



## Report to Council

Department: Community Services  
Division: Community Services  
Date: February 16, 2026  
Prepared by: Jake Morassut, Director, Community Services  
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Subject: Green Leaf Park Design  
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### **Recommendation(s)**

**That** Community Services-2026-01 entitled Green Leaf Park Design prepared by Jake Morassut, Director, Community Services dated February 16, 2026, be received.

### **Purpose**

To provide Council with an update on the design process for the Green Leaf Park and initiate a public consultation period for public comments.

### **Background and Discussion**

In accordance with the Parkland Dedication requirement for new housing developments, the Town will soon assume land within the Dalla Bonna subdivision. In preparation for the assumption of land, Administration has been working with Stantec Landscape Architects to develop a design plan for the park.

While these initial plans and renderings show potential for the park, public feedback is important; for this reason, a webpage dedicated to this project is available until March 31, 2026, for residents to provide feedback. The project page can be found by visiting [www.essex.ca/park](http://www.essex.ca/park). This park survey will be advertised via social media and in the local papers to ensure people can provide comments and view the plans on our website.

### **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact for the public consultation. Amendments and finalization of the plans are within the Community Services annual operating budget.

The future park was included as part of the Development Charge Study/By-Law that was passed by Council, which included \$300,000, fully funded through Development Charges, allocated toward this project.

This park construction is anticipated to come to Council in future budgets.

### **Consultations**

Kate Giurissevich, Chief Administrative Officer

Kate Rowe, Director, Corporate Services/Treasurer

Rodney Klie, Manager, Parks and Facilities

### **Link to Strategic Priorities**

- Embrace asset management best practices to build, maintain, and continuously improve our municipally owned infrastructure.
- Leverage our Town's competitive advantages to promote jobs and economic investment.
- Take care of our natural environment and strengthen the sense of belonging to everyone who makes Essex "home".
- Deliver friendly customer service in an efficient, effective, and transparent manner while providing an exceptional working environment for our employees.
- Build corporate-level and community-level climate resilience through community engagement and partnership and corporate objectives.

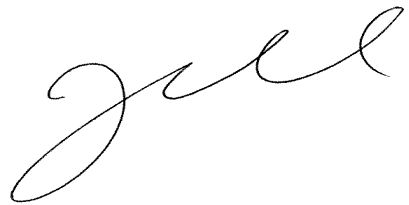
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