1 PROJECT OVERVIEW: NEW NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The City of Abbotsford is planning a new neighborhood park in the Immel–McMillan area to serve the needs of local residents.

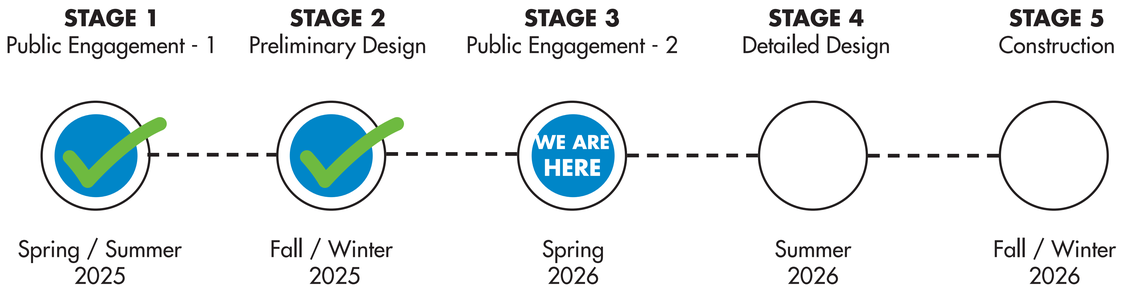
The new neighborhood park features flat lower areas and a large undeveloped hill on the east side of the park that connects into the trail above the Cooper Meadow development.

The park's unique topography provides an exciting opportunity to design a space that maximizes access to scenic views and nature, while utilizing both the flat and hillside areas to create a fun and engaging environment.

From May 1, 2025 to May 28, 2026, the City of Abbotsford gathered your ideas for the new neighbourhood park through an online survey and neighbourhood event.

Now at Stage 3, the Parks Planning team is seeking your feedback on the proposed park concept design.

PROJECT PROCESS



TAKE THE **ONLINE SURVEY**
May 11 - June 8



EXISTING SITE PLAN

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2 WHAT WE HEARD: NEW NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

These are the top results gathered from the May 1,2025 to May 28, 2025 online and in-person engagement events.

WHAT YOU SAID

1. Most survey and public engagement event participants love the idea of building a new neighborhood park at this location.
2. Design the new neighbourhood park to to meet the needs of all ages and abilities within the community.
3. Create spaces for walking, gathering, and enjoying nature.
4. Top 5 voted park amenities are trails & pathes, trees, playground, seating area / picnic table and shade-shelter.
5. Accessibility should be an important design consideration of the new neighborhood park.
6. The north slope of the hill has been a popular site for local winter recreation for decades. During our engagement process, many participants expressed a strong desire to preserve this area as permanent open space.

TOP 5 VOTED PARK AMENITIES

- **TRAILS & PATHES**



- **TREES**



- **PLAYGROUND**



- **SEATING AREA / PICNIC TABLE**



- **SHADE SHELTER**



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3 DESIGN ANALYSIS: NEW NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

The new neighborhood park is shaped by a combination of flat terrain and significant hillside topography, creating a unique opportunity for integration of accessible experiences and adventurous slope challenges.

OPPROTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS



GUIDING DESIGN PRINCIPLES

1 CONNECTIVITY

The design enhances connectivity through a clear and diverse circulation network that improves access into and throughout the park.

2 INCLUSIVITY

The design offers a variety of physical, sensory, and social experiences, encouraging a broad range of community access.

3 FUNCTIONAL TOPOGRAPHY

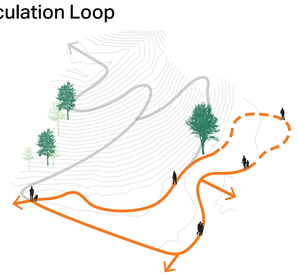
The design maximizes recreational value of the park's unique terrain while ensuring appropriate use across different user groups.

4 LOW-IMPACT DEVELOPMENT

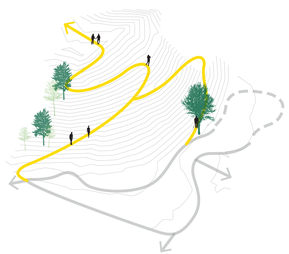
The design minimize disturbance to the existing landscape by aligning interventions with the site's natural conditions.

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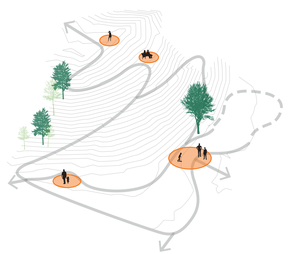
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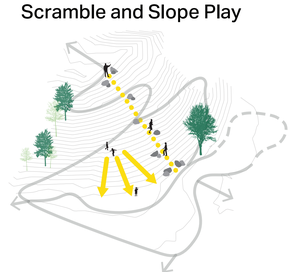
Switchback Trail



Nodes



Scramble and Slope Play



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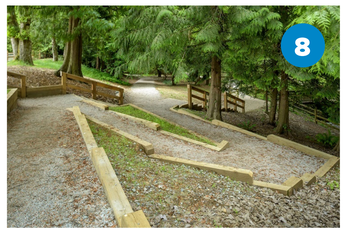
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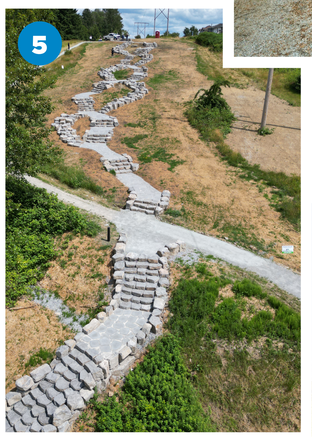
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4 CONCEPT DESIGN: NEW NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

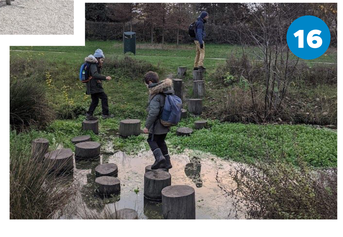














LEGEND

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1. Site Boundary
2. Future Connection to McKee Sidewalk
3. Connection to Blackham Drive
4. Connection to Existing Trail
5. Hillside Scramble
6. Accesible Pathway
7. Trike Track
8. Granular Pathway
9. Seating Node
10. Bosque and Picnic Area
11. Planting Buffer
12. Playground
13. Grand Slide
14. Toboggan Hill
15. Lawn
16. Low Lying Area Nature Play
17. Future Picnic Shelter

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