8, 2012 9:17 PM
3	The Legacy Sports area should have a paved course for roller-skiing and road bike races (crits).	Nov 8, 2012 2:41 PM
4	Ice rink improvements	Nov 8, 2012 1:39 PM
5	As mentioned above, there is no mention of the rink. Squamish needs at least one operational rink and ours is aged and in need of replacement/upgrades.	Nov 8, 2012 10:16 AM
6	Additional Year Round dry slab space for use by many community groups. A larger space than is currently available in the auditorium portion of Brennan Park	Nov 8, 2012 9:35 AM
7	The rink and sharing by hockey and figure skating. Feel that there are families that don't get involved because of the early morning ice times we have to use in order for everyone to share	Nov 8, 2012 6:40 AM
8	You can't add more programs to arena with out more ice time. Currently you have a large growing Skating Club and Hockey is back on a climb up in numbers and with the current young population I can only see this going up.	Nov 7, 2012 9:47 PM
9	Waterfront park development should be given a stronger action plan. We can't be a district within the Sea to Sky if we are lacking in the "sea" aspect.	Nov 7, 2012 10:24 AM
10	Did I mention upgrades needed for the skating rink? or even better, a new rink.	Nov 6, 2012 8:42 PM
11	ice arena/facilities	Nov 5, 2012 4:59 PM
12	another sheet of ice please! :)	Nov 4, 2012 10:59 PM
13	At present there is not enough Ice time available to satisfy SMHA needs. We have multiple teams on the ice at once trying to cram practices in. This is just not a good system for the kids. Essentially it is overcrowding. I have also been told that the rink has some issues with the brine lines and compressor. Not sure the exact problem but have been told the plan is to"deload" the arena by putting on	Nov 4, 2012 3:42 PM

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the ice later and taking it off sooner. I understand if the equipment can't handle it then it can't handle it but we should be making the arena more of a priority. Reducing ice time reduces the development of kids in minor hockey. Summer/fall camps cannot be held, spring hockey will be shutdown. This problem needs to be addressed properly and fixed properly. Reducing more ice time is not a proper solution. During the public presentation the the consultant mentioned he did not see the need for another arena given Squamish's size. Most small towns in Canada have more rinks than Squamish. I do not believe he is in touch with the struggle to get ice time for the kids.

14	bigger pool and another ice areana	Nov 4, 2012 9:26 AM
15	THE ARENA!	Nov 4, 2012 9:04 AM
16	Ice rink upgrades	Nov 3, 2012 5:24 PM
17	walking paths along mamquam blind channel	Nov 3, 2012 7:49 AM
18	Additional ice rink and refitting of old arena	Nov 2, 2012 4:57 PM
19	- the need for a sports and rec complex - too much focus on outdoor activities/sports	Nov 2, 2012 2:32 PM
20	There has been discussion regarding outdoor fields and ammenities but very little about Brennan Park facilities. Except for an expanded gym (important) and a possible fitness facility (not at all important). We need to expand the swimming pool and the arena. I really like the idea of an outdoor water park as well.	Nov 2, 2012 9:17 AM
21	Ice facilities as mentioned above	Nov 2, 2012 9:09 AM
22	We need another arena!!!!!!! I have two kids in figure skating and a son who has played hockey for 5 years now and I can, for sure,without a doubt, tell you WE HAVE OUT GROWN OUR CURRENT AREANA !!! The time slots for public skating are limited and at an inconvenient time for most busy families. The change rooms for hockey are ridiculously small!!!! We can't even fit one house team in them comfortably. How embarrassing for Squamish that every team that comes to play here is cramped into a room that small. I know squamish is a soccer town, I have 2 kids in soccer as well, but we could also be a hockey town if given the right space!!! I know people that don't enroll kids in hockey because they don't want their five to ten year old children up at 5am before school. Imagine all the support and boost in enrolment if we could fix that. My life revolves around my 3 kids sports schedule. I am not some ranting women. I have been to every one of my sons 5:45am hockey practices and I can tell you he would love hockey even more if I didn't have to wake him up so early to play. Please take our concerns into consideration, everybody seem to have forgotten the wonderful world on ice!! Thank you.	Nov 2, 2012 8:12 AM
23	The arena. It is old and will die soon if it is not replaced or upgraded. This will leave hockey players and figure skaters with NO PLACE TO GO!!	Nov 2, 2012 5:00 AM
24	more ice. did u know that 5-6 year olds have to wake up at 530am to play hockey because there is no ice ??? and then we wonder why they say "hockey	Nov 2, 2012 12:15 AM

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	users are low". its low because there IS NO ICE TIME FOR KIDS. even a mini adjacent rink like they have in north van, burnaby etc just for the little ones would radically change things	
25	arena upgrades	Nov 1, 2012 9:18 PM
26	Specific goals/ time frames for arena upgrades.	Nov 1, 2012 9:14 PM
27	condition of the facilities around the ice surface	Nov 1, 2012 7:39 PM
28	The need for more ice!!!! We have hockey teams that are sharing ice time with different ages and skill levels even if we had a small rink for practice or 3 on 3 that would ease some of the overcrowding and scheduling problems. The change rooms are so small that you can hardly get a whole team in with all of their gear. THEY are dingy and really an embarrassment to our town when other teams come to play. I have on more than one occasion heard negative comments from visiting teams. We need to upgrade our ice rink!!!!	Nov 1, 2012 6:24 PM
29	the arena is to small need more ice or bigger dressing rooms	Nov 1, 2012 6:08 PM
30	A second ice rink should be the priority of the committee. The current arena will not be able to sustain any growth. Ice shortages are already evident and with such a large family population you will have to include the ability for future teams.	Nov 1, 2012 5:03 PM
31	not sure	Nov 1, 2012 4:44 PM
32	Ice Facilities	Nov 1, 2012 12:44 PM
33	A disc golf course would be great.	Oct 30, 2012 1:09 PM
34	a large covered community building (30,000 square feet) can be shared by lots of groups for training and events in the wet seasons.	Oct 28, 2012 7:45 PM
35	The ice slab. It needs to be addressed and soon.	Oct 26, 2012 8:48 PM
36	Ice Rink!	Oct 25, 2012 5:24 PM
37	What about the Squamish Valley Golf and Country Club, the Howe Sound Curling Club, and Squamish Squash Club, all housed in one facility? Curlers range in age from eight to over eighty and there are over 130 active members plus outside user groups yet curling is not mentioned anywhere in the report!	Oct 25, 2012 1:45 PM
38	Not enough inclusion for arts and culture. We need facilities, arts centre, performance theatre with art gallery, meeting space and storage.	Oct 25, 2012 6:52 AM
39	Interesting, expanded pool/swimming programs, such as synchronized swimming, modified water polo, zumba-swimming fitness classes, Seniors' Games (with provincial funding), no-fee AED and CPR courses (vital for an area surrounded by water & engaged in extreme sports) plus other water-safety courses for all ages, swimming lessons for ethnic groups who normally do not incorporate swimming into their lives (this requires a culturally sensitive approach). Diving lessons, even on just the one-metre board could be	Oct 24, 2012 4:59 PM

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instituted, and perhaps linked with gymnastics classes. Improved tennis courts - the present ones need upgraded surfaces, and a hard, re-surfaced hitting wall totally separate from the courts themselves, that solo-tennis players against the wall don't interfere with players playing a game on the court(S). Also introduction of a series of tennis lessons for different age groups, friendly weekly tennis socials, and even tennis competitions. Tennis players are poorly served in this community. Linked in with tennis are other racquet sports which are almost non-existent - only the Golf club offers 2 or 3 squash courts. There needs to be a link-up between Br.Pk & the Golf Club, and more courts need to be built and be accessible. Curling - again located at the Golf course, but not really linked into the overall community via Br.Pk, Seniors or Youth Centre. Most people don't know that the rinks exist there or that they can join. If the hockey rink is going to be expanded, perhaps consideration can be given to adding 3-4 sheets of curling ice. There are a number of people in this community who have sporting skills, competitions, and expertise, not related to biking & climbing, who could be tapped into for help with lessons, competitions, ideas, etc., in these somewhat neglected areas, but who are basically ignored (this may be because they might be seen as inadvertently intruding on union's bailliwick).

40 Turf field recommendations do not seem to go far enough fast enough. I think we need to get to two full fields with track, and fields marked for soccer, football, field hockey, lacrosse etc.....we need to get to the place where we can host high school track meets and major tournaments or summer games. That return on investment in the early years will hugely offset the costs and is better funding than LONG term plans which drag out the development over too many years

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Page 4, Q7. Please provide comments on the Vision for Brennan Park. What is your top priority to have at the park?

1	gym system of lit running trails	Nov 9, 2012 5:01 PM
2	Bike Skills Park	Nov 9, 2012 10:31 AM
3	Too become a hub of all outdoor activities. Trails access and road access directly from here to all other areas....ie Direct mountain bike trail access to Valleycliffe and Diamond head.	Nov 8, 2012 9:18 PM
4	A Sport and Cultural Meeting Centre.	Nov 8, 2012 2:41 PM
5	Better ice rink	Nov 8, 2012 1:40 PM
6	Water park	Nov 8, 2012 10:16 AM
7	A year round multi use dry slab area that is large enough to house all of the community groups and their different needs	Nov 8, 2012 9:35 AM
8	While we are an outdoor family and have kids that play soccer, it is disappointing to know that we have the smallest oldest change rooms at the rink of any of the other centers we visit to play hockey at	Nov 8, 2012 6:42 AM
9	Mountain bike skills area.	Nov 7, 2012 11:12 PM
10	Ball Park's and Light for the Slopitch group.	Nov 7, 2012 9:48 PM
11	gym and mtn bike skills park	Nov 7, 2012 5:50 PM
12	Beginner level, fundamental skills development areas.	Nov 7, 2012 10:24 AM
13	Another ice sheet providing better times and more availability to our skaters. My husband who is in the highest tax bracket possible had to withdraw from hockey because he had the latest ice times available in Squamish and could not function well at work the next day because he was too tired. This isn't right. Good ice times need to go to the adults as well as the children.	Nov 7, 2012 8:41 AM
14	The vision excludes the needs of the community members who use the skating rink.	Nov 6, 2012 8:44 PM
15	A new hockey ice rink is greatly required. As a new resident I was appalled to see an aged rink at a healthy community. Hockey is a way of life for Canadians and can provide an amazing experience for youth. Why is there not a new updated rink or even a two rink system set in place. We have enough bike trails... Why not spread the budget to include other people?! A new rink is what's required!	Nov 6, 2012 9:59 AM
16	Top priority should be the kids. We should not be wasting money on new signs - most of our are locals that use the fields and we know where it is. Adding a fitness centre, really, do we need another one in Squamish as we already have over 6, why not have fitness programs that both adults and teens could together to help support the family activities.	Nov 6, 2012 8:57 AM
17	ice arena/facilities. Ice is an important indoor need. there are limited time/programs available for the ice. witgh us being a northern hemisphere town,	Nov 5, 2012 5:02 PM

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	we need affordable ap-to-date facilities that are available to all levels of the community.	
18	A second sheet of ice. Elementary age kids practicing at 5:45 am is an indication that more ice time is needed. Girls changing in the janitor closet is a poor solution for small change rooms. Goalies changing in the lobby as there is no space in the change room is also not a good solution.	Nov 5, 2012 11:18 AM
19	lights at hendrickson fields....and another sheet of ice please	Nov 4, 2012 11:00 PM
20	expanded/upgraded arena facilities. This is the area at Brennan Park that is most lacking.	Nov 4, 2012 3:44 PM
21	bigger facility squamish is only going to grow and we need to be prepared for it our facilities will help our athletes and maybe will see more olympians to come out of our squamish and sea to shy area. prevention is our number one thing these days so lets think ahead for my future and my sons i am twenty seven people my age are the one who are going to take over so lets do this right and be prepared for the best. love squamish lived here grew up here and we need a future.	Nov 4, 2012 9:32 AM
22	Better Ice facilities	Nov 4, 2012 9:05 AM
23	Overall, I like it.	Nov 3, 2012 5:26 PM
24	Additional ice rink, upgraded change rooms	Nov 3, 2012 1:32 PM
25	fitness	Nov 3, 2012 7:50 AM
26	better rink and better dressing room, upgrades desperately needed. are there current issues with zamboni? this is what i am hearing.	Nov 2, 2012 7:44 PM
27	New ice rink	Nov 2, 2012 4:57 PM
28	- Every community wants to have a sense of pride when visiting teams play against local teams eg: Whistler rec centre - Top priority is a new or massive reno with additional sheet of ice	Nov 2, 2012 2:34 PM
29	New arena, larger pool.	Nov 2, 2012 9:18 AM
30	My dream would be to have another arena built with proper sized change rooms and stands and make the existing arena into two small ice surfaces or indoor soccer/lacrosse.	Nov 2, 2012 9:11 AM
31	..hummm ARENA, two rinks ideally. One large with a good capacity and a smaller rink. Build it and they will come.	Nov 2, 2012 8:34 AM
32	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:12 AM
33	My family's top priority would be a new ice rink. My daughter has hopes and dreams of going to the Olympics for figure skating, she has been working hard to achieve this goal for more than half her life. When our arena finally dies and the last ice melts, her dreams will melt with it.	Nov 2, 2012 5:03 AM

Page 4, Q7. Please provide comments on the Vision for Brennan Park. What is your top priority to have at the park?

34	ice	Nov 2, 2012 12:15 AM
35	new arena	Nov 1, 2012 9:18 PM
36	Dressing room improvements are essential, but so is an additional sheet of ice.	Nov 1, 2012 9:14 PM
37	Bike park	Nov 1, 2012 8:10 PM
38	a second ice surface	Nov 1, 2012 7:40 PM
39	have another ice surface and bigger dressing rooms	Nov 1, 2012 6:08 PM
40	A second ice rink	Nov 1, 2012 5:03 PM
41	new gym and bigger ice rink	Nov 1, 2012 4:45 PM
42	as many different activites for kids as possible, organized and freeplay,	Nov 1, 2012 3:50 PM
43	Another ice rink and change rooms	Nov 1, 2012 12:44 PM
44	Mountain bike skills park, pump track	Nov 1, 2012 5:39 AM
45	A disc golf course.	Oct 30, 2012 1:10 PM
46	I like the ideas of training and skills development at Brennan park. I think the BMX track needs certainty in it's location for the long term. A bike skills park is a good way to introduce kids into biking in a safe way. i think the outdoor gym equipment should be dismantled and the pieces re-located to playgrounds around the district. this way parents could work out while the kids are playing. The outdoor gym is rarely used at its current location	Oct 28, 2012 7:53 PM
47	Would be nice to see the arena fixed up. Bigger dressing rooms. It's really sad to hear other teams complaining about our facilities. Food services again too please.	Oct 26, 2012 8:50 PM
48	a central hub for all recreation activities	Oct 26, 2012 6:48 AM
49	Complete the turf field Proper change rooms at the fields Start fixing the grass fields one at a time	Oct 25, 2012 7:30 PM
50	Improved current Ice rink and a second one	Oct 25, 2012 5:25 PM
51	Art display gallery.	Oct 25, 2012 6:59 AM
52	better slopitch facilities	Oct 24, 2012 8:26 PM
53	Please see all earlier comments. Try to make the park environmentally sustainable (an over-worked word) for humans and wildlife. Make it attractive (borrow ideas frankly from Whistler which has done a superb job of landscaping) and don't pave everything. Make it really socialble and a genuine "hub" of activity for the community. Help to integrate the ages - right now there is little connection between the demographic groups, which is a loss all around ultimately, and which creates isolated silos, not community.	Oct 24, 2012 5:03 PM

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54	new Ice areana	Oct 24, 2012 1:50 PM
55	More ball fields with lighting.	Oct 24, 2012 8:32 AM
56	Better playing fields and a 2nd turf field. With the influx of young kids under 5, there are going to be issues that there are not enough fields. There already are issues with the current youth population	Oct 24, 2012 8:29 AM
57	FUll facilities for all sports and ability to host major tournaments and summer games	Oct 24, 2012 7:45 AM
58	Lighting and more field use for all users. I am glad to see there is a vision of what Squamish is needing in the way of recreation improvements for all users.	Oct 24, 2012 5:41 AM
59	turf field	Oct 22, 2012 5:21 AM

Page 5, Q8. What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports Programming?

1	get a track	Nov 9, 2012 5:02 PM
2	Like it	Nov 8, 2012 9:19 PM
3	Good.	Nov 8, 2012 2:41 PM
4	None	Nov 8, 2012 1:40 PM
5	Squamish has good programming. It would be great to incorporate more private groups into Parks and Rec. Have them offer entry level courses at affordable prices through the Parks and Rec programs.	Nov 8, 2012 10:17 AM
6	Agree	Nov 8, 2012 6:42 AM
7	More ice team needed.	Nov 7, 2012 11:12 PM
8	Take it to the groups that are currently running these and let them lead and help grow the plans	Nov 7, 2012 9:49 PM
9	I agree with all of the recommended programming options. As stated about board#2 for potential upgrades: I believe that there is little need to add physiotherapy/health care offices to the recreation centre as there are many businesses in Squamish that focus around these things. It is important to promote Squamish on the whole as the Outdoor Recreation Capital and not displace all of the attention solely on the Loggers Lane area.	Nov 7, 2012 10:26 AM
10	Sounds good but what about the cost of all these activities, bringing in new programs usually cost more.	Nov 6, 2012 9:03 AM
11	MUST include ICE ARENA	Nov 5, 2012 5:03 PM
12	i agree with them there is more need for younger programs and activities	Nov 4, 2012 11:02 PM
13	Ice Arena should receive more focus. As for the kids it was the fourth most popular item. Soccer and Swimming are both in good shape. Squamish will have little impact on skiing so its next focus should be on the arena and ice sports. Find the need for this fitness facility for adults questionable. With the high availability of these facilities in Squamish is this the best place to allocate funds.	Nov 4, 2012 3:49 PM
14	bigger pool and another ice arena	Nov 4, 2012 9:32 AM
15	direct users need to have input via steering committee	Nov 3, 2012 7:52 AM
16	more for young kids. make way better use of indoor rink... maybe lacrosse.. can't believe this isn't being used more.	Nov 2, 2012 7:45 PM
17	To much geared to outdoor activities - showing no balance to indoor activities and sports	Nov 2, 2012 4:58 PM
18	- too much emphasis on non-competitive	Nov 2, 2012 2:35 PM
19	I like the recommendations for sports programming.	Nov 2, 2012 9:19 AM
20	Increase user fees, but take it up a notch.	Nov 2, 2012 8:39 AM

Page 5, Q8. What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports Programming?

21	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:12 AM
22	too much baseball.	Nov 2, 2012 12:16 AM
23	good	Nov 1, 2012 9:19 PM
24	Great	Nov 1, 2012 9:14 PM
25	more appropriate programming for youth	Nov 1, 2012 8:11 PM
26	I like the recommendations but do not feel there is a need for more slow-pitch or improved equestrian rings...	Nov 1, 2012 5:05 PM
27	all above	Nov 1, 2012 4:48 PM
28	na	Nov 1, 2012 3:51 PM
29	Good. Increased availability of drop in sports programmes should be a priority.	Nov 1, 2012 5:45 AM
30	I see very little in this plan that addresses teenage programming and youth in general. If we are looking 10 years out, the boom of little kids in squamish will be looking for things to do.now are going to be teenagers	Oct 28, 2012 8:01 PM
31	just fine the way it is laid out in the plan	Oct 26, 2012 6:51 AM
32	Recreational co-ed adult leagues for the winter	Oct 25, 2012 5:25 PM
33	Need new rink and outdoor track.	Oct 25, 2012 7:00 AM
34	neutal	Oct 24, 2012 8:27 PM
35	like it	Oct 24, 2012 1:51 PM
36	Good	Oct 24, 2012 8:36 AM
37	Looks good.	Oct 24, 2012 8:32 AM
38	Fitness facility, CSL linkage, and non competitive participation sports are all great ideas	Oct 24, 2012 7:49 AM

Page 5, Q9. What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports field additions and improvements? (Note: Sports field allocation is on Board 7: Parks)

1	get a all season track	Nov 9, 2012 5:02 PM
2	We should not be spending more money on turf fields at this point. We can't afford them, we already have way more turf fields per capita compared to other jurisdictions, and I don't believe the economic benefits are significant enough compared to other rec infrastructure we could spend the same money on.	Nov 9, 2012 10:35 AM
3	Like it.	Nov 8, 2012 9:19 PM
4	Good.	Nov 8, 2012 2:41 PM
5	None	Nov 8, 2012 1:40 PM
6	No opinion on this	Nov 8, 2012 10:17 AM
7	Agree	Nov 8, 2012 6:42 AM
8	Neutral.	Nov 7, 2012 11:12 PM
9	I am for this	Nov 7, 2012 9:49 PM
10	I hope that an effective joint use agreement with SD #48 can be arranged as school fields are under-utilized outside of school hours. School fields are presently under-maintained as well, so working together with the District might improve that situation for all.	Nov 7, 2012 7:14 PM
11	:-)	Nov 7, 2012 10:26 AM
12	I thought that slow pitch was builfing their own fields with lights at Hendriskson why are we now having to upgrade? The mens diamond had to pay for most improvements and lights themselves.	Nov 6, 2012 9:03 AM
13	some improvements have already been made for the sports fields. Please devote resources to the arena	Nov 5, 2012 5:03 PM
14	lights and drainage at hendrickson are very high priority in my mind	Nov 4, 2012 11:02 PM
15	The addition of the two ball diamonds seems like a good idea.	Nov 4, 2012 3:49 PM
16	bigger pool and another ice areana the feilds	Nov 4, 2012 9:32 AM
17	like it	Nov 3, 2012 5:29 PM
18	leave the equestrian field intact	Nov 3, 2012 7:52 AM
19	no comment	Nov 2, 2012 7:45 PM
20	- I like them	Nov 2, 2012 2:35 PM
21	Also like the sports field additions.	Nov 2, 2012 9:19 AM
22	Field are fine now. Focus on arena and pool.	Nov 2, 2012 8:39 AM

Page 5, Q9. What is your opinion of the recommendations for Sports field additions and improvements? (Note: Sports field allocation is on Board 7: Parks)

23	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:12 AM
24	good	Nov 1, 2012 9:19 PM
25	none	Nov 1, 2012 8:11 PM
26	Need to leave the ball parks for ball. NOT SOCCER OR CONCERTS	Nov 1, 2012 7:41 PM
27	Do not feel there are needs for more fields....local school fields and fields at the university should be used.	Nov 1, 2012 5:05 PM
28	no smoking at the fields	Nov 1, 2012 4:48 PM
29	na	Nov 1, 2012 3:51 PM
30	I think having 2 more ball feilds would benefit as there are alot of players in this town and some of the school fields are dangerous to play on and ball would all be in one location in town....	Oct 29, 2012 9:36 AM
31	I think that the turf field is nice, but too expensive to warrant a second field. We need to be planning for replacement of that field in ten years before we build a second one. In general, it seems like feast or famine for use of the fields.Very busy on the weekends, but empty lots of times during the year.	Oct 28, 2012 8:01 PM
32	worry about the under serviced or new non traditional activities by bringing them up to an acceptable level prior to upgrading what is already existing. the ball fields have been the dos favorites for years. let some of the other sports enjoy this type of favoritism for a while till all sports are on the same plane	Oct 26, 2012 6:51 AM
33	Good	Oct 25, 2012 7:00 AM
34	sounds good	Oct 24, 2012 8:27 PM
35	like it	Oct 24, 2012 1:51 PM
36	Great, support the new turf field, need another one...lights at Hendrickson and upgrade to fields	Oct 24, 2012 8:36 AM
37	excellent, we need more fields.	Oct 24, 2012 8:32 AM
38	Need to accelerate implementation of full turf field with track and facilities to enable us to host major tournaments and games.....that revenue is the key to affordablitty of the expanded facilities and long term sustainability and buy in from the community -- tourism and other businesses will see huge advantages too	Oct 24, 2012 7:49 AM
39	Yes to lighting at Hendrickson! Yes to two more fields at Hendrickson!	Oct 24, 2012 5:43 AM
40	good	Oct 22, 2012 5:21 AM

Page 6, Q10. Do you have any comments on the recommendations for improving the District's ability to successfully host events?

1	we do this well i feel	Nov 9, 2012 5:02 PM
2	I think having a central coordinator is a great idea.	Nov 9, 2012 10:35 AM
3	Super important and maybe not enough emphasis. ED and Outdoor recreation are one in the same.	Nov 8, 2012 9:20 PM
4	Cut Red Tape. The Volunteer Groups know how to do things cheaper than DOS staff. The DOS should only enable and add guidance instead of confinements.	Nov 8, 2012 2:42 PM
5	No	Nov 8, 2012 1:40 PM
6	This is a great idea. To have someone oversee events should streamline the process and bring more events to the area.	Nov 8, 2012 10:18 AM
7	We need a year round dry slab space that is large enough to host bigger events safely	Nov 8, 2012 9:36 AM
8	No	Nov 8, 2012 6:42 AM
9	DOS permits are a major headache, the permit process needs to be streamlined and more coherent.	Nov 7, 2012 11:13 PM
10	Having more usable fields would help	Nov 7, 2012 9:49 PM
11	Agree wholeheartedly that events are a fantastic way of promoting squamish and creating a sense of community spirit.	Nov 7, 2012 10:33 AM
12	The current skating rink is too small and outdated.	Nov 6, 2012 8:46 PM
13	I think hosting events is good the town but we need to address the traffic hold up issues - streets off of loggers lane become a parking lot when the music festival is in town	Nov 6, 2012 9:04 AM
14	We could host indoor ice arena events more effectively and proudly if we had an upgraded ice facility	Nov 5, 2012 5:07 PM
15	more access to fresh potable water is imperative for long summer tournaments	Nov 4, 2012 11:06 PM
16	Not sure a new event coordinator position will help much. More money being spent with little benefit. Also present organisers of events might not like the red tape that would be introduced.	Nov 4, 2012 3:53 PM
17	training for volunteers	Nov 3, 2012 7:53 AM
18	no comment	Nov 2, 2012 7:45 PM
19	Yes - arena would solve this	Nov 2, 2012 4:59 PM
20	- build another ice sheet - new complex - massive renovation	Nov 2, 2012 2:37 PM
21	We need the right facilities to do this and someone in charge who has experience.	Nov 2, 2012 9:23 AM

Page 6, Q10. Do you have any comments on the recommendations for improving the District's ability to successfully host events?

22	A new and improved arena and pool will open the door to host various events. it would bring extra revenue to our town.	Nov 2, 2012 8:41 AM
23	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:13 AM
24	How will we host ice events when our arena dies? We need a new arena!	Nov 2, 2012 5:04 AM
25	Events need an event ground. NOT taken from other groups. Leave the equestrian spots to them and the slowpitch fields to the slowpitch.	Nov 1, 2012 7:43 PM
26	Yes	Nov 1, 2012 5:05 PM
27	events have huge potential for all the benefits as listed, even the community pride one that had low percentage	Nov 1, 2012 3:51 PM
28	no	Oct 28, 2012 8:06 PM
29	keep the dos involvement to a minimum and let the event organizers organize vents. the way the dos can help events is to provide a place for the events to store their equipment. most organizers have lots of stuff but no place or limited places to store the stuff. have the dos broker a deal to take over loggers sports grounds and let the event organizers use the grounds with out being constrained but having to deal with loggers sports committies	Oct 26, 2012 6:53 AM
30	Need arts centre and track.	Oct 25, 2012 7:02 AM
31	no	Oct 24, 2012 8:27 PM
32	no	Oct 24, 2012 1:51 PM
33	no	Oct 24, 2012 8:36 AM
34	Have someone dedicated just to events.	Oct 24, 2012 8:33 AM
35	Repeating prior comments -- the key to the District's ability to host events is to have good facilities quickly. If we take 10 years to get to 2 turf fields with track and lighting etc, we miss the boat and never get the revenue to fund the implementation of the fields and other improvements to Brennan Park and surrounding area	Oct 24, 2012 7:50 AM

Page 6, Q11. What is your opinion of the recommendations to increase the presence of Arts, Culture + Heritage in the District Recreation and Parks system?

1	need a proper theatre to host "big names".	Nov 9, 2012 5:02 PM
2	Don't have a large need for this area	Nov 7, 2012 9:49 PM
3	Providing more ways to showcase the artists of the community is an important step in valuing the arts. I would welcome more gallery/presentation space and more opportunities for art of all kinds to be part of the landscape in Squamish. You shouldn't have to decide to go and 'see art' - it should be all around.	Nov 7, 2012 7:18 PM
4	Sure, but the Rink needs to be a priority.	Nov 6, 2012 8:46 PM
5	Fine to increase but at what cost to the tax payers	Nov 6, 2012 9:04 AM
6	That's fine, but our children (and teens and adults) require an indoor place for physical activity which would only be fragmentally, at best, addressed by the recommendations as they currently stand	Nov 5, 2012 5:07 PM
7	wonderful but what about all the ugly lots in downtown squamish..they are nasty. artful hydro boxes won't hide those so they should not in any way be a priority	Nov 4, 2012 11:06 PM
8	Arts, culture, & heritage programs can be run from Brennan Park. It is the logical system/place to organize and host these events.	Nov 4, 2012 3:53 PM
9	must not devolve to parks responsibility	Nov 3, 2012 7:53 AM
10	- additional arena and renovated complex would provide additional space and access for these groups	Nov 2, 2012 2:37 PM
11	Arts & Culture are as important as recreation facilities. District should discuss with the various Squamish arts groups, so they know what is needed and wanted. Howe Sound Performing Arts, Sea to Sky Singers, Squamish Academy of Music, local artists and galleries should all have input on this.	Nov 2, 2012 9:23 AM
12	I think we should incorporate them all together since we have a strong presence of each already in our community.	Nov 2, 2012 8:41 AM
13	I agree with acknowledging heritage and arts, but I think it stretches the limits of resources for actual recreational activity development and enhancement.	Nov 1, 2012 9:14 PM
14	This needs to be left to the private groups. These can fund and take care of themselves	Nov 1, 2012 7:43 PM
15	Not enough inclusion for arts and culture. We need dedicated facilities, arts centre, performance theatre with art gallery, meeting space and storage. Need paid Arts coordinator.	Oct 25, 2012 7:02 AM

Page 7, Q12. Are there any gaps in the parks system that have not been addressed through the recommendations?

1	we need a system of engaging youth in our trail maintenance for running and equestrian trails. Can we get the school district on board to do some work experience? for grade 11/12 students.	Nov 9, 2012 5:04 PM
2	Frisbee golf....bizarre yes...not a sport I play but growing in popularity.	Nov 8, 2012 9:20 PM
3	WE DO NOT NEED A WATER PARK. We do not have the weather for that kind of investment and I don't think we'll see a pay off on this. It's a great idea but first, let's get the density up beforehand.	Nov 8, 2012 2:47 PM
4	All I can stress is Arena and making a difference. Did anyone really look at what we have. Ice surface that is failing and dressing rooms that don't in fit a large team and no extra ice to spare!!	Nov 7, 2012 9:51 PM
5	Valleycliff could use a more centralised park space.	Nov 7, 2012 10:34 AM
6	no comment	Nov 6, 2012 8:47 PM
7	Some users are not getting anything and others are getting too much	Nov 6, 2012 9:05 AM
8	THE ICE FACILITIES are not at all addressed in the recommendations	Nov 5, 2012 5:08 PM
9	general commitee of all users is needed to keep overall goal in focus	Nov 3, 2012 7:55 AM
10	Ice rink	Nov 2, 2012 4:59 PM
11	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:13 AM
12	New ice rink	Nov 1, 2012 5:06 PM
13	yes fix every park up not just one	Nov 1, 2012 4:49 PM
14	I believe very strongly that the District needs to increase alternative types of playgrounds in their parks. The existing play structures in the parks should be replaced with natural type playgrounds (including bike paths/parks) wherever possible. The costs of the plastic playgrounds are enormous, and have very little benefit to a child's development. I think a water park is a very bad idea.	Oct 28, 2012 8:14 PM
15	Not enough inclusion for arts and culture. We need facilities, arts centre, performance theatre with art gallery, meeting space and storage. Need paid arts coordinator.	Oct 25, 2012 7:03 AM

Page 8, Q14. Do the trails, waterfront and environment recommendations meet the needs of the community for access and environmental protection?

1	Trails are a critical part of not only our recreation, but also our economic development. I understand that there's already a separate trails plan, but I think it needs much more attention/focus in our vision.	Nov 9, 2012 10:38 AM
2	Connect neighbourhoods and community destinations. It is very important to be able to walk or bike from one neighborhood to another through a trail system. This reduces the need for cars and further connects the community. "Oh, Bob, is just a short walk away when I cut through trail A and B" Support events on trails. In the case of Test of Metal Events, these events have literally "paved" the way for the trails to exist.	Nov 8, 2012 2:50 PM
3	Do we really need more?!	Nov 7, 2012 9:51 PM
4	Squamish is too windy for a spray park in the summer unless it is really protected from the wind	Nov 7, 2012 5:52 PM
5	A large focus should be placed on creating park waterfront space.	Nov 7, 2012 10:37 AM
6	no comment	Nov 6, 2012 8:49 PM
7	What about dog poop maintenance and trail upgrades	Nov 6, 2012 9:06 AM
8	Coming from another coastal city I was surprised to find that the "waterfront" isn't much more then a parking lot that seem inaccessible to tourists. I find it hard to believe that this has not been rectified as of yet and changed into a tourist haven.	Nov 5, 2012 11:21 PM
9	Yes, I believe so, as long as steps are taken to make access and improvements as enviro-friendly as possible	Nov 5, 2012 5:09 PM
10	Don't confuse the trail system within Squamish with the mountain bike trail network outside district lands. When people want upgraded trails they may not be referring to the trail network within district land.	Nov 4, 2012 3:58 PM
11	Access to "climber specific" camping has not been addressed. Smoke Bluff Park fame & fortune depends upon access. The reason the Kinsmen Campground, beside Brennen Park Rec Center, is hardly used by climbers is because of; - distance from climbing area - poor signage at the SB Parking Lot directing where to camp - unaesthetic campground layout - not ideal location Please explore lot adjacent (east) of SBP Parking Lot and currently promoted for park boundary expansion. Please explore walk-in campground across Loggers Lane, west of Corridor Trail. John Harvey, Member-At-Large, Smoke Bluff Park Advisory Committee	Nov 4, 2012 1:26 PM
12	wildlife corridors are not addressed	Nov 3, 2012 7:56 AM
13	I think the DOS has done a good job in taking all of the above into consideration.	Nov 2, 2012 8:43 AM
14	This may turn into a battle as developers eye the same space.	Nov 1, 2012 3:52 PM
15	we need more concret paths.	Oct 30, 2012 1:11 PM
16	I tyhink that lights on the trail from the adventure center to brennen park are a	Oct 29, 2012 9:41 AM

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good idea, 2 more ball feilds with at least 2 of them having lights would be the way to go it would encourage big ball tournaments provincial and even national qualifiers

17 the plan didn't seem to make plans for adding future parks into the system for recreational or environmental purposes. It seems to me that the area around the upper blind channel would be a good location for a public park and walkway Oct 28, 2012 8:30 PM

18 My husband and I moved to Squamish from Whistler in 2003, in part because my career involves working with horses. I was able to develop my business (teaching riding, horse behavior consults) to the point that it supported me full time, and helps my husband and I pay our mortgage and contribute financially to our community. Working with horses feeds my family, and also feeds many other families as I buy local almost exclusively. Horses are an integral part of Squamish's history. We are fortunate to be able to keep horses in an area with many opportunities for trail riding and competing in local competitions. The SVEA has been a part of this community for more than 60 years, and through the hard work of many volunteers, we have managed to create a nice facility centrally located off Loggers Lane where we can ride and host events as a club. Horseback riding lessons are in high demand by Squamish residents, and I routinely turn away business each month, simply because demand for the sport exceeds the supply. All of the other local instructors are in the same boat - they have willing students, but lack facilities in which to house additional horses. The SVEA land is used daily, by people who make a living working fulltime with horses, and contribute to our local economy. It is my understanding that the district is proposing moving the SVEA's arenas to a location near the gun club. I am a certified horse behavior consultant, and feel strongly that this location is sub-optimal; the horse is a prey animal by nature, and although he can be habituated to noises such as gunfire, he can also quickly be sensitized and made very fearful, which is difficult to overcome. In what is called non-associative learning, sensitization can override previous habituation. What this means for riders and horse owners using a facility near the gun club is that their horses may become extremely fearful of working within a facility that experiences such noise. A location further away would be better suited for horses, and perhaps the gun club location could be used for another user group not affected by such loud noises., i.e. skateboarders or BMX riders. There are many communities throughout North America where horses, equestrians, and other user groups cohabitate peacefully. Norco, California is one such community - <http://www.norco.ca.us/> In addition to being a mountain bike mecca, Norco is well known for being "Horse Town USA", with over 140 miles of trails available to riders. In addition to the many tax dollars contributed to the community, horse owners and riders are generally reliable, conscientious, hard working, community minded, compassionate people. I hope that the district of Squamish continues to support horses and horsefolk within our community for many, many years to come. The benefits that horses bring to Squamish are clear. Lauren Fraser info@goodhorsemanship.ca 604-898-6630 Oct 25, 2012 7:38 AM

19 Need a trail network that connects communities. Oct 25, 2012 7:04 AM

20 We should have an indoor cycling track like the one in Vancouver. With how much cycling has increased and gained in popularity, it would be a big draw for both people from the lower mainland and Whistler. Nice to have something Oct 24, 2012 6:25 AM

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indoor to compensate for the consistent wet weather we receive here from October to June. Need money to raise for the project? Talk to corporate sponsors....Gran Fondo? Bike manufacturing companies, ie Trek? Specialized? Cannondale?

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1	better lighting for running so we can avoid being on the roads especcally when it is raining/snowing. Can we have a sidewalk area that is cleared properly to do a running loop. (corridor trail?)	Nov 9, 2012 5:08 PM
2	Always too much empahsis on providing more recreational facilities. We have nature on our doorstep. Swimming in the lakes, skiing in the backcountry, and unlimited trails to meet various skill levels. Put soem serious time and attention into creating a Centre for the Arts that truly meets the needs of its user groups and individuals in all arts disciplines. Put the emphasis on the CREATION component in Recreation.	Nov 9, 2012 3:01 PM
3	A focus should be put on facilities that provide recreation opportunities for residents in the winter months when it is difficult to get outside and enjoy many of the things that makes Squamish Canada's outdoor recreation capital. For this reason I think that focus should be put on having a second ice rink installed, it is a long drive for squamish residents to take their kids to play hockey in other towns and a second rink could certianly provide more oppourtunities within the distrct for tournaments and expanding the size of the leauges so that there could be more intra squamish games. Many of the other recommnedations are also sound inlcding a public fitness facility. An indoor rock climbing wall would be a great addition to any fitness facility as squamsih is not big enough to support an independent gym of its own but certainly hasa number of rock climbing enthusiasts (see richmond oval for a good example of how one could be integrated) Mountain bike trail building should be continued especially with trails that are easy enough for riders of all levels to enjoy (see 'flowdown in revelstoke)	Nov 9, 2012 11:21 AM
4	There is a great discussion about the plan on the Facebook Group, "Facebook Squamish Speaks". It would be well worth your while to review this. Below are my comments from the discussion. BTW, in case this gets cut off, I can be reached at chrispettingill@sevolution.com . I think I've been to all of the public meetings. While it seems some areas were missed, my impression is that the consultants did a fairly decent job of integrating most of the comments I heard put forward at the public meetings. Having said that, a little more consultation is probably needed. My biggest concern with what was presented was also identified to some degree by the consultants themselves. Although this is being called a "plan", it is really more of a "vision". There are no budgets or priorities attached to the items in the vision, so it's not really any sort of plan yet. I notice that in the slides, the consultants are using the term "vision" much more than "plan", and I think that's appropriate. It might be a good idea for the District to update how it refers to this too. "Plan" makes it seem a lot more final than it actually is, and I think that's causing more concern than it needs to as the details continue to be ironed out. Aside from the Forestry and Equestrian concerns raised, one thing I didn't see mentioned was a vision for lease length. At the various public hearings I did hear a few groups suggest that they would be much more willing to invest in/pay for infrastructure (much of which would have community benefit) if they were able to get longer leases on District lands. This relates to some of the Equestrian group's concerns, but other groups as well. Here's two lists: a1: Hiking a2: Mountain Climbing a3: Kite Surfing a4: Mountain Biking a5: Snowboarding/Skiing b1: Baseball b2: Soccer b3: Hockey b4: Gymnastics b5: Swimming Which of these two lists would you identify more strongly with Squamish? Which of these two lists would be more applicable to almost any town in Canada? For me, the "a" list is much more "Squamish", and	Nov 9, 2012 10:43 AM

is something that provides Squamish with a competitive advantage. Items like the ones in the “a” list seem to be in the majority of the “Top 10” recreation activity lists. Yet, when I read through the vision, my impression is that we’re much more focused on the “b” items. I understood the consultants when they said the “b” items act as a base/hub for all of the “a” items, but I think our vision will be more effective if contains more discussion on the elements makes us special. Finally, one of the draft principles makes me pause, “[w]e believe recreation is a vital public good and a basic right for all”. While that is a nice idea and something to aspire towards, it reminds me a bit of the Monty Python skit where a bunch of men argue about mens’ right to have babies. We have limited resources, and realistically we can’t provide all recreation to all people. I fear that it sets up a mindset where if a particular sort of recreation isn’t available to me, then I’ll feel like my rights have been violated. And it sets up a mindset where I feel recreation is owed to me. Maybe it would be more constructive to have something like, “we believe recreation is a vital public good and cooperatively as a town we will always work to improve our recreation opportunities”?

===== 3 years ago, I could have moved anywhere in Canada, and I chose Squamish primarily for the recreation it had at that time. I didn’t know about Brennan Park until after I moved and I was surprised how much was available there. I do believe in always striving to do better, and I recognize there are certainly areas for improvement here. But, Squamish is already way beyond anything I’m used to in terms of recreation opportunities, especially given its size. I think it would be good for us to remember that what we have is already pretty amazing, and we’re just trying to make things that little bit better. That brings me to my next point. The Parks and Rec consultation so far has focused on asking people who already live here what they want for recreation. That is an important question to ask, but shouldn’t we also consider economic development? Rec-Tec and KBI (Knowledge-based Industry) are a few of the key target industries for the District to go after. Mountain and action/extreme sports are critical to many/most of the Rec-Tec businesses we have our sights on. And from the conversations I’ve had with Inside Edge (KBI) members, it’s mountain/extreme sports in particular that are the recreational considerations for moving here. It’s also those kinds of sports that are critical to our tourism marketing. If in the short term, we focus our limited recreation dollars on recreation that is particularly attractive or even necessary to those groups, won’t that help grow the Rec-Tec and KBI Industries here? Won’t it help our tourism? Those industries can provide local, high-paying jobs, for people that will live, work, and shop here, and tourists with expendable income. With increased good, local jobs, and more tourism we’ll have more revenue to put towards all sorts of recreation (traditional and non-traditional) in the longer term. ===== I don’t dispute that traditional sports are used extensively. And, I’m certainly not suggesting that we should get rid of traditional sports. I’m just looking for the best way to be able to fund as much traditional and non-traditional recreation over the long term. That will require increased revenue. Unfortunately, the DOS doesn’t have much/any money for recreation of any sort. We’ve been borrowing money to pay for our basic infrastructure (water, sewers, roads, etc). I hope someone can confirm the numbers but looking out our town’s proposed 2012 budget, our borrowing and debt-servicing will run us \$4.5 million to pay for basic infrastructure and services between 2013 and 2015. That works out to \$1.5 million of borrowing every year to pay for basic infrastructure/services. With the new soccer field, I believe the DoS is spending about \$585 k/year on field and park maintenance alone. In other words, the cost of field and park maintenance

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works out to 39% of what we're needing to borrow to cover basic infrastructure. In that context, I'm not sure how it can be argued that we can afford much recreation spending. Because of this, if we're going to be spending any money on non-essential services (i.e. recreation), I think we'd be wise to give a great deal of consideration to spending on things that will generate revenue. That may mean in the short term we focus on a few specific sports that will expand our tourism revenue, and will grow target industries such as rec-tec and KBI - thereby significantly increasing our tax revenue. Once we have that increased revenue, it will be much more feasible to provide broader recreation funding. Quality of life is certainly important. I tried to make the point in my previous post that although recreation in Squamish may not be perfect, our recreation-related quality of life is already far above the norm. That gives us the ability to focus on dollar return on recreation investment for the short term. That focus will lead to much more funding capability for all sports, including the popular traditional sports. For me, it's not a question of which sports are 'better' or more popular. It's a question of designing a smart long term vision that will result in the best funded and most diverse recreation choices.

5	It stats and ends with the trails! No trail is insignificant. Start with fixing up the easement dividing Garibaldi Highlands and Garibaldi Estates. This is accessed through Bill's Place and it can lead to the Golf Course or to Garibaldi Way South. Currently, it is a treacherous free-fall down a steep slope.	Nov 8, 2012 2:52 PM
6	No	Nov 8, 2012 1:41 PM
7	It is disappointing to hear that the recommendations do not include any upgrades to the arena, this leaves families who are involved in those sports with only the option of travel or relocation to offer their children more opportunities.	Nov 8, 2012 6:45 AM
8	I think we could reach out with more community effort. If I wasn't involved in a organizaton I woul have no idea any of this was happening. I really don't feel we have gotten out and informed the town to make a well enducated decision	Nov 7, 2012 9:53 PM
9	REDO The "Master Plan" doesn't talk about the RINK	Nov 6, 2012 8:50 PM
10	I feel that it is not even throughout the community. I feel that as most of us did not participate in the plan that the numbers maybe a off	Nov 6, 2012 9:07 AM
11	This plan needs to be rounded out by addressing the DEFICIENCY of ICE FACILITY improvements.	Nov 5, 2012 5:11 PM
12	The equestrian ring is suggested to be moved adjacent to the gun club. Not the best place for kids and horses. This suggestion was made with out consultation from parties involved. There needs to be consideration for the time, effort and \$ input by the community and the benefits that equestrian sport bring to the community.	Nov 5, 2012 11:23 AM
13	another sheet of ice please :)	Nov 4, 2012 11:07 PM
14	All of these ideas and plans cost money. Some a little some allot. We need to priortize the spending. The first priority should be the kids. In my opinion this makes the next target area for spending money is the arena. It was selected as	Nov 4, 2012 4:03 PM

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the fourth most popular item/activity for kids. The three above have had adequate funding (pool or soccer) or Squamish is not involved (ski/boarding). This makes the arena the next target for money. Rumours of reducing ice time due to its condition only show how much it is being neglected. Watch practices in Squamish where two teams have to share the ice because of lack of availability. To me it is obvious. This studies survey has prioritized it and the evidence is there of its need. (yet the draft plan essentially ignores the problem).

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| 16 | Squamish needs to upgrade the arena and would benefit and additional sheet of ice. There are so many users and the facility cannot support its groups at the present time let alone when the population increases. The result is frustration with members and tax payers. Not only could this help sustain the people using it but other groups could access it and increase users, which in turn increases revenue. Please also consider the addition of a proper lounge in the mezzanine. This is a huge attractant for spectators and could also be used for the community. Thank You | Nov 4, 2012 8:57 AM |
| 17 | direct involvement from all user groups, so that bureaucratic decisions do not catch users by surprise. | Nov 3, 2012 7:58 AM |
| 18 | You must do more for this community during cold rainy season - there is nothing - build a nice arena and facility around it too make it a hub for activity | Nov 2, 2012 5:00 PM |
| 19 | - No recommendations have been suggested for the Ice Arena or its user groups. - No upgrades or additional Ice arenas are even mentioned in Draft Recreation Master Plan - Arena usage ranks high on Popularity and Use especially for indoor user groups, and highest amongst user dissatisfaction. - Community is highly in favor of hosting large events. Squamish Minor Hockey has hosted tournaments and Provincial championships in the past. However, Squamish Minor Hockey is hindered from hosting larger events given Arena size, dressing room size and amount of ice availability. - Current configuration of the dressing rooms for hockey finds 2 of 4 rooms to be under sized and visiting and local teams having to use these rooms are forced to change in different groups or other rooms. Otherwise they face cramped conditions. - Ice time vacancy is scarce and offers little or no after school/business hours for parent & tot hockey or stick and puck for beginner skill development. - Outside of Minor Hockey there is no additional time for Youth to find ice time to continue skill development (drop in hockey) after school or typical work hours. - Arena originally built in 1975 and has not undergone any significant changes or renovations other than those necessary due to maintenance or code concerns. - Currently players who are recognized to be of a high level in hockey are handcuffed and forced to leave Squamish due to the above concerns. Retention of these players leads to an | Nov 2, 2012 2:38 PM |

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	overall lowering of the competitive level in the sport locally. - Different user groups are forced to play well into the evening to accommodate all of the groups needs and requests. At this current time on most nights ice is in use until 11pm.	
20	Not at this time	Nov 2, 2012 9:24 AM
21	I don't think we need more trails or ball fields.	Nov 2, 2012 9:13 AM
22	We need another arena!!!!!!!!!!	Nov 2, 2012 8:13 AM
23	I don't think you ll change anything now but I ll tell you anyways. Almost all the sports in Squamish can be played outside. Ice sports cannot. We don't have the cold winters needed to play on outside rinks. In the master plan draft you don't even mention improvements to our ice. It's a known fact our ice surface is deteriorating. Please check out the arena in sechelt bc. It's the same age as our facility and its no longer useable the people of sechelt have to move trAvel to use ice. Please if your reluctant to add a second sheet of ice, just include upgrades to our rink in your master plan. Already our seasons have to be cut short due to the slab needing a longer dry period. Go investigate yourselves and once you do, you ll realize how important this issue is. Our kids need this!!	Nov 2, 2012 7:13 AM
24	please please dont spend money paving trails tht people already use (ir the one along loggers lane)	Nov 2, 2012 12:17 AM
25	we really need another ice surface	Nov 1, 2012 9:20 PM
26	Improve the rink!!!!	Nov 1, 2012 8:11 PM
27	We need a new ice rink....	Nov 1, 2012 5:06 PM
28	As a dog owner I do not see much need for spending a lot of time and money on dog areas, keeping the dykes as off leash, as well as some of the trails should be enough	Nov 1, 2012 3:54 PM
29	yep, a disc golf course should be planned.	Oct 30, 2012 1:11 PM
30	On behalf of theSquamish Vallwey Rod and Gun Club, I want to make the following comments as I was unable to attend the October 24th information and plan review. As a Club we consider that we provide a substantial community recreation facility with over 500 members and seven police agencies and other groups who utilize our facilities. Our location and that of the proposed Legacy Park must be recognized in conjunction with the other recreational interests. I understand that there was a comment made that "move the Rod and Gun Club". I do not know the context of the statement or who made it. For your information the physical area that the Club held under tenure with the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources is 10 acres (4.0 hectares) with in excess of \$350,000.00 of buildings and other real assets. Mike Wallace President 604-892-9322 E mail -walfor@shaw.ca	Oct 29, 2012 11:00 AM
31	It would be good to know what the plans for the legacy park are, and how the district would/could should/tie into those plans	Oct 28, 2012 8:32 PM
32	A wider selection of easier mountain bike trails that do not require steep steep	Oct 25, 2012 5:27 PM

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climbs to get to and that are usable by everyone would be a nice addition.

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| 33 | I'm puzzled as the earlier forums and open houses seemed to be much broader in scope but this plan is narrowed down to facilities and parks run by the District of Squamish with little mention of non-municipal facilities and groups, ones that could be potential partners of the District such as the Howe Sound Curling Club. Surely outside organizations such as the Squamish Valley Golf Club, Howe Sound Curling Club and Squamish Squash Club should at the very least get a mention! By the way, curling is heavily used by seniors - over 70 members in three morning leagues as well as many who curl in the evenings. Also, it is important to define "ice sports" as there is a huge difference between curling, hockey and skating, and of course they are housed in different facilities, one municipal and one not. | Oct 25, 2012 1:53 PM |
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36	no	Oct 24, 2012 8:28 PM
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37	Where can I get a copy of your Master Plan?	Oct 21, 2012 9:12 PM
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2 Public Feedback

1. Is the document clear to read? Is it an engaging, useful document?





		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		63.6%	21
Somewhat		21.2%	7
No		15.2%	5
Don't know		0.0%	0

Please provide comments regarding your opinion 10

answered question 33

skipped question 2

2. Has the Master Plan captured the overall community vision for its recreation hubs?




		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		38.7%	12
Somewhat		41.9%	13
No		12.9%	4
Don't know		6.5%	2

Please explain why or why not 15

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3. Has the Master Plan missed anything that you expected it to cover?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		44.4%	12
No		48.1%	13
Don't know		7.4%	2




Specific Feedback: 14

answered question	27
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4. Please tell us what you think of the recommendations in the following categories:

	Do not support	Not very supportive	Neutral	Somewhat support	Strongly support	Rating Count
1. Creation of volunteer Advisory Groups for Programming, Facility Users, and Outdoor Recreation:	3.3% (1)	10.0% (3)	13.3% (4)	40.0% (12)	33.3% (10)	30
2. The Community Recreation Hubs (Brennan Park, Youth Centre, Seniors Centre, Adventure Centre):	6.7% (2)	10.0% (3)	6.7% (2)	36.7% (11)	40.0% (12)	30
3. Improved events hosting facilities at Brennan Park (primarily at the Logger Sports Grounds):	6.7% (2)	6.7% (2)	16.7% (5)	33.3% (10)	36.7% (11)	30
4. Improvements to Brennan Park Recreation Centre (fitness centre, plan for new ice arena + dryfloor, expanded programming facilities, etc.):	16.7% (5)	6.7% (2)	10.0% (3)	20.0% (6)	46.7% (14)	30
5. Changes to the Seniors Centre (longer hours, expansion of programs, expanded marketing)	9.7% (3)	12.9% (4)	25.8% (8)	22.6% (7)	29.0% (9)	31
6. Suggestions for waterfront facilities and access improvements	6.7% (2)	13.3% (4)	20.0% (6)	30.0% (9)	30.0% (9)	30
7. Other (please enter details in comment box)	18.2% (2)	0.0% (0)	18.2% (2)	18.2% (2)	45.5% (5)	11
Other recommendations not listed above						20
answered question						31
skipped question						4

5. Does anything require clarification?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		55.2%	16
No		27.6%	8
Don't know		17.2%	5

If yes, please tell us what is unclear:

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answered question

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skipped question

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6. Please tell us your suggestions for improvements to the recommendations.

	Response Count
	15
answered question	15
skipped question	20

7. Overall, to what extent do you support Draft 2 of the Master Plan?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly support		25.0%	7
Somewhat support		46.4%	13
Neutral		14.3%	4
Not very supportive		7.1%	2
Do not support		7.1%	2

Please provide comments regarding your opinion

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answered question

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skipped question

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8. Do you have any additional suggestions or comments in relation to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

	Response Count
	15
answered question	15
skipped question	20

Page 2, Q1. Is the document clear to read? Is it an engaging, useful document?

1	Almost too much info/detail.	Jan 28, 2013 10:00 AM
2	Not as defined.	Jan 28, 2013 9:57 AM
3	Wording is very professional. Engaging? No. Useful? Yes. The summary is brief. The recommendations are very content worthy.	Jan 28, 2013 9:48 AM
4	Current direction and consent regarding art/culture is unacceptable as per previous information given at presentations and meetings and in handouts of new re-structure.	Jan 28, 2013 9:35 AM
5	Almost too much info/detail	Jan 16, 2013 8:30 AM
6	I wouldn't have used the word engaging but it was clear and a useful document.	Jan 14, 2013 9:05 PM
7	As engaging as a 67 page document can be! There was some repetition that perhaps wasn't necessary but I can see what it was included each time and it did drive the point home.	Jan 14, 2013 7:13 PM
8	Too wordy. Should start with short, clear basic points then elaborate later if necessary. Vision, mission statements, and draft principles should be shortened by at least 1/2. Get real, no one reads this long winded stuff.	Jan 10, 2013 3:56 PM
9	Very thorough, a clearer 'highlights' or what's new since October's meeting would have been helpful, but a skim read concluded many items had been added (e.g. rinks)	Jan 9, 2013 9:17 PM
10	I found the document to be less concise than it could have been. It seemed more like someone's masters project than an engaging document (I have a degree in Rec Admin and found the document to be full of jargon that is not too engaging for the public).	Dec 28, 2012 9:18 PM

Page 2, Q2. Has the Master Plan captured the overall community vision for its recreation hubs?

1	Maximize youth involvement.	Jan 28, 2013 10:00 AM
2	Not as defined.	Jan 28, 2013 9:57 AM
3	I believe a specific survey for community vision is needed from its recreation hubs. The question being in the top two questions is very generalized. Not specific enough for me, as a reader, community volunteer, tax payer, community participant. The Adventure centre, I believe is not a recreation hub. Its a tourist centre. Through this report it has also not been consistantly mentioned as a hub, as it shouldn't.	Jan 28, 2013 9:48 AM
4	For seniors centre.	Jan 28, 2013 9:38 AM
5	maximize youth involvement	Jan 16, 2013 8:30 AM
6	It has excluded any mention of the Equestrian Community in Table 11.1	Jan 15, 2013 12:10 AM
7	Have concerns with Advisory Panels. From past experience these advisory panels can be highjacked by certain groups driving their own special interests or agendas.	Jan 14, 2013 9:22 PM
8	Although the plan has captured major recreation hubs I have concerns on the focus of "outdoor recreation capital". Squamish has excellent access to outdoor recreation. The problem is allot of that outdoor recreation happens outside district lands. I do believe Squamish should enhance this theme, but we should be careful as to how many resources (\$\$) are spent on the subject as money spent in the district may have little impact in enhancing many of the outdoor activities.	Jan 14, 2013 9:05 PM
9	It is hard to say as I don't believe that the overall community vision is necessary a cohesive one. Different user groups have their specific desires.	Jan 14, 2013 7:13 PM
10	I do NOT support the recommendations for the Ministry of Forests site -- "using the site to support the vision for Brennan Park." A serious concern. Bizarre recommendations for the site persist in the Draft 2 report.	Jan 13, 2013 7:18 PM
11	The arts, culture and heritage section need to be revisited.	Jan 11, 2013 8:37 PM
12	Visions needs to be tied to facts and dollars	Jan 10, 2013 3:56 PM
13	Multiple age groups, multiple geographic areas throughout community with decent access, indoor/outdoor	Jan 9, 2013 9:17 PM
14	we really do need a proper track, or to support Don ROss in improving theirs. Ours in not sufficient for competitivite levels.	Jan 4, 2013 11:53 PM
15	I know that many of the comments that I have made (Survey Monkey) were not directly addressed - elite level fitness facility (for all our natioanal team and Olympic level athletes) - rather than the proposed entry level fitness facility. Also a PPP for a public indoor rock climbing gym -this may have been in there, but I read the document at work and did not find this information easily if it is in there.	Dec 28, 2012 9:18 PM

Page 3, Q3. Has the Master Plan missed anything that you expected it to cover?

1	Marine use.	Jan 28, 2013 10:00 AM
2	Input from public/groups.	Jan 28, 2013 9:58 AM
3	The cost of this ongoing master plan. Considering it is just recommendations.	Jan 28, 2013 9:49 AM
4	Suggestions regarding camping near the spit ring alarm bells. This is a wild life management area. All decisions must take the environment into account first.	Jan 28, 2013 9:40 AM
5	marine use	Jan 16, 2013 8:31 AM
6	Mountain Biking and a plan to manage the trails outside the DOS should be covered in greater detail. These are used significantly by residents, and therefore does fall within the realm of the DOS to consider how to integrate that resource into the plan.	Jan 15, 2013 6:17 PM
7	The need for a large covered arena for the equestrian community which could be shared with other recreational user groups	Jan 15, 2013 12:14 AM
8	Legacy Sports Park proposal (south of Rod & Gun Club facility should be addressed.	Jan 13, 2013 7:18 PM
9	Needs to include more arts, culture and heritage.	Jan 11, 2013 8:39 PM
10	Financing! How much will each change or improvement to the recreation program or facility cost ? How much will our taxes go up if this improvement is implemented ?	Jan 10, 2013 3:59 PM
11	Feedback given so far by individuals, organizations and associations	Jan 7, 2013 5:16 PM
12	Water: At the District they promote choosing tap water "Take back the tap". They have a placard in the office marketing Squamish water. I would like to see this adapted into all of the planning that ties in with environment, parks and trails. Water fountains/bottle fill stations should be available at trail heads, downtown in several spots, beachfront, marinas, bike/skate parks.	Jan 2, 2013 1:06 PM
13	Please see my previous comment... about PPP rock climbing gym and elite level fitness facility (Similar to what Whistler has).	Dec 28, 2012 9:21 PM
14	Advisory Board Membership i.e. making suggestions as to who could potentially sit on Advisory Boards such as local health authority representatives sitting on the Programming Advisory Board	Dec 28, 2012 5:04 PM

Page 3, Q4. Please tell us what you think of the recommendations in the following categories:

1	Waterfront on Mamquam Blind Channel??	Jan 28, 2013 10:00 AM
2	Transportation.	Jan 28, 2013 9:58 AM
3	Affordable, accessable, National Sports (Winter-hockey/Summer-lacrosse) inclusion into our community. Start with the basics.	Jan 28, 2013 9:49 AM
4	Privatization of naming rights should not lose the heritage and history of current names. e.g. Brennan Park.	Jan 28, 2013 9:42 AM
5	Fitness center would compete with those already in town and is very expensive.	Jan 28, 2013 9:40 AM
6	waterfront on mamquam blind channel?	Jan 16, 2013 8:31 AM
7	I am keenly interested in the financial anaysis that suggests a fitness centre can break even in 5 years.	Jan 15, 2013 10:08 PM
8	Support for the Equestrian club in the Brennan Park area, support for constructing a horses-only bridle path, support for the construction of a covered arena at the current location	Jan 15, 2013 12:14 AM
9	I am uncertain about the partnership between the DOS and SD #48 as I don't beleive the current one has been particularly successful in that 1 team has full and complete control of the so called"community field" at HSS	Jan 14, 2013 7:16 PM
10	Regarding volunteer advisory groups, I do not think the Squamish Arts Council need be replaced -- as umbrella group and advisory group. I am sure that the SAC Board is very conscious of needing to be seen to represent the full breadth and diversity of the Arts, Culture and Heritage community. As stated elsewhere, I am utterly opposed to the Draft Plan's proposals for the Ministry of Forests/ Ministry of Transportation building. The proposal to focus new facilities for windsurfing on the Lower Mamquam Blind Channel at "Nexen Beach" must be referred to the Estuary Management Committee. This is a commercial transportation waterway, which will become increasingly busy with expansion of industrial traffic from Site B, as well as reeational boat traffic. More consultation with Industry, SEMC and Harbour Authority is needed!!	Jan 13, 2013 7:18 PM
11	Inclusion of current feedback for arts, culture and heritage	Jan 11, 2013 8:39 PM
12	A safe transportation system to recreation areas in our valley. Eg: Bus transportation to Whistler, Callaghan Valley and to the Red Meadows Parking Lot. Greyhound does not provide this service.	Jan 10, 2013 3:59 PM
13	It would have been better if item #4 were separated...for instance one might support a new ice arena, but not support the fitness centre. I don't support a new fitness centre....you will be putting a lot of present fitness centres out of business - and a few are already "mom" friendly i.e. ramps for strollers and a nursery for kids. I thought in this community we were supposed to be welcoming businesses, not turning them away.	Jan 10, 2013 3:44 PM
14	Impsiible to answer properly 4 and 5 when all changes are lumped into one question.	Jan 10, 2013 11:43 AM
15	Adventure Centre improvements will hopefully include extended hours! Can't	Jan 9, 2013 9:20 PM

Page 3, Q4. Please tell us what you think of the recommendations in the following categories:

believe we are the 'outdoor recreation capital' and we call it an Adventure Centre yet on a Friday in winter when it's bumper to bumper with outdoor recreation enthusiasts headed to Whistler, likely in need of a pee break at the half way mark, the place is locked up. How 'bout branding the seemingly genero and unappealing cafe which is actually a great destination coffee stop and staying open so we can showcase Squamish to a target audience that's at our front door?!

16	create a proper running track and add signage on corridor trail to show distances	Jan 4, 2013 11:55 PM
17	Neighborhood park in the Smoke Bluffs. It is already a natural park. You already mentioned the importance of having not-built park environments. It makes more sense to create a neighborhood park closer to Plateau based on the population of families and the new development area. Build something close to where families live. The smoke bluff area is enclosed by trees and granite rock. Already with just a few areas to sit, it has created alot of night hang outs for teens. Creating noise and worse...garbage.	Jan 2, 2013 1:06 PM
18	PPP for a public indoor climbing center - this would act as a community hub for 7 months of the year or more.	Dec 28, 2012 9:21 PM
19	Brennan Park Section or Programming: Use the commercial kitchen at Brennan Park to its full capacity such as hosting community kitchens. This is currently space that is not well used. Under Section 10 Trails, speak to the importance of supporting and maintaining a commuter trail that runs through the Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada. The commuter trail is still incomplete with many safety hazards such as parked cars.	Dec 28, 2012 5:04 PM
20	The pool facilities seem outdated when compared to surrounding pools. The space is large but a slide or something creative would be a wonderful addition.	Dec 21, 2012 9:00 PM

Page 4, Q5. Does anything require clarification?

1	Equestrian and water front.	Jan 28, 2013 10:01 AM
2	All areas redefined.	Jan 28, 2013 9:59 AM
3	How do we (tax payers) pay for all your recommendations?	Jan 28, 2013 9:50 AM
4	Why do we need a 1500 seat arena? We need a second sheet of ice/annex, not a "Whistler style" architecturally award winning expensive building.	Jan 28, 2013 9:43 AM
5	*As Indicated	Jan 28, 2013 9:35 AM
6	equestrian and waterfront	Jan 16, 2013 8:31 AM
7	At the 3rd public open house, I believe Eric Lees stated in his presentation that he did not recommend a new sheet of ice for Squamish and that given the population size we could not afford it. I recall him making a comparison to Sechelt and how they are now struggling to fund their ice. What changed in the consultants analysis to change the recommendation in the current draft other than additional ice users feedback.	Jan 15, 2013 10:08 PM
8	I would like to understand the business plan behind the fitness centre. With competing gyms in town, I can not see how this will generate positive cash flow. I would like clarification on the economic loss related to the "plug" in the blind channel. It is a significant investment of dredge. Is it really worth it? Is it serving only a small percentage of residents who own large boats? Will Mother Nature not keep filling it in? I do agree with promoting small/self propelled watercraft launching.	Jan 15, 2013 6:22 PM
9	Information for arts, culture and heritage.	Jan 11, 2013 8:42 PM
10	Make the document short, readable and workable, and not this long winded affair that no one wants to read. The recreation changes to the community of Squamish should be attached to a yearly timeline.	Jan 10, 2013 4:06 PM
11	Show us a viable business plan for the new gym. Since there is a slight possibility that 25% of the people in the community could be using it during the day (based on demographics of 4 person families - with dads working during the day and kids at school - also the demographic should allow for working moms, seniors, and the unfit who wouldn't use a gym) show us the numbers i.e. expenses to run it, salaries, projected profits. We already have a gym - it's called the great outdoors with trails and it's free!	Jan 10, 2013 3:57 PM
12	Why do we need to waste \$1.5 million plus of taxpayer's money on a public funded fitness centre when we have several private ones already? This is lunacy. It cannot possibly become self-sustaining. A taxpayer money pit if ever I saw one.	Jan 10, 2013 3:52 PM
13	It is inferred that input from the community was taken into consideration. But is it not regarding three specific items: Renaming the Seniors Centre. Fitness facility at Brennan Park	Jan 10, 2013 11:44 AM
14	It is not clear what is suggested for the future of the seniors centre.	Jan 9, 2013 9:27 PM
15	I found the draft a bit dry and wordy and jargon based.	Dec 28, 2012 9:22 PM

Page 4, Q5. Does anything require clarification?

16	School District/community partnership should be more specific and use stronger wording. There should be recommendations around easier and more AFFORDABLE access to school gymnasiums, fields, theatre, kitchens, etc. Create community schools that can be easily used on weekends and week nights.	Dec 28, 2012 5:04 PM
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Page 4, Q6. Please tell us your suggestions for improvements to the recommendations.

1	Input given from groups/public.	Jan 28, 2013 9:59 AM
2	The recommendations are very enlightening and have potential. Improvements are well needed, we need to be consistent with prioritized recreation demands.	Jan 28, 2013 9:50 AM
3	Would like to see more input as regards the equestrian community	Jan 15, 2013 12:15 AM
4	I do have concerns around the fitness facility being planned. In talking with a lot of adults around Squamish the impression I am getting is they expect this fitness facility to be subsidized and be much cheaper than other gyms. This is not fair for local businesses that run these facilities and I don't think subsidizing adult gym time is the best use of recreational dollars. If the gym is run to break even I no longer have concerns with it. Please let the public know the estimated cost of membership and drop in fees. Let them know if this is subsidized costs or not. I think public interest may change once they see the cost of use. You don't want to build this facility and have it flop.	Jan 14, 2013 9:27 PM
5	I still have major concerns on the Ice Rink. The plan clearly states it is 5 to 10 years beyond its life. The plan puts fixing this at short-medium term. I believe this needs to be moved to short term only. A decision needs to be made quickly on whether it is better to overhaul the present rink or build a new one. Next step would be to act on that plan. Waiting any longer could result in a catastrophic failure of the rink leaving no arena programs (minor hockey, figure skating, public skates, etc). This would be a disastrous situation which would leave Squamish with a failed year for arena programs (or maybe two failed years due timing and ability to react). Public outcry would be huge.	Jan 14, 2013 9:17 PM
6	I found it interesting that the recommendations weren't prioritized.	Jan 14, 2013 7:16 PM
7	Improvements would include consultation with arts groups and the Squamish Arts Council.	Jan 11, 2013 8:42 PM
8	See previous responses.	Jan 10, 2013 4:06 PM
9	Build an outdoor waterpark for the kids in summer.	Jan 10, 2013 3:57 PM
10	Cut your predicted dollar spending down to about 1/4 of what your current plans will really cost. (Nowhere are there even approximations of what all the changes will cost.) Then, when the predicted costs double as the plan development goes ahead the taxpayers might possibly be able to handle the tax increases to pay for it.	Jan 10, 2013 3:52 PM
11	Provide a detailed business plan for the Fitness Centre for Brennan Park that supports the need for this facility. Otherwise you risk creating another Adventure centre fiasco.	Jan 10, 2013 11:44 AM
12	The draft Plan re: senior centre assurances of continuing dedication to seniors needs does not jibe with the winter rec centre program.	Jan 9, 2013 9:27 PM
13	consider a track, and improved running signage I very much agree with the following: Youth Subcommittee – It is important to have youth represented within the overall Program Advisory group, but there should also be a subcommittee to specifically address Youth recreation programming needs in the community. as	Jan 4, 2013 11:59 PM

Page 4, Q6. Please tell us your suggestions for improvements to the recommendations.

well as: Design and outfit the fitness centre to provide entry level fitness, preventative health/wellness programming and physical rehab. Consult with potential clientele regarding equipment preferences (e.g., free weights, strength machines, cardio) and plan the fitness centre layout accordingly. I disagree with creating a park-use permit system. It is already hard for commercial operators,(other than mountain bike shuttle businesses) particularly those benefiting from public outdoor recreation amenities (guides, fitness trainers, tour operators, or other private businesses operating in public parks and trails), to generate funds for Outdoor Recreation infrastructure maintenance (signage, trails upkeep, etc.). I'd rather see them become a part of the volunteer engagement strategy.

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| 14 | For the swimming pool: In order to create a healthier environment, mimic what West Van did to reduce chlorine use in the pool. The only reason I never swim in Brennan Park is the chlorine levels in the pool are not maintained well. I can smell it. I wait until summer and head to the lakes. With the rate of cancer in our society, we should look for options that provide a healthy activity with less toxins bombarding our immune systems. | Jan 2, 2013 1:12 PM |
| 15 | Advisory Groups must have council representation, support and commitment in order to succeed. Numerous advisory groups have failed in the past due to a lack of the above. The Gathering and Celebrating Advisory Group seems unweildy with so many diverse events and celebrations. Perhaps a short term committee to develop policy around local events and subsequent short term committees to deal with issues as they come up. It is important that all Advisory Groups be focussed and practical in their intent or interest and participation quickly dwindles. Youth and Senior sub committees should be expanded to include more than just recreation issues. It is important to offer central camping but do a better job of attracting campers. Have an accessible campsite that makes REVENUE for the district. Single climbing walls are usually underused. If Squamish is going to offer an indoor climbing facility which is a great idea, then do it properly and have it a revenue making venture. Create a proper indoor climbing gym that will be well used. Enhancing the visibility of Brennan Park to Highway 99 should not involve the cutting down of any trees for environmental reasons. We do not have to lay Squamish bare to the highway. Those trees serve as an important sound and safety barrier. They are aesthetically pleasing and home to many critters. | Dec 28, 2012 5:04 PM |

Page 5, Q7. Overall, to what extent do you support Draft 2 of the Master Plan?

1	Glad this was made available to the public.	Jan 28, 2013 9:57 AM
2	See above.	Jan 28, 2013 9:44 AM
3	Too much focus on bringing music concerts to our community. Feel that the equestrian recreational area is to be sacrificed in order for concert promoters to profit. Tragic that the consultant feels the need to cater to music events that would take place perhaps 3 weeks of the year and wants to take away our youth's equestrian activities that are enjoyed year round.	Jan 15, 2013 12:30 AM
4	I have major concerns on the arean life. The arean priority needs to move higher. Given failure at any time is possible it should almost be the next priority project for parks and recreation. I know it is expensive and will draw significant amount of dollars but putting it off could lead to disastorous results. Imagine the heart break for so many families if the rink was shut down due to failure and couldn't finish the season or possibly even start the next season.	Jan 14, 2013 9:30 PM
5	I believe the ice rink priority needs to move higher. This is the reason I have not marked strongly support.	Jan 14, 2013 9:19 PM
6	I strongly support some sections of it and am neutral or unsupportive of other sections resulting in my rating.	Jan 14, 2013 7:19 PM
7	I would give the report "strong support" but for the fact that its recommendations concerning (a) new uses for Ministry of Forests site/building, (b) assumption of Lower Blind Channel/ Nexen Beach as appropriate for windsurfing facility development, and (c) lack of recognition of the Squamish Arts Council as THE legitimate, established, obvious "advisory group" on arts, culture and heritage facilities and programming matters.	Jan 13, 2013 7:24 PM
8	Except for arts and culture section needs redo.	Jan 11, 2013 8:44 PM
9	Tim Hoskins is set on spending a lot of taxpayer dollars on recreation. We, the taxpayer cannot afford this.	Jan 10, 2013 4:07 PM
10	Way too expensive a plan for Squamish. We do NOT have a West Vancouver budget.	Jan 10, 2013 3:58 PM
11	Support some sections but strongly disagree with others.	Jan 10, 2013 11:45 AM
12	Recent activity on the part of rec. management leads me to doupt the integrity of the whole process.	Jan 9, 2013 9:29 PM
13	I am excited that you are taking the time to create this plan... I just hope that it is acted upon and quite quickly... as these changes are past due in my opinion.	Dec 28, 2012 9:23 PM

Page 5, Q8. Do you have any additional suggestions or comments in relation to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

1	As indicated.	Jan 28, 2013 9:59 AM
2	Lacrosse box - outdoor/indoor box availability. Hockey - outdoor/indoor availability. This should be available all year round to cross train and train future athletes and market as our two national sports, just like the government already has accepted. In regards to recreation programming. Did you know it takes up to 2 months to even suggest/or bring a program to fruition at Brennan Park? Being a supporter of our national sports come winter and summer, I found that none of these two sports were made available to the community through our public facility at an affordable price or marketed. This should be a priority for national identity. Don't get my opinion wrong. We are sitting on a gold mine here as far as outdoor recreation. We need to capitalize on this and market appropriately. As an outdoor recreation professional this needs improvement. Do we have an outdoor recreation building, we need to establish this and run with it as a hub. The closest building that exists is the adventure centre. Also, in regard to the lacrosse box being in partnership with Squamish Nation in your recommendations. I attended those meetings to support a box lacrosse and feel that it is needed to be on district land near BPRC due to location, access of public use. Your recommendations suggests it go on reserve land. But did you know there used to be one, but it was burned down and not replaced? Similar to the one that already existed behind BPRC but has been replaced by an outdoor gym that barely gets used.	Jan 28, 2013 9:57 AM
3	We are a community of doers and want amenities that work. I feel there should be more money spent to provide a broader range of services. Not alot of money on aesthetically pleasing buildings that are limited in the services that they provide.	Jan 28, 2013 9:44 AM
4	The environment comes first. Wild-life corridors, etc.	Jan 28, 2013 9:40 AM
5	A recreation Master Plan should cater to the recreational needs and wants of our community. Priority should not be given to concert promoters if it means sacrificing any of our community's recreational areas	Jan 15, 2013 12:30 AM
6	John Hunter park in Valleycliffe is a disgrace to the name of a fine man who did a lot for our community and for it to be included in any type of inventory as "park land" is ridiculous.	Jan 14, 2013 7:19 PM
7	as a property owner in the finch drive area i am directly affected by the changes to the brennan park area. two things that greatly concern me relate to the svea riding facilities and the concerts we have. #1. i am glad to see that you are revising your ideas for the svea riding club. when we bought our property on finch drive, one of the things that was/is important to me is the location of the riding club and the many beautiful trails to ride on. the club has put alot of work into their location, and it is a much needed facility that goes with this neighborhood. now, svea wants a long term commitment so they can upgrade the facilities again and are looking to putting in an indoor arena, so, we can have a year round riding facility, which would be an amazing thing to have. there is still alot of space around the present area--the woods between the arenas and the highway. the woods between the rcmp office and the path behind the baseball fields could be incorporated for additional space. i believe that an indoor arena would be beneficial to the community by expanding the potential for	Jan 14, 2013 1:09 PM

Page 5, Q8. Do you have any additional suggestions or comments in relation to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

equine activities such as therapeutic riding. also, i believe that svea would be open to allowing the facility to be used for non-equine events. i have heard that the municipality wants to relocate the svea club to the squamish valley. it makes me feel like there is an underlying plan to push the horses out of this neighborhood. first you start paving the paths; which is a deadly nightmare to ride on, by the way. then, move the riding arena far away from where the actual horses are. it doesn't make sense to me. please let svea keep their space and continue to improve the facilities that they have put so much into over the years. #2. it seems like there is a plan to increase the number of loud concerts held in the loggers sports grounds and baseball fields. (another reason given why the horse area isn't suitable anymore) since we live right here, i think we should have an opinion on the amount of superloud activities that happen. the live at squamish concert is so loud, i can just sit in my front yard and it's like being right there. while that may be okay once a year, expanding it to several times a year is something i am not sure is a great idea. also, the increased traffic is a nightmare. this past year, we had to keep guard on our properties because concert goers felt they could park anywhere they like. they tried to park on our land. they parked on the street outside our yards. they drank, smoked and littered. they partied outside our windows at all hours. again, once a year is okay. but, several times a year?? this doesn't benefit our neighborhood at all and it causes a bunch of headaches. i moved into a horsey neighborhood to enjoy my hobby of horseback riding. if it is diminished by taking away my riding facilities and limiting my use of the trails, and turning it into concert central, then my home is changed drastically from what i bought into. and, that's certainly not a fair or reasonable thing to do to this little equine community. this neighborhood has been here for many, many years. i know alot of people come down here specifically to see the horses. they bring their children to pet the horses. people love horses. instead of seeing the equine group as a problem to deal with, they should be seen as a treasure to value and nurture. there's a saying-- "there's nothing better for the inside of a man, than the outside of a horse". i think horses add alot to this community and i hope we are allowed to thrive in our established neighborhood. thank you.

8	With respect to the Draft Plan's recommendations for the Ministry of Forests site uses and Nexen Beach/ Lower Blind Channel windsurfing facility development... we cannot put Recreation at the centre of everything. The Ministry of Forests, Industry, and Marine Commercial Transportation are important to our community and regional economy, and their roles are not going to diminish from where they are today.	Jan 13, 2013 7:24 PM
9	Suggest that Arts and culture section needs redo.	Jan 11, 2013 8:44 PM
10	Changes to our recreation should be made very, very, slowly based on community facts and available financing and not staff opinions. Employees should be hired on the basis that they show enjoyment of their jobs, not just put in union hours or time until retirement.	Jan 10, 2013 4:07 PM
11	Get somebody in charge who knows how to spend taxpayer monies frugally, like it was his or her own money. We don't need a Donald Trump type of spender calling the shots.	Jan 10, 2013 3:58 PM
12	If your holding public meetings and record the opinions expressed make sure	Jan 10, 2013 11:45 AM

Page 5, Q8. Do you have any additional suggestions or comments in relation to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

these opinons find themselves into your report. Example: Fitness facility at Brennan Park

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| 13 | Let's get on it! | Jan 9, 2013 9:20 PM |
| 14 | proper running track please! km distance markers on the corridor trail please. create partnerships for swimming with groups such as the titans triathlon club when considering montly passes for pool etc. | Jan 5, 2013 12:04 AM |
| 15 | You had commented that we don't have enough ball fields and lacrosse fields in relation to other communities. Maybe we don't need them. I think this needs to be explored more before it is implemented. What types of activities and fields do people want to have? Spending the money on building a better Brennan Facility makes HUGE sense. We have many rainy, cold damp days being on the ocean. It would be great to include a short term locker area for people who are exploring Squamish and camping but need to lock up valuables; steam rooms for the many soggy days we experience; dry and wet saunas; maybe even a big water slide for the kids; bigger kiddie pool; indoor climbing center. I think spending the money here before many of the other options around creating other "fields" makes good sense as you capture a bigger part of the demographics versus the few that will play lacrosse or use the ball park. Squamish is unique and and better indoor facility would complement the outdoor life. Thanks. | Jan 2, 2013 1:20 PM |

APPENDIX B3

Open House Summaries



E . L e e s & A s s o c i a t e s C o n s u l t i n g L t d .

District of Squamish Parks + Recreation Master Plan

Public Workshop #1 Summary Notes

Date: March 28, 2012
Time: 6:00-8:00pm
Location: Brennan Recreation Centre, Foyer and Junior Lounge

Attending:

Erik Lees, David Gibbon, Cathy Matheson, Mark Vulliamy, Megan Turnock (ELAC)
Amica Antonelli, Janet Gugens, Todd Pope, Tim Hoskin, Scott Lamont, Shannon Collier (DoSq)

The first public workshop for the 2012 Parks and Recreation Master Plan was held in Squamish at the Brennan Recreation Centre. The format for the workshop included four discussion tables, each with a specific topic, where the public could provide feedback. Each table topic included a list of questions, at least one facilitator, a flip-chart for recording comments, and a map for reference and to provide another option for recording comments.

The table topics and facilitators were:

Outdoor Sports and Athletics	Mark Vulliamy (ELAC) + Amica Antonelli (DoSq)
Indoor Recreation	Shannon (DoSq)
Arts + Culture	Cathy Matheson (ELAC)
Parks	Scott (DoSq) + Megan Turnock (ELAC)
Outdoor Recreation + Trails	Todd (DoSq)

The evening program officially began at 6:00pm with people arriving, signing in, and perusing the presentation boards. The sign-in sheet provided the opportunity to join the District of Squamish's project email list to receive future updates and event notices. The presentation boards included a brief introduction to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan project, process, timeline, and an overview map of Squamish parks and recreation amenities.

A feedback form was also made available throughout the evening. The feedback form mirrored the phone survey that was completed by the Mustel Group for the project. The same feedback form was provided at the Recreation Centre, at City Hall, and online (SurveyMonkey), for those who could not attend but wanted to provide feedback.

Attendance was excellent, with approximately 150 Squamish residents attending. Many arrived at 6:00pm and stayed for the entire evening. Mayor Kirkham, Councilor Heintzman, and Councilor Sander were in attendance, and the Mayor spoke a few words at 7:00pm.

At 6:15, an informal introduction to the purpose and format for the evening was given by Erik Lees. Four discussion sessions, each 15-20 minutes, were facilitated so that attendees had a chance to participate at all the tables. Notes were recorded by the facilitators on flip-charts and on maps at each table. Following the workshop, the flip-charts were transcribed by District of Squamish staff. Map notes were compiled by ELAC staff.

WATERFRONT

- A key component of Squamish outdoor recreation
- Activities include sailing, dragon boating, kayaking, canoeing, windsurfing, kiteboarding, wakeboarding

Existing limitations:

- Need better access
- Boat ramps
- Boat and kayak storage
- Dredging needed
- Lack of connection to downtown

Suggestions:

- Provide family beach access, perhaps in Brackendale (Judd Beach)
- Engage the Estuary Group
- Dredge the Mamquam Blind Channel and boat ramps
- Work to create a connected dyke system
- Create a “blueways” trail around downtown
- Take advantage of new Oceanfront development to improve waterfront access

TRAILS

- A key component of Squamish outdoor recreation and are used for exercise, commuting, tourism, and recreation
- Activities include mountain biking, BMX, dirt biking, trials riding, hiking, dog walking, bird watching, trail running, horseback riding, snow shoeing, backcountry skiing, cross country skiing
- Received feedback on the key access points to backcountry trails

Existing limitations

- Access issues exist – private land, crown land, right-of-ways
- Lack of signage, mapping, and clarity of trail use
- No good/interesting beginner trails
- Need planning and implementation of maintenance, mapping and planning
- Volunteerism is at capacity

Suggestions

- Integrate local artists into trail signage and art
- Protect key access points and access points for all neighbourhoods
- Improve connectivity – create green corridors, connect parks and neighbourhoods, provide commuting routes
- Improve funding and support for trail development and maintenance
- Support trail user groups, grass roots planning, and events
- Reduce red tape and secure access agreements

SPORTS + ATHLETICS

Residents are very involved in sports and athletics, with many resident high-level athletes. There is a lot of interest in individual / non-traditional sports and less interest in team/field sports (although soccer, slo-pitch, and lacrosse were represented).

Existing limitations

- cost
- access (time, hours of operation, field closures, competing demands)
- transportation
- programming
- facilities
- lighting

Suggestions

Programming improvements:

- Focus on kids, tweens, and teens
- Consider drop-in multisport for youth
- Include “Long-Term Athletic Development” programming and multi-sport approach/all ages
- Focus on training facilities, off-season training and competitive training (Nordic, indoor multisport facility)
- Highlight and support local athletes
- Improve communication, consultation with users, create sport council
- Specific facilities
 - bike skills park (indoor/outdoor/covered)
 - indoor/outdoor track
 - indoor multisport
 - indoor equestrian
 - lacrosse field/box
 - public golf course
 - add lighting to skate park and other outdoor facilities
 - pitch n putt, mini golf, par-3/whiffle ball golf
 - disc golf course
 - ropes course
 - covered outdoor fitness area (all ages)

EVENTS + OUTDOOR RECREATION CAPITAL BRAND

There is a lot of support for events and the Outdoor Recreation Capital brand, but also a need for a coordinated effort to make them successful and to capitalize on the potential for economic benefits. Events that were mentioned included the mountain bike races, Squamish Days Loggers Sports Festival, Squamish Nation events, local theatre, farmers market, Relay for Life/fundraisers, outdoor/nature events, and multi-cultural events.

Existing limitations

- volunteer capacity/lack of paid leadership
- no events facility and inadequate temporary/multi-use event space
- need support for weekly events
- lack of space for waterfront events or water sports competitions

Suggestions

- Encourage events, arts + culture that celebrate our diversity, our environmental icons, and heritage
- Design music and cultural events with outdoor recreation users in mind
- Create an events facility and/or improve multi-purpose/temporary space to support events
- Create momentum and “annualize” events.
- Find corporate sponsors or benefactors
- Integrate arts + culture into outdoor recreation events
- Dedicate the summer months to events
- Review liability and insurance policy
- Specific Events existing or desired:
 - BC Summer Seniors Games
 - Relay for Life/fundraisers
 - Mountain bike races
 - Dragon boat races
 - Squamish Days Loggers Sports
 - Farmers market
 - Music jam events
 - Local theatre
 - Squamish Nation events
 - Outdoor concerts
 - Horseback riding events
 - Multicultural events
 - Outdoor/nature based events
 - Estuary-focused events

ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE

Squamish is rich in arts, culture, and heritage including the natural environmental icons (the Chief), the Squamish Arts Council, the Squamish Nation, local artists and community groups.

Existing Limitations:

- Lack of programming, lack of drop-in programs (dance specifically mentioned)
- Lack of facility availability, affordability, and communication
- Squamish Arts Council need District support
- Need music venues and practice/jam studio space

Suggestions:

- Create a centralized place for info about space rentals and costs
- Focus on children and youth opportunities
- Coordinate with school district
- Improve dance programming and venue availability/affordability
- Expand Squamish Arts Council
- Capitalize on the oceanfront development (arts center, 500-600 seat venue)
- Use the Adventure Centre as a central communications hub
- Incorporate art, culture, and history into public spaces to tell the story of Squamish
- Incorporate art and culture into park and trail signage



E . L e e s & A s s o c i a t e s C o n s u l t i n g L t d .

District of Squamish Parks + Recreation Master Plan

Public Workshop #2 Summary Notes

Date: June 11, 2012
Time: 6:00-8:00pm
Location: Brennan Recreation Centre, Auditorium

Attending:

Erik Lees and Megan Turnock (ELAC)
Amica Antonelli, Janet Gugens, Todd Pope, Shannon Collier, Tim Hoskin (DoSq)

The second public workshop for the 2012 Parks and Recreation Master Plan was held in Squamish at the Brennan Recreation Centre. The format for the workshop included four discussion tables, each with a specific topic, where the public could provide feedback. Each table topic included a list of questions, at least one facilitator, a flip-chart for recording comments, and a map for reference and to provide another option for recording comments.

The table topics and facilitators were:

Janet Gugens	Sport, Health and Wellness
Shannon Collier	Arts, Culture + Heritage
Amica Antonelli	Events, Economic Development and Community Engagement
Todd Pope	Parks, Environment, Waterfront, Climbing, Trails

The evening program officially began at 6:00pm with people arriving, signing in, and perusing the presentation boards. The presentation boards included a summary of the results from the phone survey relating to the four topics. Attendance was good, with approximately 50 Squamish residents attending over the course of the evening. Many arrived at 6:00pm and stayed for the entire evening.

At 6:15, Erik Lees started the evening with a PowerPoint presentation which presented the preliminary results from the survey and questionnaire and the agenda and table discussion topics. Two discussion sessions, each 30 minutes, were facilitated so that attendees had a chance to participate at multiple tables. Notes were recorded by the facilitators on flip-charts. Following the workshop, the flip-charts were transcribed by ELAC staff.



E . L e e s & A s s o c i a t e s C o n s u l t i n g L t d .

District of Squamish
2012 Parks & Recreation Master Plan Project
Open House #2
Table Discussion Notes

Date: June 11, 2012

Time: Open House 6:00-8:00pm

Location: Brennan Park Auditorium and Senior Lounge

Attending: Lees+Associates Team
Erik Lees, Mark Vulliamy, Cathy Matheson, Megan Turnock
District Steering Committee Members

MC/Host: Erik Lees, LEES + Associates

Table Hosts: Janet Gugins - Sport, Health, Wellness
Shannon Collier - Arts, Culture, Heritage
Amica Antonelli - Events, Economic Development, Community Engagement
Todd Pope – Parks, Environment, Waterfront, Climbing, Trails

Agenda:

6:00	Welcome
6:10-6:30	Presentation of Key Findings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public phone survey and online/paper survey results• Summary from Open House #1• Key Findings
6:30-7:00	Table Discussions
7:00-7:30	Table Discussions
7:30-7:50	Wrap-up summary from each table host
7:50-8:00	Next Steps



TABLE TOPICS AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Sport, Health, and Wellness

A. Discussion Questions:

1. Sports field allocation – is it working? How can it be improved? What is fair?
 - More baseball diamonds
 - Lights
 - Slo-pitch off school fields / upgrade school fields
 - Adult sports at Brennan Park / Hendrickson
 - Lacrosse field / expand field usage
 - Childrens programs at Brennan Park condensed
 - Field user meeting process needs to be improved
 - Improve access to BMX and all weather fields
 - Spectator stands
 - More/better bathrooms/changerooms
 - Management of washrooms during tournaments needs attention
 - Interaction between the field user groups could improve
 - 400 m track around grass fields
2. How should the recreation department support the most popular leisure and sport activities? Entry level, advanced, or all levels? Provide programs internally or partner with local organizations/businesses? What about multi-sport programs for young kids (as opposed to single-sport programs)?
 - Start with entry level programs, with opportunities to advance
3. Given Squamish's identity as the "Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada" what about making a stronger connection with outdoor recreation activities that aren't traditional rec programs? One strategy would be for the Recreation department to develop programs that build awareness, safety, and skills for outdoor opportunities.
 - Better website – fun, vibrant, image, links to sports organizations
 - Continued/ongoing support financially for infrastructure
 - Communication on plans / planning process
 - Utilize the usergroups abilities
 - Partnerships
 - Risk tolerance
 - Additional programs for low income / multicultural community



- Improve branding on Outdoor Recreation Capital
 - Put our money where our mouth is
 - Better define the purpose of the adventure centre
 - Develop waterfront for watersports
 - Dredge where necessary
 - Canoe/kayak facilities
 - Intergenerational programs
 - Environmental programs
 - Long-term development for athletics
4. Would you like to see the Recreation department develop sport programs that are guided by national athletic development principles? Do you like this direction? What other approaches to recreational programming could be considered?
- Start entry programs with a plan to advance
 - Entry level is the priority
 - Stakeholders develop at a higher level
 - All levels of skill development with some focus on national athletics
 - How can DOS provide support for user groups?
 - i. Provide facilities, awards, meetings
 - ii. Better communication
 - iii. Collaborative approach
 - iv. Help keep costs down
 - v. Communicate amongst user groups
 - vi. Set up a liason group
 - vii. Not fighting against each other
 - viii. Advocate
 - ix. Links to all sports organizations on the website
 - x. Field lighting billing issues
 - xi. Ice billing issues
5. Squamish has a large proportion of young and very young children. What indoor and outdoor spaces are needed to support programs and play for young children?
- Water park
 - Lacrosse box
 - Fields
 - 2nd ice rink, look at the life of the current rink
 - Boat storage



- Olympic size pool
 - Climbing wall/gym
 - Free drop-in teen centre
 - Batting cages
 - Bike lanes – safer, around schools, separated from traffic
 - Indoor soccer
 - Indoor riding equestrian
 - Indoor track
 - Pitch n putt
 - Measured trails
 - Canada Games centre in Whitehorse
 - Bigger play area for kids @ brennan park
 - Curling – more support
 - Bus service to Whistler for youth, possible partnership with whistler/Callaghan
 - Safe put in and take out for water sports – Catermaule slew, upper blind channel
 - Maintaining the lease agreement w/ BMX
6. Are there linkages and partnerships with local organizations, athletes, or businesses that could be developed?
- Schools (all) – Richmond each highschool links to a community centre and provides night school programs
 - User groups
 - Canoe / kayak bc
 - New umbrella sports association to better communicate between all groups
 - Utilize volunteers to develop programs and create a policy
 - Healthcare providers
 - Access for short-term visitors
 - Curling



Arts, culture, and heritage

A. Review survey and open house responses.

B. Discussion Questions:

Squamish is rich in Arts, Culture, and Heritage, but these aren't a substantial part of the District's Recreation Services.

1. What role should the District play in arts, culture, and heritage promotion or programming?
 - Grants
 - Continue/support/fortify the grant program through SAC
 - Trust the arts community, the umbrella organization
 - Help publicize the arts community, bring awareness outside of squamish
 - Council support for arts and culture in downtown squamish (ex. Eagle Eye Theatre, partnership with schoolboard, support for shared spaces)
 - DOS working with first nations
2. What role should the Parks and Recreation department play in arts, culture and heritage promotion or programming?
 - Flexibility with different functions
 - Opportunities for functions, exhibits, and performances
 - Space use
 - SAC advertising events in brochure is a good thing
3. How can arts, culture and heritage leverage, support or build on the "Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada" brand?
 - Should be outdoor recreation and arts capital of Canada
 - Working waterfront – outdoor museum
 - Integrate industry, past, present and future as part of our culture
 - Don't just focus on recreation
4. What kind of opportunities for partnership/collaboration between local artists or arts, culture or heritage organizations and the Recreation Department could be realized now? What benefits would these partnerships +



collaborations bring to each partner? What partnerships + collaborations could be realized in the future? What benefits could they bring in the future?

- Arts displays @ rec centre like at the library entrance
 - Downtown parks used to display arts and events
 - Recognize there are many opportunities
 - Community building – enhanced use of district investment (parks)
 - Organize concerts that coincide with other events (farmers market)
 - Support from the DOS – cost, insurance, make it affordable
 - Keep supporting arts – there is room to grow
5. What facility or park infrastructure should be identified and prioritized to support arts, culture and heritage?
- Need an assessment for new facilities
 - Community should identify the need, not private organizations
 - Arts council building
 - Rec centre, senior centre, library and parks
6. Where is the greatest need and priority for arts, culture or heritage programming?
- Affordable performing arts theatre
 - Community use of facilities
 - Childrens/school support
 - No policy / identify process for Arts, Culture, and Heritage
 - Draft public art policy has been ignored
7. Squamish has a large proportion of young and very young children. What new arts, culture or heritage programs could be offered and are there people in the community who could lead their development?
- Lots of local artists that can lead programs
 - School programming
 - Literacy space – arts, crafts, books – should be included within the rec centre



Events and Economic Development

A. Discussion Questions:

There is strong support in the community for hosting a wide variety of special events for locals and visitors such as:

- Sports races
- Markets
- Athletic tournaments
- Music festivals – local or regional?
- Children’s events (what kind?)
- Arts and theatre events

1. What should be the priority events for the District in the short term? New events?

What about long-term goals?

- Prioritize events with large sponsorship opportunities (e.g. opening of full nelson (Red Bull Sponsored)
- Events that align with Outdoor Rec Capital brand
- Events that draw people for more than event (multi-day/spending)
- Improve image as overnight destination, events that encourage overnight stays
- Bring people together (multi-activity, breaking down silos)
- Aim to host the BC Senior Games, BC Summer Games
- Need a track (IAF), Don Ross track redone (\$900k)
- Have a link between event and businesses
- Kids events earlier in the day and evening; include kids activities at events
- New events for the downtown area
- Canada Day events need annual carry-through to build momentum and consistency

2. What are the main issues with existing events (i.e. coordination, parking, noise, communications, transportation, integration with the community, etc.)? What could make those events better and appealing to a wider variety of people? (Spectator areas? Washrooms? Remote parking with shuttles? Other support amenities?)

- The District doesn’t capitalize on events that do come. Ideas: discounts, shuttles, cheering, parties, etc.
- Transportation: parking downtown and at Brennan Park, improve transportation



- Address noise
 - Communication, management, and promotion
 - Gran Fondo must be friendlier to town; have a ½ fondo that starts/ends in town with a spectator zone; capitalize on the event and increase local participation
 - Target event times for Squamish promotion
 - Recognize historical events; small town events near and dear to the community
 - Local flavor, not corporate
 - Washrooms, care of portapotties
 - Grand fondo moved Brackendale Fall Fair Date due to access, but didn't leave \$ in Squamish (fall fair does, though)
3. If the District assigns designated staff member to work on events planning, coordination, communication, and support of volunteers, what do you believe the key roles and priorities for this staff should be?
- Make events successful
 - Remove barriers, be responsive – i.e. changing rooms closed!
 - Marketing, cross-marketing – find synergies
 - Optimize scheduling for the community
 - Research other towns and how they operate
 - Lack of event continuity
 - Volunteers and goals change
 - Inconsistent programming
 - Need to keep momentum
 - Can events not be run by volunteers or businesses?
 - DOS staff could provide guidance (parking, how to host special events in squamish)
 - Liason for the community
 - Promote the town
4. Part of the Parks and Rec Master Plan will include an evaluation of existing facilities and whether they can meet Squamish's goals for hosting events. Do you see a need for new facilities to host these types of events? What do you think of a new events site somewhere other than Brennan Park?
- Track for senior/summer games, ongoing events
 - More ice time



- Partner with Quest or RMOW for facilities and larger events
 - Pool not really big enough to host events
 - Outdoor waterpark, maybe at the waterfront?
 - More when town grows
 - Brennan Park needs better/more ice surface and seating
 - Need a great outdoor venue
 - Covered outdoor event space
 - Use downtown pavilion (500-1000 p eople)
5. What is the role of the Logger Sports Days? Are there upgrades or changes to the existing site that could allow for other uses for events or activities at other times of the year?
- Single limited event
 - The site is used for concerts, but should be more multi-use
 - Potential for theatre, art, music
 - Luna Films for youth (role of youth centre? Work with local group?)
 - Events downtown might have more benefit than at L.S.
 - Nexen Beach events draw people downtown, but site improvements are needed
 - Heritage is important, but only used 3 days
 - Need other uses – outdoor theatre
 - Tent, covered area for production companies
 - Make it nicer, remove the mess
 - Upgrade fencing and seating
 - Folding chairs can work (bring your own chairs)
 - VIP areas can generate \$ for event or non-profit
6. Could the Logger Sports event be better accommodated at a new multipurpose venue?
- Yes
 - Seating and transportation are an issue
 - No. Cross fit gets youth involved in logger sports
 - Needs a new story – has potential
 - Heritage and entertainment important
7. Should the District pursue partnership opportunities that would integrate private service providers directly into recreation facilities (i.e. physio office, health care clinic, fitness provider, etc. with rented office space in the recreation centre "mall")?



- Yes, but regulate private sponsorship
 - Fitness centres should be private
 - DOS shouldn't compete with private fitness centres
 - Private business in Brennan might draw in new crowds
 - Difficult to get meeting space, shouldn't crowd it out more with commercial uses
 - Space should be available to the community, but sharing is supported (public/private)
 - Union hours and wages create issues; barrier to evening use
8. Should the District pursue partnership opportunities with public or private institutional organizations such as the School District? Should Don Ross Secondary School be considered for a joint partnership to upgrade the natural turf field and track, or maybe create a mini-stadium?
- Yes; Don Ross for Seniors Games potential
 - Yes, accommodate high standards
 - Yes, more partnerships

Parks, Trails, Environment, Waterfront, Climbing

A. Discussion Questions:

1. One of the key findings so far is that site-specific improvement plans should be developed for the Estuary, the Training Dyke/Howe Sound water sports precinct, and the Squamish River corridor. Which should have priority? How should these sites be developed?
- Brackendale Farmers Institute was not listed as the most important "natural area"
 - How is environment encapsulated into the report. 2002 Parks and Rec plan had a good context to the environment in regards to natural attributes, biodiversity. Work from 2002 needs to be brought forward.
 - River corridor – Kite surfing is extremely busy with visitors (100 waiting on weekends). Look at other areas and see how they've made it work in Hood River. Brackendale needs to be involved in the river corridor.
 - Estuary needs to be maintained and protected.
 - Sailing amenities need improvement (Squamish OceanFront development)
 - Kite boarding is going to be an Olympic event



- What are we doing to improve these areas?
 - Nexen Beach needs a ramp to launch or beach cleared and a compound to store equipment
 - Sailing centre needs a ramp
 - Trail upgrade across from Nexen
 - Can Nexen be upgraded before the SODC official plan? (Squamish Oceanfront Development Corp)
 - Motorized jet boats
 - Does DOS collect funds from these groups?
 - P3 end of north end of Judd Slough – why is it zoned park and where is it?
 - Access to paddle sports? SODC opens gate – can it be open to the Estuary?
2. How has the Smoke Bluffs Development Plan worked so far? Is it time to re-evaluate or reinvigorate the planning and implementation process?
- Lights in Smoke Bluffs
 - Clean them up
 - Private properties are still an access issue
 - Can Smoke Bluffs Development be used as a template for other development of local parks?
 - Gondola as a template
3. What is the future of Brennan Park? Should it be devoted to long-term growth of community athletic infrastructure?
- Yes, if it is going to be more cost effective to have DOS amenities in one place
 - Has Brennan Park had seismic upgrades?
 - Needs a climbing wall
 - What are the alternatives?
 - Would that take away from downtown? What would be the priorities?
 - Short and long term – what is the plan?
 - Arena dressing rooms need to be redone
 - Need a climbing wall
 - Need a fitness gym
 - Having activities in one location is a bonus
 - Campground, fields, and parking are great for tournaments



4. Squamish Parks are constantly undergoing evaluation for upgrade and maintenance needs. Part of the Park and Rec Master Plan is to develop maintenance and renewal priorities for each park. Do you have any suggestions for short term needs at existing parks?
 - o Fisherman's Park vs. Fisherman's Entrance – which is which and can the names be more defined? Fix sign
 - o Access trails to parks need improvement
 - o Lacrosse box/field added to Brennan Park
 - o Kids outdoor water park at Brenna Park or downtown
 - o Lights on fields so we can play longer
 - o Wet fields do not allow for maximum use
 - o Utilization of fields and facilities
 - o Free bike skills park
 - o Brackendale Farmers Institute needs to be an official park – DOS needs to do the official documentation, designation
 - o Keep motorized traffic out of all parks (e.g. John Hunter Park and Dykes)
 - o More bigger playground at Brennan Park – we have so many kids and a very small playground
 - o Sign at Argyle Park/Braemar Park
 - o Need consistent naming, signage and maps for all parks
 - o Why are they getting rid of the cherry trees at Stan Clarke Park???
 - o Need to have some designated dog parks – BIG ONE
5. The District has limited budgets and resources for maintenance of existing park land and natural areas. What potential do you see for developing neighbourhood interest groups or stewardship groups? What kind of resources should the District contribute to these kinds of efforts?
 - o BFI would like DOS to support them and other groups like them.
 - o Encourage and listen more
6. Should uncommitted or leased land at Brennan Park be reserved for long-term growth of traditional community athletic park infrastructure (i.e. additional sports fields, children's areas, support amenities, etc.)? Should short term leases remain just that - with an ultimate goal of having the lease-holder seek more appropriate accommodation as their membership base and means improve (i.e. equestrian clubs, tennis clubs, BMX & mountain bike clubs, etc.)?. What kind of criteria should be used to make this kind of decision?



- 1 year lease is limiting, 3 years is too short for investment in a site
- Would like longer terms to capitalize on investments (i.e. equestrians, sailing, bmx)
- Traditional vs non – how is this defined?
- Goals can be reached if we are able to develop these sports with longer term leases
- 10-year leases would secure and develop sports further
- Short term lease holders would love more security to invest in improvements
- Retain greenery

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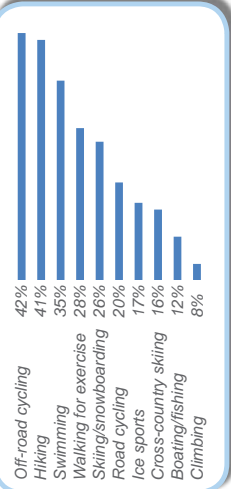
SPORT, HEALTH + WELLNESS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Is the sports field allocation process working? How can it be improved?
2. How should the recreation department support popular activities?
 - Entry level, advanced, or all levels?
 - Provide programs internally or partner with local organizations/businesses?
3. How can the connection with the "outdoor recreation" brand be improved?
4. Should the recreation department incorporate national athletic development principles?
 - "Canadian Sport for Life"
 - "Long-Term Athletic Development"
5. What indoor and outdoor spaces are needed to support the large number of young children? What can be provided for parents to help them stay active in recreation, too?
6. What linkages and partnerships can be developed? (local organizations, athletes, businesses, health providers, etc.)

Top 10 Recreation Activities*

*Phone Survey by Mural Group



Children / Youth

Top 10 Activities for Kids:

- Swimming
- Soccer
- Skiing/snowboarding
- Ice sports
- Off-road cycling
- Road cycling
- Cross country skiing
- Hiking
- Dance
- Baseball

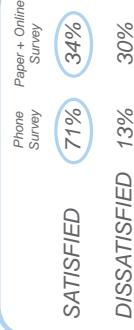
COMMENTS:

- need more activities for children/youth
- playgrounds: more, better, improve maintenance, new options

Satisfaction with Indoor Facilities

	Total Satisfied	Total Dissatisfied
Brennan Park swimming pool	89%	7%
Brennan Park Recreation Centre	83%	12%
Brennan Park ice arena	71%	16%
Senior's Centre	68%	17%
Recreation programs for children	77%	17%
Youth programs	65%	21%
After school care programs	43%	25%

Satisfaction with Indoor Opportunities



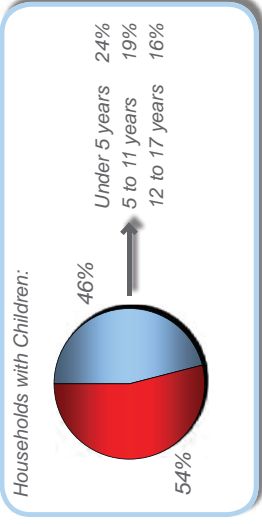
Indoor Themes

Phone Survey Responses:

1. Lack of public/rec centre fitness/workout facilities - 33%
2. Need a multiplex recreation centre - 24%
3. More ice/rink time - 19%
4. Not enough programs for youth/children - 11%
5. Not enough programs in general - 9%

Phone/Online Survey Responses:

- Lack of public / recreation centre fitness/workout facilities (45 in favor / 3 opposed)
- Indoor space for soccer, climbing, biking, skateboarding, horseback riding, lacrosse, roller derby, inline hockey, wheelchair rugby, track, etc
- More ice/rink time / need another skating rink
- Brennan Park upgrades (pool, changerooms)
- Not enough classes and not enough variety (dance, aquafit, aboriginal activities, pilates, yoga, aerobics)
- Need more flexibility in scheduling (later evenings, drop-in, open gym, better communication)
- Add more non-competitive/recreational sports leagues
- Indoor bike skills park / pump track
- Not enough squash courts, indoor tennis
- Curling rink upgrades



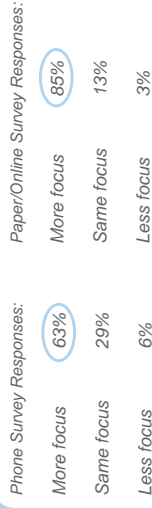
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EVENTS + ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What should be the priority events for the District in the short term? New events? What about long-term goals?
2. What are the main issues and challenges with existing events? What could make them better and appeal to a wider variety of people?
3. If the District assigns designated staff to work on events planning, coordination, communication, and support of events and volunteers, what do you believe the key roles and priorities should be?
4. Do you see a need for new facilities to host the desired range of different events? What do you think of a new events site somewhere other than Brennan Park?
5. What is the role of Squamish Days Loggers Sports? Are there upgrades or changes to the existing site that could allow for other uses at other times of the year?
6. Could the Logger Sports events be better accommodated at a new multipurpose venue?
7. Should the District integrate private service providers directly into recreation facilities?

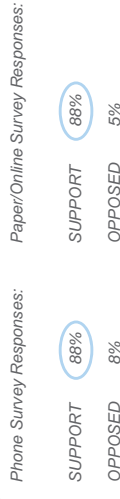
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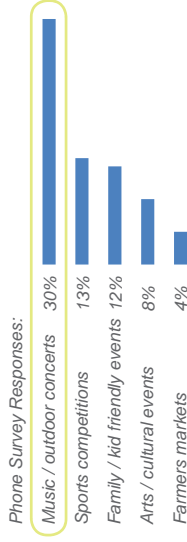
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Do you support hosting large events?



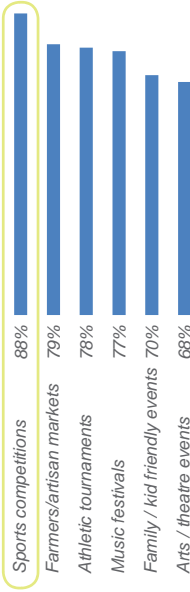
What type of events do you support?



How should the District pay for new or improved facilities?



Paper/Online Survey Responses:



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PARKS, TRAILS, ENVIRONMENT, WATERFRONT, SMOKE BLUFFS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Site-specific improvement plans are needed for the Estuary, Training Dyke/Howe Sound water sports precinct, and the Squamish River corridor. Which should have priority? How should these sites be developed?

2. How has the Smoke Bluffs Development Plan worked so far? Is it time to re-evaluate or reinvigorate the planning and implementation process? What's next?

3. What is the future of Brennan Park? Should it be devoted to long-term growth of community athletic infrastructure?

4. Do you have any suggestions for immediate maintenance and renewal at the existing parks?

5. What is the potential for developing neighbourhood interest groups or stewardship groups? What kind of resources should the District contribute to these kinds of efforts?

6. Should the District hold on to land indefinitely, for possible future use, or should selected sites be sold if favourable economic circumstances arise? What kind of criteria should be used to make this kind of decision?

Satisfaction with Outdoor Facilities

	Total Satisfied	Total Dissatisfied
Walking trails	94%	3%
Bike trails	90%	6%
Parks and open space	87%	11%
Outdoor sports fields	81%	10%
Tennis Courts	62%	18%
Facilities for ocean sports	44%	34%
Childrens playgrounds	80%	13%

Most important natural areas

- Alice Lake
- Smoke Bluffs
- The Chief
- The Estuary
- Lakes and Rivers
- Provincial Parks
- Brohm Lake
- Trail system
- Nexen Beach
- Paradise Valley
- Judd Beach
- The Spit
- Brackendale Eagles
- Waterfront
- Forests/Old Growth Forests
- Garibaldi Springs

Brennan Park



Satisfaction with Outdoor Opportunities



Outdoor Themes

- Phone Survey Responses:
1. Sports fields improvement/more - 15%
 2. Bike trails improvement/more - 11%
 3. Water/waterfront/beach access - 11%
 4. More activities for children/youth - 7%
 5. More parks / dog parks - 7%

Paper/Online Survey Responses:

FIELDS

- improve grass field conditions
- new turf field
- more ball/soccer fields
- lighting

TRAILS

- concern over access
- maintenance improvements
- need support from the District: maintenance, securing access, investment/funding support, support volunteers, prioritize trails
- dog leashing regulations/trail etiquette
- direct routes and paved trails connecting neighbourhoods
- multi-use trails (mountain biking, dirt bikes, trials, horseback riding, dog walking, walking, etc)

WATERFRONT

- better access (community boat storage, better launching area for kayaks, canoes, wind sports, paddle boarding, etc)
- promote tourism / economic development
- Improve oceanfront park and trails

Waterfront



Smoke Bluffs





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District of Squamish Parks + Recreation Master Plan

**Open House #3 Draft Recommendations
Summary Notes**

Date: October 24, 2012
Time: 6:00-8:00pm
Location: Seniors' Center

Attending:

Erik Lees and Megan Turnock (ELAC)
District Staff and Councilors

The third public event for the 2012 Parks and Recreation Master Plan was held at the Squamish Seniors' Centre. The format of the open house included 8 display boards outlining the Draft #1 Recommendations. A paper questionnaire was available for attendees to provide feedback.

The evening program officially began at 6:00pm with people arriving, signing in, and perusing the presentation boards. Informal discussions occurred between residents, the consulting team, and Squamish Staff. Attendance was good, with over 100 Squamish residents attending over the course of the evening. Many arrived at 6:00pm and stayed for the entire evening.

At 7:00, Erik Lees gave a PowerPoint presentation which presented some highlights from the Draft #1 recommendations, followed by a question and discussion period.

Based on feedback, the paper questionnaire was also posted online to Survey Monkey for 2 weeks following the Open House and additional stakeholder meetings were held to discuss some of the specific recommendations.

RECREATION SERVICES + PARKS VISION

DRAFT VISION STATEMENT

We envision a Squamish in which all citizens are actively engaged and collectively participate to create inclusive, fun, and resourceful recreation; a community that enjoys an intimate relationship with the outdoors and nature.

DRAFT MISSION STATEMENT

Squamish Recreation and Parks services build healthy individuals and community by providing excellent leadership in the facilitation and provision of programs and services that are innovative, creative, safe and affordable

DRAFT PRINCIPLES

The following principles and values guide our efforts and decisions:

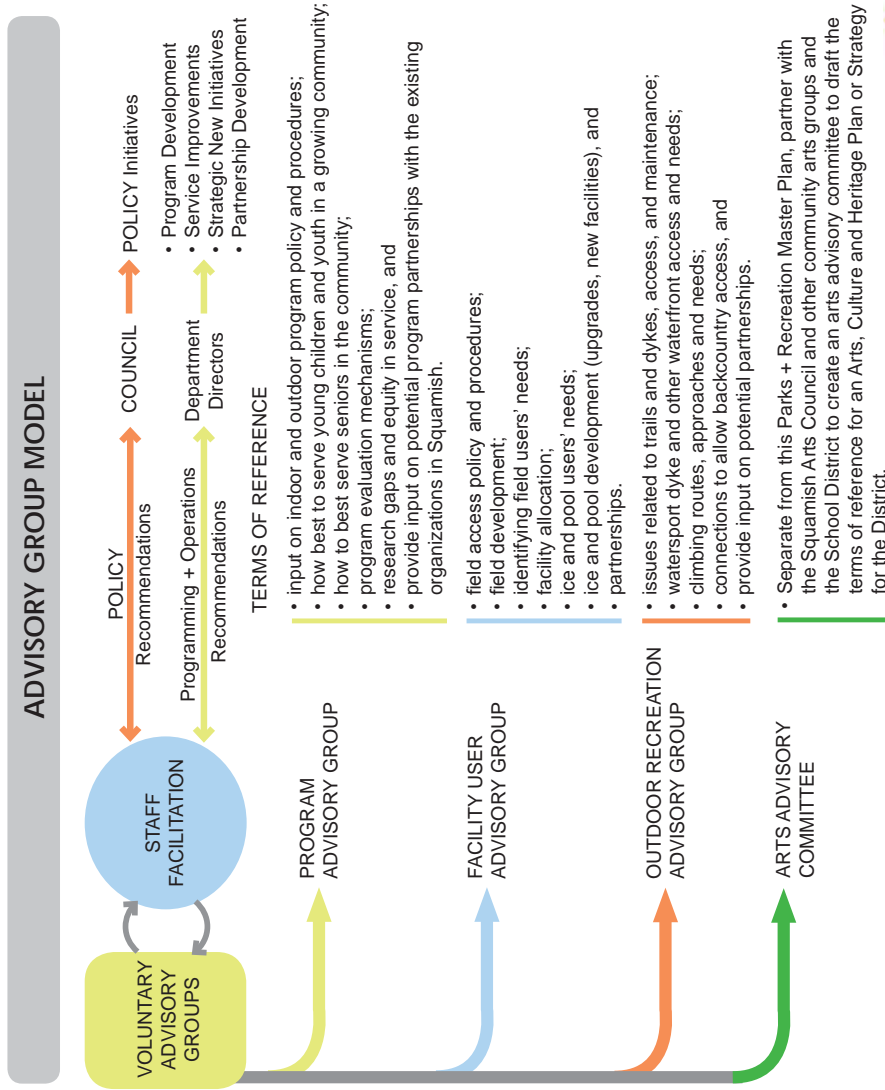
- We believe recreation is a vital public good and a basic right for all.
- We believe parks and recreation are essential to mental and physical wellbeing.
- We believe volunteering is the highest form of recreation and will strive to provide opportunities for citizens to participate and lead.
- We strive to ensure that all citizens have access to quality recreation and parks services and work hard to reach those that have the greatest need.
- We are accountable, transparent and prudent in our use of public funds.
- We seek out partners to leverage resources, improve service and achieve efficiencies.
- We act as stewards for our environment and provide leadership to protect our cherished spaces.
- We believe that recreation and parks services play an important part in the development of a diversified economy.
- We strive to exercise excellent communication and facilitation skills to seek out and fulfill the recreation and parks needs and wants of our citizens.

Findings

- Squamish benefits from an exceptionally high level of volunteer engagement in the recreation and parks realm.
- Engaging with community groups will bolster community-led programs and volunteer resources.
- Engaging with community volunteers enables District staff to strengthen their service delivery and better meet community needs.

Recommendations

- Create volunteer advisory groups (see below).
- Develop a Volunteer policy and strategy that celebrates the value and benefit that volunteerism delivers to the community.
- Develop a Volunteer leadership development program.
- Train or hire staff that can manage a centralized volunteer leadership development program.
- Provide professional support to partners and community groups to build volunteer capacity within the community.



SQUAMISH RECREATION CENTRE + COMMUNITY CENTRES

SQUAMISH RECREATION CENTRE

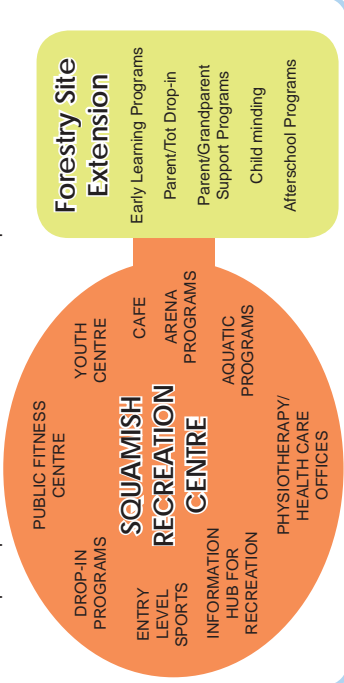
Findings

- Building entrances and layout make control/supervision difficult and public access inefficient.
- Programming space is limited and has quality issues.
- Recreation Centre staff responsibilities extend beyond the building, and include supervision/service for the campground and field use, as well as engagement in events in and around the park.
- The fact that Squamish has exceptionally active residents puts added stress on District facilities and programming, and requires a level of service beyond "normal" levels to meet local demand.
- There are many new models for Community Recreation Centres that enable cost recovery and contribute to the overall health and wellbeing of residents.

Recommendations

- Develop a phased renovation and expansion plan for the facility with the intent to be completed in all phases in 10 years.
- Assess the current condition of the building and identify potential options for expansion and upgrading of the facility.
- Potential upgrades:
 - Development of a fitness space to support specialized equipment and circuit training.
 - Development of a regulation size gymnasium (raising the roof of the auditorium or adding on to the Recreation Centre).
 - Determine if there is public interest in a dedicated gymnastics facility.
 - Upgrade the exterior appearance and profile of the entire facility to clearly identify entrances and purpose of various components.
 - Improve and enlarge staff office space to modern standards, providing adequate natural light and ventilation.
 - Upgrade and modernize the meeting rooms.
 - Establish an initiative for preventative health programs and physiotherapy services at the Recreation Centre.
- Initiate partnerships with Sea to Sky Community Services, Vancouver Coastal Health, and Squamish Health Care Foundation Society to achieve the above recommendation.

"One-Stop-Shop" for Health and Wellness at the Squamish Recreation Centre



COMMUNITY CENTRES

Ministry of Forests Site

The Provincial Forestry Building and Works Yard is located directly across Loggers Lane from the Squamish Recreation Centre and is now a District-owned parcel.

Recommendations

- Explore re-purposing the Forestry Building as a Family and Children's Centre, providing a family place drop-in for parents and preschool children along with a relocated preschool. Expand the outdoor play space, shared with the Montessori school. This initiative would open up the existing preschool space in the Brennan Recreation complex for new programming.
- Maintain the remainder of the open space on the grounds for special event storage and parking, and event related camping.



Former Ministry of Forests building. Currently leased by a Montessori School and Provincial Agencies

Youth Centre

The Squamish Youth Centre is located on Carson Place Park in a former RCMP building. Carson Place Park also includes the skate park.

Recommendations

- Relocate youth programming to the Squamish Recreation Centre to allow for expanded programming options.
- Redevelopment Carson Place Park as active play space for all ages, with open sightlines and improved lighting. Improve the connection to Dentville to the north.



Youth Centre and skate park within Carson Place Park

Seniors Centre

The Squamish Seniors Centre is not yet performing to its full potential. It feels like a private facility, and access is limited by membership and the current hours of operation.

Recommendations

- Rebrand the Seniors Centre as the "Squamish Community Centre," without a membership requirement. Gradually expand the range of programming, particularly during evening hours. Focus on arts and cultural programming and other programs compatible with current users.
- Implement a marketing and publicity program to increase awareness and use of the facility.
- Install improved signage to help new patrons find the centre and know that it is open to the public.



Seniors Centre main entrance (D. Gibbon)

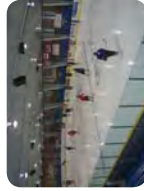
Satisfaction with Indoor Facilities

(phone survey responses)	Total Satisfied	Total Dissatisfied
Brennan Park swimming pool	89%	7%
Brennan Park Recreation Centre	83%	12%
Brennan Park ice arena	71%	16%

Satisfaction with Indoor Programs

Total Satisfied	Total Dissatisfied
71%	13%
52%	48%

Phone Survey
Paper/Online Survey



Squamish Ice Arena

Squamish Aquatic Centre

Almost 2/3 of the population are members or regular visitors to a community centre, club or organization providing physical or recreational activities or programs
(phone survey responses)

Recreation Improvement Requests

(phone survey responses):

1. Lack of public/rec centre fitness/workout facilities - 33%
2. Need a multiplex recreation centre - 24%
3. More ice/rink time - 19%
4. Not enough programs for youth/children - 11%
5. Not enough programs in general - 9%

(paper/online responses):

- Lack of public / recreation centre fitness/workout facilities
- Not enough variety (dance, aquafit, aboriginal activities, pilates, yoga, aerobics)
- Need more flexibility in scheduling (later evenings, drop-in, open gym, better communication)
- Add more noncompetitive/recreational sports leagues

OUTDOOR RECREATION CAPITAL + BRENNAN PARK VISION

OUTDOOR RECREATION CAPITAL

Findings

- There is widespread support for the "Outdoor Recreation Capital" brand. Recreation Services should tie into this identity through expanded programming and partnerships.
- Of the top 10 recreation activities, 8 of them are outdoor pursuits.

Support for the "Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada"

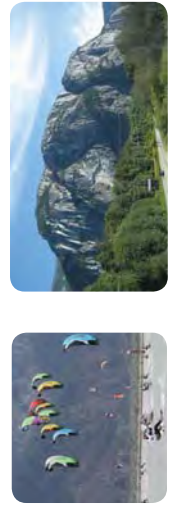
Phone Survey	63%	Paper/Online Survey	85%
More focus	29%	Same focus	13%
Less focus	6%	Less focus	3%

Top 10 Recreation Activities (phone survey)

ADULTS	KIDS
Off-road cycling	Swimming
Hiking	Soccer
Walking for exercise	Skating/snowboarding
Skating/snowboarding	Ice sports
Road cycling	Off-road cycling
Boating/fishing	Road cycling
Climbing	Cross country skiing
	Hiking
	Dance
	Baseball

Recommendations

- Recreation programming should be explicitly linked to the District's "Outdoor Recreation Capital" identity.
- Provide beginner level, fundamental skills development in outdoor recreation and sports (e.g., mountain biking, road cycling, skiing/snowboard, triathlon, windsports, climbing/ bouldering).
- Incorporate programs to improve children's access to and interaction with nature such as playgrounds focused on nature play, hiking activity programs, and environmental education.
- Create partnerships with existing local organizations to expand District programming opportunities.

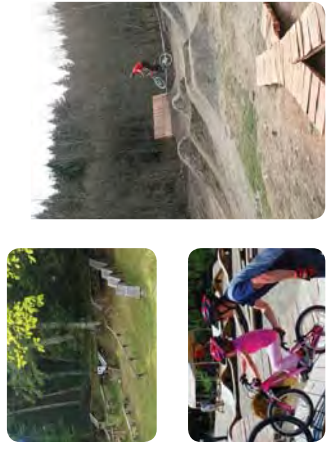


Finding

- A VISION for Brennan Park that guides the revitalization of the park to meet the changing needs and aspirations of the community is required.

Recommendations

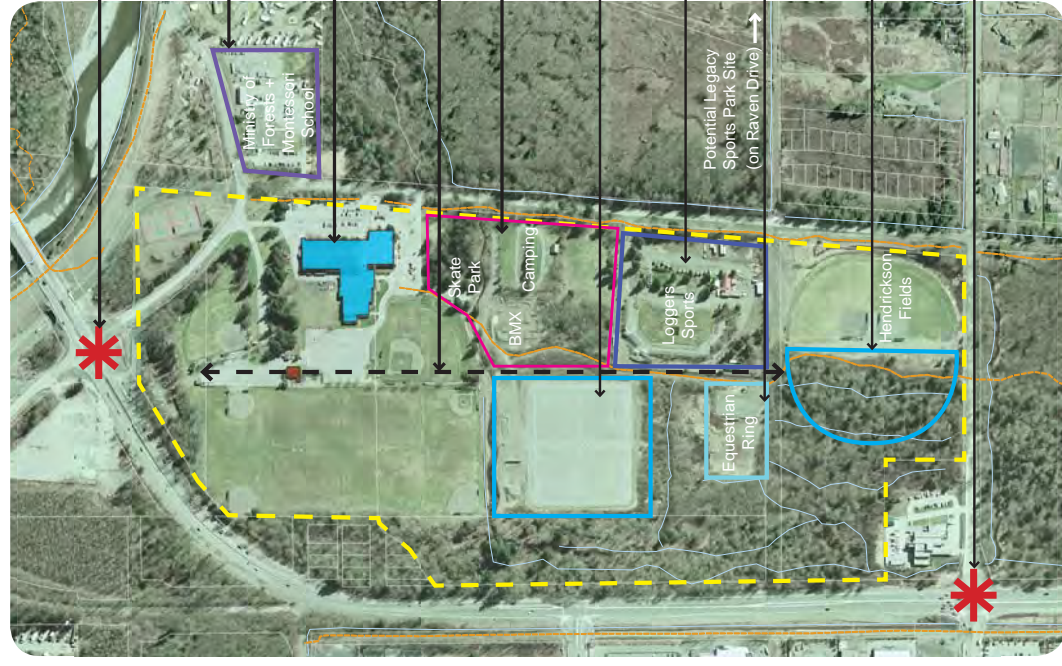
- Implement a long-term vision for Brennan Park as the community hub for Outdoor Recreation and as an Events Centre.
- Use the long-term vision to guide short-term decisions for lease renewals and new facilities.
- Integrate and coordinate the amenities within the park to create a cohesive plan.
- Key points for the Brennan Park vision are shown on the adjacent map.



R-L: Mountain Bike Stunts Park at Bowen Island (photo LEES+Associates), All ages mountain bike skills at Burnaby Mountain Bike Park (photo LEES+Associates)

8 out of the 10 most popular activities are outdoor recreation pursuits.

BRENNAN PARK VISION



- Create a more visible main entrance from Highway 99
- Ministry of Forests building to become a "Family and Children's Services" centre with expanded play area. Potential to add camping to the eastern third of the site.
- Reserve adjacent areas for building renovations/expansions. Squamish Recreation Centre key short term renovations:
 - fitness centre
 - gymnasium renovations
 - change room improvements
 - improved food services
- Create a central axis with an "Arts + Heritage" theme.
- BMX, skate park, forested parcel, and campground area should become the "Outdoor Recreation" hub with multiple activities, including a bike skills park and pump track.
- New artificial turf to replace one all weather field. Accommodate multisport use (soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby, field hockey, etc.) Plan for a second turf field and parking.
- Loggers Sports Grounds to become District managed multifunctional space with a focus on hosting events. Loggers Sports uses the site for the annual festival.
- Relocate equestrian centre. Negotiate for space within the potential Legacy Sports Park site on Raven Drive for a covered equestrian facility and connections to trails.
- Add 2 six-pitch fields and lights.
- Create a more visible main entrance from Highway 99 with advanced signage "Squamish Recreation Centre and Brennan Park next 2 exits"

Brennan Park: Opportunities + Constraints Overview



Date: October 22, 2012

OUTDOOR RECREATION CAPITAL + BRENNAN PARK VISION

DISTRICT OF SQUAMISH PARKS + RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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SPORTS + FIELDS

SPORTS PRO RA IN

Findings

- There is a high proportion of children and youth in Squamish. Overall trends in Canada point to an increasing risk of reduced health and activity levels in children and decreased interactions with nature.
- There is public interest in increasing programming for children and youth.
- Squamish has a large number of high performance athletes and should continue to improve sport training and recognition through its recreation programs.
- There is active interest from the community for noncompetitive sports and drop-in sports programs.

Recommendations

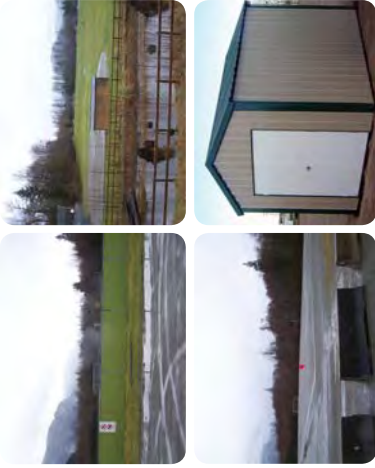
- Establish the Squamish Recreation Centre as a hub for recreation, health and wellness to help support everyone who is trying to stay healthy and active, as well as high-level athletes.
- Add a fitness facility at the Recreation Centre for all ages and abilities.
- Add programs to build better physical literacy for children and support children, youth and adults to be active for life.
- Adopt the approaches and principles outlined in Canadian Sport for Life (CS4L). See information box, below.
- Increase noncompetitive and drop-in sports programs to attract new users.
- Create dedicated space for a gymnastics program and expand cross-training and fitness opportunities.
- Expand recognition of the many high performance athletes who reside in Squamish, as individuals who could coach and inspire other participants, particularly children and youth. They should be invited to play a visible role in programming and special events.
- Incorporate policies and programs to improve children's access to and interaction with nature such as hiking activity programs and environmental education.

Finding

- Many user groups in Squamish are faced with issues relating to the need for equipment storage.

Recommendation

- The District should establish a program to make affordable storage space available to registered community non-profit organizations whose activities are based in District parks, and civic recreation facilities. Implementation should aim for cost recovery through rental fees.



SPORTS FIELDS INVENTOR

Phone survey comments

1. Sports fields improvement/more 15%
2. Bike trails improvement/more 11%
3. Water/waterfront/beach access 11%
4. More activities for children/youth 7%
5. More parks / dog parks 7%

Paper/Online Feedback:

- new turf field
- more ball/soccer fields
- lighting
- improve grass field conditions

Survey comments on outdoor recreation improvements:

NOTE: Additional recommendations regarding field allocation are located on the Parks 1 information panel.

Findings

BALL DIAMONDS

Squamish is deficient in ball diamonds for the number of teams and compared to other communities [33 slo-pitch teams and only 8 weeknight game slots].

RECTANGULAR FIELDS

Squash is slightly below average in the number of rectangular fields compared to other communities and there are ongoing issues of drainage and user conflicts (i.e. overlap with ball diamonds). Some fields in the inventory are only for minisoccer.

LACROSSE / SPORT COURTS

There is no lacrosse court or field in Squamish, but there is public interest in the sport.

BRENNAN PARK

Brennan Park is Squamish's main, centralized athletic park, but there are many competing demands for space. Brennan Park will soon be unable to accommodate more fields and alternative locations need to be explored.

Recommendations

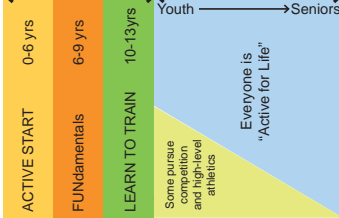
- Install lights at Hendrickson Fields to increase weeknight use.
- Complete the 4-ball diamond wagon wheel at Hendrickson Fields to allow for tournaments.
- Create joint use agreements with School District to phase upgrades to school fields.

- Complete the artificial turf field at Brennan Park, including lights.
- Implement a phased plan to upgrade existing grass fields.
- Create joint use agreements with School District to phase upgrades to school fields and arrange ongoing maintenance.

- The artificial turf field should be designed for multisport use, including field lacrosse.
- Develop a lacrosse box, ideally at Brennan Park.

- Establish joint use agreements with the School District to improve school fields for community athletic use (example: Howe Sound Community Field @ Howe Sound Secondary School).
- District should lead negotiations with Quest for a joint use agreement for field use.

CANADIAN SPORT FOR LIFE



CANADIAN SPORT FOR LIFE APPROACH FOR SQUAMISH

Build a community that enjoys lifelong participation in sports and recreation, whether at a competitive level or just for fun and health.

Develop physical literacy in children and youth, and build a positive association with fitness and sport.

Enable those who pursue higher level athletic competition, but ensure everyone has the opportunity and support to be active for life.

Age 0-6 **ACTIVE START**
Fundamental movement skills - Unstructured play - Builds confidence, social skills, emotional control, and imagination while reducing stress and improving sleep

Age 6-9 **FUNDAMENTALS**
Focus on Agility, Balance and Coordination - Challenging multisport experience - Minimal focus on competition

Age 10-13 **LEARN TO TRAIN**
More formal training - Multi-sport skills - More training than competition

Youth
Many youth drop out of sports once they hit puberty or when competition becomes the dominant focus. Recreation programs in Squamish should provide opportunities for noncompetitive, social sports and activities to support an ongoing healthy, active lifestyle for teenagers through to adulthood.

- F**
- Events play an important social role in Squamish as a means of community celebration, volunteer development, and as an economic generator.
 - Recreation and Parks Services are essential to deliver exceptional events and in fostering partnerships.
 - The main event locations in the District are Brennan Park, Stan Clarke and Pavilion Park downtown, and the Brackendale Farmer's Institute lands.
 - There is a need for changes at Brennan Park to address immediate event needs. With some redesign, Brennan Park has potential to be a good small event space i.e. ,000 or less .

Do you support Squamish hosting large events

Phone Survey	Paper nline Survey
• SUPPORT 88%	• SUPPORT 88%
• OPOSED 8%	• OPOSED 5%

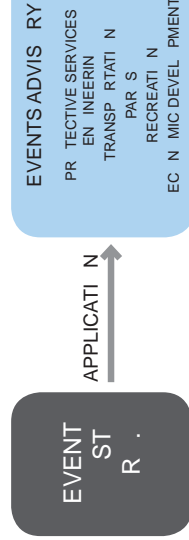
Support for promoting Squamish as the " outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada"

Phone Survey	Paper nline Survey
• More focus 63%	• More focus 85%
• Same focus 29%	• Same focus 13%
• Less focus 6%	• Less focus 3%

Benefits of promoting Squamish as the " outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada"

• Economic Benefits	57%
• Attracts people for outdoor recreation	26%
• Builds infrastructure / recreation facilities	23%
• Creates healthy lifestyle	22%
• Increases awareness of Squamish	10%
• Builds vibrant community/pride/quality of life	2%

EVENTS APPLICATION PROCESS



- R**
- Embrace events as an important economic generator for the District.
 - Develop an Events Policy that includes
 - Language regarding the rights and roles of partners in events.
 - Event procedures that outline responsibilities of the appropriate departments to coordinate and manage events on a professional level (police, recreation, parks, engineering, roads, legal, tourism etc. . .
 - Guidance for "greening" events through environmentally responsible practices and strategies.
 - Establish an "Events Coordinator" position to build and secure the reputation of Squamish as an events destination.
 - Develop an Events Application Process to streamline events planning and communication.
 - Develop a transportation strategy with event hosts and the District Engineering Department. Include parking, shuttles, bike parking, public transportation, and traffic detour planning. Start with plans for Brennan Park, Downtown, and Brackendale events.
 - Integrate more local, small scale events into Brennan Park and the Recreation Centre to increase participation and profile programs and services.

Events Infrastructure

- There is a need for changes at Brennan Park to address immediate event needs.
- Establish a new "events" site for future development which would be designed to accommodate large events i.e. ,000 people and over .
- Integrate appropriate amenities into park event sites to support small and large scale events
 - Electrical outlets
 - Lighting - plan lighting for key entrances, exits, pathways and security areas
 - Potable water taps suitable for water wagons
 - Structural subbase components in sports fields to allow tents and stages with minimal damage to playing surface and
 - Paved entrances and exits for equipment, trucks and "behind-the-scenes" activities.

- F**
- Arts, Culture and Heritage play a significant role in the identity of the community and in attracting and enriching the experience of residents and visitors.
 - There is a lack of Arts, Culture and Heritage influence in District indoor and outdoor buildings, parks and trails infrastructure that reflects the history and culture of the community.
 - Recreation facilities are lacking in art education and creative development spaces for children and youth.
 - The arts are recognized as an important means to reach and engage pre-teens and youth.



- R**
- Create an Arts Advisory Committee AAC ,partnering with the School District, to draft the terms of reference for an Arts, Culture and Heritage Plan or Strategy for the District.
 - Explore a service agreement with an AAC for the assumption of specific roles and responsibilities in developing the arts, culture and heritage community and to establish a sustainable funding mechanism for the organization.
 - The District and an ACC should review the community grants process with the intent to improve and assign performance measures and accountability to grant recipients.
 - Recreation Services should partner with an AAC and Squamish Nation to build arts and cultural programs for children, youth and adults. Utilize local artists for introductory arts education and skill development and promote an arts advisory committee for intermediate and advanced arts skill development.
 - Consider an artist-in-residence program for the Recreation Centre and Senior's Centre to launch introductory quality arts programming.
 - Encourage partnerships between event providers, an AAC and Squamish Nation to incorporate cultural arts elements to sport or heritage events.
 - Create arts cultural programs that work with the natural environment such as outdoor Photography, "Plain Air" or outdoor Painting, "Found Materials" Sculpture or Earth Installations.
 - Establish an "Art in the Park" program that offers promotion for artists and generates revenue.
 - Engage artists and integrate public art into municipal building projects, public works i.e. infrastructure and parks infrastructure.
 - Build a trail signage program that shares the rich history of the community and adds an element of interest for visitors.
 - Dedicate outdoor space for a full season exhibition of outdoor forestry working machines.
 - Utilize the Adventure Centre as a keystone venue to celebrate the history, arts and culture of Squamish. Space could be dedicated to tell the Squamish story in visual arts, historical panels and a running multi-media production.
 - Create opportunities for visual art displays in Brennan Park Recreation Centre.
 - In future facility development, include space for visual arts, dance, music and multi-media. In the interim, focus arts programming in the Senior's Center (to be renamed the "Squamish Community Centre" .
 - Recreation Services should focus on this age group with creative programs that build skills and enable self-expression.

AL
 Host a wide variety of successful events from arts to sports that bolster the local economy, promote the community, contribute to Squamish quality of life and minimize service disruption.



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00 Park Standards	Current Inventory
Passive Community Parks	.0 ha .000 ppl .6 ha .000
Active Community Parks	. ha .000 ppl .0 ha .000
Neighbourhood Parks	. ha .000 ppl 0.6 ha .000

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- No Community Park in Brackendale and the neighbourhood parks are small with limited programming potential.
- No neighbourhood or community park in Dentville.
- As residential density increases in the Downtown area, the existing parks will be under additional pressure.
- There are no developed parks near west University in aribaldi ghlands.
- Many parcels designated as "park" are actually environmental areas, steep slopes, or otherwise unusable areas.
- Many of the existing neighbourhood park parcels are small and not readily visible or accessible or are within riparian areas, which results in under - utilization and vandalism issues.

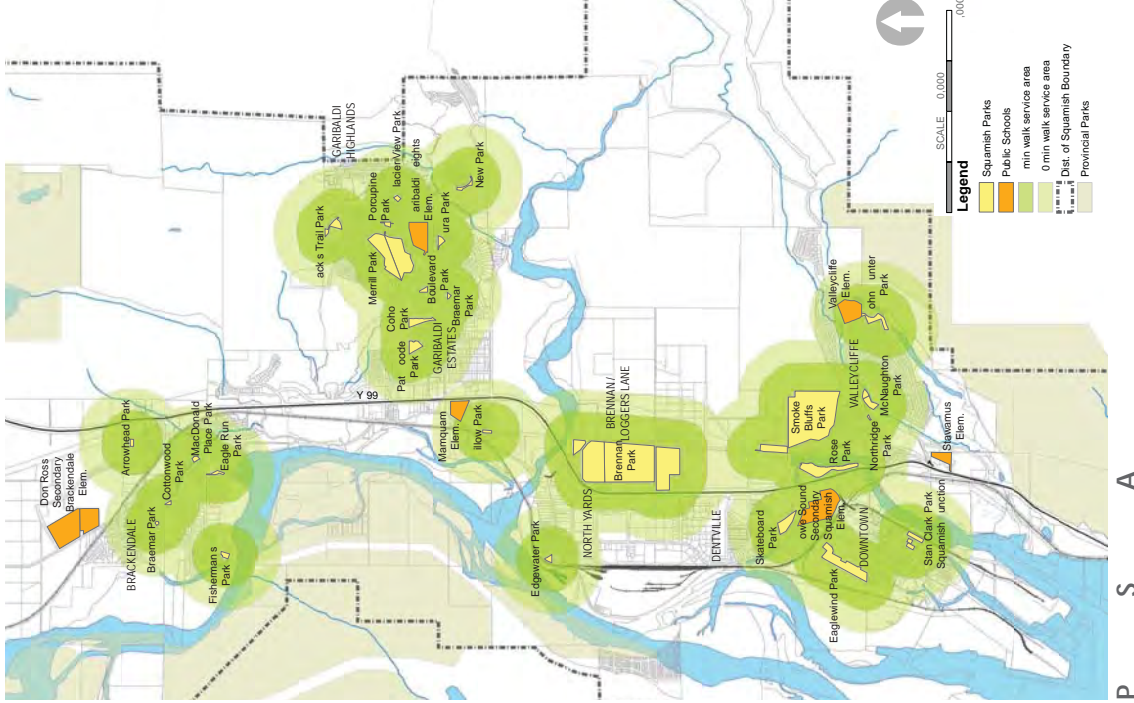
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- Secure permanent park status for Brackendale Farmer's Institute walking Park.
- Add benches, play area, picnic tables shelter and landscaping at Fisherman's Park and Judd Beach.
- Further develop Carson Park Skateboard Park parcel to include amenities for a wider range of users
 - Add a playground and other family-oriented amenities.
 - Add a mtn.bike BM skills area adjacent to the skateboard park as a satellite to a larger bike park at Bremen Park .
- Implement programming and events for the restored Stan Clarke Park.
- Plan for redevelopment and upgrades to Eaglevind Park in
 - 0 years to enhance functions as a downtown community park.
 - Evaluate lands dedicated as "park" in the west University development for potential neighbourhood parks.

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The following are specific recommendations for park upgrade projects.

- Boulevard Park** - Create signage and entrance features boulder, planting group. Establish a Neighbourhood Park Stewardship group. Incorporate nature play features like boulders and logs to activate this park in the limited space available.
- Braemar Park** - Replace existing playground. Install signage and an entrance feature. Establish a Neighbourhood Stewardship group. Consider "nature play" outdoor recreation themed features.
- Carson Place Park / Skate Park** - Add new - yr old playground at the north end to serve Dentville. Expand the recreational activities adjacent to the skate park potential for BM , mtn bike skills, basketball, sport courts .
- Coho Park** - Establish access agreement for trail crossing private property or develop alternative access plan. Add environmental interpretive signs.
- Eaglevind Park** - Improve drainage. Target specific areas for turf and drainage upgrades, while incorporating bioswales and native plants in wet areas. Plan for park renewal in - 0 years, through a comprehensive design process. Add a fenced off-leash dog area.
- Fisherman's Park/Judd Beach** - Add benches, play area, picnic tables shelter, signage and landscaping northern off-leash dog park.
- Glacier View Park** - Consult with the neighbourhood to either designate as an official dog park or plan for park improvements such as a playground or bike skills features.
- John Hunter Park** - Increase mowing frequency. Partner with the school district to improve the adjacent Valleycliffe Elementary playground and connect to a nature play area within the park property. Add an off-leash dog area along the river, outside of school hours.
- McNaughton Park** - Add a mini mountain bike skills area as the Valleycliffe Trail and Crummet Creek Trail pass through. Improve drainage throughout the park and improve the trail behind the tennis court.
- Merrill Park** - Acquire the existing building lot at the entrance. Clarify entrances to this park and provide kiosk for trail map. Create a plan and signage for off-leash dog trails.
- Pat Goode Park** - Improve drainage. Target specific areas for turf and drainage upgrades, while incorporating bioswales and native plants in wet areas.
- Porcupine Park** - Install signage and improve vegetation management. Create a Neighbourhood Park Stewardship group. Add informal play features like boulders and logs to activate this park in the limited space available.
- Rose Park** - Connect to Smoke Bluffs with a pedestrian bridge over Manquam Blind Channel. Add washrooms and a picnic gathering shelter.
- Willow Park** - Potential dog park within partially fenced area.



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- Establish park acquisition guidelines to define the difference between environmental areas and usable park dedications.
- Include Recreation, Parks and Trails in the planning review process.

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- Develop a **Playing Fields Strategy** which includes Assessment of Current Supply Demand
- Inventory of Fields and Diamonds by sport District and School fields).
 - Seasons of use for each facility.
 - Condition, capacity and life-cycle analysis for each facility. Determine a capacity for each field that allows fields to be well-maintained and also accounts for off-season upgrades.
 - Determine current enrollment and allocation requirements for each field user group.
 - Strategically designate fields for practice vs. game needs.
- Joint Use Agreements:
- Develop a policy for joint use agreements with the School District for field use and maintenance.
 - Pursue strategic planning with the School District to upgrade school fields and development of new facilities to meet demand.

Develop a **Field Allocation Policy** to provide a fair and transparent method of maintaining and managing District facilities. The following are suggested criteria to consider in the field allocation process:

- Is the permit applicant an established provider of quality recreational programs, primarily for Youth Sports
 - ow many Squamish residents are participating ages, male vs. female, resident vs. nonresident statistics.
 - as the permit applicant previously adhered to policies, respected field closures, fully used allocated times, and provided accurate enrollment information
 - What fields and hours has the permit applicant received in the past
- The following is a suggested priority program structure
- Special events, provincial, national, and international championships.
 - Seasonal play with majority bookings given to youth sports.
 - Invitational, open and charity tournaments and events.
 - occasional play, practices, and exhibition games.
 - Commercial groups.

TRAILS ATERFRONT EN IRONMENT

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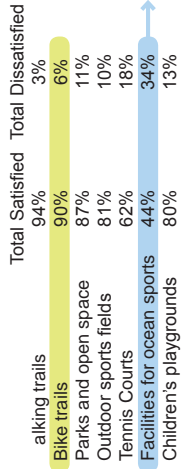
- F**
- Squamish completed a Trails Master Plan in 2010.
 - Trails are a key part of recreation in Squamish and support 3 of the top 5 most popular recreation activities.
 - Recreation trends are heading toward more drop-in, informal and flexible recreation activities, which trails facilitate.
 - The BC Rail line is a barrier to connectivity, preventing convenient pedestrian access to the waterfront and connections from Downtown to other neighbourhoods.

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- Continue to implement the Trails Master Plan 2010 recommendations
- Make trails a District priority.
 - Work to secure trails and trailheads within the District.
 - Connect neighbourhoods and community destinations.
 - Celebrate Squamish's history and culture.
 - Develop a Trail Network Marketing Plan.
 - Establish a Trails Steering Committee.
 - Support events on trails.

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- Create a web-based atlas of parks and trails.
 - Prioritize development of safe routes with signage from each neighbourhood to the Recreation Centre and Downtown.
 - Develop key trailheads with signage, parking, washrooms, and garbage recycling. Coordinate with user groups or the Trails Steering Committee to prioritize trailhead enhancements.
 - Increase the financial and coordination support for volunteers who currently undertake maintenance and development of trails see trails feedback, at right.
 - Undertake negotiations with BC Rail, CN Rail and other land owners to improve public access across active rail lines and along the dykes, with due consideration for public safety and liability.

Off-road cycling is the only activity where participation increased between ages 5-12 and 12-17.

Satisfaction with outdoor Facilities



outdoor Rec Improvements

- Sports fields improvement/more
- Bike trails improvement/more
- Waterfront beach access
- More activities for children youth
- More parks dog parks

Paper online Survey Responses

- TRAILS FEEDBACK**
- concern over access
 - maintenance improvements
 - need support from the District maintenance, securing access, investment funding support, support volunteers, prioritize trails
 - dog leashing regulations trail etiquette
 - direct routes and paved trails connecting neighbourhoods
 - multi-use trails mountain biking, dirt bikes, trials, horseback riding, dog walking, walking, etc

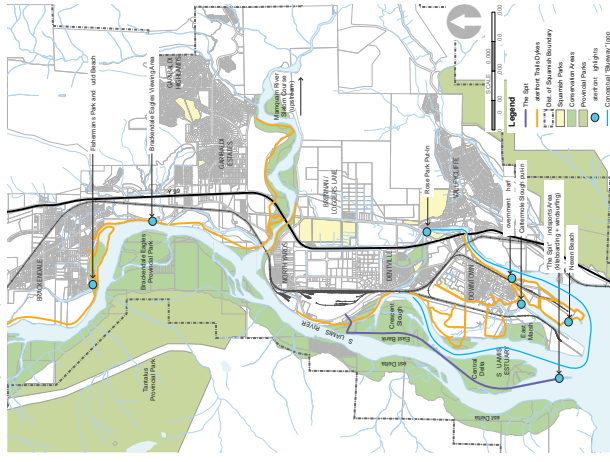
ATERFRONT FEEDBACK

- better access community boat storage, better launching area for kayaks, canoes, wind sports, paddle boarding, etc
- promote tourism economic development
- Improve oceanfront park and trails

ATERFRONT

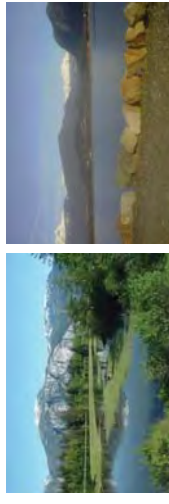
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- Squamish is endowed with a lot of water edges and very little fully public.
 - As the downtown and Peninsula areas redevelop there will be opportunities to acquire new parkland or engage in joint development ventures to create new parks, public open space and amenities.

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- Actively include the Recreation Services and Parks Departments in planning for parkland and open space creation within the waterfront Development initiative.
 - Pursue new parks and waterfront amenities i.e. boat launch and storage within the waterfront Development and public access agreements in new developments.
 - Work with the Squamish indsport Society to improve facilities at the Spit to ensure environmentally responsible enjoyment. Ensure current issues such as camping and waste are managed appropriately.
 - Consider creating a "Blueway" route for canoes and kayaks from the Estuary to Mamquam Blind Channel.



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- Several organizations have accepted stewardship or management responsibilities for important environmental areas. These would benefit from official support and advocacy.
 - There is potential for partnerships between the District and First Nations, as well as other groups, organizations and agencies.
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- Identify opportunities for partnerships with organizations that can act as stewards of the environment.
 - Develop guidelines for determining what activities are appropriate in sensitive areas and how to reduce impacts.
 - Advocate for continued public access and use of the waterways, trails and natural features in the Estuary.
 - Establish improved control of Dyke Road parking and vehicular access to ensure safe public use.
 - Create a management plan for the Brackendale eagle viewing areas along the Squamish River and dyke.
 - Seek opportunities to partner with the Squamish Nation on activities involving cultural and natural history elements of the Estuary.
 - Partner with the Squamish Nation to create recreational activities based on water sports, fishing, and nature interpretation associated with local rivers and the Estuary.



Date: October 2010

TRAILS ATERFRONT EN IRONMENT DISTRICT OF SQUAMISH PARKS + RECREATION MASTER PLAN

APPENDIX B4

Email Feedback

We welcome your feedback about the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

	Response Count
	22
answered question	22
skipped question	0

Q1. We welcome your feedback about the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

1	The Squamish Valley Rod and Gun Club executive have read draft 2 and have the following comments: * The Club agrees that partnerships with existing organizations; building upon and supplementing with District of Squamish recreation objectives and goals is important to both the Municipality and our Club. * On page 13 the Club should be recognized as the oldest Club (1942) in the District of Squamish	Dec 24, 2012 9:36 AM
2	Once again, all the money goes to mountain bikers. We are a waterfront town - how about the boating community? How about the ice rink upgrade? And why are we spending money on an unnecessary gym?	Dec 16, 2012 9:17 AM
3	No gondolas or private corporate interests in the park. If a class A park is supposed to be protected, then protect it. Don't slice it up for the highest bidder. Disgusting that this gondola proposal has even gotten to its current stage.	Oct 27, 2012 5:57 PM
4	please ensure plenty of slow pitch fields available	Oct 27, 2012 10:51 AM
5	This Master plan does not include a theatre/art gallery/meeting center/storage facilities for the arts groups. There also needs to be a paid Municipal Arts Coordinator.Cultural tourism is as important as Parks & Recreation to bring tourist \$ into Squamish.	Oct 25, 2012 3:18 PM
6	I am very concerned about the considerations toward the equestrian community in Squamish with this plan. The Squamish Valley Equestrian Association has for many years worked extremely hard and spent alot of money to create a very well done equestrian facility. There are 2 riding rings, water, power, temporary stalls for visiting horses during shows, judges' booths, jumps, barrels, bleachers et al. That didn't come cheap. So many volunteer hours have gone into raising money/donations and laboriously working to clear this land and create a great space. So the Master Plan seems to be; Meh, don't care. You can move. And you can move beside the rod and gun club. That will be nice. Horses are very sensitive creatures. It isn't kind to ask them to work for us amidst the noise of gunfire. And, we will have trouble having shows anymore. No one will want to bring their horse to a show where gunfire goes off all the time. And to lose all the work that the club has already done in its present location without any compensation is just criminal. Please reconsider the positives of horsepower in this community and either let SVEA continue to lease their present location or provide an acceptable nearby alternative with the proper compensation for all the work already done. Squamish bends over backwards to do things for other sports, including actually closing a whole highway for a bike race. The equestrian community is group you want to support. They can contribute greatly to the community economy. It's also important to note that Squamish has produced several world class riders and that is just the beginning.	Oct 25, 2012 12:47 AM
7	Hello, I would love to see a track and field facility. Thank You! Maria	Oct 16, 2012 9:57 AM
8	When will the draft master plan be available to the public?	Sep 17, 2012 9:25 PM
9	I was hoping to start creating awareness with in the Community in hopes to possibly have a designated area for the Sport of Disc Golf. This sport has been growing as one of the fastest and FREE outdoor activities of today. I like to help promote the sport and help with any steps needed to help move forward with getting a designated area and as well hold various fundraisers, and events in	Jun 21, 2012 2:39 PM

Q1. We welcome your feedback about the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

order to help us get baskets for the Sport. If you have any more details on how I can help this movement, please feel free to contact me at the email address attached to this comment. Thanks you for taking the time to read and hear my opinion. I look forward to hearing any feedback you may have, and am happy to help in any way possible. Thanks, Ely - walshely@hotmail.com

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| 10 | This is a fantastic idea. As a resident of the corridor, and a former resident of Squamish, I'm wondering if there are other ways to participate in the process if you can't make the June 11th meeting? is this process for current Squamish residents only? SLRD residents? All users?? Keep me posted... bcarere@gmail.com | Jun 11, 2012 2:43 PM |
| 11 | I would love to see ice on the arena later in the spring and/or earlier in the fall. Or year round if at all possible. | Jun 7, 2012 9:57 AM |
| 12 | There are two sports, in addition to the traditional team sports, that I think need to be included in your plan: 1) include an equestrian centre. Many horse shows we have attended here not only involve a number of people from Squamish, but draw a number of visitors to Squamish to participate. 2) include an opportunity for young people and beginners to golf, like a Par 3 course or a small 9 hole course at a reasonable price. e.g. Ambleside Park in West Vancouver, is a little small, but only charges \$8 for youth. Marlene Russell | Jun 6, 2012 7:30 PM |
| 13 | I notice that in the Master Plan that establishment of a neighbourhood park in Dentville and the North Yards is recommended. We live in Dentville, and the school yards provide a place where children can go. However, these yards are still quite far away from housing, and many parents would hesitate to let their children go there on their own. So, I would like to confirm the idea that this area is still underserved as far as a neighbourhood park. Hopefully, the municipality will be able to acquire some land to establish a park in this area. Thank you. Judith Vetsch | Jun 6, 2012 1:46 PM |
| 14 | Many of the children and individuals we support have disabilities. It would be very helpful for the pool to have a lift system in one of the private change rooms to accommodate people with disabilities and their caregivers. Appreciate your consideration of this request and would be willing to assist with planning. Liz Wood liz.wood@sscs.ca | Jun 1, 2012 4:11 PM |
| 15 | I hope there can be more adult programs in the near future :(like maybe some courses, or drum lessons, guitar lessons? | Jun 1, 2012 3:16 PM |
| 16 | I am disappointed as to how little you have researched the equestrian community in Squamish. As you point in your report that a growing population needs more recreation area, the same applies to the equestrians. Last year two coaches formed a riding school offering lessons on school horses. Their business has more than quadrupled in a year!!! Lessons are held daily and horse shows, clinics and games days are held monthly. This is NOT just an area for trail riders to join up and head off for a trailride. Do your homework! Look at Southlands in Vancouver.... a unique piece of land reserved for horses in the middle of Vancouver's most posh neighbourhood!! The Finch, Raven and Robin area is as unique as Southlands and should remain equine friendly and more importantly, easily accessibly from a LARGE and GROWING community of young equestrians!!!!!!!!!!!!!! | May 21, 2012 7:19 AM |

Q1. We welcome your feedback about the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

17	A disc golf course on available park land would be a great addition to Squamish Parks and Rec.	Apr 3, 2012 10:52 AM
18	Hello How does the Squamish Trails Society arrange for a discussion meeting regarding the P&R Masterplan? Bob Brant president@squamishtrails.ca	Mar 27, 2012 5:58 PM
19	I would like the Master plan to include long term usage of property and some trails for the horse community. I would like an arena built so that users can ride all year long.	Mar 27, 2012 5:56 PM
20	Please update the swimming pool. Add more of a play area for kids - lazy river, slide, etc.	Mar 24, 2012 7:36 AM
21	I really think it would be a great asset if the District and Don Ross (or school board) worked together to re-surface (all-weather!!) the track! There is a beautiful, 8-lane track just sitting there waiting to be upgraded for training, and even races, perhaps track meets, and it might even encourage a local track and field club for youth; in addition to camps, and local fitness clubs to be able to use for a fee for their purposes.	Mar 23, 2012 2:58 PM
22	advanced Mountain Bike Park please	Mar 16, 2012 2:54 PM

COMMENTS ON PRMP DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS (Oct 2012) SENT DIRECTLY TO STAFF VIA EMAIL

Tuesday, November 06, 2012 9:52 PM

Having just reviewed your current draft plan, I applaud the objective that encourages adoption of "lifelong participation in a variety of recreational sport and physical activities". I would like to suggest that some additional comment is needed. Our local non profit sports clubs are offering and promoting such lifelong activities and they warrant more recognition, support and encouragement.

I have enjoyed many sports including squash for over 50 years and more recently taken up a new sport "curling" in my 70's. I witnessed many clubs and club members voluntarily introducing juniors, newbies and oldsters to their chosen amateur sports. Keeping these clubs going was always a challenge and the rewards were many. Small clubs like the rod and gun club, loggers sport, Howe Sound Curling Club and Howe Sound Squash Club as well warrant comment in your report. Please include recognition of their part in your plan to indicate your support of such ongoing activities.

Sunday, November 04, 2012 12:22 PM

I was going to wait until after the advisory committee meeting, to comment on the draft. With all the E-mails flying around I might as well put in my two cents worth also.

I googled "Lees and assoc." and while they seem to be quite experienced in the field of landscape gardening and building arrangements, I must assume that the proposals for personnel and facility useage came from staff.

As there is reference to the shortage of funds (2nd. hockey rink) it might be a good idea to eliminate from the draft, all reference to services already adequately provided by the public sector. Gym facilities definitely fall into this area, there are already five facilities operating in Squamish and desperately trying to hang on to their market share.

The debacle over the positioning of the equestrian facilities and the fact that no discussions were held with the seniors representatives does little to lend credence to the claim that in depth consultations were held with all the user groups. The fact that the Forestry people were unaware of the plans only adds to the mystery.

It seems unusual to have a 3rd. and final public forum with absolutely no clue as to the dollars involved. No doubt this kind of information is far too difficult for the ordinary tax-payer to understand.

The proposals for the Seniors Centre means an end to the centre as we know it.

Without the fee there is no membership, without membership there is no society, without the society there is no advisory board, without the advisory board there is no voice. The centre becomes an annex to the rec. centre, with the same business model. Come in , pay your fee, attend your program, go home.

The failure to flourish reasoning, for the changes in the operating model does not make much sense if the administrative and operating set up of the "rebranded" centre remains the same as it was during

the" failure to flourish "period. After all, who do you blame for "failure", the owner or the customer.

November-02-12 2:22 PM

Regarding the proposal to change this centre to be more accessible to all:

I fully understand that Squamish seniors, of whom quite a few are members of the Centre, are not using it to its full capacity and that the space is too valuable to be left empty. I do, however, hope that the space may continue to be senior-friendly as a drop-in space to connect with one another. While the Centre hasn't really caught on for this purpose - there not being a critical mass on hand when visitors come in - it can and should be a comfortable place for senior newcomers, singles and the; newly bereaved looking for company.

Wednesday, November 07, 2012 3:59 PM

REGARDING SMOKE BLUFFS PARK in Parks and Recreation Master Plan:

As a long time neighbour of the Smoke Bluffs Municipal Park, and signatory to a Hospital Hill Residents and Property Owners June 2011 letter to Mayor & Council, I wish to offer the following observation:

A proposal to build a footbridge or cycling/pedestrian bridge from Rose Park across the Upper Mamquam Blind Channel at or near the location of the "Behrner gravel spit" is controversial. The reason for this is that a bridge in this location will be perceived by adjacent land owners to involve encroachment of their private properties. It may serve to frustrate ongoing discussions with these landowners regarding property acquisition and/ or public trail access.

There are additional aspects of this proposed crossing location deserving careful consideration -- including the fact that it does not contribute to improved trail connectivity to Downtown or Howe Sound Secondary School for residents of Hospital Hill and Valleycliffe.

There is an alternative crossing location which might be considered, as has been pointed out to the District Planning and Parks & Engineering Department representatives by our Hospital Hill neighbourhood group (which includes the above-mentioned adjacent land owners) and others.

Thank you!

Wednesday, November 07, 2012 11:04 PM

Some further comments, if I may, on the [attached] articles and photos attached/ sent earlier today...

These articles and photos relate how certain facilities were established, to a very large extent, through **community volunteer labour and donated services and materials**. Other examples might be the Equestrian Centre, Rod & Gun Club, Flying Club, small boat harbour boat launch, Trials motorcycle trails, and so on...

It is my observation that it is not necessarily easy for the general public – let alone newcomers to the community or visiting consulting firms – to appreciate how these present facilities were established, and the significance of how they were established.

It should not be surprising that sensitivities have arisen in recent public discussion about various facilities, in the Parks & Recreation Plan. These facilities are distinctive from municipal programs.

The **issue of valuation** of this type of volunteer investment arises – in case it is proposed that facilities be moved or their operations re-conceived. It should not be underestimated how complicated this valuation might be.

An integrated view of community facility investment planning is essential.

I believe the proposed advisory group framework (in first information panel from Open House) is innovative and offers solutions toward integrated planning. This advisory group model should facilitate improved exchange of information among community recreation organizations, and between these groups and District programs.

Thank you for consideration of these observations.

Mon 29/10/2012 2:54 PM

Good to meet you at the open house last week. You and your colleagues had a very interesting presentation.

As promised I am e-mailing you some brief info re the new community centre component of CentrePoint, a new downtown comprehensive public facility that has a community centre (old church sanctuary - north side of the complex)

I'm only passing this along so that you have some knowledge about what is going on in the background in Squamish – outside normal municipal circles

The facility will be used for day-care day 8am - 4:30pm Mon-Fri.

It will have dry rec space for basketball, volleyball, badminton etc. during afterhours and weekends

It will also be available for things like scouts, cadets, indoor pipe band practise and the like

Given it will include a substantive kitchen,,, it is also suitable for periodic group meal service (such as end of season pot lucks, indoor picnics etc.)

The middle section of the complex will have meeting rooms, classrooms, activity rooms etc. plus a library (all on the ground floor) which community groups can book

The new church sanctuary will be available for performing arts activities

The parking lot off the lane at the back will be designed to double as a street hockey rink

It is intended that as much of it as possible will be freely available to the neighbourhood and N/P groups – at a low cost

Sea to Sky Community Services is managing the facility and is committed to low user fees.

We are in active discussion with the city re some partnering opportunities. These include a public use covenant over the land.



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November 5, 2012

Re: Parks and Recreation Plan

We have been following the planning and attending public forums regarding the Parks and Recreation Plan. It seemed in the initial stages there was attention being paid to ALL recreational groups and activities in Squamish not just facilities, programs and infrastructure that are directly managed by the District of Squamish..

Curling is a sport played in our community by juniors, seniors and everyone in between, yet there is no mention of our Club's facility.

Indeed, the entire Golf Club/Squash Club/Curling Club complex is completely overlooked with no reference whatsoever. The facility and these three Clubs host many events which involve accommodation booking and money spent in the community, not to mention the fitness and mental health aspect being involved in these sports.

Many recreational centres in other communities do house squash courts and curling clubs and we do not want these sports in our community to be lost just because they are not located in District buildings.

As Mayor and Council are aware, the Curling Club operation is at risk of being lost without external funding support for our ice plant replacement capital project. We know that the longer we wait, the more it will end up costing so we do want to proceed with this in a timely manner.

We are surprised and disappointed, therefore, to see that master plan does not distinguish between the District areaa and our Curling Club facility. As you know curling, most definitely is an ice sport, and does not take place at Brennan Park Recreation Centre.

We are very pleased that the master plan DOES talk about partnerships and we are very keen to know how non-District Clubs and facilities participate in these partnerships. This is not clear in the plan.

We thank you for the opportunity to respond.

Hilary Fisher
President

cc. Executive

DRAFT 2 PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

**SUMMARY OF PUBLIC REVIEW COMMENTS SENT DIRECTLY TO DISTRICT OF
SQUAMISH STAFF**

December/ January 2013

COMMENTS RELATED TO SVEA LOCATION AT BRENNAN PARK

59 RESPONSES + 1 RESPONSE FROM SVEA CLUB IN AN OFFICIAL LETTER

Tue 15/01/2013 5:17 PM

I would like to emphasize that the horse community enriches the Squamish community as a whole. It adds to the diversity of this town. Having access to equestrian facilities in town is an excellent asset for Squamish. The current facilities are used by many happy horses and riders. Please keep the SVEA land where it is.

Tue 15/01/2013 3:55 PM

I am a local horse behavior consultant and riding instructor, and I moved to Squamish specifically to pursue my career with horses. I have been a member of the SVEA since 1999 when I lived in Whistler but kept my horse in Squamish. When my husband and I made the move to Squamish in 2003 I was able to establish my business, Good Horsemanship, and service the needs of the local horse community.

The SVEA club land is in the ideal location currently, and a potential move to the gun club area could pose numerous problems. Two quick examples are: an increased danger to equestrians who must ride the extra distance alongside a busy road to access the arena; visiting horses (for our many annual shows and clinics) may not have time to adequately habituate to the sound of gunfire at close proximity, and their startle reactions (as prey animals) may pose a danger to both their riders and themselves. The SVEA members and volunteers have spent countless hours, and much hard earned cash to build and maintain their current facilities. The current site is appreciated not only by our local horse riders, but by the public who do not own horses, but pass by and enjoy watching horses and riders in local shows and lessons.

The benefits that horse ownership and riding are many, and I have previously listed them in other correspondences. Please consider keeping the SVEA where it is. It is a valuable part of what makes Squamish great, and I hope we continue to be an active and visible part of the community.

Tue 15/01/2013 3:35 PM

As a huge advocate for this community I DO NOT support the recommendation to relocate SVEA from its current location.

As a huge advocate for soccer in this community I also DO NOT support the recommendation to relocate SVEA from its current location.

I am absolutely confused as to how this recommendation has even come to the table, there appears to be no indication as to why it needs to be relocated or what will be constructed in its place, or when this would in fact occur.

The current recommendations do not seem to lead in a clear path, or timeline and I am deeply disappointed with this draft.

I would love to have some clarification on:

1. Why would anybody put horses near or beside a rod & gun club
2. What would be put on the current SVEA location and how did you come to that conclusion?

Tue 15/01/2013 2:24 PM

I am writing to request that SVEA be allowed to keep the existing riding ring location. That it also be given access to the forested land that exists between the club and highway to build a covered arena and horses only path. This, in my opinion, is the best use of this land, and allows for access to all sport and recreational opportunities, without giving preference to some, and ignoring others.

14 January, 2013 9:45:36 AM

Hi there. I am a parent of an enthusiastic equestrian and we use the Finch/Loggers Lane ring regularly. The Loggers lane area is an existing hub for equestrians due to the access to the riding and showing ring. This area has the largest concentration of properties that can support horses and barns in Squamish. Having a diversity of activities within municipal land makes the community interesting and demonstrates how much there is to offer in Squamish. Whenever there are horses in the SVEA riding ring, bike riders and walkers on the adjacent trail stop to view the horses and riders. In my experience, the interaction is always positive and passers-by often say how great it is that riding opportunities exist in Squamish because in many other communities, equestrian activities are not available. A strong horse community is an example of what makes Squamish unique. The SVEA have worked hard to create a good base for equestrian activities and it makes no sense to relocate this vibrant community!

Rather than spend time and energy on relocation, we would like to see the existing facilities expand with the addition of a covered ring and secure bridle path. We hope that the riding club obtains the support of the District of Squamish to accomplish these goals.

Equestrian activities have such a positive impact on children, youth and adults. Caring for horses is a physically and emotionally healthy activity and our family has benefited from the access that our daughter has had to the horse community, which includes the lands that have been utilized by SVEA for many years.

Please consider the needs of this community and make decisions based on what is working so that SVEA can focus their efforts on growth and development of an activity that truly defines Squamish as the "Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada". Thank you.

January 14, 2013 4:58 PM

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I would like to see these endeavors fully supported by our district government and community.

Tue 15/01/2013 2:28 PM

We are writing in regards to keeping the SVEA location where it is at. We would really like to see Squamish have a covered riding area for our daughters (and others) riding year round enjoyment and safety! We really don't want to see our daughters sport of choice be taken away from her because it (

the location) is to be replaced with other recreational options which we already have plenty of in Squamish.

Tue 15/01/2013 1:33 PM

As a past member of the SVEA and an avid equestrian, I saw the struggles put forth by the SVEA to develop the land they are currently using. In a community where equestrian facilities are limited, and comraderie within the community is ever important this land is invaluable.

Equestrianism is a selling point for many new residents as the sport is incredibly costly and increased interest is heading up the Sea to Sky highway. Potential residents looking for more affordable ways to remain active in the equestrian field.

As the Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada it is important for the District of Squamish to respect all types of recreation and help build community diversity and vibrancy.

Please - leave the SVEA land where it is.

Tue 15/01/2013 1:26 PM

With the movie theater gone young people are having a more and more difficult time to find things to do. The SVEA lands in town encourage easy access for Squamish youth. They are able get to this central location from school easily. Please support this initiative.

Tue 15/01/2013 12:45 PM

I am writing this letter in support of having the opportunity to ride horses in Squamish. My children have enjoyed many hours of learning and I would like them to continue. Our riding rink is important and so is a trail that is not paved.

Please keep our out door options diverse!

Tue 15/01/2013 10:29 AM

My daughter started riding with the SVEA about 3 years ago and we have found an extra curricular activity that she loves! Please release the land back to the SVEA and do NOT ask them to move closer to the gun range. Guns + horses = unsafe riding! Especially where children are. I ask that you come out, get on a 1000lb horse and I fire off a gun shot within the range and see how safe you feel...! You don't understand the danger you are asking us to put our children in!

Tue 15/01/2013 9:18 AM

SVEA NEEDS TO STAY AT ITS CURRANT LOCATION

Tue 15/01/2013 9:16 AM

From the community standpoint it just makes sense to offer a well rounded offering of sporting facilities that is centrally located for ease of access to the vast majority of the population. This allows students to access the facility after school hours with ease and allows them the choice of sport they wish to pursue. A covered arena allows the participants a safe location to ride year round. The same can be said for "horses only" trails, offering a safe place for the riders and their mounts. Please consider these points of view as you review the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and desire of the horse riding community.

Tue 15/01/2013 9:13 AM

The SVEA riding area is very important to our family and community. It is so rare to have such wonderful trails and riding ring so close to city centre and easily accessible for after school riding lessons. We desperately need a covered arena to take advantage of our mild winters and enjoy our sport and our horses all year long. I hope you will consider keeping the SVEA riding arena in its current locations for future generations to enjoy.

Tue 15/01/2013 7:25 AM

My children need to be able to ride in an under covered arena, so horse riding and training is available to them year round instead of just the summer months.

I would be heartbroken to see my child's passion of horses torn from them so that more ball/soccer fields are put in, when those already exist.

The SVEA riding grounds needs to stay where it is.

Tue 15/01/2013 6:15 AM

Keep the SVEA Location where it is!!

Tue 15/01/2013 2:22 AM

Please keep the SVEA Location where it is
PLEASE, PLEASE.

Mon 14/01/2013 11:02 PM

I have been a resident of Squamish for 12 years and I would like to share a bit of my story with you. My 10 year old daughter engages in many of the activities in Squamish, this includes soccer, skating, swimming, dance but she has found her passion in the Equestrian community here in Squamish. She has been riding for 3 years now, she eats, sleeps and dreams of horses. When I first got introduced to the horse community here in town I had no idea what a strong group was here but low and behold once

exposed to it I found a very committed and hard working and passionate group. All the girls and boys and adults who are involved in the horse community here in Squamish share the same passion, and they are exactly that, passionate! Passionate about this sport, activity, the animals, the camaraderie, the barn, all that involves horses. My daughter suffers from 'short Achilles tendons' and spent much time at BC Children's Hospital trying to correct her disability. We tried Botox injections into her calves to lengthen the Achilles, she was casted at 4 yrs. old, and then wore AFO's for months if not years but nothing made much of an improvement, until...you guessed it, she started riding horses. It naturally stretches her Achilles out with no drama and pain. We started at Children's Hospital when she was three years old but didn't start riding horses until she was 7, since she started the horse back riding she no longer complains of pain at night, she has more mobility and it is no longer an issue. The riding has been therapeutic for her condition.

I am single parent and I feel very fortunate that the area the Equestrian community is in is so close to our home and schools. My daughter and her horse club friends are able to ride their bikes in the summer, meet up and be at the barn all day. Not only in the summer months but if those girls can be at the barns and the Land every single day, they are there (although for winter months we really need to be able to build an indoor arena so they can ride in the winter months). It is easy access for me to pop by and it is a safe area. If it were somewhere where the girls needed to get a drive to get there, well it just would become so much more difficult for not only the girls but for the parents who are getting them to and from. It not only teaches them about horses themselves but it allows them to gain independence and responsibility in a safe and healthy way. I work with children here in Squamish and it is no secret that there is not much for kids/tweens/teens to do, so for her to be having a place that is safe, fun and close by, well that completes her life right now and gives me peace of mind. It keeps her out of trouble, and she is genuinely able to indulge in a healthy passion. The older girls mentor the younger ones, if you could see the impact it is having on these girls lives and their development it would be clear to those who any doubt that what we have going here in our Pony Club is changing lives and moulding healthy individuals.

The horse community is growing, and we need to be in a safe, dry location. We would love to have horses-only trails. We would like to request that our club be given access to the forested land that exists between our club and the highway in order to build our covered arena and for a bridal path. We don't want our children's outdoor sport of choice to be sacrificed for more baseball fields or soccer fields that already exist. Don't get me wrong we don't want to be the only sport in Squamish we just want to exist along side all of the other fantastic things that make Squamish the community it is. We have tons of baseball fields (which I am sorry to say I feel is a big beer drinking league for adults for the most part) and there is plenty of space for soccer. I would hope that when Squamish looks at the big picture they don't forget the little clubs and teams that have real people and children attached to them, and that they make room for those of us that really need to stay where we are. We have invested so much volunteer time and effort in our club not to mentioned money, and we only ask that we are allowed to grow and flourish where we are.

Thank you for listening, both my daughter and I really do appreciate it!

Mon 14/01/2013 9:56 PM

Good evening. I have previously written a letter to the Mayor and councillors to express my and my wife's strong support for leaving the SVEA facilities where they are and approving the upgrading of the facility including the construction of a weather proof roof. I do not intend to repeat all that I have

previously said, but I feel strongly that Squamish has a real opportunity to build on the strengths of the existing facility and its membership so that the SVEA facility is a draw for Squamish from a much broader base than is now practical. Let the SVEA show you what it can do for Squamish and its citizens by allowing it to do what has been proposed by its' executive.

Mon 14/01/2013 9:24 PM

The current location is a very SAFE location for my daughter and others to ride and compete on their horses.

Please do not move the SVEA, and if possible please allow them to lease additional land towards the highway so we can plan for the future.

We would like to build a covered arena so that we can enjoy our sport year round.

This coverage area could be used by others, as all that would be required would be to bring in plywood to protect the footing.

There is a great demand for horses in Squamish and it is growing.

My daughter does not use the baseball fields or soccer fields, she loves riding horses. We own our own horse and she spends almost everyday caring for and riding her horse.

She competed in the Summer Games (representing Squamish / Vancouver zone) 2012 and won a Silver Metal in Dressage.

She also competed at the Provincial level (representing BC) in Quebec after qualifying all year round in BC (September 2012) . She was the top rider in BC in her level of Dressage.

It was a wonderful opportunity for her to compete in Quebec. She will have this memory forever.

We use the SVEA land daily when the ground is not frozen. It does not matter if it is raining or not. It takes time and patience to get yourself and horse ready to compete.

Please do not take this sport and love for horses away from her.

Personally. I am, and have been active in most sports in Squamish, Soccer, Baseball, Hockey, Mountain & Road Biking. I firmly believe that expanding of opportunity is great... But not taking away what ANY group already has.

Mon 14/01/2013 6:40 PM

Our club land is the only place for many of us to ride and train safely and effectively, as we do not have riding arenas of our own and cannot afford to purchase monthly rentals. Also our arena is the only arena big enough to ride a competition sized jump course, without it we would arrive at competitions highly under trained and unprepared. Most of the stabling for horses is in the loggers lane area, therefore our location allows riders to train as often as possible within a walking distance to our stabling, which is essential as most of us do NOT own trailers or are too young to drive. I feel that our club and the loggers area could really benefit to a large covered arena. The weather in Squamish makes riding year round difficult and often unsafe. A covered arena would help not only our equestrian athletes but also our

mounts, as horses need to be exercised and stimulated often to keep them healthy, both physically and mentally. Our goals with the club arenas are to host many shows and clinics and bring in equestrian athletes from all over the sea to sky corridor, if the SVEA was able to expand on the land between our club land and the highway, it would allow us to be a more competitive show grounds as we would be able to offer more day stalling and grow our club.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Thank you.

Mon 14/01/2013 6:22 PM

Please leave the SVEA location in its current spot. Equestrian is a sport too, and deserves to be where it is. We have been there for 60 years! We have built a horse community around this location! Squamish has baseball, soccer, etc. locations for their sports, so why can't we? We live here and pay taxes. If we had permission, we could build a horse-only trail! If we had the area between our club and the road, we could build a safe covered arena for the horses. We don't want our outdoor sport of choice to be destroyed for more baseball or soccer fields, which Squamish already has. Please let us keep our SVEA club where it is!!

Mon 14/01/2013 6:13 PM

Please keep SVEA location where it is. We live and work in Squamish and we need a safe covered arena for our kids to ride.

Mon 14/01/2013 5:58 PM

This land is very important to many people, we are one of the oldest clubs in Squamish & we wish to continue in our present location. It would be a wonderful thing if I could ride in a covered area on the SVEA land year round. This would be safer & dryer for all members. We would all like to ride all year, but with our weather & more paved trails & roads we cannot do so, as horses with shoes & icy paved roads are a safety risk. A "horse only" trail in our area would allow for exercise & conditioning in a safe environment.

please do not sacrifice all our sporting lands to more ball fields.

Mon 14/01/2013 4:58 PM

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I would like to see these endeavors fully supported by our district government and community.

Mon 14/01/2013 4:37 PM

I hope this reaches you in time, as I would just like to add my thoughts as to why the SVEA riding location should stay where it is currently located.

The SVEA has spent many years raising money and putting blood, sweat and tears into improving the facilities at the current location to the point where it has become an equestrian centre that the Association can be proud of and which can be used for multiple disciplines and events. It is not correct if all of this is taken away from the Association. In Squamish some sports appear to be pandered to with regard to the facilities that are provided by the Council, for example soccer and baseball. To my knowledge the equestrian community has been dealt the opposite hand, where the Council has not provided any facilities apart from leasing the land to the SVEA. The establishment and maintenance of the facilities are all self funded by the SVEA.

The current riding arenas are located in a very good area:

- easy access by horse, foot, bike and vehicle (including horse trailer)
- Brennan Park facilities (including toilets) close by
- no scary surroundings (industry, traffic, planes, etc.),

but of course the facilities could be improved further with extra trails, a covered arena, covered spectator seating.

Thank you for taking time to read this. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Mon 14/01/2013 4:25 PM

As it relates to the Parks & Recreation Master Plan - the SVEA's current location is advantageous to a wide range of existing and up and coming riders. We are very fortunate to have riding opportunities right within our community. As Squamish likes to boast being the Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada - we should ensure that we strive to live up to that moniker. Similarly, just as we value diversity within our country, and communities - we should value diversity among the outdoor pursuits we offer (with fair & balanced support).

Mon 14/01/2013 4:24 PM

PLEASE KEEP SVEA LOCATION WHERE IT IS.

Sincerely a concerned parent of a child for a love for horses!

Mon 14/01/2013 3:57 PM

We have been watching, listening and educating ourselves on the important matter noted in our subject line. As a "newer" family to Squamish we feel we have somewhat of a unique perspective on this debate. One of the compelling reasons for our move to Squamish was the availability of affordable and accessible equestrian training for our girls aged 11 and (soon to be) 13.

The SVEA plays an important role in the development of young individuals. Our girls have learned much more than how to ride a horse. Proper horsemanship involves discipline, commitment, sensitivity, teamwork and good old fashioned, physical effort. As we look around our community, one thing we recognize is that the SVEA provides a positive place of learning and growing for our soon to be teenage girls. It is our hope, and certainly our commitment to our children, that they will continue with their riding endeavours through high school.

We have noticed the positive effect "hanging out at the barn" has had on our kids and their peers. The association also provides an alternative to those of our youth who are not team sport inclined but may still wish to be involved in a community and possibly even compete.

We feel a covered, safe and central location is integral to the ongoing success of the SVEA. In terms of participation, we feel that with the correct facilities and riding trails (preferably horse only) the club will grow and flourish and continue to offer the families of Squamish a healthy, alternative, outdoor activity.

We hope the district will work with the SVEA to help this important facet of our community further develop. Squamish is changing: the demographics of our town have radically altered and we have become a hub of young families. The "urban barn" that is still unique to Squamish is as valid and valuable as a turf soccer field or a new baseball diamond. A community that fosters diversity can benefit from this economically while supporting the development of its youth.

We would suggest to you that the SVEA is really in its infancy in terms of its development and growth. We hope you will give this valuable resource the opportunity to grow and serve our community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Mon 14/01/2013 3:37 PM

PLEASE KEEP SVEA LOCATION WHERE IT IS. THANK YOU

Mon 14/01/2013 3:11 PM

My daughter and son both ride at the SVEA rings in good weather. We would really like the rings to stay where they are. We would also make use of a covered ring in behind the two existing rings.

Mon 14/01/2013 2:57 PM

The SVEA club members have spent a great deal of time and money (all hard earned by the club's own fund raising efforts) on their present site - it should not be moved.

Mon 14/01/2013 2:55 PM

Please keep the SVEA location where it is

Mon 14/01/2013 2:09 PM

My understanding of the Brennan park land was that it was left to the community to be used for community recreation only. A year ago I met with district staff members at the riding club site to discuss the area behind the current riding club rings and was told that there were likely huge roadblocks to development because of Department of Fisheries and Oceans concerns on the impact to the environment.

Having read the latest proposal by Lees and Associates mapping our recreational future I have noticed a couple of potential negative aspects in the plan.

1. That the Brennan Park area would be utilized a great deal for the outdoor concert type venues like the Live at Squamish events for the past two years, which was also echoed in his preamble to the public hearing of his first draft. I would be very curious to know if the profits of Live at Squamish ended up in local hands or was it funnelled straight to Vancouver? Also it would be helpful to know if the majority of the participants at the concerts were Squamish residents? If the majority of the participants were other than Squamish residents and profits from these events are only benefitting Vancouver businesses, I would have to argue the intent for the Brennan Park land usage is in conflict with the consultant's proposal.
2. By adding all of the new proposed playing fields to the area have any environmental studies been undertaken? Has DFO and the Ministry of the Environment been consulted and what was the result of those discussions?

As a member of the equestrian community in Squamish I am relieved at the temporary reprieve to remove us and all of our expensive development and improvements of the lease land we now enjoy in the Brennan Park site. However, I have noted that Lees and Associates have some concerns about our occupancy. I would like it to be known that myself and Toni Kerekes are available to continue the debate about how to meet the needs of Squamish residents and how the people of Squamish can best be served by the plan for that property. I still feel that they are missing some vital information about how to bring together user groups to co-exist at the site and find ways for mutual benefit.

Mon 14/01/2013 1:21 PM

I'm sending you an e-mail as a request and response the parks and recreation master plan draft 2. Please keep our SVEA riding club where it currently is. It is the best possible location as it allows easy access all of the barns in the surrounding area. It is also the perfect location for parents to take their kids for riding lessons while they drop their other kid at the soccer fields next door! Please allow us access to the forested area behind our club so we can build an indoor arena. We NEED the ability to ride year round so youth and adults can continue to train year round and be successful on a competitive level. We also need a horse only path, since the paving of the trail that follows the road in front of the club we are more immobile than ever in the winter. The icy trail is very dangerous for hand walking horses and riding them. I have already experienced the fall of one horse on the ice and it is extremely unnerving. We want to be considered within the scope of your long term plan, as we are one of the most important recreational hubs in Squamish, and definitely one of the most passionate and persistent. Our

persistence will not stop because without horse riding in my life, in Squamish, I simply would not be a complete person anymore.

Mon 14/01/2013 1:20 PM

Please keep the SVEA where it is. It's such a valuable asset to our children, and community.

Mon 14/01/2013 1:02 PM

Please keep the location of the SVEA where it is. It's safe and that's key, being beside a gun club that is extremely noisy is not ok, horse spook and the are heavy and powerful animals that can easily injure our young children.....think about it

Mon 14/01/2013 12:38 PM

please keep svea location where it is
thank you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Mon 14/01/2013 12:16 PM

Please keep the SVEA Location where it is

Mon 14/01/2013 11:42 AM

Through this e-mail we as a family want to express our strong support for inclusion of the current location of the Squamish Valley Equestrian Association (SVEA) land, located behind the Loggers Sports ground, in the District of Squamish's new Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Currently, the SVEA is leasing this land from the District for a three-year period and we are strongly in favor of the SVEA to be given a long-term lease and in addition to that the permission to build an indoor riding arena so that all equestrians in Squamish - amongst whom many children - can pursue their sport year-round.

We, as a family, got involved in the equestrian sport again 2 years ago, through Trinity Equestrian (Jinny Antilla and Toni Kerekes), the only place in Squamish that offers riding lessons on school horses. That led to the purchase of 2 of our own horses, presently boarded on Finch Drive. The riding facilities offered by the District through the SVEA are of immense value to us, not only because they allow us to be involved in a sport we love close to home but also because they serve as "SVEA headquarters" and offer us the opportunity to volunteer through this membership driven organization and give back to the community.

Over the last two years – because of the central facilities offered by the District through the SVEA - we have noticed a substantial increase of young families getting involved in the equestrian sport, encompassing all disciplines like English, Western, trail riding etc. One thing that all these families have in common is the love for horses, the outdoors and love for being active as a family regardless of ones age, in their own community. On my last count alone, I already counted 70 horses and 150 people involved in equestrian sport in the area directly surrounding the Brennan Park area!

Squamish now is the only community offering a public riding ring through the SVEA in the Sea-to-Sky corridor. This geographically wide appeal is illustrated through numerous people from Horseshoe Bay to Pemberton attending its events, directly benefiting Squamish economically as well. Just think of the economic benefit a well planned indoor equestrian centre (which can also be used for other indoor activities like concerts, trade fairs etc.) can bring to Squamish!

Last but not least, over the last 2 years I have noticed a decrease in the number of trails accessible for horses (the paving of the path along Loggers Lane was NOT a good idea - not just for horseback riders) and hope the final plan will include a number of horse dedicated trails in the area as well.

Mon 14/01/2013 12:04 PM

I would like that the club be given access to the forested land that exists between the SVEA club and the highway in order to build a covered arena and a horses-only bridle path.

I don't want my outdoor sport of choice to be sacrificed over other sports.

Mon 14/01/2013 12:01 PM

I am a concerned citizen. I live in Squamish because of its proximity to all the recreational activities that I love. One of those activities is horseback riding. My child is able to participate in local events because of the close proximity of the riding stables to the SVEA arena, which is in jeopardy of being moved. I strongly believe that riding is just as much a part of Squamish recreation as any other sport, and I support the SVEA in their proposal to keep and build a covered arena on the property. This proposal would benefit the community by offering a covered structure which could be used/rented for community events in the area.

Moving the location any further from the stables where my young daughter takes lessons (finch and Robin rd), might prevent her from accessing these facilities.

Please hear the proposals which the SVEA brings to your table.

Mon 14/01/2013 11:45 AM

Please keep the SVEA Location where it is. We have enough soccer fields and baseball fields. My whole family plays baseball or softball so i know we have more than enough fields. The SVEA location is really important to us, many train themselves and their horses there so they can get stronger and be able to compete in shows. That is also the place where many little kids get their first experience on a horse, and find passion riding and bonding with horses. Also if you take away the SVEA location, many of the horse owners will leave which would leave so many people heartbroken. I know i would be crushed because before i got into horses and riding I was in a dark place. I had depression but i didn't know it at the time. When i was close to my breaking point i got offered a job at a barn from an amazing woman named Toni. I absolutly love animals (especially horses) so i said yes. The horses made me feel happiness which i hadn't felt in a long time. The horses and riding helped me through so many problems and helped me

become a different person. Also a very generous and completely awesome woman named Jinny got a horse named Harley and allowed me to lease him, now Harley is my everything and i am no longer the person i was before, horses have changed my life for the better. Please dont take away the SVEA location and crush so many peoples dreams and goals, and prevent future kids of squamish from having the chance to discover the wonders of being with horses.

Mon 14/01/2013 11:18 AM

My family and I have been members of SVEA for almost 30 years. Please don't take away what little our club has. Our club has put in countless hours of volunteered time and fundraised money into what little we have at our facility. To look at the smiles on our young equestrian's faces as they enter the equestrian riding facility that we have created makes all the hard work worth while and worth holding on to.

Mon 14/01/2013 11:13 AM

Hello, just wanted to add my voice regarding the moving of the Riding club land on Loggers lane. I am pleased that we have been given a reprieve and the the land will remain ours to use at this time. I believe that there is adequate space to provide for our future needs of an indoor riding ring at this site.

Mon 14/01/2013 11:08 AM

This location is important to our family because our children have participated in horse camps throughout their summers. We have watched the local girls compete in horse competitions and we absolutely love seeing the horses and their riders trot by the BMX race every Monday and Thursday nights at the BMX track. There are not many places in the big city these days, where you can be racing a BMX bike and stop to go and pet a beautiful horse.

There are some items we would like to see in Squamish at the current riding stables:

- a covered arena so that you or your child can ride year round in a safe, dry location
- a horses-only trail
- club be given access to the forested land that exists between our club and the highway in order to build our covered arena and/or a horses-only bridle path.

We do not want children's outdoor sport of choice to be sacrificed for more baseball fields or soccer fields which already exist. We feel the community has access to these other sports facilities.

The current location is ideal and making small improvements to the riding area would be an asset to this community.

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Mon 14/01/2013 10:34 AM

I would like to add my voice and support to keeping the SVEA riding ring /club at its current location. I would further, like to see the services expanded and local access to horses expanded. Building a covered arena would be extremely beneficial to the myriad horse riders who would use the facility.

The location is ideal as it is in a high profile area of the community. Toni Kerekes has been instrumental in helping to make horse-riding an affordable option for kids, making it no longer the exclusive purvey of the wealthy. Many new kids have joined the club following exposure eg going on a bike ride and riding past the arena during competition.

Learning equestrian skills, including caring for the horses helps develop the child's confidence and self-esteem. In light of this, most communities in Sweden actually have funded equestrian Centres accessible to their residents.

I believe that the current location adds to the diversity of our community and has significant benefits to the community. As the 'Recreation capital of Canada' , I certainly think it supports this mandate.

Should you have any further questions, or require any further Opinion, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mon 14/01/2013 10:20 AM

I would like to ask that the municipality keep the bridle path and horseback riding ring for our community. Please do not sacrifice it for more soccer or ball fields. We need this space for riding and it would be greatly improved if we had a covered riding ring.

Mon 14/01/2013 10:11 AM

My daughter has been riding for two years. I know she will be riding for many years to come. It has been important in developing her confidence. This has positively impacted her ability in other sports, school and at home.

She, and our entire family, strongly encourage you to consider the importance of the riding community to the youth in Squamish. The group of girls that my daughter rides with is supportive like no other group I have experienced. There is a cooperation between girls, across a range of ages, that carries beyond the riding ring.

Ideally, we would like a covered arena so that my child can ride year round in a safe, dry location. Continued access to the current SVEA land is essential and access to the forested land adjacent to the SVEA ring to build a covered arena and/or a horses-only bridle path would be beneficial.

My daughter participates in a variety of sports in Squamish, including soccer, but I do not want to see riding sacrificed for more fields. I am frequently asked where she rides from residents of Squamish looking for riding opportunities. There is interest in riding and we need to promote this sport in Squamish, not push it to the sidelines.

Mon 14/01/2013 10:10 AM

Please keep the SVEA horse club where it is! It is so important to our club, our horses and our children.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mon 14/01/2013 9:51 AM

I am an equestrian. My two daughters are equestrians. We are members of SVEA and we demand that the SVEA land is kept where it is currently located. This club has worked hard to provide the growing numbers of riders in our community with a facility and a riding ring where we can hold clinics, training sessions and shows. The current location is ideal from a parent's point of view since many families have different children in several different sports and the Brennan Park area is a hub for many of these sports. The central location is vital to providing all children the ability to perform their sports and the opportunity for parents to minimize driving times and thus ensuring that no child has to sacrifice their interest due to conflicting schedules. This location also enables children from different areas of our community to easily reach the facility from their many different schools and homes by bike or bus.

What we need in this community is a covered riding arena. Equestrian is a year-round sport as opposed to other sports (such as soccer and baseball) performed in the Brennan Park area. A covered riding ring

would facilitate our situation and would enable our club to grow, since we would be able to offer lessons later at night and in all weather conditions. It would also enable us to host shows and clinics on a year-round basis.

Horse-designated only trails leading to the land would ensure that our children and adult members would be able to reach the land in a safer manner. The paving of the trail along Logger's Lane has left us with no other choice but to ride along side road instead. Unfortunately this road is quite heavily trafficked and many drivers do not have the decency to slow down, endangering both horses and riders in the process.

I grew up riding horses and to my delight, my two daughters, ages 9 and 4, have inherited my passion for horses. My oldest daughter has been riding for five years and my youngest has been at the barn since birth. Horses are a huge part of our lives - it is more than a sport, it is a life-style. We cannot park our equipment in the garage in the off season. We cannot take a day off because 'we don't feel like it today'. Equestrian is more than a sport. It takes determination and commitment. It is hard physical work combined with an emotional investment. It builds confidence, stamina, muscles and compassion. Yes, it is primarily a female sport and all the more important for the District to show that it cares about all its members, not only the more male-dominated sports.

Mon 14/01/2013 9:46 AM

Hi there. I am a parent of an enthusiastic equestrian and we use the Finch/Loggers Lane ring regularly. The Loggers lane area is an existing hub for equestrians due to the access to the riding and showing ring. This area has the largest concentration of properties that can support horses and barns in Squamish. Having a diversity of activities within municipal land makes the community interesting and demonstrates how much there is to offer in Squamish. Whenever there are horses in the SVEA riding ring, bike riders and walkers on the adjacent trail stop to view the horses and riders. In my experience, the interaction is always positive and passers-by often say how great it is that riding opportunities exist in Squamish because in many other communities, equestrian activities are not available. A strong horse community is an example of what makes Squamish unique. The SVEA have worked hard to create a good base for equestrian activities and it makes no sense to relocate this vibrant community!

Rather than spend time and energy on relocation, we would like to see the existing facilities expand with the addition of a covered ring and secure bridle path. We hope that the riding club obtains the support of the District of Squamish to accomplish these goals.

Equestrian activities have such a positive impact on children, youth and adults. Caring for horses is a physically and emotionally healthy activity and our family has benefited from the access that our daughter has had to the horse community, which includes the lands that have been utilized by SVEA for many years.

Please consider the needs of this community and make decisions based on what is working so that SVEA can focus their efforts on growth and development of an activity that truly defines Squamish as the "Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada". Thank you.

Mon 14/01/2013 9:31 AM

Please keep the SVEA location where it is

Mon 14/01/2013 9:17 AM

PLEASE KEEP THE SVEA LOCATION WHERE IT IS

Mon 14/01/2013 9:01 AM

Good Morning, Please save the Squamish Valley Equestrian Association where it is as I think it is important to save the sport of HORSES in this town. Thank you

Mon 14/01/2013 8:47 AM

Please keep the SVEA Location where it is!

Mon 14/01/2013 8:32 AM

I have been a resident of this community for over 25 years and the main reason I choose to make Squamish my home was because I could ride and keep horses here. I intend to continue this sport/activity into my eighties, it is a lifelong passion and one I know of that many seniors partake, unlike mtn biking that most people tend to put away in their mid to late 50's or so. We need the club's "Land" to stay right where it is! We need an indoor arena there or at least be allowed to put an indoor arena there. Of the people I know here in Squamish (who ride) are of the same mind as myself, that is; we all intend to ride for the rest of our lives, it is our passion! So, when you receive other emails, especially from the younger population, please keep in mind horses are a life-long passion to us, I don't know if you can say that about soccer. (certainly you've heard the term horse crazy? That's us, we're crazy about horses!) We could use an exclusive-use bridle path as well. Our club would be happy to maintain it, but it needs to be for horses, no motorized vehicles or bikes. The trail that is already there was ideal, however the metal mesh needs to be removed for safety purposes. We need also need a trail running from the "Land" to the hwy. I will help build it (that is, volunteer my time/labour) I am sure you can count on others who share our passion. I trust you will act on behalf of all members of the community, not just a chosen few who have plenty of ball fields all over the community and several soccer fields in this vicinity. We have worked many, many years to improve this land for our use. It would be a dreadful shame if now, after we've achieved so much, to be told we need to relocate to another place.

Again, I implore you, Please keep the SVEA Location where it is!

Mon 14/01/2013 8:26 AM

My child outdoor sport of choice is going to be sacrificed for more baseball fields or soccer fields which already exist.

My child does not play baseball two months out of the year. She does not play soccer a few months of the year.

My child is a member of
SVEA Local Club
Horse Council BC
BCHJA
Equine Canada members

We own a horse named WIND WAUK HER

We are very commint to the Equine Sport which is a 12 month a year sport, every day commitment.

This sport has been very good for my daughter. She is kept busy and out of trouble 12 months a year.

My daughter has been in the sport for 10 years now. Please do not take this SPORT away from her.

We are working very hard as a CLUB to apply for Grants so we may build our covered arena and / or a horse only bridle path.

The SVEA land is located in a very safe location. We would love to be given access to the forested land that exists between our club and hte highway in order to build our covered arena.

This covered arena could be used as a multi purpose facitily for the community as well. I have seen this at Spruce Meadows in Calary, out in Chilliwack. All that needs to be done to protect the footing is a plywood temp floor. We are willing as a Club to help with help from the District staff, this would be a wonderful addition to our community.

WE WANT TO STAY HERE please help us keep our vision going.

Thank you.

Mon 14/01/2013 7:20 AM

We really need to keep the SVEA land where it is , It is easy access for my daughter to ride her horse to the land to practice for her competitions.

This year my daughter used this location to prepare for

SUMMER GAMES - received a Silver metal

BC Heritage Show - THE club put on qualifier shows so she was able to compete and as a result was the NUMBER ONE rider in DRESSAGE in BC She then competed in QUEBEC at the provincial level on a LEASED horse – was the TOP rider on Leased horse and # 8 in the Provencal Level.

A couple of years ago she was the TOP EVENTER rider in her division.

She won an OPEN Derby class at MREC and was # 4 in the JUMPER across BC in her height division.

This keeps my daughter busy all year round every day. This sport is not only a few months a years but every day she has to go to the barn. It is a great sport to keep kids busy in a healthy environments.

As a parent I have live in Squamish my whole live and had always had horses. This has keep me healthy all my live. PLEASE HELP US TOWARDS GETTING AN INDOOR AREA BESIDE THE RINGS THAT WE ALREADY HAVE WORKED SO HARD TO GET.

Thank you

COMMENTS RELATED TO BALL DIAMONDS

Tue 15/01/2013 7:35 AM

First, let me say that I appreciate our chat recently. It certainly allowed a feeling, that the facilitators of the Parks and Recreation master plan are open and interested in getting a clear picture of the needs of each group affected and that is what we all need from our District of Squamish staff.

I met with the executive of Howe Sound minor ball on January 9 2013 specifically to discuss the plan and how it might affect Minor ball in the future. Obviously a concern is the wording on p.16 regarding the phased plan to eliminate cross over of soccer and baseball at Brennan Park. While it does not indicate immediate change for either group, the bullet point in the plan that refers to establishing a partnership with local schools to use the school fields does raise some concerns with our group.

- 1) At this time, the school fields in our community are generally not as suitable for teaching baseball to children and youth. In many cases there are small rocks and unevenness that affect the trajectory of a small, fast moving baseball. The action is somewhat different from that of a slo-pitch ball and very different than a soccer ball due to the diameter and hardness. To develop skills, with children it is important that the action of the ball be consistent and true. Brennan park fields have been in most cases ideal for this.
- 2) Brennan Park is on our local transit route so public transportation is an option for families. Car pooling has always been a part of the ball season as well. Sharing rides with friends or neighbors is simple because all of the games take place at the same place. The added convenience of bathroom facilities, first aid and communication hub of the Brennan park rec centre is also important to our group.
- 3) The proximity of the Brennan park fields to the Slo-pitch Fields at Loggers Lane and Finch Drive has proven to have a benefit for us. This is that while slo-pitch enrollment climbs, minor ball enrollment has fallen. Slo-pitch is an adult organization and the fact that the kids are playing only a short bike ride from where the majority of slo-pitch games are happening, it allows for less conflict and a simpler transitions for families that may be involved in both.
- 4) Our season is short and can be affected by the weather. Our current field usage allows some flexibility to make up rained out games. If a game is rained out, it will be easier to re-schedule a games when a family may be at the same field area on another night for another child's game. We believe that having games played in different areas of the community will complicate this.
- 5) In recent years our enrollment has fallen slightly but recently we feel that there has been somewhat of a resurgence of support. We have new members of our executive and board of directors that are committed to increasing awareness of Minor Ball and trying to grow the skills of our young players, We believe that this will drive enrollment up. As a purely volunteer organization, a change at this time in what has been a historical and typical arrangement for minor ball will make this even more difficult.

As a sports organisation we are in favor of the PRMP and will work with the District, moving forward but we hope to have some reassurance that while we see new all weather soccer fields develop and expansion of the slo-pitch fields seems imminent ,Howe sound Minor baseball will get all the consideration due to our organization. We hope that the organizations that are growing at this time can have the facilities they need to grow. We hope to be looking for more space and facilities in the future as well, but at this time we have the same needs as we have had up until now far as a base to work from.

Finally, at our recent executive meeting we have decided that this year, we will keep track more specifically than in other seasons, our actual usage for practices and games and rain out re-scheduling. I am considering creating a new volunteer position to do this. In speaking with Yasmine Jodrey I can see that there is a plan to create a better schedule and look for room in the bookings each day for other users I hope that the records we keep in the up coming season can help with that in future. Howe Sound Minor Ball is run by a small group of volunteers. We are all interested in being a working part of the PRMP but we want to be clear that changes to our field use at this time will be detrimental to our effectiveness as a volunteer group and detrimental to the enjoyment of the season by the families enrolled. I hope that we can work closely together in the future. Thank you for your work on our recreation needs in Squamish.

Colin McCarthy
President,
Howe Sound Minor Ball Association

Friday, December 21, 2012 6:20 PM

I volunteer as the registrar for Howe Sound Minor Ball and I was hoping you could clarify the bit about the fields at Brennan Park. If I'm reading the new plan correctly, it appears that soccer is expected to eventually become a year round sport, and this is not surprising since we all know the Lower Mainland is the only place in the country where soccer is played only during the fall/winter. It sounds, though, as if the plan is to somehow combine the fields so soccer and baseball could be played at the same time at Brennan Park, and this is something we are concerned about. How would it work, logistically, with balls being blasted over fences and into other sports fields? I have not read the entire second plan, but if I remember correctly, in the first draft, there was a possibility that the District might enter into talks with the School Board about upgrading school fields so those could be utilized as well. Would that be for soccer or baseball or both?

If you are able to clarify how these proposed changes might affect Howe Sound Minor Ball, both in the near and distant future, we would be very grateful.

Thanks so much.

COMMENTS RELATED TO FITNESS CENTRE

2013-01-15 P&R MP,

Please consider this a response to the P&R MP Parks and Recreation Master Plan process.

(a) Regarding the proposed BP Fitness Gym/Centre in this survey, question 4.4 in Survey Monkey at the bottom, it is clearly wrong to throw all Brennan Park items (fitness centre, new ice arena + dryfloor, expanded programming facilities, ETC.) into one item, to ask levels of support.

Some respondents might support ice, and have no need at all for the fitness centre. These are all VERY high cost items, and should be separated.

(b) Some items can exist ONLY on a taxpayer-supported basis like ice surfaces or playing fields, while others like fitness centres not only CAN exist at a private level, but indeed ALREADY exist in abundance.

(c) No capital and operating costs are mentioned close enough to the survey, so many respondents who did not painstakingly make their way through the 50 page print report, or the much larger online report, would have no idea of the incredible capital cost and very significant operating cost for the proposed fitness centre.

(d) And of course, MANY respondents in these non-scientific surveys - this one and those earlier - are just wishing anyway, without any proper determination of actual paying support in the future. A classic example of this would be past support for a fast commuter ferry from Squamish to Vancouver. If any gullible entrepreneur had ever taken non-scientific survey support seriously and sunk the required hundreds of thousands or millions into such a project, he/she would have been delighted with the crowd on the dock on the first day, only to be driven into bankruptcy by empty docks and no passengers immediately following.

DOS won't necessarily be driven into bankruptcy by a \$1.5 Million fitness centre which will not pay for itself, but we certainly don't need the unnecessary taxpayer cost at this time where there are so many other parks, recreation and general infrastructure needs that should take priority.

(e) I fail to see a business plan for the proposed fitness centre anywhere, but it's certainly clear that the \$50,000 operating cost is an incredible lowball*, because it would take far, far more than that to cover the costs of one or two union paid workers to supervise for two shifts, 7 days a week - the hours that several existing fitness gyms/centres are open.

*(pages 19-20, 25, table II.I \$1.5 Million capital cost; \$50,000 operations)

A more proper cost for the five or more full-time union salaries and benefits will likely exceed all money coming in from all possible subscribers and drop-ins, meaning that not only will the projected \$1.5 Million capital cost never be paid off, but that there will also be ongoing staffing costs in excess of income.

And if staffing "solutions" continue to include sharing pool guard supervision with the adjacent fitness centre (one "model" cited), it needs to be pointed out, beyond the human cost of a drowning or near-drowning, that the financial implications for the district would be enormous.

(f) A related issue with income with the proposed fitness centre is that on the one hand, it is being claimed that it will more than pay for itself (despite the heavy costs of union staffing over long hours); but on the other hand that it will offer a bargain to those presently not using existing facilities - seniors, mothers, etc. Well, you can't have this both ways: Fees will either cost as much or more, in which case the proposed municipal facility will not draw clients; OR it will cost less, in which case the proposed municipal facility will lose money.

(g) I am again attaching a spreadsheet outlining the clear OVER-supply of existing fitness gyms/centres in Squamish, of which the outside consultants still seem unaware. Please consider this attachment a submission as well.

<2012 Fitness Gyms in Squamish 2.xls> attached

Sun 20/01/2013 5:04 PM

Please review Mr. Herbert Vesely's letter submitted to the Squamish Chief newspaper. I am in total agreement with his points raised regarding the senior centre and proposed fitness facility. Please advise the date of the Committee of the Whole meeting where this will be brought forward for consideration.

The long-awaited Draft 2 of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Report is pointing us in a direction that supposedly will guide our municipality for years to come.

The report undoubtedly covers many good points but two areas of particular interest to me, give me cause for concern:

- 1. That by renaming the Seniors Centre and changing the membership structure or fees, we will increase participation;*
- 2. That adding a fitness facility to the Brennan Park Centre is a priority.*

Regarding the Seniors Centre issue, reading the report's conclusion, one is left to assume that this recommendation is supported either by research or by a broad support of potential users who made their opinion known at the various public meetings or through surveys.

But in fact this is not so. As was kindly shared with me by City Hall, these specific recommendations are based on opinions by either staff and/or the consultant.

The proposal for a fitness facility concerns me greatly as a taxpayer. The report tells us that the provision of a fitness facility is a high priority but does not support that conclusion with a sound business plan. Without it, should we accept that making a \$1.5 million investment is justified in these difficult financial times in which we find ourselves? The \$50,000 annual operating cost also needs to be supported, for it hardly appears to pay for the wages and benefits of one additional staff member. A proper business plan would lay all this out so the community could make an informed decision. Surely a bank would not lend

for such a venture if it were private and unsupported by sound financial planning. Our District should ask for nothing less. But we are told that we are pushing ahead with this and that the design is already in the early stages.

We are fortunate to have private fitness facilities in our community whose owners work hard to make a go of it. So how can competing with them by building a publicly funded facility send the desired message that Squamish is open for business?

The fact that the district is still struggling with an Adventure Centre unable to pay its own way gives me no confidence that the proposed fitness facility will be anything more than a further drain on our already strained financial resources.

It is noteworthy that there are many objections to the fitness centre proposal recorded in the 243-page appendix to the report, voiced by respondents to surveys or attendees at public meetings which are not reflected in the report's final conclusion.

Squamish home and business owners are taxed to the max and cannot afford any more ventures into uncharted territory.

Herbert Vesely, P.Eng.

Member, Seniors Centre Advisory Board

SQUAMISH

Sat 12/01/2013 9:49 AM

A note about the Public Feedback form:

I believe the comment form should have been differently arranged under question 4 point 4. It lumps the Fitness Centre with other much needed improvements to Brennan Park. Clearly the Fitness Centre should have been separated out in order to gauge properly the level of public support.

The author of the form should have known from the Appendix to the report that there were many instances recorded at public meetings and through surveys of objections to the Fitness Centre. So why not break it out and find out one more last time what people really think about this one topic?

One is left to believe, probably unfairly, that this was purposely done this way so that at a later date it could be said that there was broad public support for a Fitness Centre.

COMMENTS RELATED TO ARTS

Wed 23/01/2013 9:52 AM

Thank you for encouraging my input on the PRMP Draft. I have participated in the first 2 community PRMP workshops as well as met with consultant Cathy Matheson and have taken the time to read the Draft 2 and the Appendix, and I would like to offer or reinforce a few comments and suggestions around Arts & Culture:

There seems to be an absence of public comments in the appendix regarding calibre or quality ~ this is a concern if the hope is to also parlay our arts & culture offerings into a tourism opportunity.

A priority item should be establishing an arms length Arts Advisory Board or Committee, which would provide advice to Council on significant culture related issues, including developing a dynamic vision and long term strategic plan.

Artists are by nature independent and generally not "joiners" and there is a significant number of accomplished, innovative creatives in our community who are not represented by the established local clubs or organizations, by choice. In order to capture a diversity of high calibre talent and a wide demographic of arts practise and thinking, the Arts Advisory committee members should include representatives/members of established groups as well as independent artists/creatives.

Suggestion, that PRMP should not specify facility uses and programs before the Arts Advisory has developed a long term vision, which is endorsed by the public and DOS Council. The long term strategic plan should help to guide pragmatic decisions and choices regarding new and existing facility uses, program development and funding.

Related to long term goals and future needs, I suggest advocating for increased arts programs in School District 48. Ideally, all our local children should receive a rich arts education, as opposed to a minority who may be enrolled in outside programming. Our local schools are an important resource in terms of cultivating the next generation of creatives, with strategic approaches we are more likely to increase the demand for future arts programming and opportunities.

Squamish Oceanfront Arts & Culture Centre and festival size park were enthusiastically discussed and supported at the 2 community workshops that I attended, but does not seem to be reflected in the Draft 2. Squamish Oceanfront is likely our most significant site for iconic public facilities; and there has always been strong community desire to maintain "ownership" or "connectivity" with our oceanfront. The calibre of the oceanfront site also ensures a superior tourism marketing opportunity, particularly if it were in conjunction with world class arts and cultural activity.

Suggestion, to ensure a broad inclusive view regarding all arts & culture discussions or recommendations, by considering the full range of arts & culture activity ranging from cultural landscape to spoken word ~ its not just about visual arts' painting & pottery. Support for visual art seemed to largely dominate in the list of Draft 2 Recommendations; whereas the majority of actual feedback comments seemed to reference/support primarily music and dance, which coincidentally seemed lacking in the final list of recommendations. Raising awareness around the full breadth of arts & culture is warranted. Related to that discussion is the topic of DOS subsidies that seem to promote income generation of particular groups or individuals. There were a number of comments related to economic development in the appendix ~ I would recommend that subsidies to for-profit

individuals/business need to be carefully considered and defined, and relative to other for-profit individuals/businesses in the community.

Lastly, in the past, Squamish Arts Council Board composition has always been diverse and inclusive, and always with at least one or two lawyers with arts & culture interests included. The current new SAC board composition is dominated by "Visuals" Directors which is contrary to SAC bylaws, and appears to turn SAC into a defacto "Visual" group ~ perhaps that explains the imbalance of Visual arts recommendations in the draft? In any case there were five recent resignations from the SAC board due to the unprofessional behaviour of a number of the new directors who currently remain on the board. Under these circumstances I would encourage closer attention to the numerous recommendations in the Draft 2 that propose the current SAC to assume a lead role on behalf of the community.

COMMENTS RELATED TO ENVIRONMENT

Tue 15/01/2013 3:04 PM

Elaine, on behalf of the Squamish River Watershed Society I would like to provide the following comments on the Draft P&R Master Plan.

- There are numerous references to the formation of various advisory groups or committees throughout the document (i.e. page ii "Program Advisory", "Facility User Advisory", "Outdoor Recreation Advisory", etc). In the past the District had a Parks and Recreation Commission that pretty much oversaw most of the items that are mentioned in this document and acted as the liaison between the public and Mayor and Council. Rather than overextending staff time, Council time, and volunteer support time, why not recommend the reinstatement of the Parks and Recreation Commission? The Commission can then establish sub-groups as necessary for tackling specific topics but it streamlines the communication chain.
- Under the section 6.1 Events Coordination the idea of a dedicated staff person overseeing what so many of us in the community are involved in on a regular basis sounds ludicrous. The SRWS alone oversees at least three if not more annual events (Earth Day, Rivers Day, Return of the Salmon Festival) and requires minimal staff time or effort for any of these events. This is something that all staff in each department should have included in their day to day responsibilities so that each special event organization has the relative department to work with. As well, no two events require the same set of requirements and needs. However, having support from the DOS to streamline processes such as requesting formal declarations from the Mayor (i.e. June 8th as official Squamish Oceans Day), arranging security and transportation, and rental of DOS sites and equipment would definitely be an asset.
- Under Section 7 Arts, Culture, and Heritage, reference is once again made to form yet another Committee of Council. Through the existing Arts Council and Performing Arts Association much of the necessary infrastructure already exists and rather than taking up staff and volunteer time to make a redundant structure the Arts, Culture and Heritage can, again, be covered off in a single Parks and Recreation Commission body. I doubt the existing non-profit and volunteer run

Councils and Society's care to be governed by the DOS but I am certain they would welcome the opportunity to collaborate with the Municipality where needed.

- In Section 8.2.4 Outdoor Sports Amenities reference is made to using the School District #48 facilities. In the past this was not supported by the School District. Perhaps it now is in which case I have no comment. However, if the SD48 continues to not support DOS usage of their facilities and lands then I suggest the fourth bullet "Create joint use agreements with the SD..." be removed and no further effort made on this account.
- I commend the authors on Section 8.2.5 Dogs in Parks and think this is worth pursuing. I would also very much like to see pursued limiting dogs to ball playing fields in which the defecation from dogs is often mingled with children and players who are on the ground. This cannot be sanitary. It may not resonate well for the general public but I think it is worth pursuing areas in which dogs are not permitted or welcome.
- In Section 8.2.6 Waterfront Parks and Access one of the recommendations is to develop a Marine Strategy. Please be aware that several documents already exist to this effect including the Squamish Estuary Management Plan, the Skwelwil'em Squamish Wildlife Management Area Plan, Squamish Oceanfront Peninsular Sub-Area Plan, and a Green Shores Case Study Overview of Key Ecological Factors and Green Shores Development in the Squamish Estuary, in particular the Squamish Oceanfront Development Lands.
- In the section The Training Dyke & The Spit there is no acknowledgement of the fact the District currently owns the Spit and Training Dyke and responsible for the management and maintenance of these lands – as such, I do not see why any further designation on the lands are required as it is an access road, not park land.
- It is my understanding that through the SEMC and directly through the Windsports Society and the DOS an agreement already exists on waterfront access. Through the SEMC there are already discussions and a structure in place (the Squamish Estuary Environmental Review process) for addressing estuary management concerns.
- Any discussion concerning the Windsurfing Spit should also include the eventual decommissioning of these lands as a viable location for future windsports. The suggestions provided in this section are ones that have been discussed at the SEMC table and numerous other tables and the amenities that are suggested in the draft plan are likely not realistic or worth pursuing.
- The same applies to camping. Technically, as mentioned above, the DOS owns the Training Dyke and Spit and can do whatever they please on these lands but the WMA is very clear in not supporting camping and overnight use.
- As for developing "formal written agreements, including management plans..." these already exist or are being completed including the Skwelwil'em WMA (Ministry of Environment), Site "A" Management Plan (Squamish Nation)
- I cannot see any reason why yet another incentive or initiative for what should be done on the Oceanfront Lands is being recommended in the section Oceanfront Development. The use of

this site has been discussed through several community based initiatives, DOS initiated questionnaires, Smart Growth on the Ground charrettes, and so forth. It would be a disappointing use of tax dollars to spend yet again more money on these lands until the actual land owner of the site is established seeing as the lands are currently on the open market and are for sale.

- Under section 9 Environment, it is my understanding that Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) has been completed for the municipality. As well, groups such as the SRWS have been working directly with DOS staff for over 15 years mapping watercourses and wetlands that are currently reflected on the DOS GIS mapping and in the OCP. This should be continued into the future. As well, areas of Natural and Scientific Importance (ANSI's) should also be established and identified as well as identifying environmentally sensitive or significant lands. In 1995 much of this work was done in the Land for Nature initiative "Important Natural Areas and Streams of Squamish" (I have a copy of this document if it the District cannot put their hands on their copy)
- In Section 9.1 it may warrant changing the title to include: Skwelwil'em Squamish Estuary Wildlife Management Area, Site "A", & the Estuary. Site "A" is managed by Squamish Nation who are developing their own management strategy to complement the WMA.
- I will leave the rest of Section 9.1 for further discussions with the SEMC who can better address these recommendations.
- In Section 10 Trails mention is made, yet again, to establish yet another Steering Committee. The DOS has in the past hired a Trails Coordinator. This position should cover off the necessary communications strategies and coordination that is required for this section without having to create another level of governance and bureaucracy.
- The only final comment that we have is to summarize yet again a streamline process when working with the municipality. It is far more strategic to have fewer committees and processes for the public to have to deal with and a system by which any member of the public is given the exact same direction and input when they first approach the municipal front desk staff.

I hope that these comments are of use to your process.
Thank you. On behalf of the SRWS,

COMMENTS RELATED TO FORESTRY CENTRE

Mon 24/12/2012 9:51 AM

I want to clarify the following with respect to the references made in the draft regarding the "Forest Museum" Please note that it is to be a FOREST CENTRE; that will encompass the past, present and future of forestry . I have attached a an organization chart that describes the Ses to Sky Forestry Society and the Ses to Forestry Centre.

COMMENTS RELATED TO RECREATION CLUBS

Tue 15/01/2013 6:36 PM

The "Draft 2" version of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan document has been carefully reviewed by the Howe Sound Curling Club. On behalf of the Club, I wish to offer some brief final observations on the Plan.

First, we are very pleased with the attention given in the latest Draft Plan to the private, not-for-profit organizations providing recreational facilities and programs – such as our Golf Club/ Curling Club/ Squash Club facilities, operating on land leased from the District, on Mamquam Road.

The introductory sections of the Draft Plan chart our place and role in the picture of recreational facilities and programs adequately. (On pages iii and 1.)

We have noted the recommendation under 3.1.3. COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATION: "Engage in ongoing discussion and develop relationships with recreation clubs and organizations that offer additional programs and services beyond District capabilities...";

and the recommendation under 3.2.2. MARKETING:

"Promote and market clubs, associations and partners providing recreation opportunities outside of the District facilities and parks..."

The following can illustrate the importance of ongoing dialogue and cooperation on facilities use, planning and marketing:

(1) This weekend, January 18-20, the Senior Women's Regional Curling Playdown, with 44 women in 11 teams competing to go on to the provincial championship, is being hosted at our Squamish curling rink facility. This regional tournament will account for numerous overnight accommodation bookings and meals being purchased in our community.

(2) During summer months this year the Curling Club has rented its rink to Squamish and Whistler roller derby clubs for their training use. This off-season rental revenue is critical to our club. The District's Draft Plan recommends replacing the present ice arena (under 4.2 BRENNAN PARK RECREATION CENTRE), and further suggests: "When the new arena is functional, phase out and re-purpose the old arena for dry-floor uses such as roller derby, indoor lacrosse, concerts, etc." We would not wish to be competing with the District in marketing the usage of our respective facilities!

We trust that the final Master Plan will appropriately highlight the need for ongoing discussion, partnerships and collaboration with private, not-for-profit groups such as ours.

Thank you!

Hilary Fisher
President
Howe Sound Curling Club

COMMENTS RELATED TO SPORTS LEGACY PARK

Wed 26/12/2012 10:43 AM

I have had a look through the Draft 2 document on the website and have not seen any reference to the Squamish Legacy Sports Park and the activities that will occur at that site. This was referenced in the previous draft but not in the current draft. This facility will be a fairly significant piece of recreation/sport infrastructure and will provide service for a number of recreational activities within the recreational core (Brennan Park area) and I believe it should be included in the master plan.

John Heilig
Manager, Nordic Sport
Whistler Olympic Park

Mon 31/12/2012 6:07 PM

Thank you for sending out links to the 2nd draft of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, and for encouraging further feedback and input.

A few thoughts:

- I am impressed by the scope of your report, and your inclusionary process; also by the breadth of coverage from youth to seniors, and inclusion of indoor as well as outdoor activities. I also applaud your decision to include such seeming tag-ons as event planning and arts & culture. Recreation in Squamish includes so many activities and so many groups, both organized and unorganized - a challenge to find and include them all !

- I would like to suggest that outdoor recreation could be further expanded in your report by including more references to the widespread participation of residents of Squamish and the corridor in the unprogrammed activities of hiking, climbing, and skiing. In particular, there are 3 types of skiing that Squamish residents participate in, in great numbers: alpine (downhill), backcountry, and nordic (cross country). Amenities include a combination of private operations, provincial parkland, and crown land existing within Squamish boundaries or very close by.

- You mentioned "winter sports" only once that I noticed, and I believe this range of activities deserves more focus.

- Our Callaghan Winter Sports Club is very close to acquiring land for the Squamish Legacy Sports Park (SLSP) a planned multi-use park designed around Nordic sport in particular. This park was mentioned in Draft 1, but is notably absent from Draft 2. The SLSP needs to be included. I respectfully suggest several possible sections of your report to consider this addition, though I obviously respect your decision on best section:

- 3.22 Marketing, under Recommendations, in your final bullet along with: "ie: curling, Squamish golf course, rod & gun club, etc."
- Parkland and Amenity Supply
- 5.1 Sport Health & Wellness
- "Recreation Hubs"
- 3.1.3 Community Partnerships and Collaborations final bullet under recommendations along with the listed clubs.

I have attached a copy of our current Executive Summary of the SLSP for your information. For your information, we are going into our first Public Information Meeting in the District rezoning and OCP amendment process, on Thursday January 10, starting at 6:30 pm, at the Sandman Inn Hotel. Would be delighted if you could attend!

If you have further questions on our proposal or its current status, I would be happy to talk further with you, as per contact information below.

Thank you again for your good work, Elaine, and for the opportunity for input.

I look forward to chatting further as this project proceeds!

Sincerely,

Rick Smith

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**Squamish Legacy Sports Park
Executive Summary**

Ver: December 12, 2012

THE VISION:

The **Squamish Legacy Sports Park (SLSP)** is a multi sport park, centered around Nordic sport, offering year-round accessibility to residents of Squamish and the Sea to Sky Corridor. It will increase opportunities for recreation for all abilities and ages, and will provide opportunities for Nordic sport development.

The Callaghan Winter Sports Club (CWSC) will lead the process of securing access to the land, fundraising to cover costs, and overseeing construction.

Once built, interested user groups will have the opportunity of using the facilities for events, camps, and recreational activities.

THE GOALS:

- Provide year-round recreation and sport opportunities for a large segment of the Squamish population, youth and adults, including full accessibility
- Provide unique opportunities for local youth
- Support Squamish's brand: "Outdoor Recreational Capital of Canada"
- Provide a tangible legacy in recognition of the contribution that Squamish made to the 2010 Winter Olympic Games
- Generate new local business opportunities

THE SITE:

- Squamish is central in the Sea to Sky Corridor
- Proposed site is central to the community and the recreational core of Squamish (near Brennan Park)
- Access to Corridor Trail
- Adjacent to the Squamish Valley Rod and Gun Club (biathlon)
- Appropriate slope profile for construction of year-round ski jumps

BOLD TRACKS, NEW ADVENTURES

PROPOSED FACILITIES:

- Biathlon Range – 50 meters, incorporated into existing Rod & Gun Club range
- Ski Jump Park – 10 meter, 20 meter, 40 meter year round jumps
- Accessible Roller Sport Loop – up to 2 km, paved, lighted
- Running Loop – up to 5km, soft surface, lighted, parallel to Roller Loop
- Bike Park – mountain bike skills park
- Climbing Area – crags identified on site
- Covered Pavilion and meeting area
- Vita Parcours (Fitness Trail)
- Disc golf
- Potential for Sarah Burke Memorial Freestyle Skiing Development Centre

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Based on Calgary's Canada Olympic Park model, the SLSP facilities will provide opportunities for multi sport camps including biathlon, ski jumping, biking, running, climbing.

Programs draw from Sea to Sky and Vancouver youth populations, increasing sport tourism opportunities year-round. Programs will be enhanced by proximity to the facilities of Brennan Park. Year-round event hosting will be enabled by an all-season facility located right in Squamish – events such as summer jumping, roller biathlon, bike biathlon, running biathlon, and roller ski races.

The potential to add to the destination sport tourism market, creating economic stimulus to the community, especially local restaurants, hotels, retail stores, etc. is clear

WHY SQUAMISH . . . NOW:

- Nordic sports have been embraced by Sea to Sky residents, enhanced by the creation of Whistler Olympic Park (WOP) in the Callaghan Valley. The Callaghan Winter Sports Club (CWSC), through creation of the SLSP, intends to build on this interest, creating an even stronger recreational and sport development opportunity for the youth and families of our Corridor.
- Introduction to Nordic sport can be accomplished simply, cost effectively, year-round, within the community, without driving to a distant facility
- Introductory camp programs can be initiated in Squamish for athletes and those new to the sport – providing opportunities for youth in the corridor, while also generating revenue for our community.
- Drawing Nordic sport directly into the community of Squamish creates economic stimulus to leverage larger events to our community – events such as the Sea to Sky Nordic Festival (National Championships in Cross Country Skiing, Biathlon, and Ski Jump/Nordic Combined) currently scheduled for our region in March of 2013; being the home of Nordic sport in our region gives us exposure and support to direct many of the expenditures of such events to our community.

Please excuse any errors or omitted gyms in this casual survey: the intention is simply to show that Squamish is already VERY well served with existing gyms, and that there is no need for a new \$1.5M fitness gym at Brennan Park, at taxpayer cost.					
Name	clients	Owner/Manager	Phone	Email	Notes
Major Gyms					
Club Flex		Don Smith	892-FLEX	ClubFlex@shaw.ca	large inventory of weight machines, open every day, 16 hours most days, 38255 Cleveland Avenue
Dream Fitness			815-4211		Women's gym, 1115 Industrial Way near Queensway
Squamish Athletic Club			892-8273		
Curves		Kathy Edwardson	815-4696	122422@Curvesmail.com	Women's gym. Hydraulic strength machines. Open 6 days a week, 38222 Eaglewind Boulevard
Body Storm		Kimberley Cummings	848-4644	kimberley@bodystorm.ca	40437 Tantalus Road in Spectacle, GH
Garibaldi Fitness		Heidi Stokes	898-4401		14-40437 Tantalus Road
Challenge by Choice			567-1117		104-1121 Commercial Place
CrossFit		Jessie	892-1177	info@crossfitsquamish.ca	Indoor/Outdoor physical training, 38922 Mid Way
Yoga & Pilates					
Progressive Pilates		Sylvia Gertsch	815-1650	info@Pilates-Squamish.co	http://pilates-squamish.com Sea to Sky Hotel
The Yoga Studio			892-9476		37776 2nd Ave
Shala Yoga			567-6000		3-40383 Tantalus Way
Bodyvine Yoga			848-5793		105 Alpen Lofts, Tantalus Way
Bikram Yoga			898-9600		201-1121 Commercial Place
Climbing					
Squamish Rock Guides			892-7816		38027 Guilford Drive
Climb On			892-2243		38054 Second Avenue
Escape Route			892-3228		40222 Glenalder Place
Other Specialties					
WTF Tae Kwando		Scot Strachan, Michelle Park	892-3710	scotstrachan@hotmail.com	TaeKwonDo, zumba, yoga, all fitness martial arts 38025 Cleveland Ave
30 Minute Hite			898-9600		Kickboxing. Discovery Way

Ti Chi					Squamish Wellness organises Meetings/Classes
Zumba					Totem Hall, Curves, Senior's Centre, Bodyvine
Biking					?
Hiking					
Tantalus Hiking					?
Over the Hill Hikers					?
Dance Studios					
Howe Sound Dance Academy			898-1422		6-41340 Government Road & 37879 2nd Ave
St. John's					?

Health Protection

15 January 2013

Tim Hoskin

Director of Recreation Services
District of Squamish
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V8B 0A3

Dear Mr. Hoskin

Re: District of Squamish - Draft 2 of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan

Thank you for referring the draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan to our attention for comment. Our comments below are based on our mandate to regulate and administer legislated requirements and associated guidelines pursuant to the Public Health Act, Drinking Water Protection Act, Tobacco Control Act and their Regulations including the Pool Regulation, Public Place Sanitary Facilities Regulation, Sewerage Disposal Regulation and Food Premises Regulation. Some of our comments and recommendations are not based on our legislated requirements; however, support public health and safety related best practice standards, guidelines and procedure and healthy community land use planning principals.

Sanitary facilities

Existing or proposed camping, public gathering, high use recreation sites, and special event areas should be equipped with sanitary facilities (permanent or temporary) which are sized and designed according to their use, and as per relevant Building Code and Public Health legislation and guidelines. Locations currently serviced by permanent pit privies should be upgraded with sanitary facilities connected to community water and sewerage systems including flush toilets and hand wash basins. Although temporary porta potties are acceptable for temporary special event purposes; they are not an approved method of permanent sewerage disposal. Sanitary facilities at proposed future campground sites must be serviced by approved and permitted water and sewerage disposal systems (preferably the District of Squamish community systems).

Where campgrounds, celebration and sporting event sites are not serviced by any sanitary facilities, consideration should be given to their installation or the provision of service connections for temporary mobile shower facilities, temporary or mobile hand wash stations, and mobile food service establishments. Community water line extensions require a Construction Permit.

Health Protection

Drinking Water

We support the installation of drinking water fountains and bottle filling stations at special event, parks, and high use outdoor recreation areas provided the water supply is potable and the dispensers are maintained in a sanitary manner. For the purposes of supporting temporary special events, we recommend these areas be equipped with standpipe connections (in accordance with plumbing code requirements) to accommodate connection of temporary water bottle filling stations or mobile water dispensing units and mobile and temporary food service establishments. Live at Squamish is serviced by a temporary water supply system which is approved and permitted each event; however; the installation of permanent infrastructure to service this site and event is strongly recommended from a convenience and operational logistics aspect and to minimize the risk of contamination. A Construction Permit is required for these works.

Second Hand Tobacco Smoke Exposure

Please ensure smoking signage is posted at all Parks and Recreation sites in according with the Provincial requirements and the District of Squamish Smoking Regulation By-law. The District of Squamish may wish to consider further restricting smoking near and in parks as has been done in the City of Vancouver, the Resort Municipality of Whistler and the Village of Pemberton. (both 25m).

Public Transportation

Public transportation in the Sea to Sky corridor does not support the transport of large numbers people travelling between communities and to and from the Metro areas for special events. We recommend the District of Squamish develop a transportation strategy in conjunction with other local governments and the regional district that supports special event activities throughout the sea to sky corridor. Public transportation reduces vehicle accidents, adverse air quality impacts and improves pedestrian safety. The Sea to Sky clean air society management plan actions support the promotion of opportunities to resident and visitor access to public and other transportation alternatives.

Food Premises

Temporary mobile and permanent food premises must comply with the construction and operational requirements of the BC Food Premises Regulations. At the very least they should be rendered pest proof, equipped with potable running water, contain sanitary hand washing equipment, adequate electrical power to support temporary or permanent food processing and storage equipment, and construction surfaces should be smooth and non absorbent for the purposes of sanitation. The temporary food premises buildings at the Logger's Sports grounds could be improved accordingly and in accordance with the BC Food Premises Regulation. Advance plan approval from our office is required for renovations or new construction.

Health Protection

Ideally, Farmers/Food Market sites are equipped with permanent infrastructure connections to support sanitary equipment for both food vendors and public for instance hand and produce washing stations (I am unsure if these activities are covered by the plan).

Playgrounds and Pools and other Recreational facilities

Playground construction and design is recommended to meet those standards of the CSA. An injury prevent suggestion from our Licencing Officer is to label play ground equipment with suitable user age.

Spray Parks require a Construction Permit in advance pursuant to the Pool Regulation.

Please ensure new recreational facilities do not overtax existing infrastructure and are equipped with adequate sanitary facilities.

Bathing beaches and outdoor recreational water bodies

We support the development of recreational water access facilities and recommend the District of Squamish monitoring bathing beach and recreational water bacteriological quality as per the Canadian Recreational Water Quality Guidelines as is done in other jurisdictions such as Metro Vancouver. .Our office can participate with sampling containers, lab requisitions and services but not sample collection.

You are welcome to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss this letter.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX C

National Trends

NATIONAL TRENDS IN PARKS AND RECREATION

These are times of challenge for parks and recreation services everywhere. Public money is scarce and the cost of service delivery continues to rise. This issue has both capital and operating cost dimensions, which Parks and Recreation administrations have to address or risk diminished public support for the services they provide.

Province-wide, capital reinvestment in recreation facilities has steadily declined over the past few decades with the result that there is now an infrastructure renewal deficit of some billions of dollars. Many recreation facilities are reaching the end of their useful lifespan, needing either major upgrading or complete replacement, not only to repair the cumulative wear and tear of years of use, but also to address functional obsolescence resulting from changing demands from users.

Similarly, recreation programming has to stay current with changing populations and activity choices. As the boomer generation enters retirement it will profoundly alter the nature of seniors programming, demanding a wider selection and more control over individual leisure pursuits. At the other end of the age spectrum, access to recreation and park facilities is broadly recognized as an effective counter to trends towards obesity and sedentary lifestyles prevalent amongst children and youth.

Participation in outdoor recreation, and particularly in nature-based activities, has increased significantly overall. Interest in forests, wildlife and natural resources remains strong, with growth in both participation and total days dedicated to viewing or photographing natural scenery, visiting nature centres, sightseeing, camping, boating, going to the beach, and off-road driving.

The above observations are particularly pertinent to Squamish given that the District will have to address infrastructure renewal issues at the Brennan Park Recreation Centre within the timeframe of the Master Plan. Squamish is also more youthful than most comparable towns in BC, with almost half of those surveyed having children under the age of 18, and almost a quarter having children under the age of 5 years. The challenge will be to retain these children and youth in the District as young adults by providing both employment and leisure opportunities. Finally, macro trends with respect to outdoor recreation suggest that visitors and new residents will continue to be drawn to Squamish for the active living lifestyle it offers.

Social trends reflect a combination of demographics, economics, environmental conditions, and personal choices made by individuals. The following outlines current social trends that are applicable to park and recreation planning in Squamish, followed by some discussion of the implications of these trends on Squamish (in italics).

Seeking a work-life balance

There is a growing need for people to fit recreation into convenient time slots. Increased commuting, a move to “two career families,” growing pressures to perform in the workplace and children having multiple extracurricular commitments have all contributed to this trend.

Many Squamish residents have long commutes to Whistler/Pemberton or to Vancouver (38% commute >25km), putting limits on available hours for health and recreation (Vital Signs Report 2011, Squamish Community Foundation).

Environmental awareness

Growing awareness and concern about climate change, water quality, species declines, and other environmental issues are having an effect on peoples' perceptions and behavior. In Squamish, the natural ecosystems are a vital part of the community culture and the adverse effects of development are sources of concern.

Squamish parks offer the opportunity for the District to support a variety of environmental initiatives, including increased environmental protection, environmental education and low-impact operational

practices. Implementation of additional ecologically-sensitive procedures and programs in parks and trails will reinforce the District's commitment to environmental objectives.

Concerns for personal safety in public places

The public is well-informed and sensitive to reports of crime and wildlife incidents in outdoor environments. In many cases, this is based largely on perception rather than fact, but a person's sense of safety is as important as the actual safety risk of using parks and trails.

It is important that parks and open space in Squamish be designed and managed to maintain their reputation and functionality as safe, attractive amenities for all residents. Considering the potential for human / wildlife conflicts in public parks and on trails, as well as in public education campaigns and signage, is also a major component of public safety in Squamish. Concern for Health and Wellness

Lack of physical activity is a major public health concern throughout BC, with the most recent data indicating that 38% of British Columbians are not active enough to achieve the health benefits associated with an active lifestyle.

Squamish has the opportunity to provide walking and cycling opportunities to schools, along selected roadways, and within and between parklands. The District also has the opportunity to strengthen activities and programming within parks and to collaborate with a variety of community partners.

Meeting the Needs of Children

Children need adequate play opportunities to develop their social, cognitive and physical abilities. There is also increasing evidence that children need access to natural areas and direct contact with the soil, plants and the non-built environment for enriching development and learning opportunities.

Squamish has a large proportion of children and youth. As the community develops and there is increasing pressure on natural areas, it is timely for Squamish to secure natural areas and to create opportunities for children to interact meaningfully with nature.

Increases in Informal and Individual Activities

As people's schedules get increasingly busy, there is greater demand for informal and individual leisure activities such as walking or cycling, rather than organized team sports with programmed schedules.

In order to accommodate those with less time and energy for organized recreation, Squamish should develop opportunities for people to be active on an individual, informal basis. These needs can be met by increasing "drop-in" programs and securing trails, greenways, and walking paths.

APPENDIX D

Benefits of Parks and Recreation

BENEFITS OF PARKS AND RECREATION

The contribution of parks and recreation amenities to a community in terms of health, quality of life, and environmental benefits are generally well known, but the linkages between these and a host of broader-reaching benefits are stronger than previously recognized. The Canadian Parks and Recreation Association has compiled research and evidence that points to eight key benefits of parks and recreation.

Recreation, sports, arts, culture and parks:

- Are essential to personal health;
- Are key to balanced human development;
- Are essential to quality of life an place;
- Can reduce self-destructive and anti-social behaviour;
- Help build strong families and healthy communities;
- Help reduce health care, social service, and police/justice costs;
- Are significant economic generators, and
- Are essential to well-being and our environmental and psychological survival.

Well-managed and comprehensive parks and recreation services also provide local economic benefits, providing employment opportunities, helping to retain existing residents in the area, and attracting new residents and visitors.

APPENDIX F

Park Acquisition Guidelines

PARK ACQUISITION GUIDELINES

1. *Topography and natural features suited to the intended uses*

- Where feasible, a desirable park gradient will be in the range of 0-5% for the majority of the site. Lands up to a 10% slope may be considered only if they can be graded to 5% to accommodate park uses. Consideration must be made on a park by park basis of natural geographic features (such as small hills, knolls) which may act as features of a park, but the majority of a park should be capable of accommodating a range of recreational activities.
- Parkland should be considered where it protects ecosystems not otherwise represented in the system.
- Parkland should be considered where significant natural features are located.

2. *Be convenient to the population it serves*

- Every resident should not be farther than a ten minute walk from a park. The exception to this is in the Downtown core where all residents should be within a five minute walk of a park, and in the more rural areas, all residents should be within a fifteen minute walk of a park.

3. *Be compatible with adjoining land uses*

- Situate parks adjacent to larger natural features or linear green connectors. Examples of this are locating neighbourhood parks adjacent to linear greenways (e.g. Pedestrian friendly streets).
- Create parks, where possible, adjacent to school sites.
- The location of proposed athletic fields or events sites should take into consideration the effect of lighting, parking and circulation on adjacent land uses and circulation patterns.

4. *Be safe and accessible*

- Parks should be located close to public streets, transit, bicycle paths and pedestrian routes.
- Parks should have as much frontage on streets as possible.
- Universal accessibility should be provided to and in parks where reasonably feasible and where doing so will not damage cultural or environmental integrity.
- City Parks, Community Parks and Neighbourhood Parks should be properly lit to discourage vandalism and where doing so will not adversely affect adjacent residences. (It is not expected that natural / environmental areas be lit.)

5. *Provide varied programming*

- Sites should be as flexible as possible in their programming, incorporating opportunities for a variety of activities such as active structured play, un-programmed lawn areas, pathways, trails, lookouts and quiet areas.
- Sites should incorporate desired park facilities for the specific neighbourhood requirements and demographics. Since this will change over time, it is critical that the space be of a size, shape and contour that park elements can change over time.

- In general, a park smaller than 0.3ha should not be accepted, and preferably not smaller than 0.5ha. [Note: 16 of 21 neighbourhood parks in Squamish are smaller than 0.5 ha].

6. *Be sensitive to the environment*

- Parks should conserve, enhance and restore the natural physical character of the site.

7. *Limited non-park infrastructure*

- Detention ponds typically preclude public use. These are not recommended as park space.
- Large constructed wetlands with multiple habitat and recreation benefits should be considered and should be designed through integration of both parks and engineering criteria.

8. *Consider opportunities for optimal parkland as they arise*

- Where school sites are closed, existing playfields and amenities such as playgrounds should be considered for acquisition as parkland.
- Initiate parkland identification and boundary determination at, or prior to, road layouts and preceding any lot layouts in new development areas. In some cases, due to the workload involved, this work will need to be carried out by consultants reporting directly to the Parks Manager.

9. *Create connections*

- Parkland is preferred where it contributes directly to the community-wide system of trails and greenways, but also where indirect benefits can be provided such as access points and trailheads with amenities.

