



#MyWaterfront

Port Perry Waterfront *Action* Plan



WHAT WE HEARD #2

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1.0 Introduction

The Township of Scugog is undertaking a Waterfront Action Plan for Port Perry. The Port Perry Waterfront Action Plan will make recommendations for short, medium and long-term actions for recreation, natural and cultural heritage features, economic development and tourism along the waterfront. The Waterfront Action Plan will also make sure that Port Perry continues to be a vibrant and thriving community for residents and visitors alike. The Waterfront Action Plan for Port Perry is currently in Phase 2 – Options.

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the input received during Phase 2 – Options. Input was received through:

- a design workshop;
- discussions with Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation;
- a survey (online and in paper copy form);
- a pop-up information booth;
- a student workshop at RH Cornish Elementary School, and,
- social media and emails.

2.0 Workshop #2

Workshop #2 was held on February 13, 2020 at the Township of Scugog Council Chambers. The workshop was organized into three sessions:

- Session 1: 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm
- Session 2: 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
- Session 3: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Approximately 32 people attended Session 1, 33 people attended Session 2, and 25 people attended Session 3, for a total of 90 participants.

The Town promoted Workshop #2 through social media posts, press releases in the local Metroland, The Port Perry Standard, Durham Radio News and 105.5 Hits FM.

During the workshop attendees were invited to work with a member of the consulting design team to prepare diagrams that explored three options for the waterfront. People were invited to join the table group that was exploring an option that was of most interest to them. During each workshop session, three concepts were generated each representing various directions and choices in order to explore the advantages and disadvantages that may be revealed during the follow-up input from the community, team and staff.

Each concept created during the workshop explored variables for:

- Location of the marina;
- Location of a new Senior's Centre and other community uses;
- Active recreation facilities such as the existing sports fields, tennis, playground and splash pad;
- Potential development sites and preferred development typologies; and,
- Infrastructure such as parking, roads, and trails.

A number of 'givens' formed the foundation of all options:

- The Mill is maintained and re-purposed;
- An urban square will be located at the foot of Queen Street;
- A location for the William Lishman sculpture will be identified;
- The pumping station will be relocated;

- The Lake Scugog Enhancement Project will be implemented;
- The Latcham Centre will be removed and relocated in the medium to longterm; and,
- The 'Open Streets' project on Queen Street will be integrated.

PORT PERRY Waterfront Action Plan

WORKSHOP #2 - February 13, 2020 Options for the Waterfront

Township of Scugog Council Chambers



The Township of Scugog has initiated the Port Perry Waterfront Action Plan. The Planning Partnership with Baird and TCI Management have been retained to undertake the planning and design. The Action Plan will make recommendations for short, medium and long-term actions for recreation, natural and cultural heritage features, economic development and tourism on the waterfront.

Please plan on attending the second interactive workshop. During the workshop, you are invited to work with a member of the design team to prepare diagrams that explore options for the waterfront: for example, expansion to the marina, sports fields, location for a seniors centre, more trails, an urban square, parking and environmental enhancement.

Please choose the time that best suits your schedule and register at eventbrite:
Port Perry Waterfront

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

at the Township of Scugog Council Chambers

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The following concepts represent the synthesis of the sketches prepared for each concept in the three workshop sessions.

CONCEPT 1

Concept 1 maintains the ball diamonds and tennis courts in place and adds more recreation facilities along the waterfront. A new Seniors Centre can be incorporated into a mixed-use building at the corner of North Street and Water Street. A new marina building and public washrooms and combined in one building. The parking lots off of Water Street are maintained.



Specific Elements in Concept 1 as Identified on the Drawing

1. Sustainable planting in parking lot
2. Pickleball courts
3. New 'mixed-use' development, with potential ground floor uses including a seniors centre, retail on Water Street, and service commercial on North Street, and residential uses above ground; existing municipal parking to be maintained
4. Location for William Lishman sculpture
5. Lakeside trail
6. Skatepark
7. Small craft launch and docks (human powered)
8. Winter station / warming hut
9. Expanded library parking
10. Marina building and public washroom
11. Urban square
12. Transient boat slips
13. Pavilion at end of pier
14. Potential street closure in summer
15. Street trees and sidewalk
16. Maintain playground, splash pad, and beach
17. Existing washroom to remain
18. Existing baseball diamonds to remain
19. Potential ice surface on baseball diamond in winter
20. Existing tennis courts to remain, potential to be enclosed in a 'bubble' in winter
21. Fishing platforms
22. Open space with trail
23. Long-term, potential redevelopment with buildings oriented to front, face and feature the lake
24. Additional tree planting to screen loading area of existing grocery store

Small boat launch with dock



Open air structure at end of pier



New marina building



Open space with trail



Closed streets for special events



Skateboard park



CONCEPT 2

Concept 2 maintains the south ball diamond and tennis courts with the north ball diamond relocated elsewhere. A new pavilion for events is added at the foot of Casimir Street. An “urban beach” is suggested with sand and seating. The marina is expanded to the north. A new Seniors Centre, marina building, and public washrooms are located next to Birdseye Park. Parking lots are removed from Water Street.



Specific Elements in Concept 2 as Identified on the Drawing

1. Location for William Lishman sculpture
2. Beach volleyball
3. New 'mixed-use' development, with potential ground floor uses including a seniors centre, retail on Water Street, and service commercial on North Street, and residential uses above ground; existing municipal parking to be maintained
4. New marina building, seniors centre, and public washrooms
5. Relocated and expanded boat slips
6. Outdoor theatre and stepped seating in Palmer Park
7. Urban square and outdoor theatre behind the Old Mill
8. New gazebo in Palmer Park
9. Lakeside deck and overlook
10. New dock to tie up for small boats
11. Street trees and sidewalk
12. Potential future redevelopment along Water Street to create street edge buildings with parking behind
13. Angled parking along Water Street
14. New washroom building
15. Existing tennis court remain with seating/viewing area at entrance
16. Existing south baseball diamond to remain with potential for ice skating
17. Lakeside trail
18. Long range, potential redevelopment with commercial/retail at the ground level, residential uses above and parking. Development fronts, faces and features the lake
19. Potential future mixed use redevelopment with commercial/retail uses at the ground floor and residential and office uses above
20. Existing north baseball diamond relocated elsewhere in Port Perry and replaced with urban beach with sand and lounge chairs, with no direct access to lake
21. Hard surface area with new pavilion for performances, and possibly warming hut

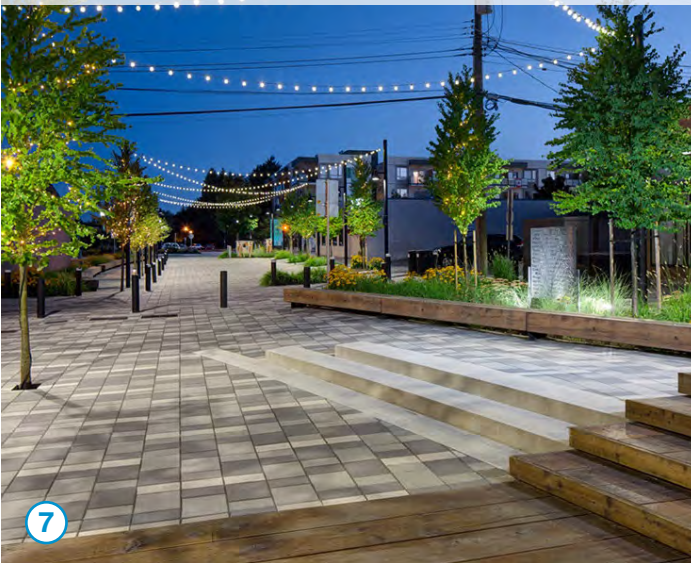
Beach volleyball



Urban beach



Urban square



Angled parking on Water Street



Outdoor theatre and stepped seating



South baseball diamond with potential for skating in the winter



CONCEPT 3

Concept 3 relocates both ball diamonds and tennis courts elsewhere. The waterfront is designed with gardens, lawn and trees, with new park pavilions. New play facilities and a splash pad are added in the area at the foot of Casimir Street. Two options are shown for the Seniors Centre: one with a new marina building and public washrooms near the Old Mill and another with a 'youth' centre in Joe Fowler Memorial Park.



Specific Elements in Concept 3 as Identified on the Drawing

1. Optional location for new seniors centre, marina building and public washroom
2. Urban square
3. Existing wall and viewing area
4. On street parallel parking along Water Street
5. New stage/pavilion and stepped seating in Palmer Park
6. Gardens, lawn, trees, and possibly winter station / warming huts
7. New play facilities, splash pad and shade structure for multiple age groups
8. Optional location for new seniors centre, community facility (ie. youth centre) with green roof, public washroom
9. Skatepark and winter skating trail
10. New building with commercial/retail at the ground level, residential above and parking
11. Long-term, potential future mixed use redevelopment with commercial/retail uses at the ground level and possible residential and office uses above and parking. Development fronts, faces and features the lake
12. Potential future redevelopment along Water Street to create street edge buildings with parking behind
13. Potential future mixed use redevelopment with commercial/retail uses at the ground level and possible residential and office uses above
14. Lakeside trail
15. Possible summer street closure
16. Location for William Lishman sculpture
17. Expanded marina
18. New 'mixed-use' development, with potential ground floor uses including a seniors centre, retail on Water Street, and service commercial on North Street, and residential uses above ground; existing municipal parking to be maintained
19. Parking lot maintained next to optional location for

Expanded Marina



New pavilion and stage in Palmer Park



New Marina building with Seniors Centre



Gardens, lawns and trees in Palmer and Joe Fowler Park



Urban square



Optional location for new Seniors Centre and community facilities



3.0 Survey

The survey was provided online and in paper copy. The online survey was administrated through the Metroquest platform and hosted on the project web page. The survey ran from May 13th to July 14th, 2020. In total, 547 people answered the survey producing 16,301 data points. Five completed paper copies of the survey were also received. The online survey was promoted by the Township through social media posts, emails and other communication tools.

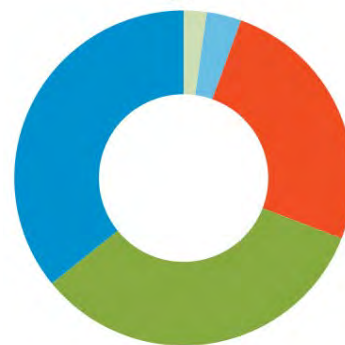
Demographic data collected shows that almost 70% of respondents were 41 years and older and 65% identified as female. Almost a third of the respondents live and work in Scugog and 44% live in Scugog. 40% of respondents identified as empty nesters, while 45% of respondents have families with either young children or teenagers.

The online survey provided an overview of the three concepts that were developed during Workshop #2 and asked participants to provide feedback on the various components of each concept. The survey also asked participants to indicate if they agree or disagree with the various elements, by giving a thumbs up (agree), or a thumbs down (disagree). The following summary is the total percentage of participants who agreed with each element, followed by a summary of the comments received.



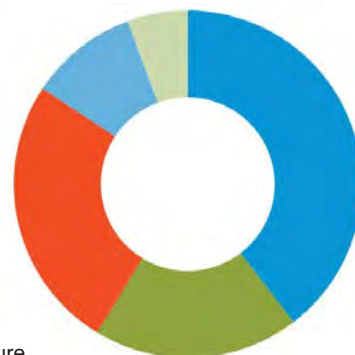
Live and Work

- You live and work in Scugog - 29%
- You live in Scugog - 44%
- You live in Scugog and work outside - 27%



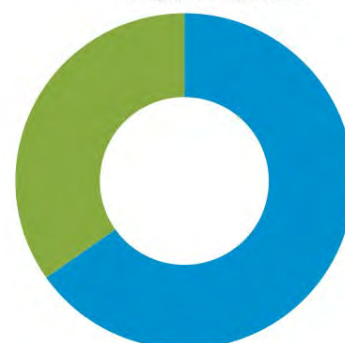
Age

- 18 and under - 2%
- 19-24 - 3%
- 25-40 - 25%
- 41-60 - 33%
- 61+ - 36%



Household Structure

- Young Couple - 6%
- Single - 10%
- Family with Teenagers - 19%
- Family with Young Children - 26%
- Empty Nesters - 44%



Gender

- Male - 35%
- Female - 65%

CONCEPT 1: Survey results for key elements of the concept



There is strong support for a new building for the marina and public washrooms close to the Old Mill. Although there appears to be strong support to maintain the existing playground and splash pad, there were many comments about the current condition, need for new facilities and optional locations. There is strong support for planting and the trail. Less than half of the survey respondents want both ball diamonds to remain or a new skateboard park in Birdseye Park.

Do you agree with these directions?

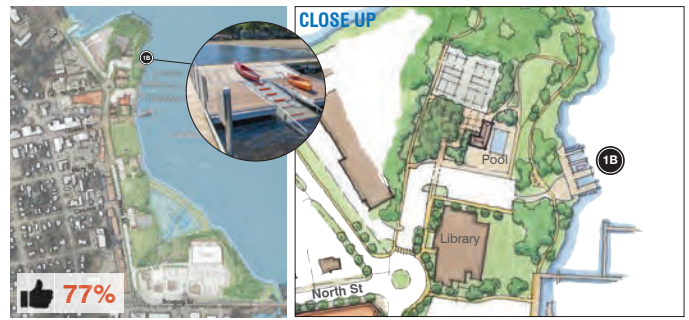
1A: Location of pickle ball courts in Birdseye Park	59%
1B: Location of docks and launch for small boats in Birdseye Park	77%
1C: New development with retail on Water Street, service commercial on North Street, a Seniors Centre at ground level, residential above, with existing parking maintained	65%
1D: Location of new marina building and public washroom	89%
1E: Close off Queen Street and a portion of Water Street to vehicles for special events in summer	83%
1F: Open air structure at end of pier	67%
1G: Location for William Lishman sculpture	75%
1H: Maintain existing playground and splash pad	84%
1I: North baseball diamond to remain, potentially to have an ice skating rink	68%
1J: Both baseball diamonds to remain	43%
1K: Tennis courts to remain, potentially to be enclosed with a "bubble" to allow use in the winter	60%
1L: Open space with trail	96%
1M: Additional tree planting to screen existing grocery store	89%
1N: A skateboard park in Birdseye Park	41%

CONCEPT 1: Summary of comments for each of the key elements



1A: Pickleball courts in Birdseye Park

- We have limited natural green space. We should not lose more
- Pickleball is the fastest growing sport, and is for all ages. Nowhere to play outdoors in Scugog
- Could the tennis courts be multi functional and add pickleball lines to the tennis courts?
- It might be time to move organized sporting activities to a new location - over by the arena or fairgrounds?
- No one uses this space so it's a great location without taking up prime real estate
- Sports recreation, other than water based sports, does not need to be on the waterfront



1B: Docks and launch for small docks

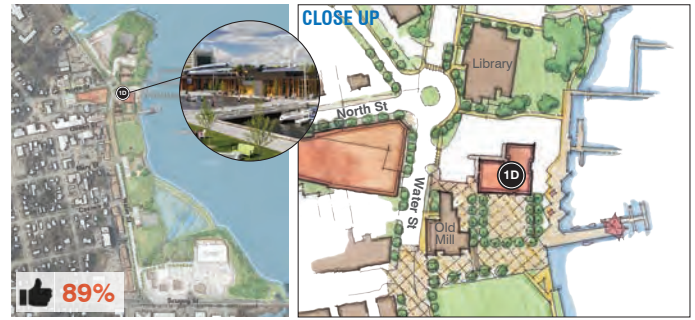
- This location will 'feel' out of the way without greatly improved multi-use path access through the park
- Include an option for canoe storage for those who do not live waterfront
- Costly to construct here - area is wet, water is shallow, will have issues with permits
- This area would be too busy as it's a family spot and a boat launch would be unsafe for children
- It's already hard enough to get a parking spot at the library. Summer is even busier and then to add a boat launch here where it will be filled up with even more vehicles makes it less enticing
- Boat launch area is too difficult/busy to launch kayaks & canoes from

CONCEPT 1 COMMENTS



1C: New mixed use development

- Parking expansion with a small service commercial centre along North St. might work
- A multi-storey residential building at this location will distract from a beautiful waterfront
- Port Perry is too busy in the summer to remove this essential parking to residents of the town
- More commercial would be great but downtown needs to find a way to keep business
- Does Port Perry really need more retail? More parking is needed
- Open to retail and similar amenities but don't believe a Seniors Centre is the correct focus. We need more amenities for young families and teens
- Nice to see some density - should be very walkable
- Hope it would have gym facilities for adults. Not only a Seniors Centre
- Does not suit/fit the town's "old" look. Too tall. Too much additional residential use and traffic downtown
- Would be nice to have a roof top covered patio



1D: New building for marina and public washrooms

- Location is good but expand to include a decent restaurant that is more upscale
- Remove Latcham building. Eyesore
- Add a roof top bar and restaurant for views

CONCEPT 1 COMMENTS



1E: Queen Street closure for events

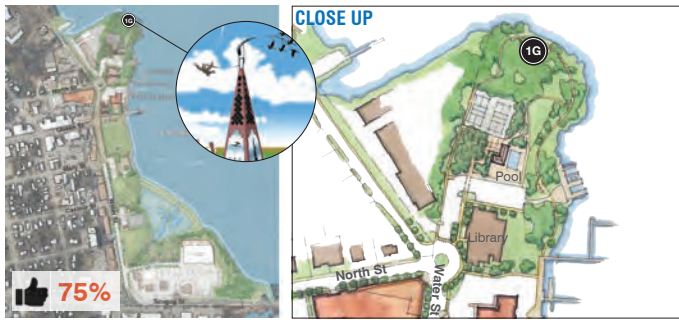
- Street closures are not needed in a small town with a waterfront park. Need on-street parking for our existing retailers, and delivery access
- Perhaps all summer, and expand restaurant patios
- Come up with a creative solution to add more parking during these events instead of taking them away
- We live in town and would happily walk here even more often to come and enjoy the outdoor experience without having to worry about the busyness of vehicles
- Queen Street should be pedestrian only in the summer. Particularly in light of the recent pandemic
- Not all of Queen St should be closed off - only east of Perry (4 way stop) to the waterfront



1F: Open air structure on pier

- Unless the pier were to be expanded and enhanced, any structure would have no purpose
- A great attraction for the town
- Make much better use of the lake
- Beautiful concept as long as no fishing is allowed anywhere near it

CONCEPT 1 COMMENTS



1G: William Lishman sculpture

- This is a perfect place for the statue as William Lishman loved the geese and it would go well with the existing history of the birdhouses
- No sculpture needed
- Too far away
- Deserves a more prominent place
- This area floods every spring quite drastically



1H: Existing playground and splash pad and

- Add a new splash pad
- Seems like good cost saving to maintain current play structure and splash pad especially since there are other are of town that could use new play structures
- Need something larger and an improved splash pad
- Invest in a new splash pad, and completely remove the old one. It never works, poor designs, waste of money to continue to try and fix existing one
- Removing ball diamonds so new splash pad/ playground area could be considered
- Clean that part of the lake up and get a small beach back in addition to the splash pad
- This is what attracts families
- If one or both ball diamonds are removed these facilities become obstacles for major events such as Ribfest

CONCEPT 1 COMMENTS



1I: Maintain north ball diamond with ice rink

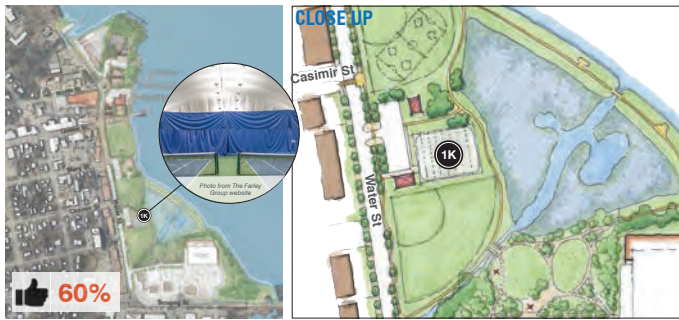
- One diamond should remain as something of a signature feature of the community, but not both. Retain the south diamond
- Don't see the logic in creating a rink on land
- Love the ice rink idea
- Move both baseball diamonds and tennis courts elsewhere
- North baseball diamond should be removed
- No baseball diamonds downtown
- Baseball should go where the soccer fields are located
- Nice idea for winter activity
- Baseball diamonds belong at the arena Recreation Centre. Lots of parking there
- Summer use needs to be more accommodating than just a ball field for a select few. It's valuable real estate and needs to be open to the public
- Love the ball games in summer, but these only serve a few limited people. Perhaps relocate just the north diamond?
- This is prime real estate that should be green space. With ball diamonds come parking concerns and the space is not usable for other purposes. Needs to be more multifaceted
- Baseball diamonds do not need to be waterfront
- Create a rink on the lake like town used to do by gazebo
- No need to build an ice rink given that the lake freezes and is cleared for skating purposes



1J: Both ball diamonds remain

- Relocate north diamond
- Attracts too many vehicles and takes up too many parking spots on weekends
- Creates a lot of fun atmosphere downtown
- Lakefront should be used for recreation of our residents
- Maintain tennis/baseball facility as they keep people downtown and as a result people go for food/drinks during and after
- One baseball diamond is sufficient
- No baseball diamonds
- Brings in many customers for businesses
- No baseball fields or tennis courts on the waterfront. Let the waterfront be for the people
- Ball diamonds belong at arena Recreation Centre. Lots of parking there
- Baseball diamonds are one of the few things locals actually do in Port Perry's waterfront
- Ball diamonds have become a hazard
- Only the south ball diamond remain
- Replace the north ball diamond with green space
- Move ball diamonds to fair grounds

CONCEPT 1 COMMENTS



1K: Tennis courts remain with a bubble

- Without a bubble - cost prohibitive
- If courts are going to be in a bubble then they should be by the community centre on Reach. Big bubble on the waterfront isn't really aesthetically pleasing
- Only agree if pickleball is also approved in the concept
- Move them up behind the arena or fairgrounds
- No tennis courts on lakefront
- Don't close in with a bubble
- Should remain at the waterfront if not enclosed. If they are to be enclosed, relocate them so they are not an eyesore by the lake
- Too valuable of space to be reserved for the select few who play tennis. Important to have community courts but should be relocated
- It's time for the Township to open up the lease to allow fair play. Bubble if shared with Pickleball in the winter



1L: Open space with trail

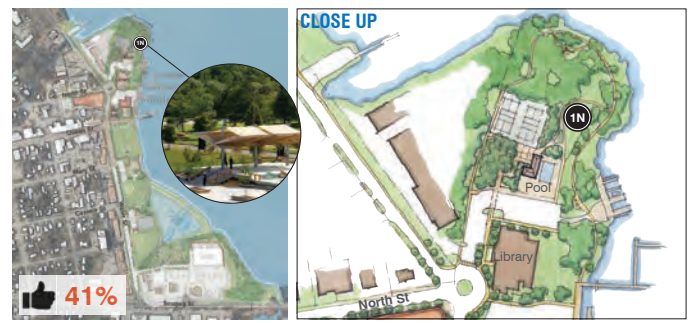
- This is a suitable use for the area, but some additional features, such as shelters, would also be welcome
- So long as we don't disturb/disrupt the naturalist landscape
- Hammocks like they have in downtown waterfront of Halifax would be nice
- A walking meditation path- like a circular maze, which is wheel chair accessible
- There needs to be more looped trails rather than simple linear tracks
- Let green space be green. Let picnics on a blanket and playing just happen

CONCEPT 1 COMMENTS



1M: Tree planting to screen grocery store

- Hide that structure, but ensure access at waterside and inside the treeline, i.e., paths both sides, or at least open space for all to use
- Might be a good area for a couple more boat docks for easy access to grocery stores/shops on the south end of the park
- Plant native species
- This will keep as minimal cost for maintenance of trees as possible and promote tree health. Please allow fireworks to be able to be set off at location as well
- Clean up that part of the lake and put docks in where people could use all portions of the lake and park go shopping or fish off the docks and have seating areas for people to sit and look at the lake make use of it rather than fill it in



1N: Skateboard park in Birdseye Park

- Skate park needs to be in a more open area. This proposed area is too remote
- Will need constant supervision maintenance to avoid build up of garbage and graffiti
- Needs to be downtown, it's central and it keeps youth visible
- Upgrade existing skateboard park at Recreation Centre
- The inevitable noise issue would be an intrusive factor
- Very much needed for kids beyond the playground age
- We already have a skate park. Why allocate funds to move it to the lake?
- Don't remove green space for concrete - all for a skate park, put it over a parking lot
- It might be time to move organized sporting activities to a new location - over by the arena or fairgrounds?
- Kids used to use the library hill to skateboard. Many near misses when walking by the area
- Skateboarding does not appeal to everyone. Keep non-water related sports to the Recreation Centres
- Skateboard park does not need to be on prime waterfront

CONCEPT 2: Survey results for key elements of the concept



Do you agree with these directions?

2A: New marina building, Seniors Centre and public washrooms next to the pool	74%
2B: Relocated and expanded boat slips close to the relocated marina building	73%
2C: Beach volleyball in front of the library	66%
2D: Urban square at the foot of Queen Street and along the water's edge with additional parking between the Library and the Old Mill	80%
2E: Location for the William Lishman sculpture	57%
2F: Outdoor theatre and stepped seating in Palmer Park	66%
2G: New dock to tie up small boats	68%
2H: Urban beach with sand and lounge chairs with no direct access to the lake	35%
2I: Hard surface area, new pavilion, children's play area and splash pad replaces north baseball diamond that has been relocated elsewhere in Port Perry	58%
2J: Off street parking removed. Replaced with angle parking along Water Street	48%
2K: Existing tennis court remains with seating and viewing area at entrance	53%
2L: South baseball diamond to remain with potential for ice skating rink	73%

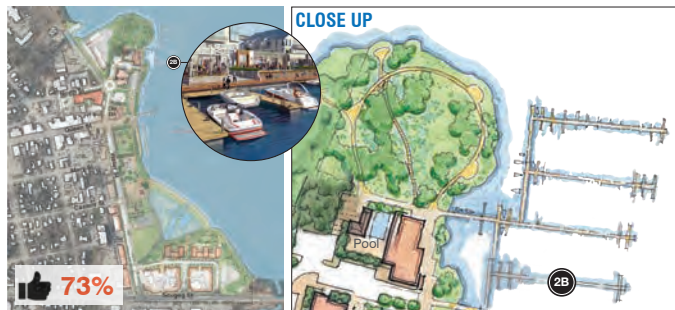
There is strong support for an urban square at the foot of Queen Street and along the water's edge with some additional parking. There is also support for maintaining the south ball diamond, potentially with an ice skating rink. A relocated and expanded marina and a new marina building with a Seniors Centre and public washrooms close to the pool also received support. Removing the parking lots from the park and the urban beach received low support.

CONCEPT 2: Summary of comments for each of the key elements



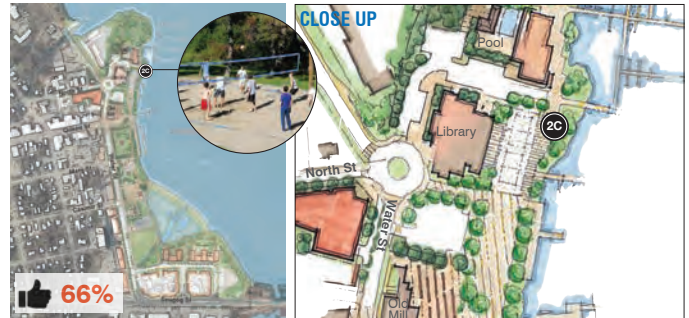
2A: New building for marina, Seniors and public washrooms

- Don't like how it blocks the view of the lake
- Traffic issues
- No need. Pool has washrooms for users. Library has washrooms for anyone else
- A person who might be enjoying the park with children will find it a long walk to get to a washroom
- Must have adequate parking for both library and Seniors Centre
- Fantastic idea to keep Seniors Centre on waterfront
- No issue with marina and washrooms, but disagree with proposed Seniors Centre



2B: Relocated marina to Birdseye Park

- Why hide the marina at the north end, locate it so it's an integral part of the lakefront
- Water is too shallow in this location
- This part of the waterfront should be geared to a wider population than just boat owners
- Don't need to expand the marina, there are empty slips
- Need to stop people from fishing off the docks
- Leave Birdseye Park as is



2C: Beach volleyball in front of the library

- Like the concept but not sure if this is the spot for it as it's a lot of space for something that requires maintenance and also isn't in constant use
- Too noisy
- Would be nice to have this, but would be better if you had this as well as a swimming area nearby that people could actually swim in if you put beach volleyball there
- Leave existing volleyball court at Recreation Centre. Do not move to waterfront
- Sand might invite critters to use it as a litter box
- A reason to visit. Hopefully with rentals allowed for recreation sports
- The study units overlooking the lake will no longer have peace and quiet
- Great idea. Sand can also be used for other events. Very nautical idea
- Nets to keep balls out of the lake might be required

CONCEPT 2 COMMENTS



2D: Urban square at foot of Queen Street with some parking

- Would be great to have lots of space for people to just be. Great opportunity to feature local art
- No more parking. This is an area for people not cars
- Like an urban square with no street closures
- Need more park here
- Additional parking is desperately needed, maybe not at waterfront area
- Like the idea of more seating and functional areas, having a space that can transform to farmers market in summer and Christmas market in winter with all the events we have too
- Need space to use for the Farmers Market and other cultural events. Should be nautical theme



2F: Outdoor theatre

- Pedestrian access along the east side of Water St. is needed both to access the seating, and to improve movement through the park
- Lots of theatre in Port Perry to support this; concern that it may sit idle but if it looks like the photo - nice gathering place at the least
- Would make for a better experience in the park
- Could we do outdoor theatre next to Library or use their parking lot instead?
- Eyesore
- This won't get used
- As long as this can also be used in winter - everything has to be multi-faceted
- Using a retaining wall for seating will create a nice element

CONCEPT 2 COMMENTS



2G: New dock to tie up small boats

- More boats just there might impact the dredging proposals, and the dock itself might become a bit of an attractive nuisance or even a risk to youngsters
- Let's encourage boaters to dock and disembark in our downtown
- You can't use the water here anyway so that's great
- Fishing should be banned around this dock or there's no point in installing it



2H: Urban beach with no direct access to lake

- A cute idea, but of limited seasonal value and not worth the investment nor the maintenance costs
- Makes little sense to have a beach and no access to the water
- Impractical and limited use for most of year
- Port Perry is a lake town, not a pretend beach town
- Would move south to south diamond area to not interfere with large events and general green space in the park

CONCEPT 2 COMMENTS



2I: Hard surface area, children's plan and splash pad to replace north ball diamond

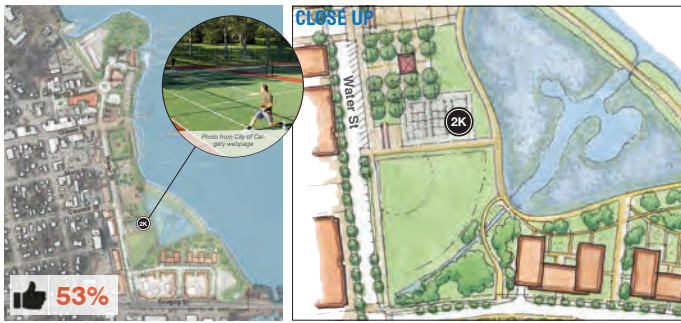
- Leave both ball diamonds where they are and keep the existing splash pad and children's play area
- Get rid of the splash pad, it's a money drain and always has been
- The diamonds bring a lot of business to local businesses on weekdays and weekends
- At least the locals use the ball diamond. An expanded splash pad will just be for the throngs of visitors
- Yes, but locate where the south diamond is



2J: Off street parking removed, replaced with angle parking

- Maximize the green space
- Prefer street closure for pedestrians only on Queen and Water across from Palmer Park
- Will be less available parking. Parking on street puts car windshields at risk for foul balls from baseball diamonds
- Keep parking
- The existing angle parking can be dangerous
- You will not have enough parking
- Green space should be priority over parking and parking should be dealt with outside the possibility of the lakefront
- Remove little parking lot by playground. Disagree with angle parking. Leave the street parking as is and with straight spots

CONCEPT 2 COMMENTS



2K: Tennis court remains

- Only agree if pickleball is given the same consideration
- Move the tennis courts
- Tennis courts should remain but viewing area not necessary
- This would meet the needs of only a minority. The lakefront needs to be accessible to as many people as possible
- Waste of money for a select few
- Perhaps the tennis courts could be lined for pickleball, you can potentially have two pickleball courts on one tennis court. It would be more multi-functional
- I'd consider relocating so as many people as possible can enjoy open space
- Convert 1 tennis court to 3 pickleball
- Do we need ball diamonds and tennis courts on the most valuable land Port Perry owns
- Is seating and viewing necessary?
- Non water related sports should be at the Recreation Centres



2L: South ball diamond remains

- Doubt ice rink will be possible with warmer climates
- Ice rink is a waste because there is a lake next to it. Flood rinks on the lake
- Like the ice rink idea but the diamonds need to be removed and put somewhere else. It's in need of an upgrade and when tournaments happen it's over crowded
- Both diamonds to remain
- Love the idea of skating rinks for winter
- Ice rink is a must. If this stays and it should be connected to a trail like Arrowhead Provincial Park that older people would also enjoy skating on for something different than a small circle

CONCEPT 3: Survey results for key elements of the concept

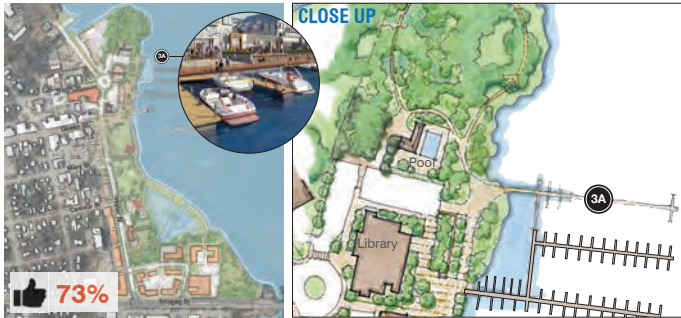


Do you agree with these directions?

3A: Marina expanded with additional slips to the north of the existing slips	73%
3B: New marina building in the current location, combined with a new Seniors Centre and a public washroom, parking off of Water Street	76%
3C: Urban square extended to the south, changing the north edge of Palmer Park	67%
3D: New pavilion and stage in Palmer Park, with stepped seating	65%
3E: One parking lot removed and replaced with on-street parallel parking on Water Street	40%
3F: Gardens, lawn and trees in Palmer Park and Joe Fowler Park	85%
3G: Relocation of both ball diamonds and tennis court for new play facilities, splash pad and shade structure for multiple age groups	47%
3H: Relocation of ball diamond for optional location of new Seniors Centre, community facility with green roof, public washroom, parking	31%
3I: Location for William Lishman sculpture	51%
3J: A skateboard park in Baagwating Park	33%

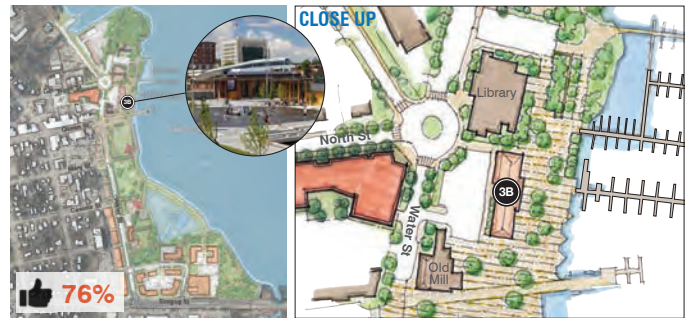
There was support for leaving the marina in its current location and expanding the slips to the north with a new building for the marina, seniors and public washrooms. There is strong support for a design approach that focuses on gardens, lawn and trees in both Palmer Park and Joe Fowler Park. There is little support for a skateboard park in Baagwating Park or for locating a new building for seniors, a community facility and public washrooms in Joe Fowler Park.

CONCEPT 3: Summary of comments for each of the key elements



3A: Existing marina remains with expansion to the north

- Keeping the marina where it is makes more sense than moving it
- Need more slips for transient boats and dredging of the whole area and lake for that matter
- Want as few buildings as possible with as many things integrated as possible, including a roof top patio bar and restaurant



3B: New building in current location for marina, seniors and public washrooms

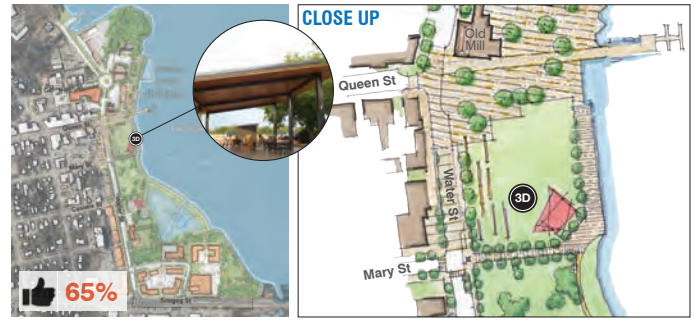
- This combination of services does not make sense
- Either of the new locations for Seniors Centre works, slight preference for the John/Water location
- Location of Seniors Centre not tied to the marina
- No seniors Centre. Focus on families and kids
- Seniors Centre? Why not for entire community
- Land and building was specifically given for seniors
- Like this location for the Seniors Centre

CONCEPT 3 COMMENTS



3C: Urban square extended to south

- With a hard surface area proposed to the south, the park area along the waterfront would have something of a balance of “town squares” of different character at either end
- One day out of the week use should not warrant an extensive construction project/loss of green space
- This seems to bring the public spaces and the existing park space closer together so it is more welcoming and accessible



3D: New pavilion and stage in Palmer Park

- Awesome. Local theatre groups could provide input on needs for outdoor performances
- Although a new pavilion would be a great addition, keeping the Victorian charm may be a better directive. The current gazebo desperately needs rebuilding but going with a more modern style might not be the right style direction for Port Perry

CONCEPT 3 COMMENTS



3E: Remove one parking lot and replace with on-street parking

- No net loss of parking
- Prefer street closure for pedestrians only
- Like the idea of removing the parking lots to expand the park
- Want a popular and a busy waterfront - expand parking even consider a multilevel lot at North and Water Streets
- Do angled parking on Water Street and remove parking lot. Highest and best use is not a parking lot
- Parallel parking is good or straight drive in spots. No angled parking
- Paid parking along the streets especially Water Street and lots in behind buildings on Queen Street
- There is a lack of parking as it is. Do not remove



3F: Gardens, lawn and trees in Palmer and Joe Fowler Parks

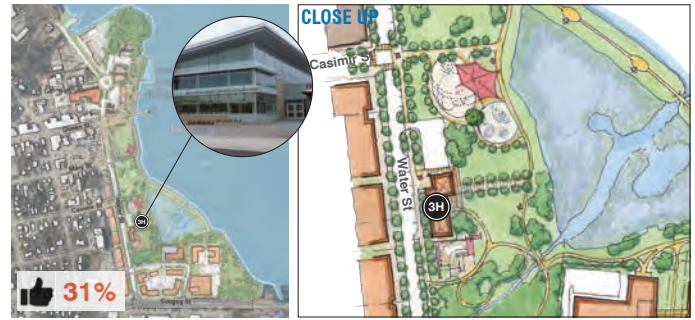
- Within limits, and limiting maintenance costs for landscaping and gardens
- Have enough trees and don't need a bunch of gardens that take up space and don't really do much for the community
- Absolutely, but they must be maintained better than they currently are

CONCEPT 3 COMMENTS



3G: Relocate both ball diamonds and tennis

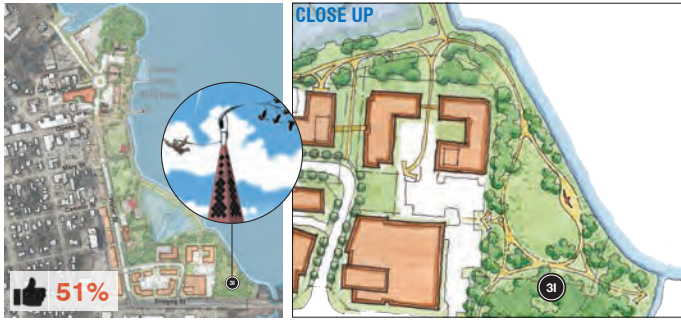
- Tennis courts should stay. The baseball diamonds should stay together (over by Simcoe/Reach) for tournaments
- Our lakefront should include recreational space for Scugog residents
- As long as there are at least 3 tennis courts and not shared with pickleball
- Strongly disagree. These features bring in many young people and add much to the vibrancy of the area
- Keep it as green space
- Keep one ball diamond
- Don't remove diamonds
- We should not have sports activities on valuable land that should be used as a park, beach, boating



3H: New building for Seniors Centre, community facility, public washroom and parking

- Seniors Centre can be built elsewhere, why remove the diamonds
- Disagree with consistent emphasis on Seniors Centre. We need amenities that young families and teens who cannot drive can access and enjoy
- No new buildings on the waterfront, unless attached to the Library
- Love the idea of creating a community centre or youth centre downtown
- Also include rental space for a waterfront restaurant

CONCEPT 3 COMMENTS



3I: Location for William Lishman sculpture

- Sculpture would be better placed by the library so those in the library have a view of it from the many windows
- This location seems isolated from where people will be moving around



3J: Skateboard park in Baagwating Park

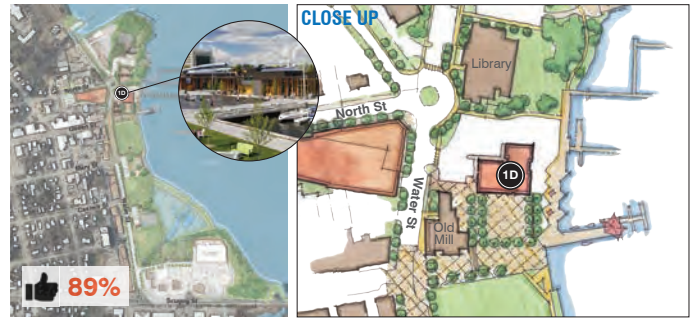
- This area should be kept as a naturalist area in keeping with the values of nature and earth held by our Indigenous people
- This is a better location than Birdseye Park
- It might be time to move organized sporting activities to a new location - over by the arena or fairgrounds?

TOP RATED ELEMENTS

Below are the key elements from across all three concepts that 80 percent or more of respondents agreed with.



1L: Open space with trail



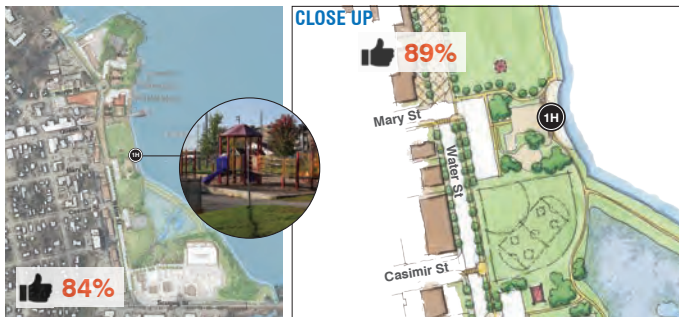
1D: Location of new marina building and public washroom



1M: Additional tree planting to screen existing grocery store



3F: Gardens, lawn and trees in Palmer Park and Joe Fowler Park



1H: Maintain existing playground and splash pad



1E: Close off Queen Street and a portion of Water Street to vehicles for special events in summer



2D: Urban square at the foot of Queen Street and along the water's edge with additional parking between the Library and the Old Mill

POORLY RATED ELEMENTS

Below are the key elements from across all three concepts that over 50 percent of the respondents disagreed with.



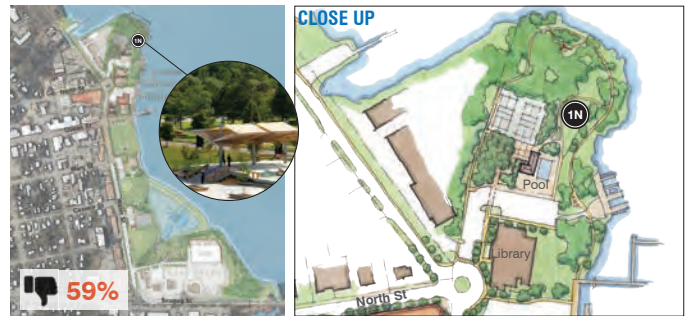
2J: Off street parking removed. Replaced with angle parking along Water Street



3G: Relocation of both ball diamonds and tennis court for new play facilities, splash pad and shade structure for multiple age groups



1J: Both baseball diamonds to remain



1N: A skateboard park in Birdseye Park



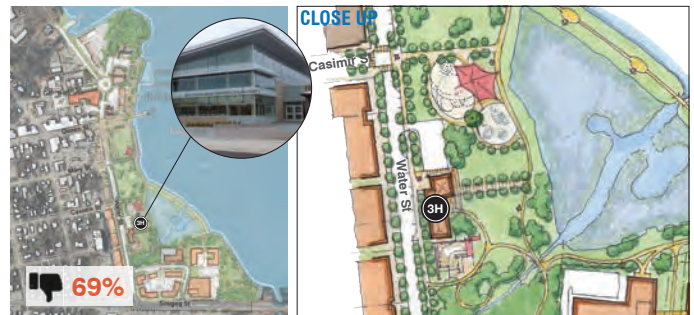
3E: One parking lot removed and replaced with on-street parallel parking on Water Street



2H: Urban beach with sand and lounge chairs with no direct access to the lake



3J: A skateboard park in Baagwating Park



3H: Relocation of ball diamond for optional location of new Seniors Centre, community facility with green roof, public washroom, parking

4.0 Additional Community Consultation

MISSISSAUGAS OF SCUGOG ISLAND FIRST NATION

Township staff met with representatives of Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation on May 28, 2020 to discuss the concepts. The following is a summary of comments received:

- Is moving the marina north a viable option given water conditions?
- Don't like skate park in the waterfront – better located at the arena
- Support moving baseball diamonds out of waterfront
- Like introduction of small craft launch
- Would like to see grocery store relocated
- Would like to see the William Lishman sculpture located at the north end of Birdseye Park
- Want acknowledgement of First Nations within the waterfront area - potentially through naming something within the waterfront to acknowledge MSIFN
- Public bathrooms are important

POP-UP INFORMATION SESSION

A pop-up consultation session was held on February 17, 2020, where approximately 120 people provided their input on the future of Port Perry's waterfront. In addition to speaking with a member of the Township's Staff, participants were asked to complete a short survey.

Q1: Where should we consider a future location of a replacement splash pad?

- Participants supported the current location, as well as expanding into the northern ball diamond as locations for a replacement splash pad

Q2: The Port Perry Marina is in need of an upgrade. It should be expanded and repositioned in its current location or expanded and moved elsewhere? If you choose to relocate, then where should it go?

- The majority of participants supported expanding and re-positioning the Marina
- Alternative locations for the Marina include Birdseye Park as well as north and west of its current location

Q3: The Township is advocating to move the Durham Region Pumping Station (beside the Marina) off the waterfront. What would you like to see in its place?

- Participants would like to see a picnic area and green space or an amphitheatre/event space in place of the Pumping Station

Q4: Do the walking/bike trails meet your requirements along the waterfront?

- Majority of participants indicated that the walking and bike trails are insufficient as they are poorly maintained, not well connected to the Town and other trails, and are not accessible, and are not long enough

Q5: Old Mill is a heritage site and will need to remain. What uses would you like to see for within and around the Old Mill?

- Participants indicated that they would like to see a combination of a public square and market or an indoors farmer market with vendors around the Old Mill

Q6: The Lake Scugog Enhancement project plans a filtration area including a berm/boardwalk. What other features would you like to see?

- Participants indicated that they would like to see green space, seating areas, trails, a swimming area, and a boat launch for non-motorized boats within this area

Q7: What areas if any should accommodate anglers (fishing) along the waterfront?

- The majority of participants are not supportive of allowing fishing along the waterfront

Q8: Should an ice skating trail be developed in the park?

- The majority of participants supported developing an ice skating trail within the park

Additional Comments:

- General support for removing the north baseball diamond as it is undersized and poorly positioned
- A fourth diamond at Carolyn Best fields would be satisfactory given its proximity to the other baseball diamonds and its superior parking facilities
- Support for improving the field and lighting at the Carolyn Best fields diamond

STUDENT WORKSHOP

On February 20, 2020 a workshop with students in Grades 7 and 8 was held at RH Cornish Elementary School. Approximately 150 students participated in two groups. After a brief presentation by Township staff, students were asked to vote on key questions.

Below are the results from the votes and some of the student's ideas. Where a number in brackets is indicated after a suggestion (i.e. x3), it denotes the number of other students that either made the same comment or supported that suggestion.

If marina and pumping station relocated, what would you like to see in its place?

GROUP 1	# of Students Who Support Option	GROUP 2	# of Students Who Support Option
Wildflower Garden for Bees/Nature Area	3	Garden/Nature	3
Farmers Market	2	Skateboard Park	26
Movie Theatre/Drive-In Movie Theatre	4	Drive-In Movie Theatre	
Glass Dome Habitat		Seniors Centre	2
Outdoor skating rink		Splash Pad	
Restaurant (Chuckie Cheese, Starbucks)	30	Development (KFC, gas station, mall)	3
		Soccer Field	
		Amphitheatre	3
		CN Tower	2
		Park for older kids	

Baseball Diamonds and Tennis Courts:

	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
	# of Students Who Support Option	# of Students Who Support Option
Leave both diamonds and tennis courts	30	7
Relocate 1 baseball diamond	12	50
<i>Ideas for space*</i>		Basketball Court (x2)
Relocate both diamonds and tennis courts	57	9
<i>Ideas for space*</i>		Skate park
Ideas for Winter Uses	Outdoor skating rink	Outdoor skating rink/trail (x25)
	Amphitheatre	

*added by students

Location for potential marina expansion?

	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
	# of Students Who Support Option	# of Students Who Support Option
Current Location	26	40
Expand in New Location	3	14
Ideas for Where		Near causeway Where tennis courts are Anywhere Behind grocery store

STUDENT WORKSHOP

Location for potential marina expansion?

	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
	# of Students Who Support Option	# of Students Who Support Option
Mixed Use Development	14	30
New Marina Building	15	7
New Building within Waterfront	7	8
Other Locations:		Birdseye Park The Old Mill (x3) Pumping station As far away as possible (x6)

Parking in Waterfront Area:

	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
	# of Students Who Support Option	# of Students Who Support Option
Leave as is	35	28
Add more parking	6	7
<i>Comments*</i>		Paid Parking Brock's parking should be for more than just customers
Reduce parking	17	23
<i>Ideas for space*</i>		Skate park (x7)
<i>Comments*</i>		Remove Water Street parking If reduce parking it will decrease amount of cars and increase pedestrians

**added by students*

Potential Uses for the Old Mill?

	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
	# of Students Who Support Option	# of Students Who Support Option
Farmers Market/Vendor Space	5	1
Museum	5	6
Combination of Public Square with Market	3	22
Performing Arts/Event Space	30	6
Other	Movie theatre (x2) Indoor kids play area Playdium (indoor arcade)	Amphitheatre Movie Theatre (x6) Move Latham Centre/Seniors Centre to 2nd Storey Bill Lishman Memorial Concert space Boat rentals or boat storage in winter Food and drink shops for those in Palmer Park to access (Starbucks, shops and private vendors)

STUDENT WORKSHOP

Should an ice skating trail be developed in the park?

GROUP 1		GROUP 2	
Yes	No	Yes	No
40	2	66	4

What else would you like to see in the Waterfront?

GROUP 1	GROUP 2
Indoor pool	Skate park (x30)
Outdoor skating rink (x6)	Better walking trails (maintenance and continuous)
Grass in Palmer Park instead of woodchips	Art installation with Port Perry letters with seating near Waterfront
Replace woodchips in playground and splash pad with colourful rubber padding	More things for seniors to do close to home
Make it illegal to litter in the lake	Basketball courts (x6)
Swimmable water/beach (x3)	Outdoor skating rink
Movie theatre	Boat storage in the winter
Kinetic sidewalks (x2)	Add more washrooms
Solar tree lighting	Starbucks (x15)
Charging stations (x2)	
Stock fish to get more fishers outside	
More greenery	
Heat up benches and add heated sidewalk	
Basketball court (x4)	
Drawn plan: renovate Old Mill and put gym inside; move ball diamonds to fairgrounds; expand or add park to Birdseye; add waterfront parks, trails or other boat launch (parking for launch); like enhancement project	

SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAILS

Many ideas on the concepts plans were also shared through the Township's social media in June and July 2020 and in emails to the Township. The following is a summary of suggestions:

- Interpretive signs describing the history of Port Perry, located close to the children's play area
- Extend the walking path through to the causeway
- Enhance maintenance and information to ensure garbage does not detract from the enjoyment of the area
- Re-purpose the Old Mill as an event centre, or incorporate a seniors centre, , cultural and heritage displays,
- Build a dedicated fishing pier as in Orillia
- Need enhance boating and water sports
- Encourage fishing as it's a major part of the draw from visitors
- The waterfront park does not need any more amenities
- Need to restore the water quality
- Strong advocate of paid parking for visitors
- Keep the ball diamonds, users support downtown businesses
- Remove the Old Mill
- Make sure there are safe pedestrian walkways and crosswalks
- Add a farmers market
- Disagree with commercial or residential development on lakefront properties
- A beach on the lake with water quality that is safe for swimming
- Build a youth centre and incorporate more youth programming



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