



Parks and Recreation Master Plan

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User Group Survey

APPENDIX B: User Group Survey Participants

The following parks and recreation user groups and stakeholders were sent an invitation to participate in a dedicated online survey for this Plan. Groups that are **bolded** completed the survey. Municipal staff followed up with non-respondents via email and phone calls.

- **Art Gallery of Northumberland**
- **Base Church**
- Canadian Tai Chi
- Cobourg Alliance Church
- Cobourg Collegiate Institute
- **Cobourg Community Garden Club**
- Cobourg Cougars
- **Cobourg Dragon Boat and Canoe Club**
- **Cobourg Ecology Garden**
- **Cobourg Jr. Angels**
- Cobourg Kodiaks Lacrosse
- **Cobourg Lawn Bowling Club**
- **Cobourg Legion Minor Softball**
- **Cobourg Pickleball Club**
- Cobourg Police Services
- **Cobourg Saxons Rugby**
- **Cobourg Yacht Club**
- Community Health Centres Northumberland
- Community Living & Respite Services
- **Coverdale Tennis Club**
- **F.U.N. Development**
- **Greg Jillings Memorial Basketball Tournament**
- HKNP
- Invado Volleyball
- **Kevin Burns - Tuesday Hockey Group**
- Lakeshore Minor Basketball Association
- My Broadcasting Corporation
- Muslim Community of Northumberland
- New Canadians Centre
- **Nicholas Cartlidge - Men's Soccer**
- **Northumberland Baseball Association**
- **Northumberland Breakers Volleyball Club**
- **Northumberland Challenger Baseball**
- Northumberland Electric Aviators
- **Northumberland Jacks Baseball**
- Northumberland Manufacturers Association
- Northumberland Minor Basketball
- **Northumberland Minor Hockey Association**
- Northumberland Minor Lacrosse Association
- **Northumberland Soccer Club**
- **Northumberland St. Pats Hockey**
- Ontario Hockey Association
- Ontario Junior Hockey League
- Ontario Volleyball Association
- Port Hope Figure Skating Club
- Port Hope High School
- **Puck It Development**
- **Quinte Regional AAA Minor Hockey Association**
- Rebound Child and Youth Services
- Rotary Club of Cobourg
- Scarborough Health Network
- **Short Mat Lawn Bowling Club**
- **Sinclair Tennis Club**
- **Soul Beach Volleyball**
- St Mary Secondary School
- **Studio 11 Dance Company**
- **Survivors Thrivers Dragon Boat Team**
- Viva Volleyball
- **West Northumberland Curling Club**
- **West Northumberland Wild Girls Hockey Association**
- Williams Academy

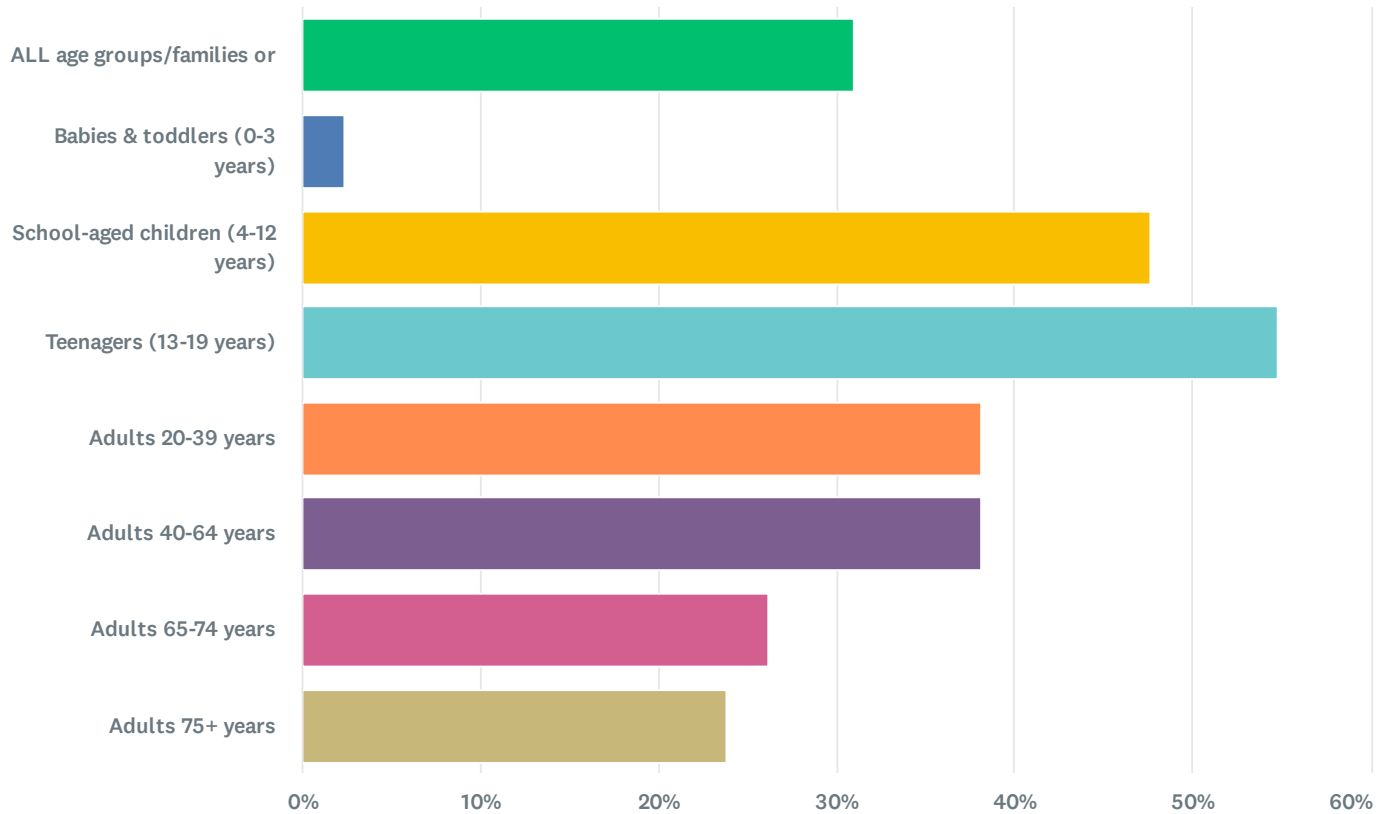
Q1 Please provide the full name of your organization, and related information with a phone number and email address for follow-up, if required.

Answered: 43 Skipped: 1

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name of Organization:	95.35%	41
Program/Event Name (if not included above):	32.56%	14
Your Name:	97.67%	42
Position in Your Organization:	93.02%	40
Phone Number:	93.02%	40
Email Address:	95.35%	41

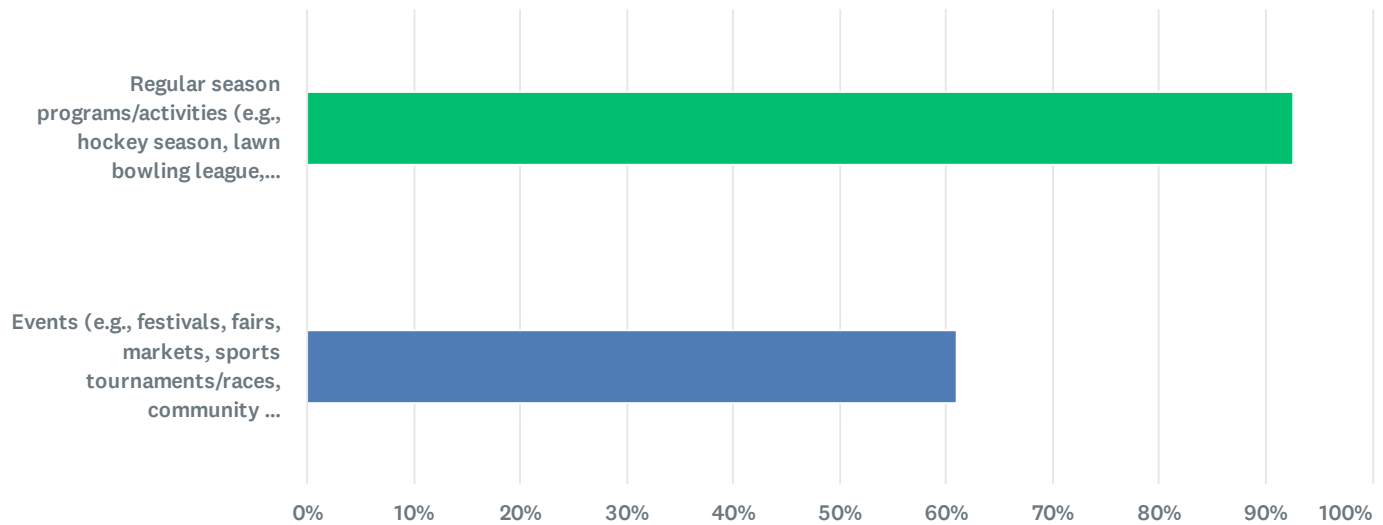
Q2 42 responses

Which of the following age groups does your organization's programs/activities/events PRIMARILY serve? (Select all that apply. If your programs serve all age groups or families - e.g., an event for the entire community - check only the first box.)



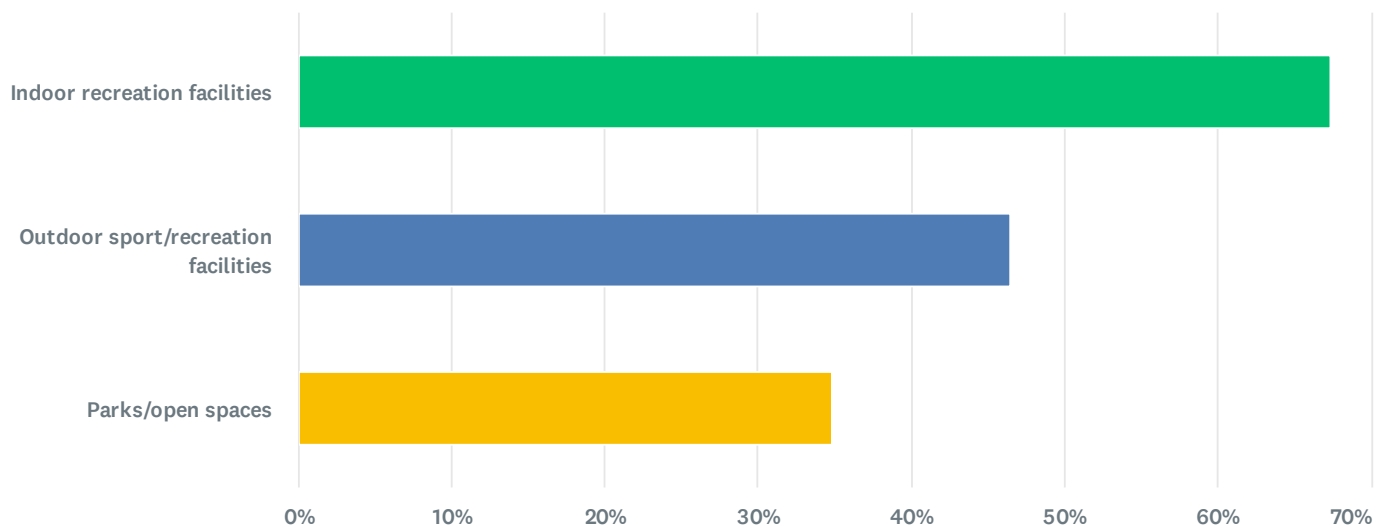
Q3 41 responses

Which of the following does your organization provide? (Select all that apply).



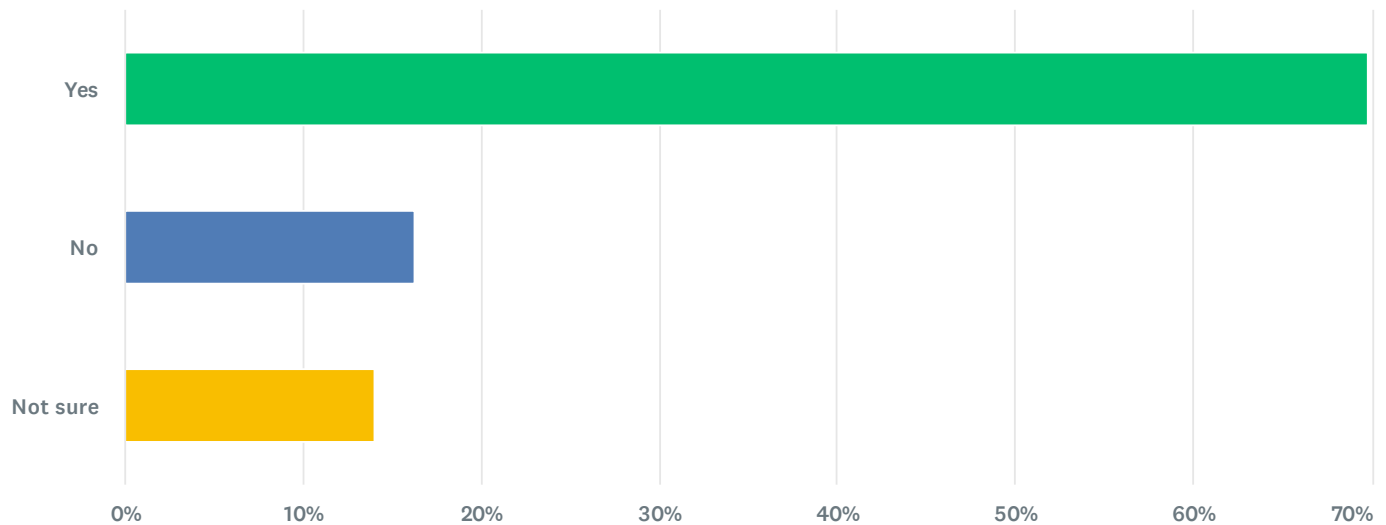
Q4 43 responses

Which of the following municipally owned spaces does your organization use in Cobourg to host its programs/events? (Select all that apply). Indoor recreation facilities include buildings or spaces that accommodate recreational activities, such as arenas, community centres, multi-purpose rooms, halls Outdoor sport/recreation facilities include areas designed for sports and other recreational activities conducted outdoors, such as sports fields, courts, and ball diamonds Parks and open spaces include publicly accessible outdoor areas that provide recreational opportunities, supporting amenities, and natural environments, including trails, gazebos, playgrounds, beaches, boat launches, and open spaces with trees, gardens, seating, etc.



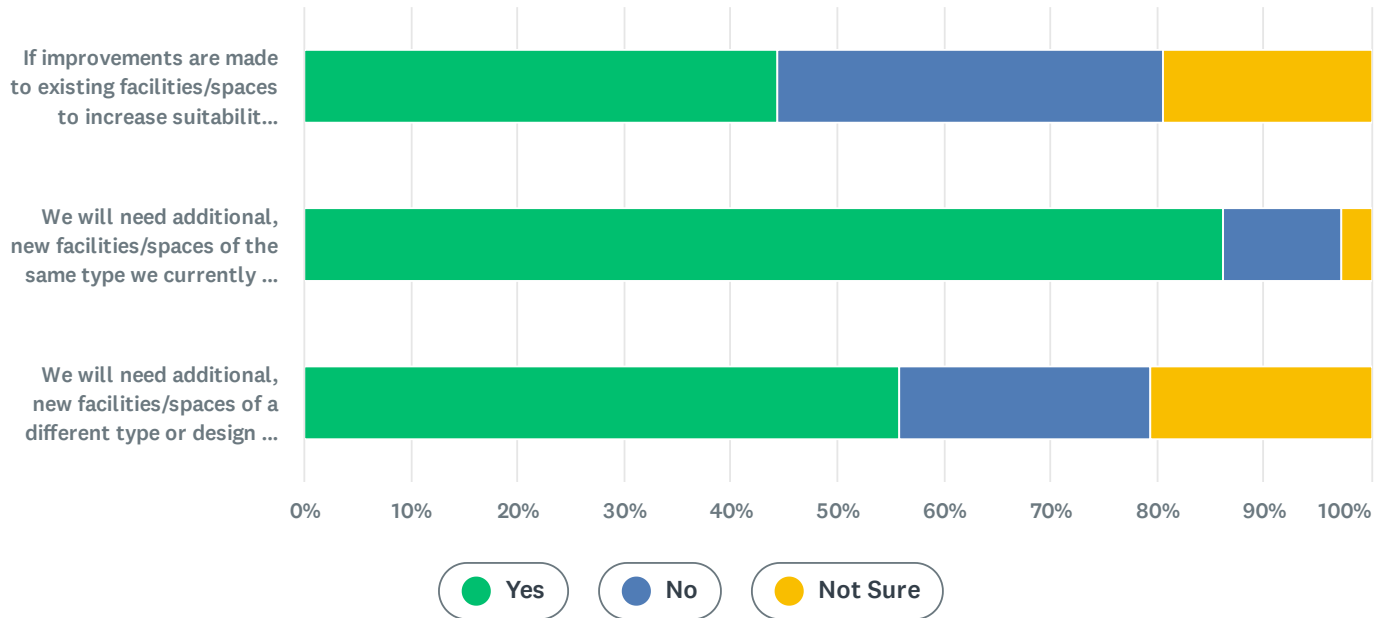
Q5 43 responses

The Plan will consider the need for municipal recreation facilities, parks/open spaces, and related amenities for the next 10 years. Do you anticipate the need for more or different access to recreation spaces to operate your programs and/or events during this time? For example, this could include: A need for more ice time, storage space, meeting rooms, etc. Access to facilities that are not currently available. Modifications to existing facilities to accommodate changes in your organization's registration numbers or activities.



Q6 36 responses

Please indicate if the following statements describe your organization's anticipated facility requirements for the next 10 years.



Q7 How many people have attended your organization's most recent events? (please estimate, if needed). In the text boxes below, please include the event name, year, and number of attendees for up to five events (e.g., "Annual 5k Fun Run - 2025 - 60 attendees").

Answered: 24 Skipped: 20

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Event 1	100.00%	24
Event 2	70.83%	17
Event 3	58.33%	14
Event 4	37.50%	9
Event 5	29.17%	7

Q8 If possible, please estimate the percentage of event participants that live in Cobourg:

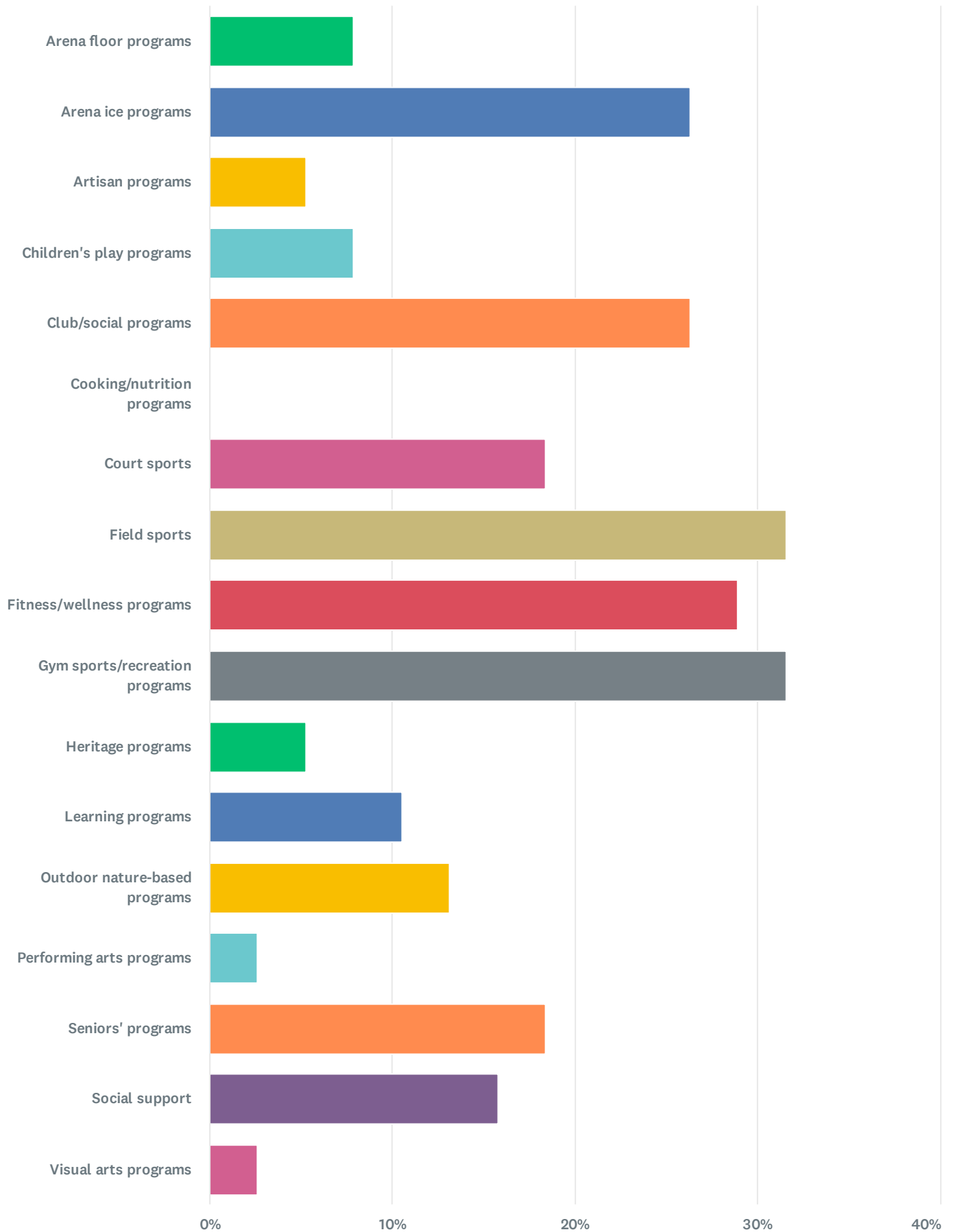
Answered: 24 Skipped: 20

Q9

38 responses

Please indicate which of the following types of programs your organization provides. (Select all areas that your programs cover.)

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Q10 Over the last three years, approximately how many people registered for your organization's regular season programs/activities (please estimate, if needed)? If relevant, please include the number of potential participants who were waitlisted for the season. If any of the following do not apply to your organization, please leave empty.

Answered: 37 Skipped: 7

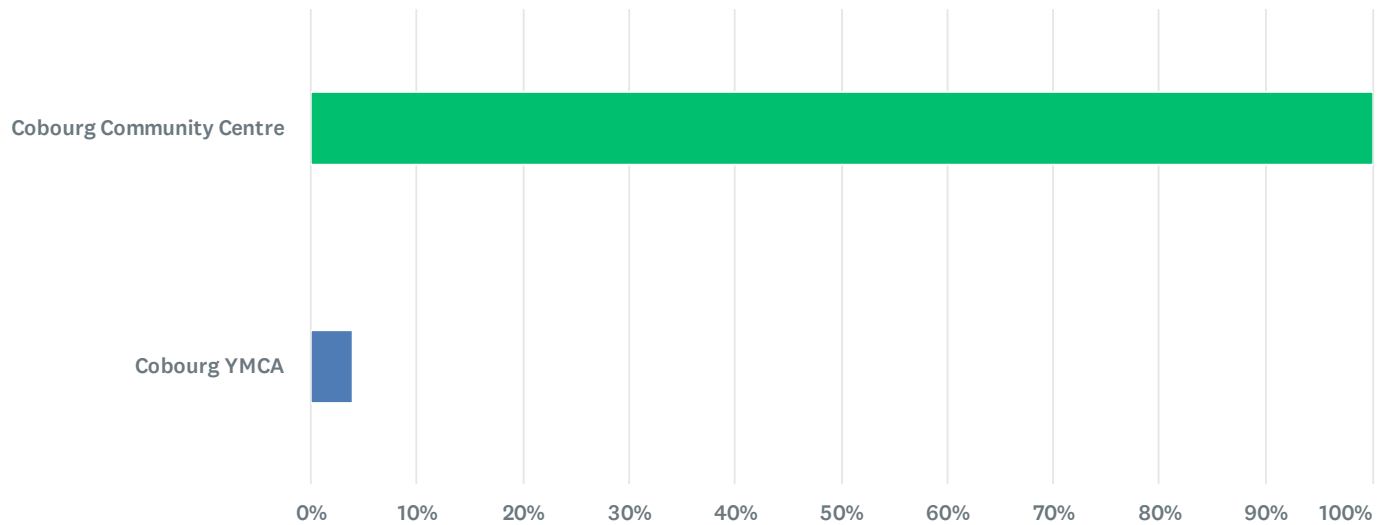
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
# current season participants:	97.30%	36
# on waitlist (if relevant):	45.95%	17
# previous season participants:	91.89%	34
# on waitlist (if relevant):	45.95%	17
# participants for the season before last (two years ago):	86.49%	32
# on waitlist (if relevant):	40.54%	15

Q11 If possible, please estimate the percentage of your current regular season participants that live in Cobourg:

Answered: 37 Skipped: 7

Q12 25 responses

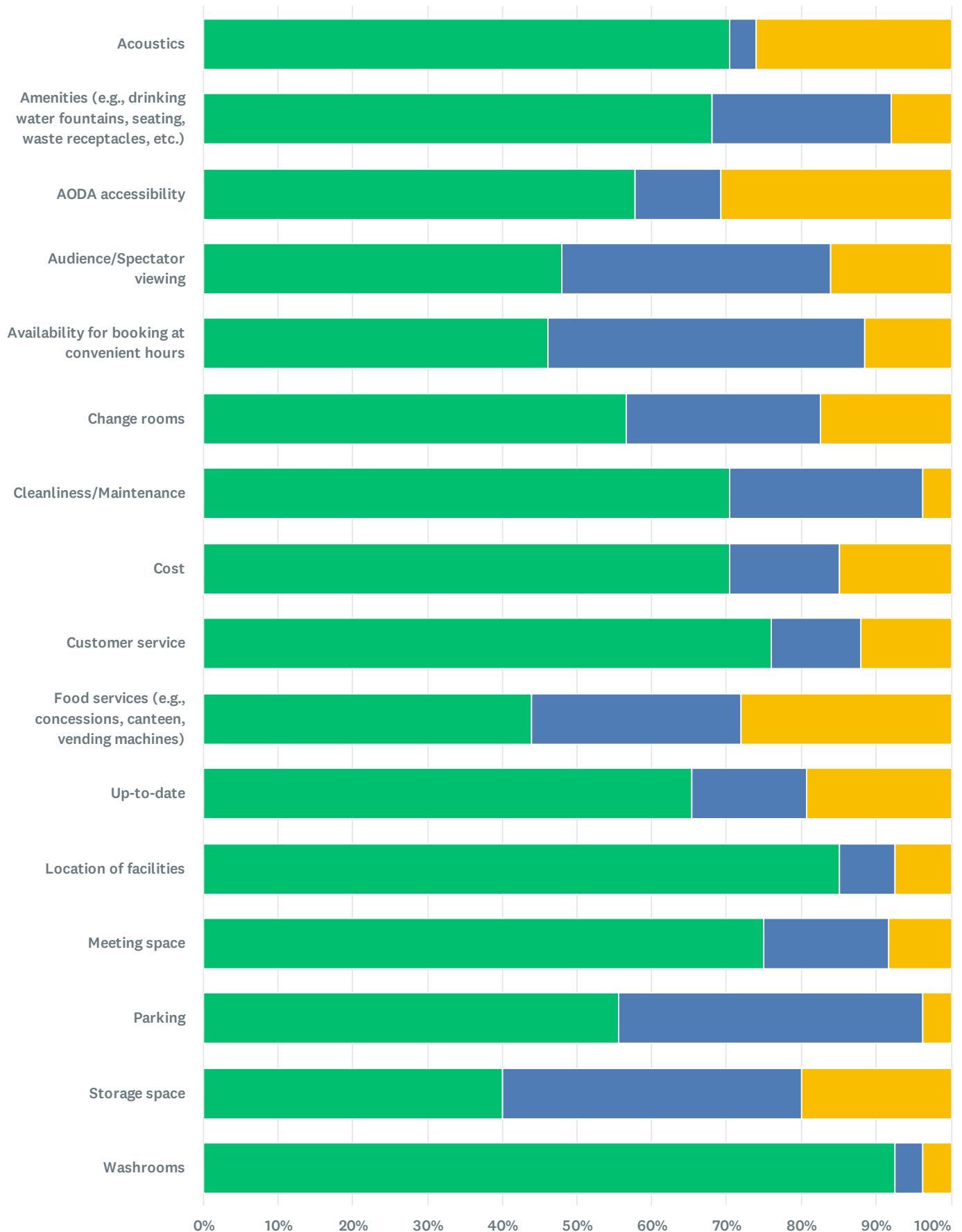
Which of the following municipally-owned indoor recreation facilities does your organization use? (Select all that apply.)



Q13 28 responses

Are your organization's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally-owned indoor recreation facilities in Cobourg?

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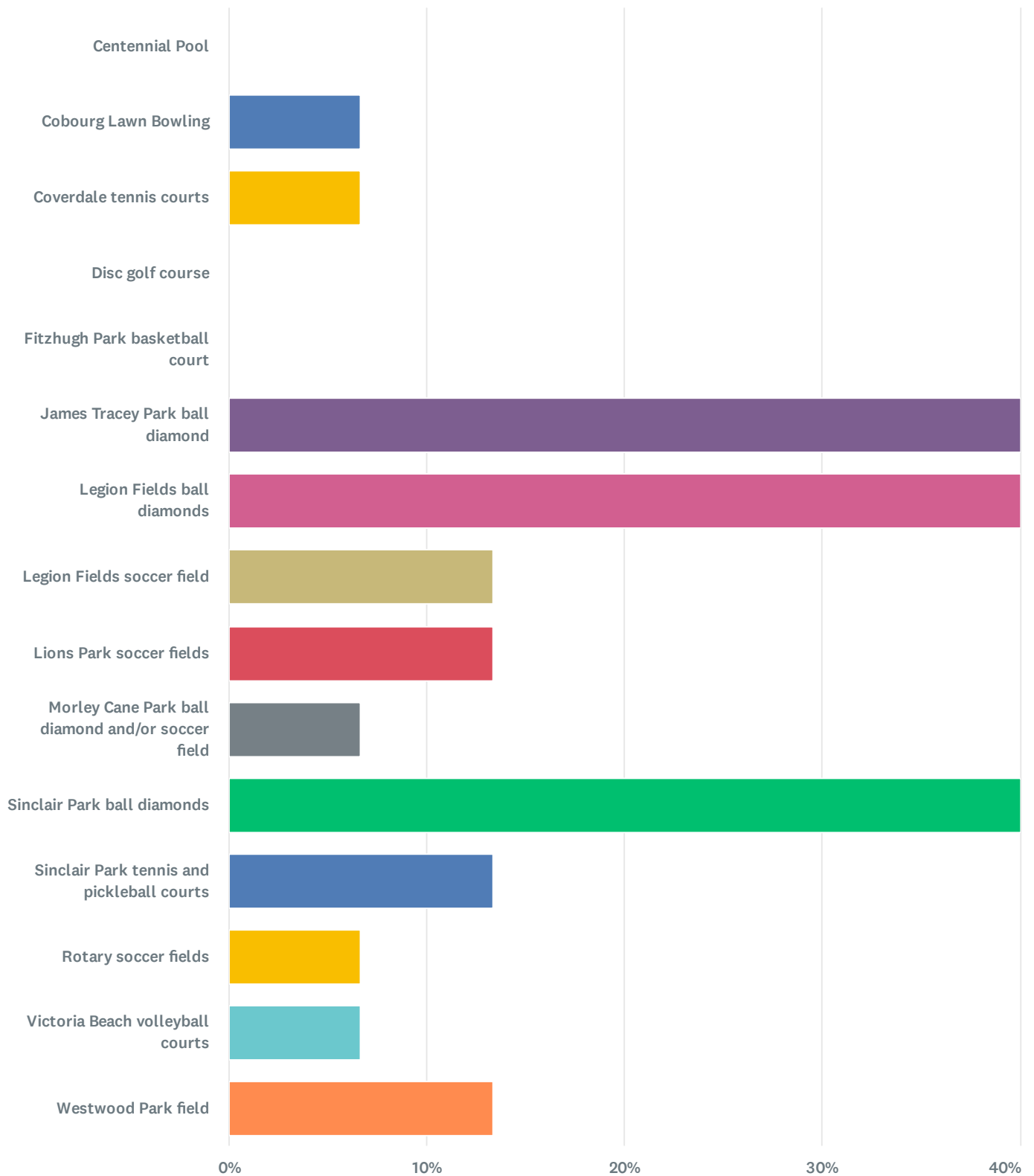
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☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure

Q14 15 responses

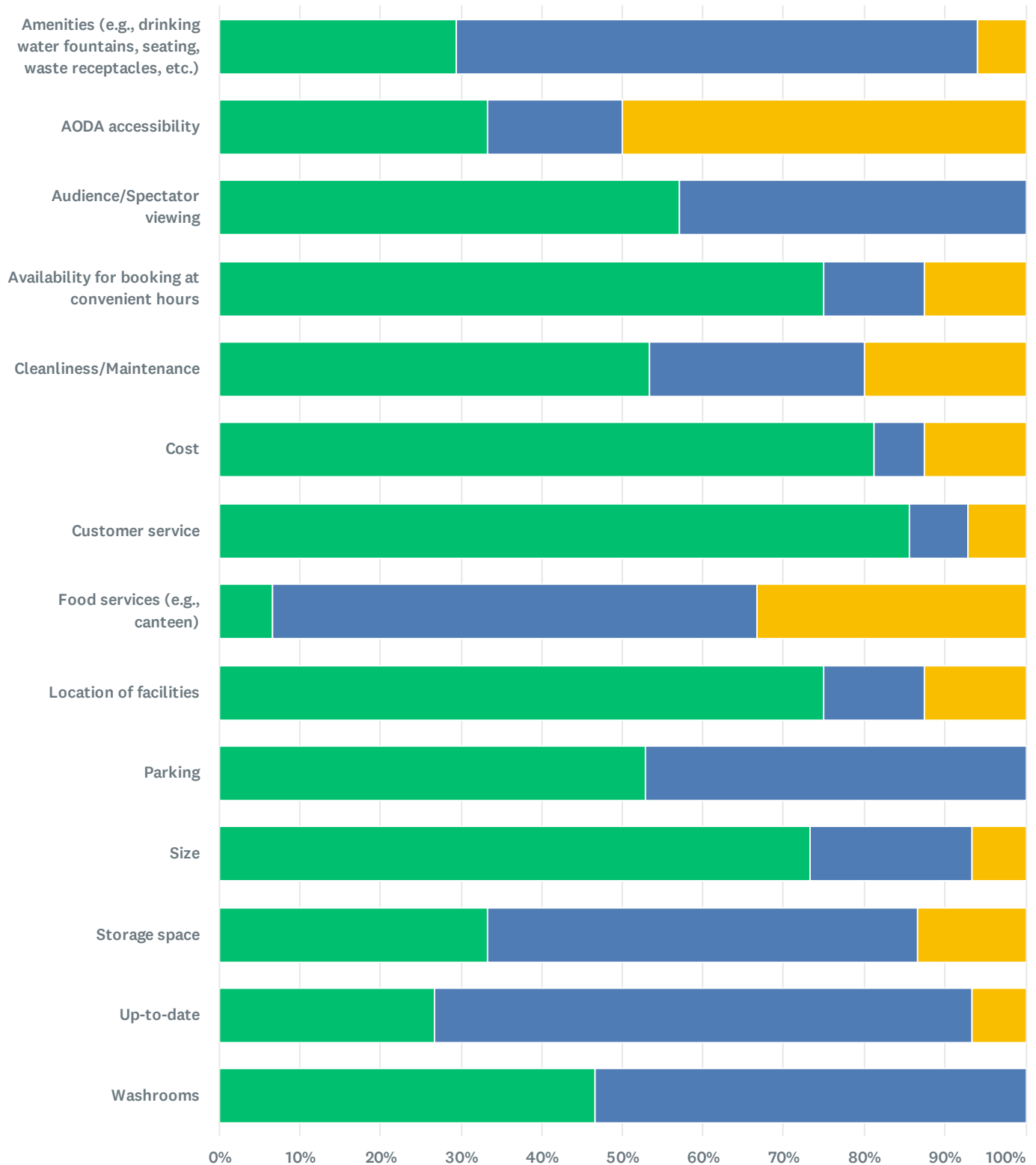
Which of the following municipally-owned outdoor sport/recreation facilities in Cobourg does your organization use for its programs/activities or events? (Select all that apply.)

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Q15 17 responses

Are your organization's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally-owned outdoor sport/recreation facilities in Cobourg?

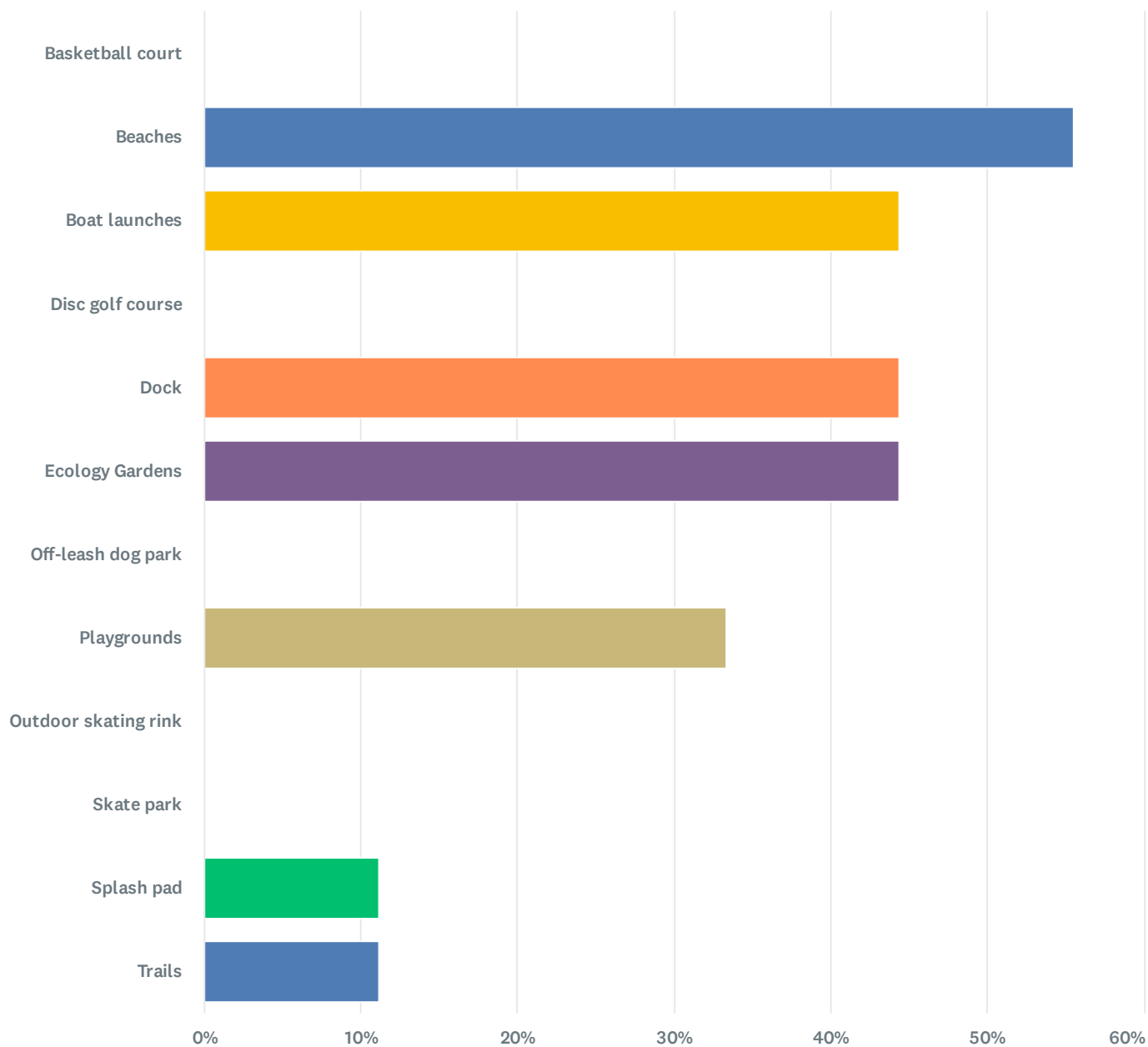


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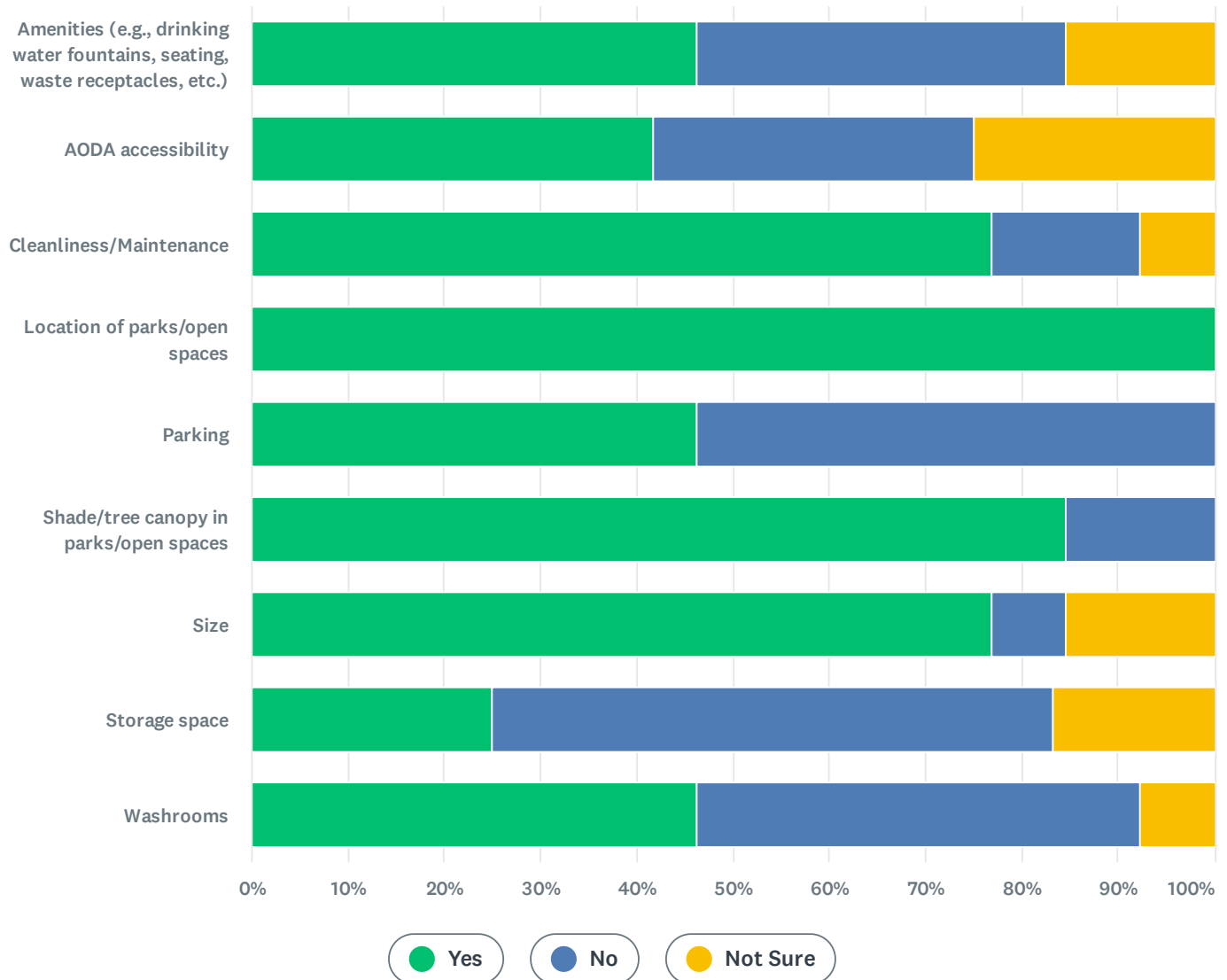
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Sure

Q16 9 responses

Which of the following municipally-owned parks/open spaces in Cobourg does your organization use for its programs/activities or events? (Select all that apply.)

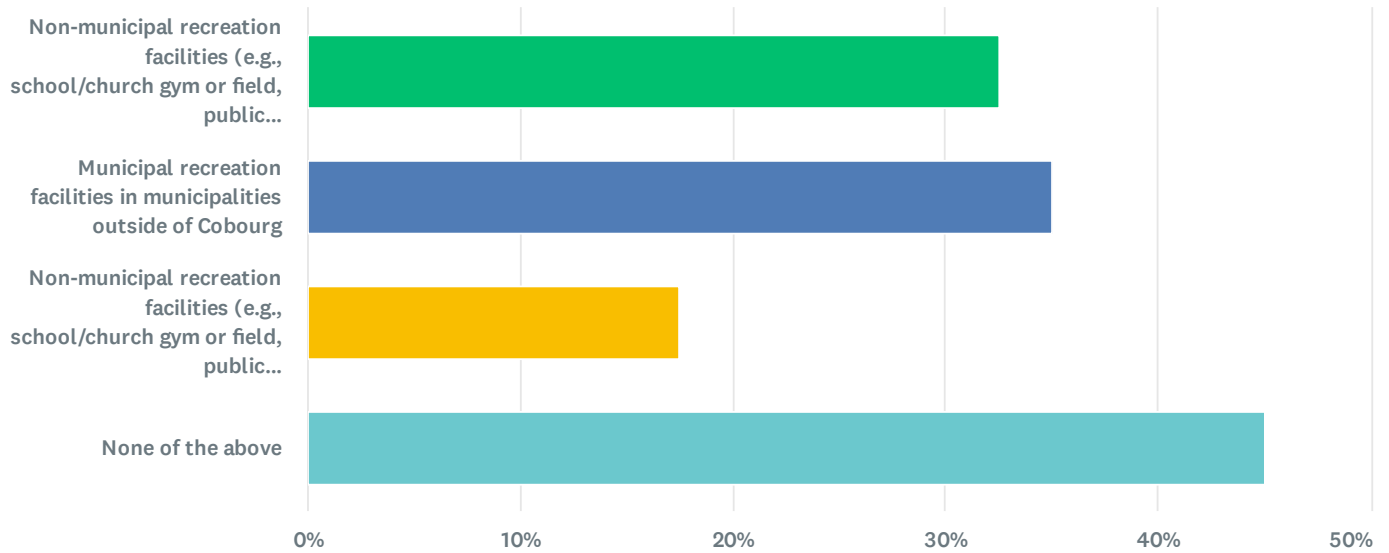


Q17 13 responses

Are your organization's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally-owned parks and/or other open spaces in Cobourg?

Q18 40 responses

Does your organization use any of the following to run its programs/activities or events? (Select all that apply).



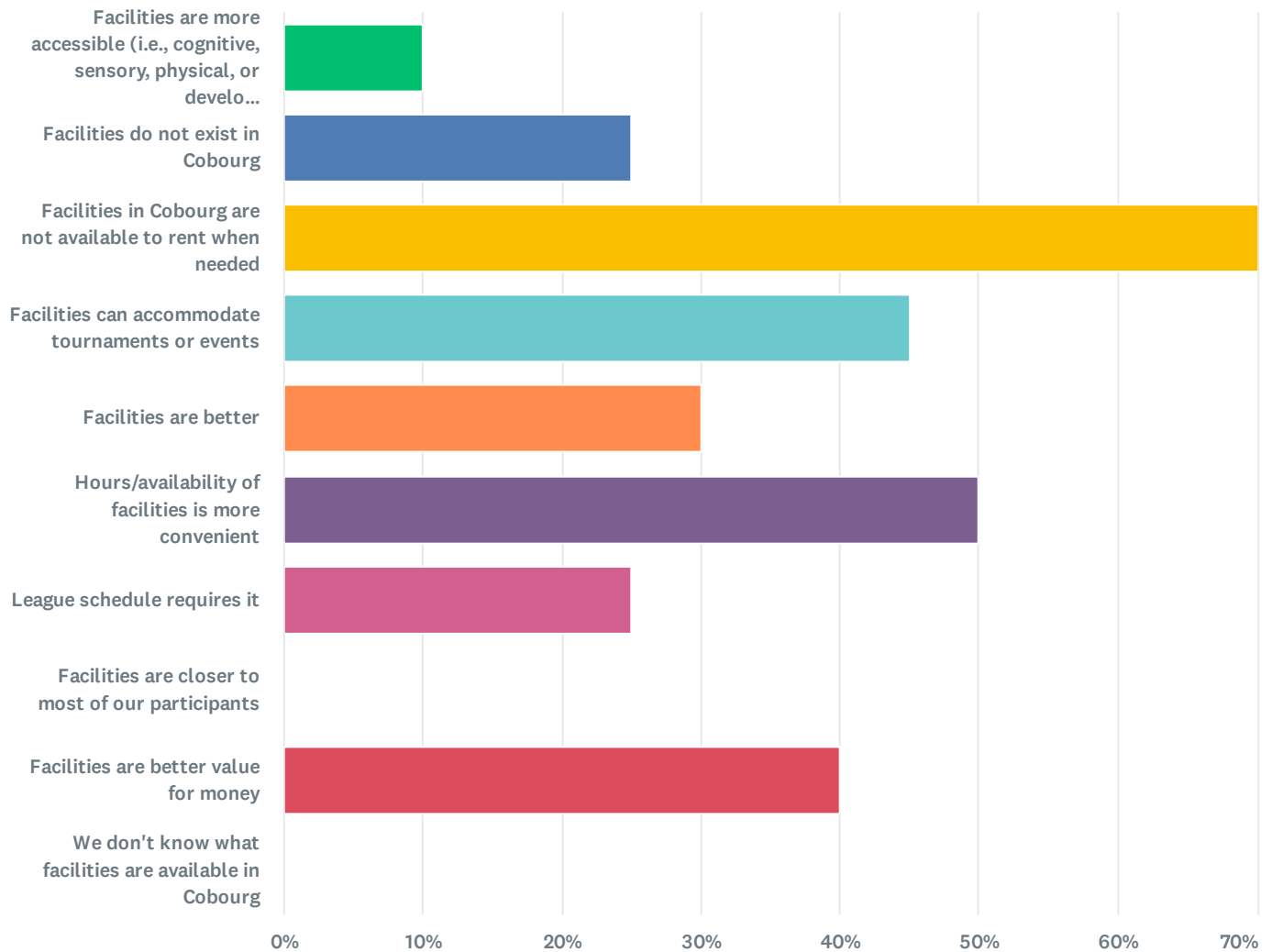
Q19 Please list the names of the facilities that your organization uses that are not municipally-owned or are outside of Cobourg.

Answered: 18 Skipped: 26

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Facility 1:	100.00%	18
Facility 2:	88.89%	16
Facility 3:	55.56%	10
Facility 4:	44.44%	8
Facility 5:	22.22%	4
Facility 6:	11.11%	2
Facility 7:	5.56%	1
Facility 8:	5.56%	1

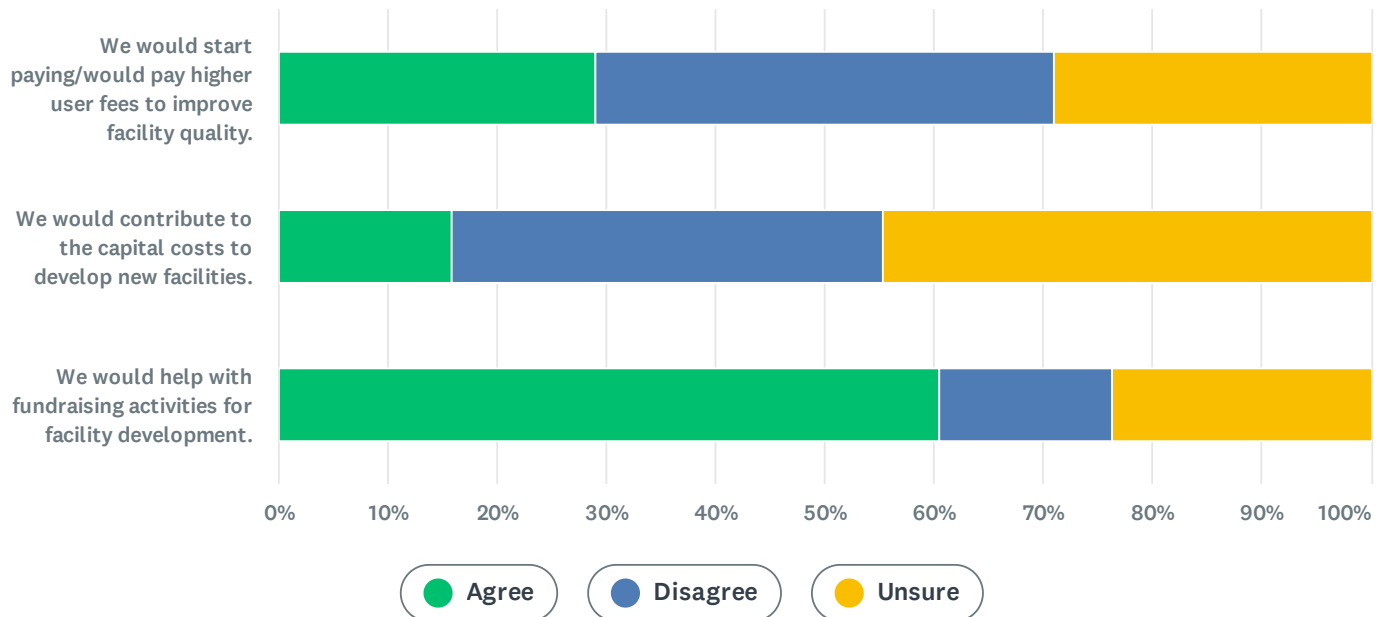
Q20 20 responses

Please indicate which of the following describes why you use these facilities instead of municipally-owned facilities in Cobourg. (Select all that apply.)



Q21 38 responses

We are interested in your organization's views concerning financial support for recreation services development. Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements, for facilities to suit your needs.



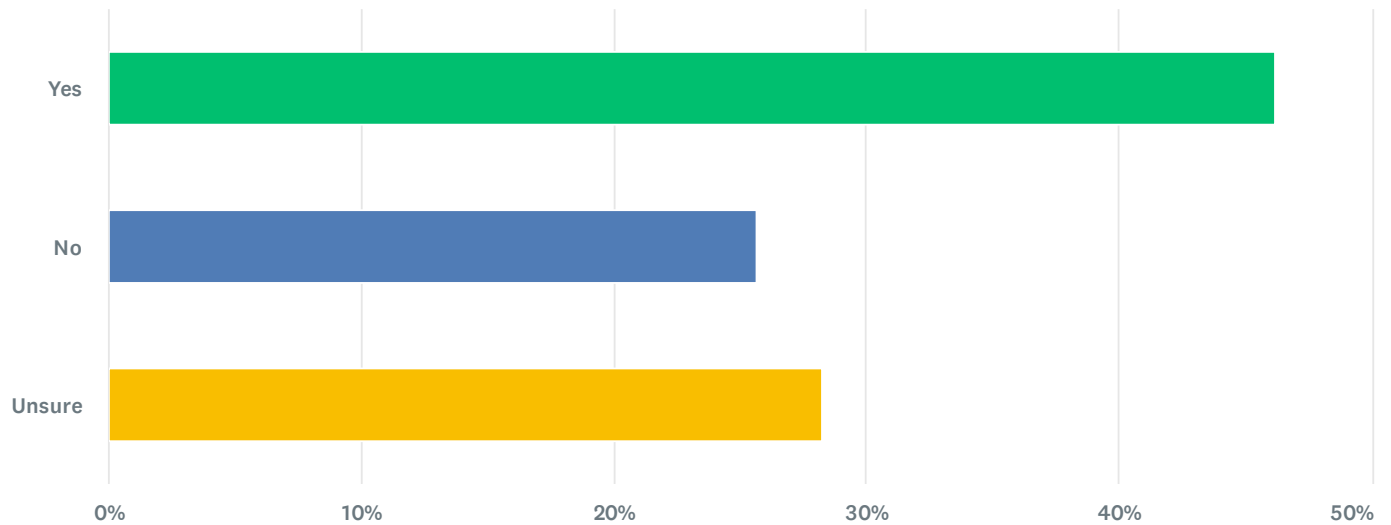
Q22 Are there any challenges related to equity, diversity, and inclusion that your organization encounters in delivering its programs, activities, or events (e.g., high cost of facilities making programs unaffordable for members, facilities do not accommodate all participants, existing municipal policies result in exclusion of particular demographics)?If so, please describe. If not, please leave this question blank.

Answered: 9 Skipped: 35

Q23

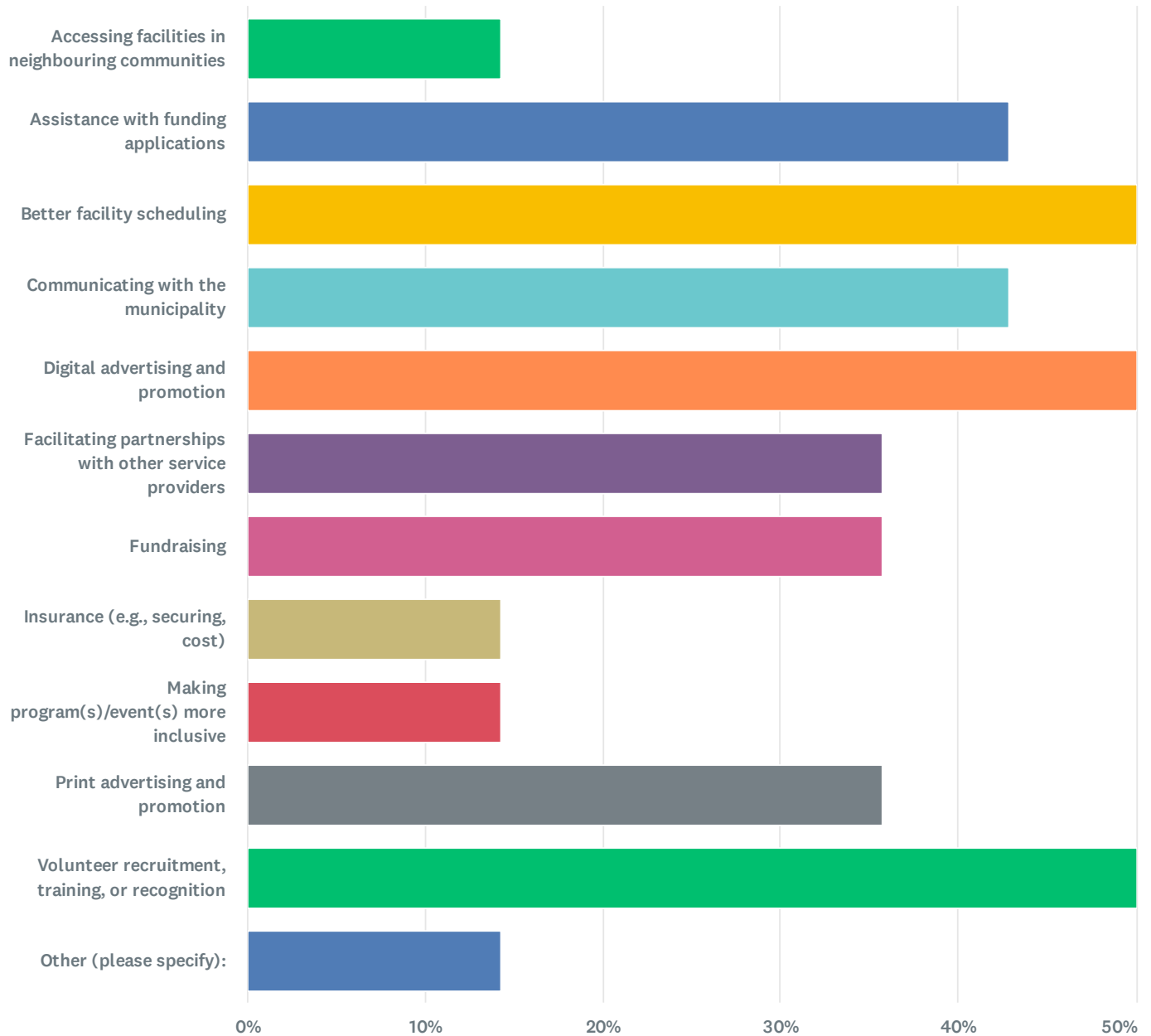
39 responses

Could the Town better assist your organization in developing and providing its programs, activities or events?



Q24 14 responses

In which of the following areas could the Town better assist you? (Select all that apply.)



Q25 What are your organization's top 3 needs that, if met, would allow it to thrive over the next 10 years?

Answered: 37 Skipped: 7

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	100.00%	37
2	83.78%	31
3	59.46%	22

Q26 Thank you for completing the survey. If there are any additional comments you would like to make, please provide them below. Please click "DONE" below to submit your survey. The responses from this survey will inform the development of the Parks, Recreation & Culture Master Plan. For updates on the Plan and additional information about how you can be a part of the planning process, please contact Lyndsey Prevost, Recreation Coordinator – Sports & Events (lprevost@cobourg.ca) or Danielle Lenarcic Biss (dlenarcicbiss@thincdesign.ca).

Answered: 9 Skipped: 35

Appendix C:

Online Survey Results

Engage Cobourg

Form Results Summary

Oct 21, 2025 - Nov 18, 2025

Project: Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Form: Parks and Recreation Survey

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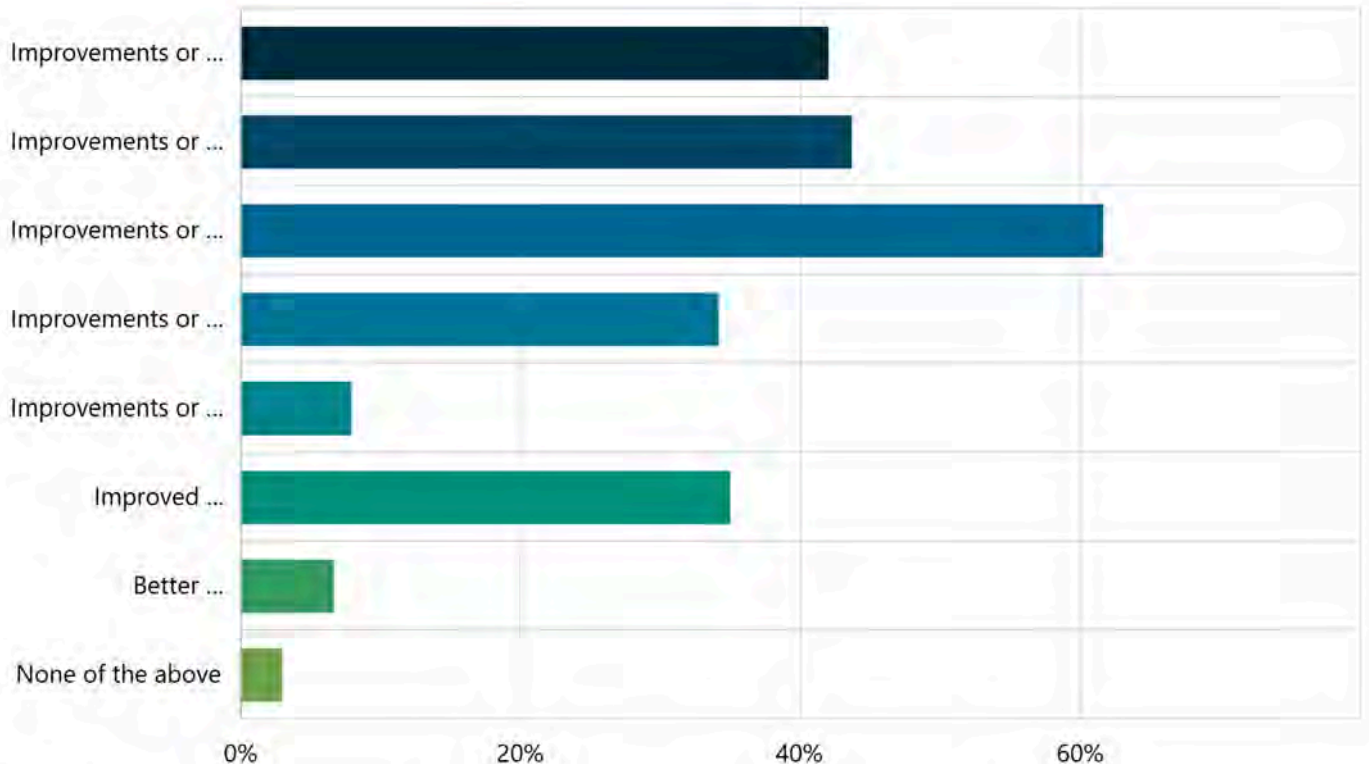
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Contribution Summary

1. What are the top priorities that your household thinks Cobourg's Parks & Recreation Master Plan should focus on? (Select up to 3.) Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 8 | Answered: 484 (98.4%)



Answer choices

Percent

Count

Improvements or expansions to municipal indoor recreation facilities (e.g., arenas, community centres, multi-purpose rooms, halls)

41.94%

203

Improvements or expansions to municipal outdoor sport/recreation facilities (e.g., sports fields, courts, ball diamonds)

43.60%

211

Improvements or expansions to municipal parks and open space amenities (e.g., trails, gazebos, playgrounds, skate parks, beaches)

61.57%

298

Improvements or expansions to municipal recreation programs (e.g., adults, youth, family, seniors)

34.09%

165

Improvements or expansions to municipal events

7.85%

38

Improved maintenance of parks and recreation spaces

34.92%

169

Better communication and/or customer service

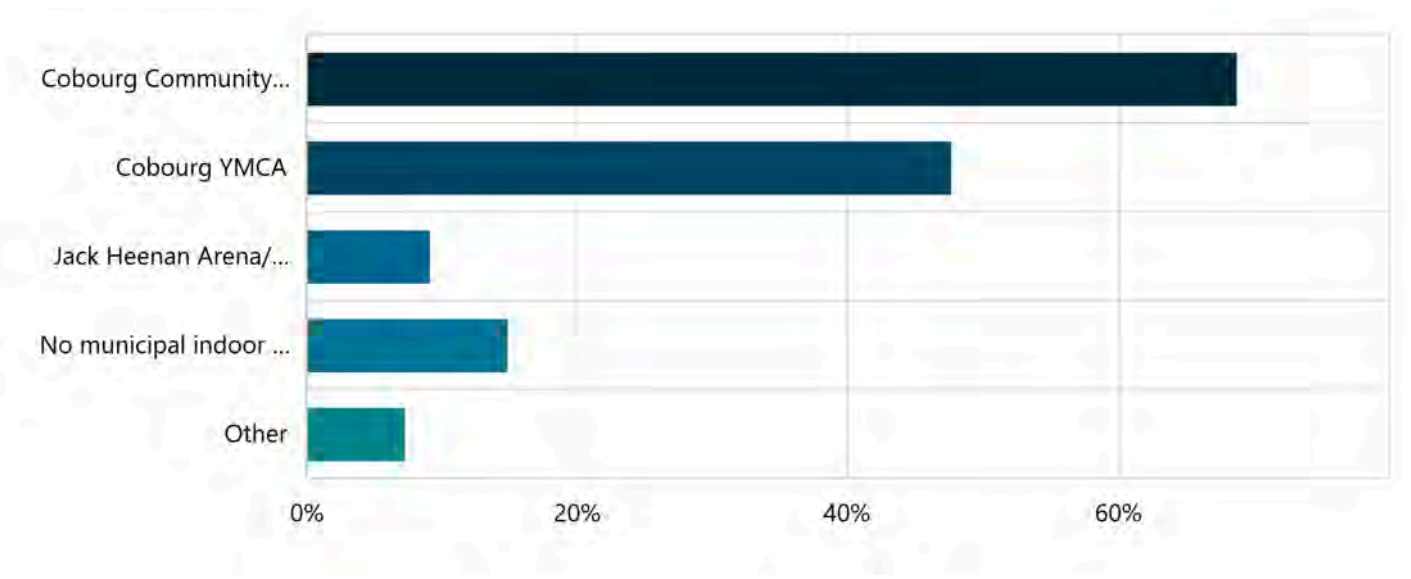
6.61%

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None of the above	2.89%	14
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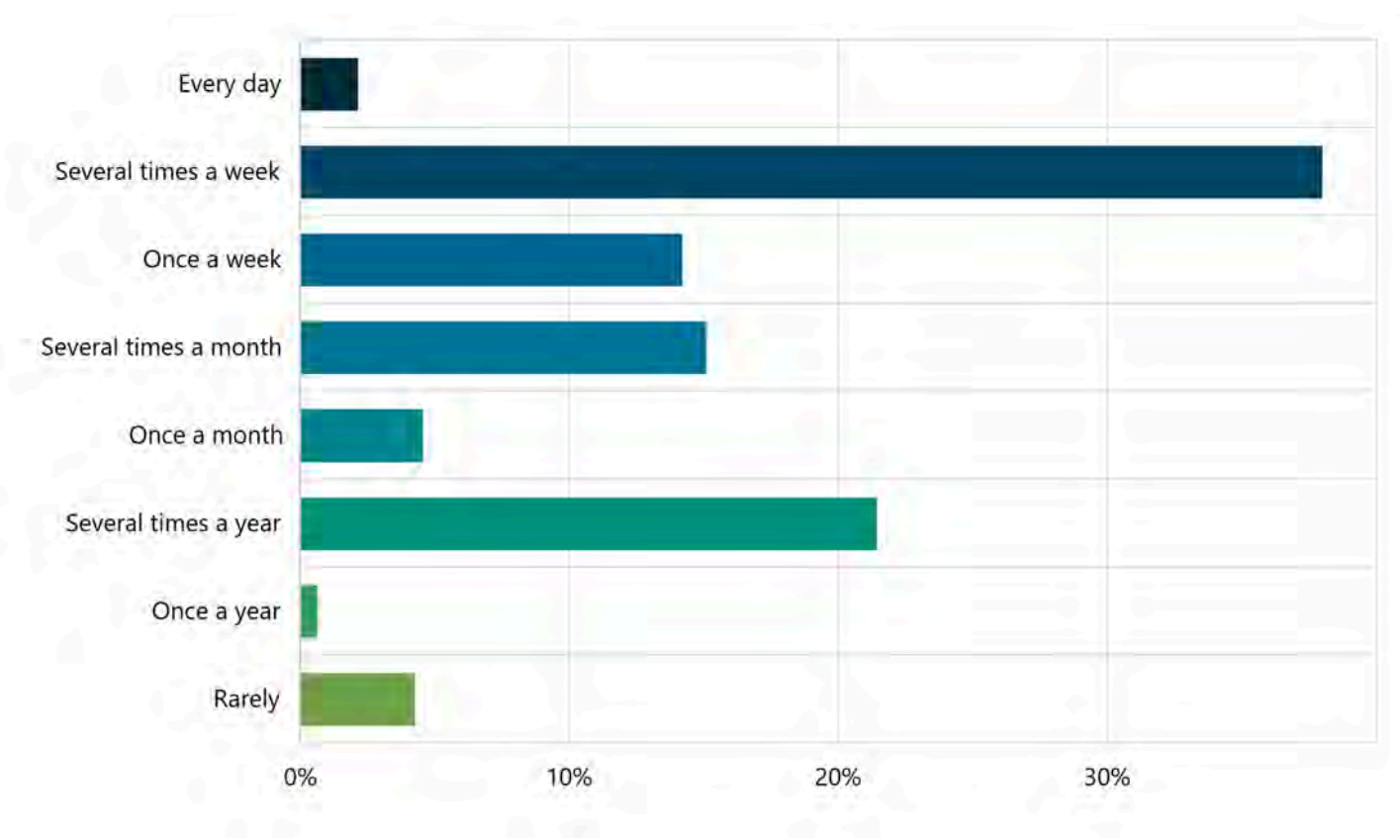
2. Which of the following municipally owned indoor recreation facilities does your household use? (Check all that apply.) Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 4 | Answered: 488 (99.2%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Cobourg Community Centre	68.65%	335
Cobourg YMCA	47.54%	232
Jack Heenan Arena/Cobourg Curling Club	9.02%	44
No municipal indoor facilities	14.75%	72
Other	7.17%	35

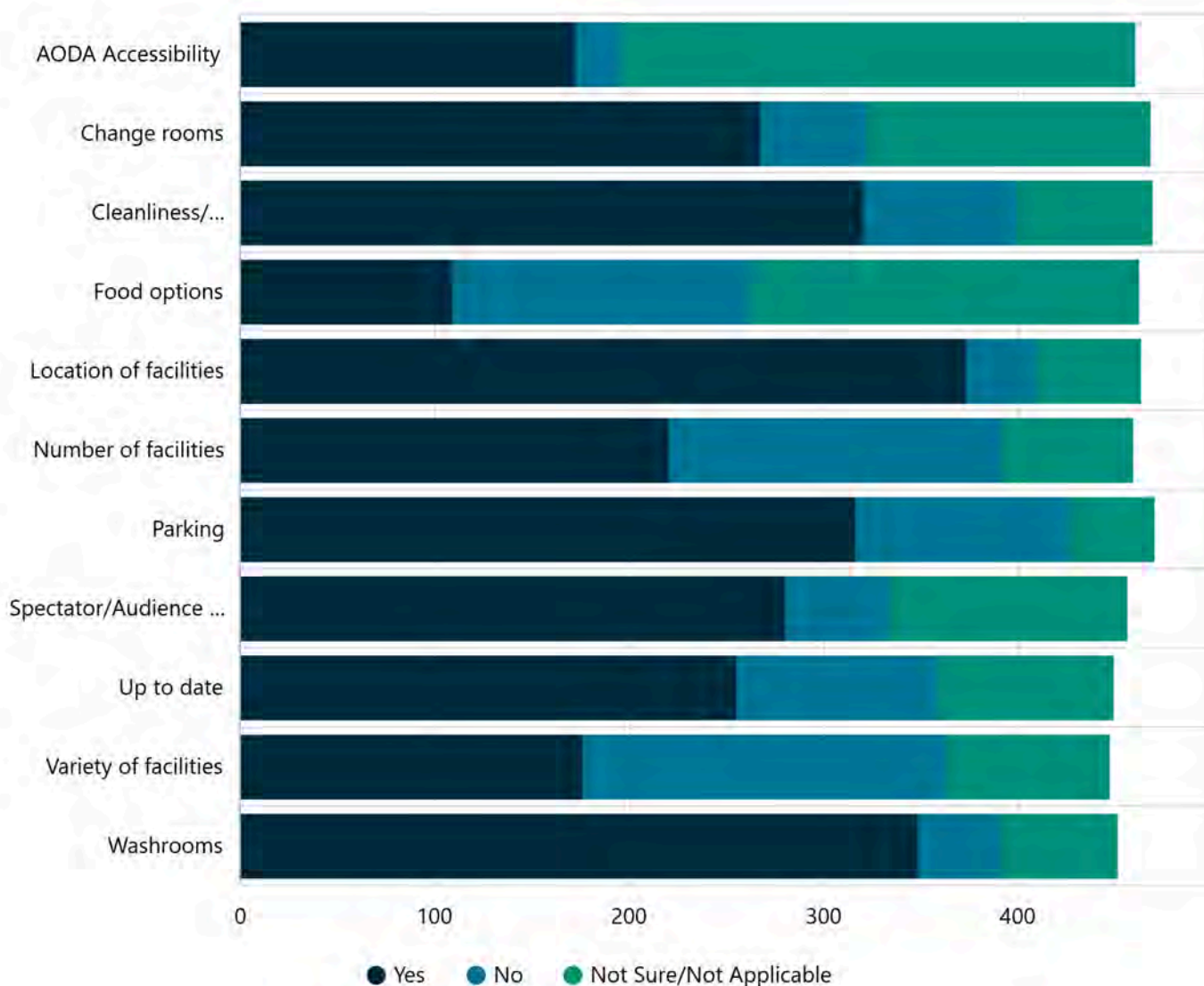
3. How often does your household access services and activities at the Cobourg Community Centre? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 160 | Answered: 332 (67.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Every day	2.11%	7
Several times a week	37.95%	126
Once a week	14.16%	47
Several times a month	15.06%	50
Once a month	4.52%	15
Several times a year	21.39%	71
Once a year	0.60%	2
Rarely	4.22%	14
Total	100.00%	332

4. Are your household's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally owned indoor recreation facilities in Cobourg? Required

Matrix | Skipped: 16 | Answered: 476 (96.7%)



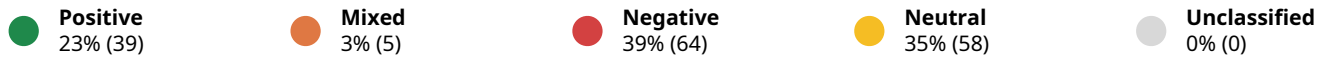
	Yes	No	Not Sure/Not Applicable	Count	Score
AODA Accessibility	37.47% 172	5.01% 23	57.52% 264	459	2.20
Change rooms	57.17% 267	11.78% 55	31.05% 145	467	1.74
Cleanliness/Maintenance	68.38% 320	16.88% 79	14.74% 69	468	1.46
Food options	23.64% 109	32.97% 152	43.38% 200	461	2.20
Location of facilities	80.74% 373	7.58% 35	11.69% 54	462	1.31

Number of facilities	48.03% 220	37.34% 171	14.63% 67	458	1.67
Parking	67.38% 316	23.45% 110	9.17% 43	469	1.42
Spectator/Audience seating	61.54% 280	11.65% 53	26.81% 122	455	1.65
Up to date	56.92% 255	22.99% 103	20.09% 90	448	1.63
Variety of facilities	39.46% 176	41.93% 187	18.61% 83	446	1.79
Washrooms	77.33% 348	9.33% 42	13.33% 60	450	1.36

5. Do you have any additional comments to share on your experience with municipal indoor recreation facilities in Cobourg? If not, please leave this question blank.

Short Text | Skipped: 326 | Answered: 166 (33.7%)

Sentiment



Tags

No tag data

Featured Contributions

Seniors should not have to pay to use the CCC
Contribution 166 of 166 | November 17, 2025

Our household regularly uses Jack Burger facility in Port Hope because of the lack of a similar 25-m indoor pool in Cobourg
Contribution 165 of 166 | November 17, 2025

The YMCA is not a Town owned Facility. Please correct this immediately
Contribution 164 of 166 | November 17, 2025

There aren't brightly lit rooms for groups who want to embroider, knkit, etc. And the library gives us grief about using their lounge area.
Contribution 163 of 166 | November 16, 2025

The washrooms/ shower area are disgusting. Yoga studio at the YMCA isn't large enough. More pickleball times and courts at the YMCA required.
Contribution 162 of 166 | November 15, 2025

Indoor turf fields, adult rock climbing walls, indoor adult playgrounds and more single person changerooms
Contribution 161 of 166 | November 15, 2025

Cobourg's indoor facilities are excellent.
Contribution 160 of 166 | November 14, 2025

we need another indoor pool in Cobourg and a therapy pool
Contribution 159 of 166 | November 14, 2025

new pickle ball courts are being built, but membership costs are very high, community needing affordable indoor courts or indoor facilities to accommodate

Contribution 158 of 166 | November 14, 2025

Return lifeguards to Victoria Beach

Contribution 157 of 166 | November 13, 2025

The CCC needs a better parking lot, they also need to do a better job at preventing double-booking sports programs.

Contribution 156 of 166 | November 13, 2025

Indoor pool , parking

Contribution 155 of 166 | November 13, 2025

More varieties- not just hockey and pickle ball

Contribution 154 of 166 | November 12, 2025

Facilities have difficulty meeting demand.

Contribution 153 of 166 | November 12, 2025

Respect in terms of time limits and leaving the room in the same state as before it's use,

Contribution 152 of 166 | November 12, 2025

N/a

Contribution 151 of 166 | November 11, 2025

Indoor pool.

Contribution 150 of 166 | November 11, 2025

we need more spaces and options. Cobourg is growing!

Contribution 149 of 166 | November 11, 2025

Addition of a multi-sport turfed facility would be ideal. A new YMCA facility would also be great. Community growth has led to the need for more and improved indoor facilities.

Contribution 148 of 166 | November 11, 2025

Parking at the CCC is terrible especially if there are more than one even going on. Also not enough ice is available for minor hockey organizations. Men/ women's leagues taking up to much ice time

Contribution 147 of 166 | November 11, 2025

A pool and tennis courts would be nice

Contribution 146 of 166 | November 11, 2025

CCC would probably benefit from having a weight room. I'm a little unclear what the plan is, long term, for the YMCA. I know there is discussion about moving the pool to the CCC. Would we consider building new squash court and weight room at the CCC?
Contribution 145 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Lack of indoor soccer venue. The turf is double booked at times between soccer, baseball, lacrosse etc
Contribution 144 of 166 | November 10, 2025

N/A
Contribution 143 of 166 | November 10, 2025

The pool at the YMCA is very outdated and needs to be redone.
Contribution 142 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Recent 55+ status forced on user groups who are 65+ is a real negative, none of your staff are hockey players and have no knowledge of what 10 yrs does to the game of hockey and enjoyment of those 65+ who dont want to get injured chasing 55 yr olds.
Contribution 141 of 166 | November 10, 2025

need more pool options other than the YMCA and heated for children and elderly
Contribution 140 of 166 | November 10, 2025

A modern indoor swimming pool would be a great addition to the community. The YMCA is a great facility but it is old and the pool is often freezing
Contribution 139 of 166 | November 10, 2025

As the community grows we're going to quickly outpace the recreation facilities that we have in Cobourg. If resources aren't spent here we're going to be in the same situation you see in other municipalities that overbalanced some demographics.
Contribution 138 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Need more ice pads for hockey
Contribution 137 of 166 | November 10, 2025

A new indoor pool option would be great
Contribution 136 of 166 | November 10, 2025

CCC needs an equipment self washing / cleaning machine for hockey gear. Plus a Restaurant & Bar.
Contribution 135 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Consider open use of facilities rather than trying to log in and reserve space.
Contribution 134 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Change rooms are always very busy and parking is often a challenge
Contribution 133 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Our indoor soccer facility in Baltimore is small, there is not great seating for spectators and the washrooms need to be updated.
Contribution 132 of 166 | November 10, 2025

The number of vegetarian and vegan families in Cobourg is growing. It would be nice to have some vegan options at these public facilities (my entire family is vegan).
Contribution 131 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Considering the price of the YMCA, it does not seem comparable to a regular municipally owned indoor recreation facility.
Contribution 130 of 166 | November 10, 2025

The YMCA is a fabulous facility. The staff are awesome. So professional and welcoming. It's a great place to meet new friends too.
Contribution 129 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Too expensive.
Contribution 128 of 166 | November 10, 2025

We need more of them and more variety.
Contribution 127 of 166 | November 10, 2025

We are a young family and recently started using the Y. Family change rooms are severely lacking -- not enough toilets, no stools or low sinks for young kids, locks on stalls (change and toilet) don't work, lockers rusted and don't shut....
Contribution 126 of 166 | November 10, 2025

One of the biggest issues with both the CCC and the Y is lack of parking! The pool at the Y also desperately needs an upgrade.
Contribution 125 of 166 | November 10, 2025

Would love to see another playground in Bewdley, possibly on the community centre property?
Contribution 124 of 166 | November 9, 2025

Could be better utilized.
Contribution 123 of 166 | November 9, 2025

Change rooms are small for wheelchairs to get through and no big change tables for older kids. Limited wheelchair seating in arenas
Contribution 122 of 166 | November 8, 2025

There is a lack of indoor rec facilities in this town. An indoor turf facility would be of great benefit to a range of ages and sports teams.
Contribution 121 of 166 | November 8, 2025

A pool other than ymca. A turf other than Baltimore.
Contribution 120 of 166 | November 8, 2025

A heated indoor pool for small children is really needed in our community
Contribution 119 of 166 | November 8, 2025

We need a pool at the CCC
Contribution 118 of 166 | November 8, 2025

I wish there was more options for older youth, all the indoor playgrounds and facilities are geared towards young children.
Contribution 117 of 166 | November 7, 2025

Need more dog parks. They need to be cleaned one or twice a week
Contribution 116 of 166 | November 7, 2025

Outdoor is important
Contribution 115 of 166 | November 7, 2025

Coming from someone that has lived in Kelowna BC and Ottawa I really notice the difference in quality and number of recreational services. Washrooms could use big updates and parks need more variety of play and more accessibility and care of thought.
Contribution 114 of 166 | November 7, 2025

The amount of cigarette butts outside of the CCC is quite gross. Why is there not a proper disposal site for them? Parking at the CCC is also awful. It should be one way enter and one way exit with angled parking for easy exit. Additional parking spaces.
Contribution 113 of 166 | November 7, 2025

Expansion for pickleball is needed as the current availability fills up very quickly
Contribution 112 of 166 | November 7, 2025

Pool facilities are greatly needed, including therapeutic pool (warm)
Contribution 111 of 166 | November 6, 2025

Need bathrooms that are single sex only. I do not want men walking into a bathroom my female child is in.
Contribution 110 of 166 | November 6, 2025

Parking at CCC is inadequate
Contribution 109 of 166 | November 6, 2025

Cobourg needs a family and senior swimming pool similar to Jack burger port hope
Contribution 108 of 166 | November 5, 2025

Pickle ball very very limited.
Contribution 107 of 166 | November 5, 2025

Large gap in affordable gym options
Contribution 106 of 166 | November 5, 2025

The YMCA is outdated and too small for the current and growing population.
Contribution 105 of 166 | November 5, 2025

Need more adult programs and not just senior programs
Contribution 104 of 166 | November 4, 2025

The Cobourg YMCA desperately needs to be renovated or rebuilt. The changerooms are usually dirty, have a musty foul smell. The pool is always too cold. The weight area has had a nice upgrade, but the facility is really just too small for the community.
Contribution 103 of 166 | November 4, 2025

Missing adults activities. There are senior and youth activities, but lack of activities to adults
Contribution 102 of 166 | November 4, 2025

Additional parking would be helpful
Contribution 101 of 166 | November 4, 2025

There needs to be a clubhouse for Cobourg Saxons. Rugby is a growing sport, the requirement for more fields and a home field building is a necessity.
Contribution 100 of 166 | November 4, 2025

parking at ccc is both poorly designed for traffic flow with not enough spaces at peak times
Contribution 99 of 166 | November 3, 2025

Yes. I would like to have an indoor pool at the CCC please
Contribution 98 of 166 | November 3, 2025

It's too bad a pool wasn't built when they built the CCC
Contribution 97 of 166 | November 3, 2025

With regards to the CCC, I'm quite disappointed with that adult and all ages programs have been cut. Also, the gym floor is in need of maintenance.

Contribution 96 of 166 | November 2, 2025

When are we going to have an indoor pool??

Contribution 95 of 166 | November 1, 2025

The Family change rooms in the YMCA desperately need to be updated and refreshed. Grout and caulking refinished, change rooms fixed so the doors lock, better lighting.

Contribution 94 of 166 | November 1, 2025

Parking at the CCC is a huge problem as it is far too limited for the needs of the building. Also, the accessibility button to open the door breaks quite often which is an issue for accessibility . Consider adding a baby care / nursing space.

Contribution 93 of 166 | October 30, 2025

Bring back firearms PAL courses and build a top notch indoor gun range for all firearms classifications

Contribution 92 of 166 | October 29, 2025

The sign up process for programs is complicated. I would rather drop in.

Contribution 91 of 166 | October 28, 2025

Addition of Learn to Crochet, cooking - different styles, further interest semesters, computer classes, senior exercise classes taught by older women, current pace too fast, men's interest programs

Contribution 90 of 166 | October 28, 2025

Disappointed Sinclair isn't resurfaced for pickleball and tennis.

Contribution 89 of 166 | October 28, 2025

We need a soccer turf in Cobourg

Contribution 88 of 166 | October 27, 2025

Have seen two adults who appeared to be homeless using dual gender change room at the YMCA, which is normally used by kids. Reported to YMCA supervisor via e-mail.

Contribution 87 of 166 | October 27, 2025

Ccc is a beautiful facility, the gyms, arenas, walking track all great assets to the community. Need more arenas! Also could use an indoor soccer venue.

Contribution 86 of 166 | October 27, 2025

Indoor pickleball/tennis would be good.....aging population

Contribution 85 of 166 | October 27, 2025

The Cobourg y needs to be expanded -with an improved pool and keep outdoor pool
Contribution 84 of 166 | October 27, 2025

You cannot access building with out walking thru active moving vehicles. Near misses of kids being hit by cars happening daily
Contribution 83 of 166 | October 27, 2025

Showers and toilets in the arena change rooms are very dirty, shower heads are broken or have low pressure. Matted hair in the walls and in the drain.
Contribution 82 of 166 | October 26, 2025

Great facilities for a small town
Contribution 81 of 166 | October 26, 2025

More pickleball please indoor and a designated court outside
Contribution 80 of 166 | October 26, 2025

No programs for disabled adults
Contribution 79 of 166 | October 26, 2025

Yes more emphasis on pickball
Contribution 78 of 166 | October 26, 2025

We need more variety of indoor sports facilities in "off seasons" like soccer, tennis etc.
Contribution 77 of 166 | October 26, 2025

Need better maintenance of hockey change room showers. Hardly any water comes out as they are caked with water deposits. Consider partitions as well.
Contribution 76 of 166 | October 25, 2025

The soccer facilities are lacking, there is no outdoor washroom facility for the legion and rotary fields.
Contribution 75 of 166 | October 24, 2025

Need a turf facility!
Contribution 74 of 166 | October 24, 2025

The food court needs to have more selections and more hours. It was not open during the summer while Northumberland Soccer Club hosted the East vs West event and that was a miss opportunity as people would go in to CCC to use washroom or fill up the water
Contribution 73 of 166 | October 24, 2025

Need additional indoor soccer field(s)
Contribution 72 of 166 | October 24, 2025

Wish there was more turf fields for indoor use instead of hard ground
Contribution 71 of 166 | October 24, 2025

We need more indoor turf space
Contribution 70 of 166 | October 24, 2025

The Ccc could use more visible recycling canisters. It is hard to see the icon and they aren't blue
Contribution 69 of 166 | October 24, 2025

We don't have a space for indoor turf sports (soccer especially) except the old Baltimore arena. We're too hockey focussed. Soccer is the number one participation sport in our region and we don't recognize that nearly enough.
Contribution 68 of 166 | October 24, 2025

YMCA is not up to standards for cleanliness and air quality
Contribution 67 of 166 | October 24, 2025

1. we need more classes for Soccer, baseball and skating. The seats fill up so fast or are on working days when parents can not take them. 2. more sessions for fitness for working classes- weekends or evenings. 3. CCC to more available on weekends
Contribution 66 of 166 | October 24, 2025

The city needs a dome or indoor turf. Teams have to travel far and wide to have access to decent facilities .
Contribution 65 of 166 | October 23, 2025

The Cobourg Community Center feels pretty empty a lot of the time. Please don't build more indoor recreation areas we don't need!
Contribution 64 of 166 | October 23, 2025

Not enough sports fields, ones we do have are not maintain properly
Contribution 63 of 166 | October 23, 2025

We would like an indoor, up to date soccer turf in Cobourg.
Contribution 62 of 166 | October 23, 2025

More arena space needed, better food options and food more consistently available would be great.
Contribution 61 of 166 | October 23, 2025

There is a desperate need to expand soccer and basketball facilities

Contribution 60 of 166 | October 23, 2025

More turf space is needed due to multiple groups wanting turf space, lacrosse, baseball, soccer, rugby - they all use the indoor turf during winter months and there is not enough time to film all the requests

Contribution 59 of 166 | October 23, 2025

The fact that Hastings has a huge indoor some turf field and Cobourg does not is crazy to me. We need soccer facilities badly to give our kids a chance to compete in soccer year round against other centres that all have indoor full field turf.

Contribution 58 of 166 | October 23, 2025

YMCA needs to redo family change room as well as allow girls to use women's change room

Contribution 57 of 166 | October 23, 2025

Would love an indoor turf soccer field area. I also believe that having an updated indoor pool would be extremely beneficial for our community

Contribution 56 of 166 | October 23, 2025

We need an indoor soccer location for teams to train in the winter months. Our rep teams are at a disadvantage to other teams that have these facilities.

Contribution 55 of 166 | October 23, 2025

indoor turf/multi sport facility would be a plus

Contribution 54 of 166 | October 23, 2025

Large indoor pool needed

Contribution 53 of 166 | October 23, 2025

Please provide a local indoor soccer turf for Northumberland united to use for house league and rep teams. The only close one is in Baltimore and is becoming expensive and booked often.

Contribution 52 of 166 | October 23, 2025

Not enough indoor fields, have to travel out of area to practice

Contribution 51 of 166 | October 23, 2025

There is definitely a limited number of facilities more would be good

Contribution 50 of 166 | October 23, 2025

Cobourg is in dire need of a indoor mutlisport facility with a full size turf to meet the demands for facilities faced by local non for profits sports groups and school groups.

Contribution 49 of 166 | October 23, 2025

We could use an updated pool with better shallow area, continued support for outdoor pool and more indoor soccer/ dome options.
Contribution 48 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The indoor pool needs repair work
Contribution 47 of 166 | October 22, 2025

There is no "social center" at the CCC, only sports and activity"rooms". There is coffee or cafe tables to enable any social activity. There is just the activity and then go home!!
Contribution 46 of 166 | October 22, 2025

I support adding an indoor pool to the CCC.
Contribution 45 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The water bottle fill stations in the hockey dressing rooms are always broken.
Contribution 44 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The skate shop in the CCC should have better and posted hours of operation, possibly a skate sharpening drop off / pick up outside of shop hours.
Contribution 43 of 166 | October 22, 2025

Bathrooms and change rooms at tinks and community centre need more attention re cleanliness
Contribution 42 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The CCC needs an indoor pool for kid lessons, just like Port Hope has with the Jack Berger. The YMCA is not meeting family needs on the pool front.
Contribution 41 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The Cobourg Library is a Community building and not big enough for this growing town.
Contribution 40 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The programs available at the CCC especially those for seniors, are excellent
Contribution 39 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The YMCA needs more space
Contribution 38 of 166 | October 22, 2025

We should have a municipal indoor pool for all to use. An updated pool with features for family fun would be great.
Contribution 37 of 166 | October 22, 2025

We need more facilities, more variation in affordable recreational programs for families and better swim facilities.

Contribution 36 of 166 | October 22, 2025

the use depends on the time of year... with the U.S. situation we anticipate our use will rise, as not travelling to the states

Contribution 35 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The YMCA pool is very tired and needing refurbishment and expansion. Another pool with a warm water therapy pool is needed in this community.

Contribution 34 of 166 | October 22, 2025

Ccc parking very poor traffic flow design and not enough parking spots available

Contribution 33 of 166 | October 22, 2025

The skate sharpening pro shop at the CCC is unacceptable. Its hours are inconvenient, let alone not being posted on their website. I also find it terribly inconvenient that the CCC does not have access to finished skates when it is closed.

Contribution 32 of 166 | October 22, 2025

YMCA needs to expand!

Contribution 31 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Get a real indoor aquatic facility please

Contribution 30 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Only use CCC for Cougars games or the home show otherwise nothing of interest there. Need fitness centre and better services for seniors

Contribution 29 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Change rooms and showers need to be cleaned more often and more thoroughly.

Contribution 28 of 166 | October 21, 2025

We need more ice pads. Two rinks is not enough at the CCC. The town should also NOT take the bowl ice out in summer. Also parking is an issue at the CCC with all of the external rentals for the gym (out of town dance competitions)

Contribution 27 of 166 | October 21, 2025

CCC is a great well used facility as is the YMCA

Contribution 26 of 166 | October 21, 2025

A user fee would be fair to all ratepayers.

Contribution 25 of 166 | October 21, 2025

The Cobourg YMCA pool could use an overhaul. With young children now growing up in Cobourg. Having a pool that can accommodate small children could be helpful.

Contribution 24 of 166 | October 21, 2025

My family doesn't use these facilities

Contribution 23 of 166 | October 21, 2025

I'd like to see a plan or proposal for an indoor pool. I can't understand why there have been proposals in the past then no information offered.

Contribution 22 of 166 | October 21, 2025

healthy food and drink choices for young athletes and families

Contribution 21 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Need more ice pads

Contribution 20 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Municipal swimming pool

Contribution 19 of 166 | October 21, 2025

We need at least a 25m or a 50m pool facility in Cobourg like Jack Berger

Contribution 18 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Parking at CCC sucks on pond side spaces are too tight and there isn't enough parking at this facility to cover ice rink use and community room usage at same time. There needs to be more ice pads built local organizations are starved for ice times

Contribution 17 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Expand parking at CCC & clear snow & ice in a timely manner

Contribution 16 of 166 | October 21, 2025

The YMCA building is old and has many issues with electrical heating etc. a new facility would benefit Cobourgh electical

Contribution 15 of 166 | October 21, 2025

AODA Accessibility: Wayfinding and signage is not sufficient for those with visual or executive function/mental health challenges

Contribution 14 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Additional pool needed

Contribution 13 of 166 | October 21, 2025

We can't attract young families to the town without facilities to support them -- but equally, the senior citizens of the town also need

places for them- easily convergent as many senior citizens are not interested in the same times as families.
Contribution 12 of 166 | October 21, 2025

The y is too small to accommodate parking . There is no need to have 2 indoor ice rinks . There needs to be an indoor swimming pool similar to those in Newcastle ; clarington etc
Contribution 11 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Would love more ice pads and an indoor pool
Contribution 10 of 166 | October 21, 2025

We need more indoor rec facilities incobourg. Indoor pools, both therapeutic and lap pools basketball, Pickleball, ping pong etc.
Contribution 9 of 166 | October 21, 2025

The YMCA is gross and lacks parking, but it's not essential so it can be avoided or put up with when needed
Contribution 8 of 166 | October 21, 2025

It would be nice to have access to the/a pool without having to purchase a full Y membership. I.e only an aquatic membership. The change room at the Y needs to be larger..
Contribution 7 of 166 | October 21, 2025

YMCA Cobourg is very dirty, especially the family change room and areas where children are. The finishes need to be updated, so spaces are easier to clean without harsh chemicals.
Contribution 6 of 166 | October 21, 2025

I would like to have an indoor municipally owned pool for people who do not belong to the YMCA
Contribution 5 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Washrooms are oddly randomly locked at the CCC next to the gym when there is evening volleyball
Contribution 4 of 166 | October 21, 2025

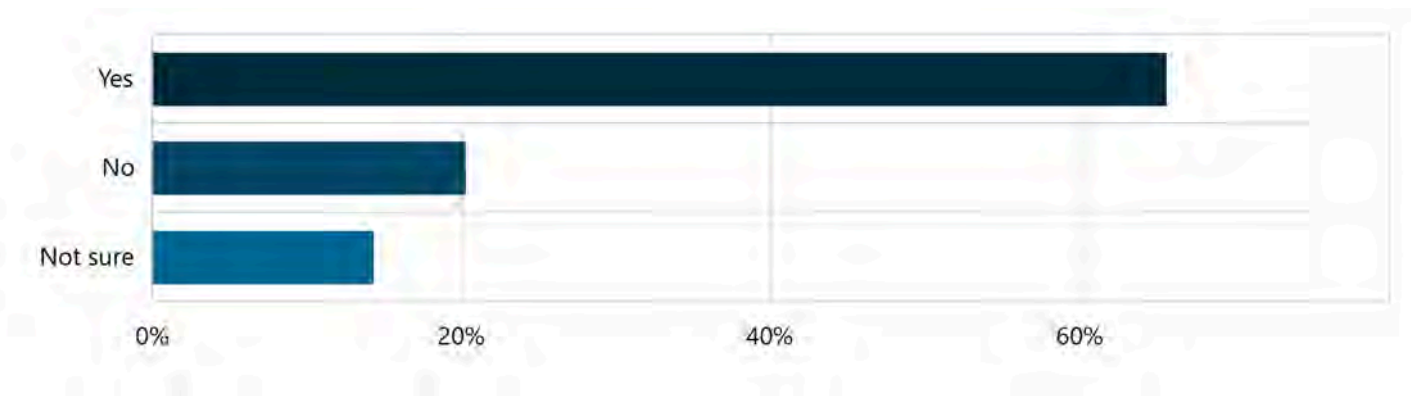
We need a nice indoor pool
Contribution 3 of 166 | October 21, 2025

Need more indoor decicated pickleball courts
Contribution 2 of 166 | October 21, 2025

The cost for the average person to use the facilities at the Cobourg Y are ridiculous. I just want to go andTake my toddler to swim for an hour yet am required to pay for a full day pass
Contribution 1 of 166 | October 21, 2025

6. Do you think additional or expanded indoor recreation facilities are needed in Cobourg? Required

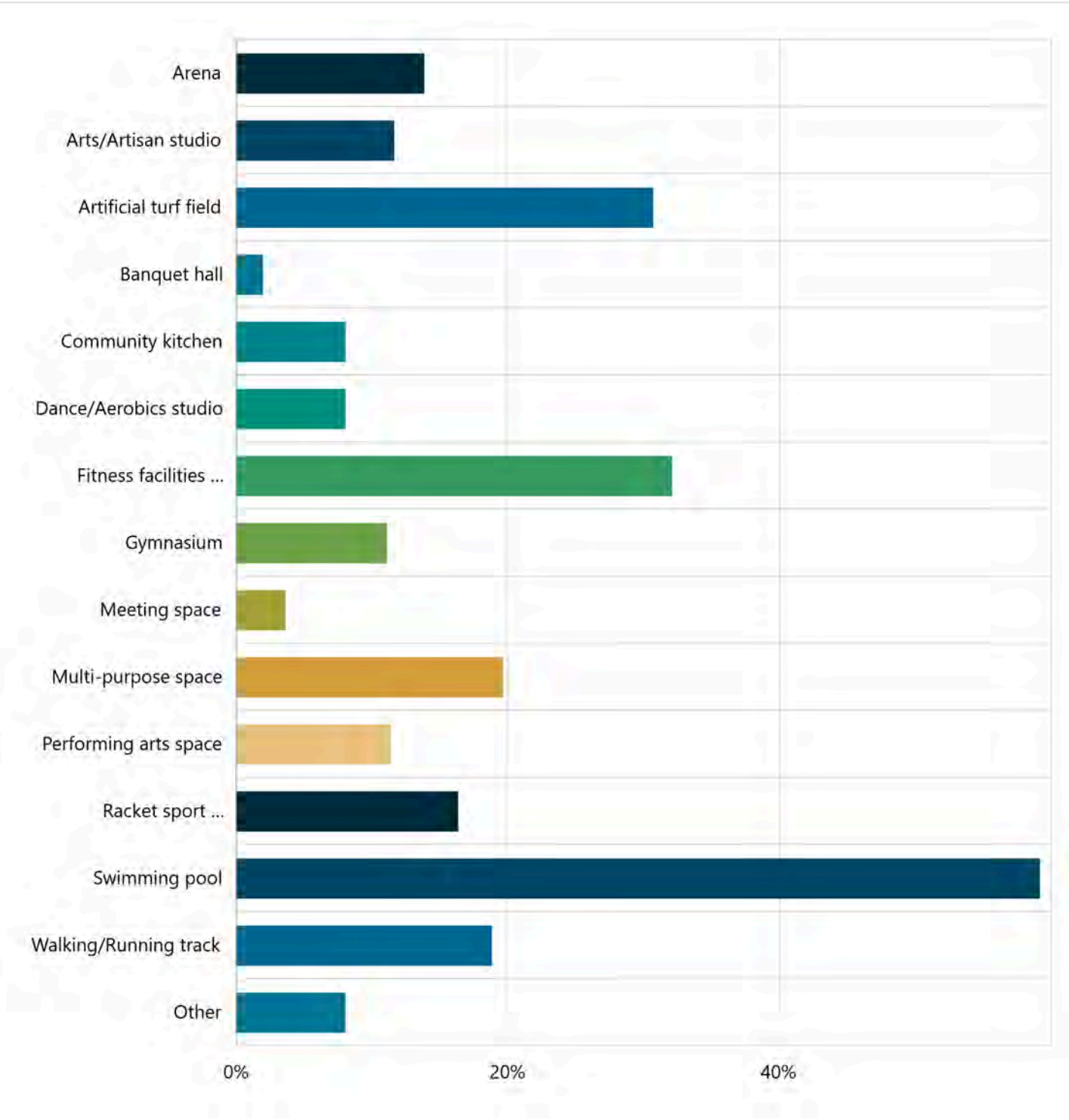
Multi Choice | Skipped: 22 | Answered: 470 (95.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	65.53%	308
No	20.21%	95
Not sure	14.26%	67
Total	100.00%	470

7. Considering the need to balance community interests with budget-conscious decision making, please select up to 3 indoor recreation facilities that your household thinks are needed or require expansion in Cobourg over the next 10 years. Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 130 | Answered: 362 (73.6%)

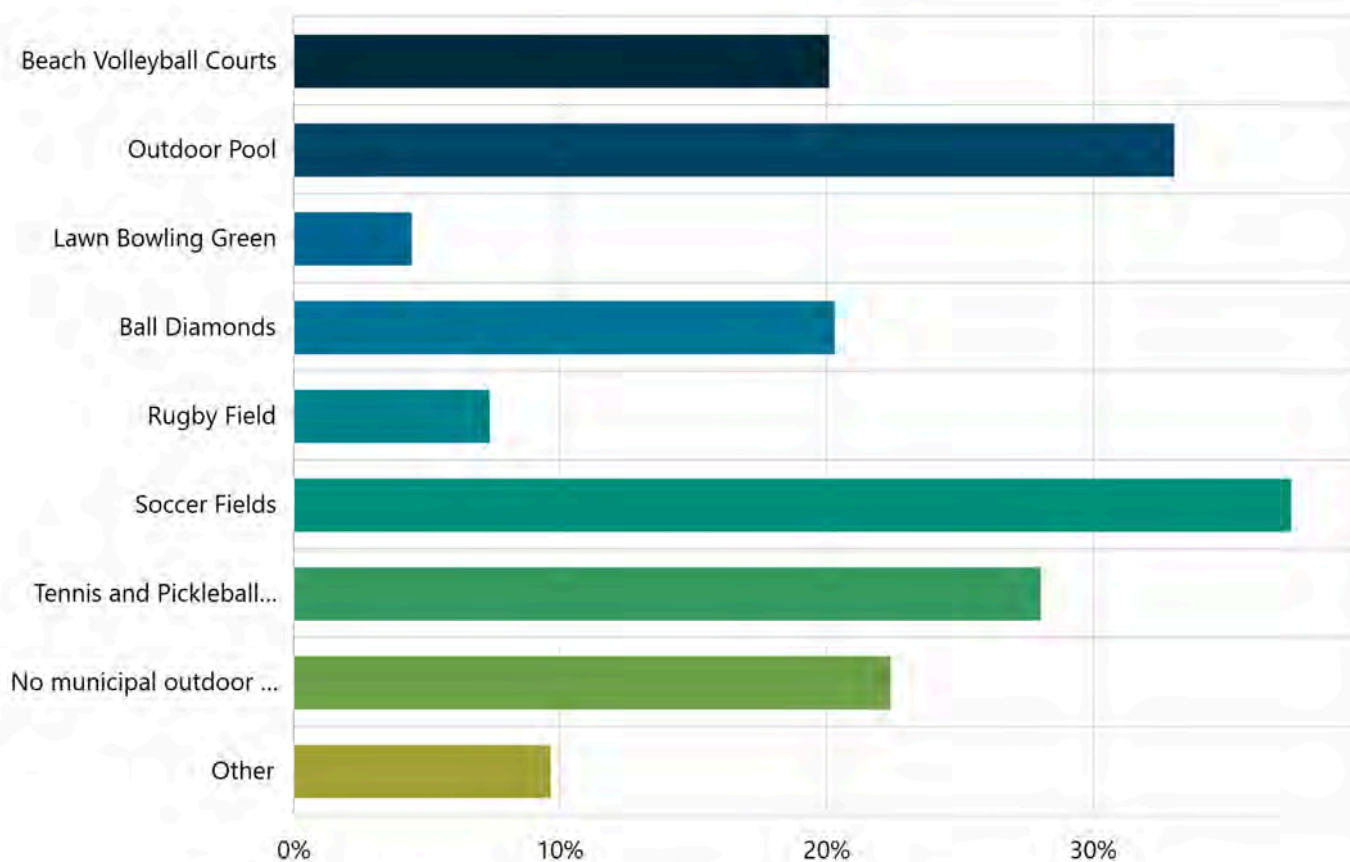


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Arena	13.81%	50
Arts/Artisan studio	11.60%	42
Artificial turf field	30.66%	111

Banquet hall	1.93%	7
Community kitchen	8.01%	29
Dance/Aerobics studio	8.01%	29
Fitness facilities (e.g., weights rooms, cardio rooms, etc.)	32.04%	116
Gymnasium	11.05%	40
Meeting space	3.59%	13
Multi-purpose space	19.61%	71
Performing arts space	11.33%	41
Racket sport facilities (e.g., squash, racquetball) - not including those played in a multi-purpose gymnasium	16.30%	59
Swimming pool	59.12%	214
Walking/Running track	18.78%	68
Other	8.01%	29

8. Which of the following municipally owned outdoor sport and recreation facilities does your household use? (Check all that apply.) Required

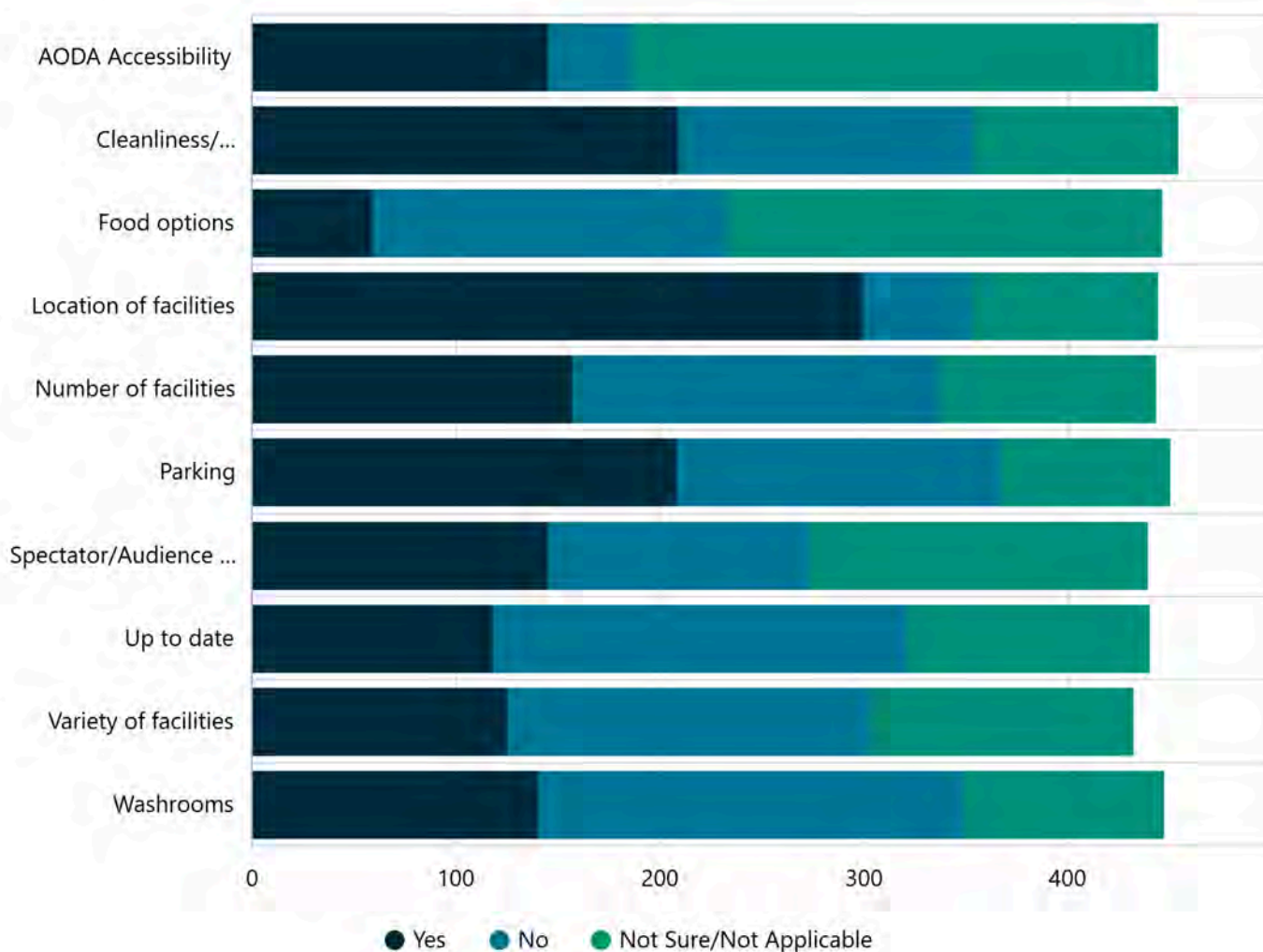
Multi Choice | Skipped: 13 | Answered: 479 (97.4%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Beach Volleyball Courts	20.04%	96
Outdoor Pool	32.99%	158
Lawn Bowling Green	4.38%	21
Ball Diamonds	20.25%	97
Rugby Field	7.31%	35
Soccer Fields	37.37%	179
Tennis and Pickleball Courts	27.97%	134
No municipal outdoor facilities	22.34%	107
Other	9.60%	46

9. Are your household's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally owned outdoor sport/recreation facilities (e.g., ball diamonds, fields, courts, outdoor pool) in Cobourg? Required

Matrix | Skipped: 30 | Answered: 462 (93.9%)



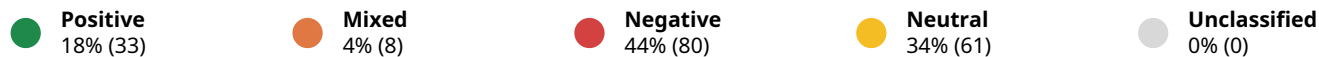
	Yes	No	Not Sure/Not Applicable	Count	Score
AODA Accessibility	32.73% 145	9.26% 41	58.01% 257	443	2.25
Cleanliness/Maintenance	46.14% 209	31.79% 144	22.08% 100	453	1.76
Food options	13.26% 59	38.88% 173	47.87% 213	445	2.35
Location of facilities	67.49% 299	11.96% 53	20.54% 91	443	1.53
Number of facilities	35.52% 157	40.72% 180	23.76% 105	442	1.88
Parking	46.33% 208	35.19% 158	18.49% 83	449	1.72

Spectator/Audience seating	33.11% 145	29.22% 128	37.67% 165	438	2.05
Up to date	26.88% 118	46.24% 203	26.88% 118	439	2.00
Variety of facilities	29.00% 125	41.30% 178	29.70% 128	431	2.01
Washrooms	31.39% 140	46.86% 209	21.75% 97	446	1.90

10. Do you have any additional comments to share on your experience with municipal outdoor sport/recreation facilities in Cobourg? If not, please leave this question blank.

Short Text | Skipped: 310 | Answered: 182 (37%)

Sentiment



Tags

No tag data

Featured Contributions

Build a better skate board park facility than the one in Donegan Park. Also a bigger outdoor ice skating rink
Contribution 182 of 182 | November 17, 2025

The outdoor pool is a hidden gem and one that is extremely unique to our community. Updating the facilities would go a long way.
Contribution 181 of 182 | November 17, 2025

Can't access Sinclair Park to play Pickleball due to having to walk through a baseball field. No adequate parking. Parking/ playing PB at Coverdale is limited.
Contribution 180 of 182 | November 16, 2025

Being new to Cobourg I really enjoyed aquafit in the outdoor pool this past summer. It would be ashamed if it is closed and not replaced. Cobourg needs official designated outdoor pickleball courts. We find ourselves heading to Port Hope's CC to play.
Contribution 179 of 182 | November 15, 2025

Improvements to accessibility at the outdoor fields and baseball diamonds. I can see how there would be concerns and difficulty accessing these spaces without a hassle if you are in a wheelchair or pushing a stroller
Contribution 178 of 182 | November 15, 2025

Cobourg is severely lacking in outdoor facilities. Both the variation and quality.
Contribution 177 of 182 | November 14, 2025

washrooms are limited at outdoor facilities or up to date, bleachers/seating at Donegan Park (big diamond) in huge need of update/repair
Contribution 176 of 182 | November 14, 2025

The soccer fields are horrible - the grass is usually too long to play soccer, there are potholes that cause injuries, the lines are crooked, the netting is always off the net and torn, the grass quality is poor. The beach always has garbage and glass.
Contribution 175 of 182 | November 13, 2025

The outdoor rink is amazing!

Contribution 174 of 182 | November 12, 2025

Cobourg's natural heritage should be celebrated and designed intentionally to combat and basic plants with native plants in locations like pebble Beach, the West Headlands, lookout park and Lucas Park. The skateboard park and Centennial pool need \$

Contribution 173 of 182 | November 11, 2025

Saying this now in case I don't get a chance - the outdoor toilet facilities at the Cobourg beach are unacceptably bad

Contribution 172 of 182 | November 11, 2025

N/a

Contribution 171 of 182 | November 11, 2025

Donegan park should have the bathroom facilities restored and the canteen, lots of people use this space all summer long

Contribution 170 of 182 | November 11, 2025

We need more options.

Contribution 169 of 182 | November 11, 2025

Soccer fields behind CCC would benefit from addition of culverts or fencing to keep balls in play and out of ditches. Soccer fields not maintained as well as ball diamonds.

Contribution 168 of 182 | November 11, 2025

Ball park needs updating and maintenance soccer fields need bathrooms and adjusted for parking. Field size is good

Contribution 167 of 182 | November 11, 2025

Additional public basketball courts would be great, outdoor table tennis tables, mountain biking trails around the perimeter of Sinclair st park (like in Gooderham)

Contribution 166 of 182 | November 11, 2025

I am perfectly happy to pay more in taxes to support resources by people in the community even if I don't use them myself. The purpose of these resources is partly to provide spaces for everyone at a reasonable cost (if not free).

Contribution 165 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Outdoor fields at CCC - balls that miss the net at the south end are often in the parking lot causing kids to chase them, often having to run between parked cars

Contribution 164 of 182 | November 10, 2025

N/A

Contribution 163 of 182 | November 10, 2025

The Westend of Cobourg specifically Pebble Beach neighborhood does not have anything within 2 km of walking distance to utilize. We are constantly driving to tennis courts, baseball diamonds or soccer fields, or playgrounds.

Contribution 162 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Donegan park is overloaded with baseball. As a long term resident all weekends and every night is flooded with baseball. You need to move some of this overload. In outdoor sports sound carries all day. Indoor sports dont tend to bother residents.

Contribution 161 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Donegan hosts some important games and tournaments and there are no washroom or food options available. Away teams travel significant distances to with their families to play here and we don't provide anything more than a porta-potty for them. Embarrassing

Contribution 160 of 182 | November 10, 2025

As promised when the no fishing bylaws were introduced, Porta potties were to be added during the open season. This has since stopped. Parking in Peace Park now has an 11pm restriction. This was exempt to allow angling opportunities.

Contribution 159 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Our outdoor facilities are embarrassing. Not being maintained properly, out of date and lack of cleanliness, no shade for the ball players. Legion Fields could be a really nice spot.

Contribution 158 of 182 | November 10, 2025

There are no enclosed playgrounds for children who elope

Contribution 157 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Entire facility requires updating

Contribution 156 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Numerous playing fields are rarely used...close some and put up affordable housing

Contribution 155 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Parking at the beach in Cobourg is so expensive if we want to go down there and use the beach volleyball

Contribution 154 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Get rid of that waste of space campground by the beach and use it for a spa/hotel/keg restaurant facility that can incorporate squash courts, multiuse recreational space. That campground has been an eye sore and waste of valuable space. 25 year resident

Contribution 153 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Parking is too expensive for pools and beach downtown to make it worth it to use facilities. Facilities should have free parking or be somewhere else

Contribution 152 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Need parking at the marina for Marina and yacht club members. In the summer, it is hard to get parking to access these facilities.

Contribution 151 of 182 | November 10, 2025

We have so much more potential to enhance Cobourg's offerings through these facilities
Contribution 150 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Marina an outdoor recreational facility plus a revenue generator for the town
Contribution 149 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Washroom are disgusting
Contribution 148 of 182 | November 10, 2025

More tennis/pickleball/basketball/ courts and an indoor option (bubble) for winter and turf
Contribution 147 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Again parking is a large issue especially with the CCC fields. Bathrooms and canteen options would be amazing.
Contribution 146 of 182 | November 10, 2025

Ameties not being utilized (canteens)
Contribution 145 of 182 | November 9, 2025

Victoria Beach should have life guards again
Contribution 144 of 182 | November 9, 2025

Need portable washrooms that lock at night, homeless people are sleeping in them. Especially the ones at westwood park. This park is highly used by children and lots of drug paraphernalia can be found in this park now due to this.
Contribution 143 of 182 | November 9, 2025

Again change areas are small for kids in wheelchairs. And no big change table for older kids
Contribution 142 of 182 | November 8, 2025

Would love to see a playground at McCurdy park in New Amherst. Multi use indoor turf field would be welcome addition to the community.
Contribution 141 of 182 | November 8, 2025

Have town staff check often for needles. Drug use needles.
Contribution 140 of 182 | November 8, 2025

More food options and seating would be helpful
Contribution 139 of 182 | November 8, 2025

More bathrooms and seating

Contribution 138 of 182 | November 8, 2025

Install an accessible splash pad in for use away from the tourist laden beach area. (Ie Westwood park)

Contribution 137 of 182 | November 8, 2025

I would like the opportunity to bring my kids to these facilities without fear of drug paraphernalia and interaction with certain kinds of individuals

Contribution 136 of 182 | November 8, 2025

Would love to see an updated skate park. The one in Campbellford Kennedy park is a great example. Also a smooth pad for roller skating and roller blading!

Contribution 135 of 182 | November 8, 2025

The washrooms and change rooms at the Centennial pool need improving.

Contribution 134 of 182 | November 8, 2025

The facilities need to be updated, especially the outdoor pools. The soccer fields are also not maintained very well and many have divots or holes that could cause injuries.

Contribution 133 of 182 | November 7, 2025

Need more clean dog parks

Contribution 132 of 182 | November 7, 2025

Westwood park needs a splash area and update

Contribution 131 of 182 | November 7, 2025

More access to washrooms at baseball fields, etc.

Contribution 130 of 182 | November 7, 2025

For the size of our town, it's unbelievable that we do not have artificial turf, proper pickleball courts. This town focuses so much on hockey facilities and leaves everything else behind.

Contribution 129 of 182 | November 7, 2025

Expansion of outdoor courts that can be used for pickleball and tennis

Contribution 128 of 182 | November 7, 2025

A bike park like durham would be nice, or a pkay ground in the pebble beach area

Contribution 127 of 182 | November 6, 2025

The outdoor pool adjacent to Victoria Park is an exceptional service, but it is in need of renewal. Please prioritize-value for all ages
Contribution 126 of 182 | November 6, 2025

There are a lot of vagrant people loitering around children's areas making it unsafe for children
Contribution 125 of 182 | November 6, 2025

I am really having a hard time with canteens especially the legion fields .There must be a good reason it's not open but anyone I ask doesn't know.I do know Covid ok let's move on . Someone could make money . It's not even that „that facility is a busy
Contribution 124 of 182 | November 5, 2025

I think a new or updated skatepark would be very beneficial for the children and young adults in Cobourg.
Contribution 123 of 182 | November 5, 2025

Clubhouse has to be upgraded, cutting of surround grass not up to par, dead trees and branches must be cut for everyone's safety.
Contribution 122 of 182 | November 5, 2025

The soccer field across from MacDonalds, coming in off Elgin, should not be designated a Soccer field. The parking area, is not even a parking lot! Too small. The pottery is inadequate. This is an embarrassment for our town to visiting teams
Contribution 121 of 182 | November 5, 2025

Pickle ball very very limited
Contribution 120 of 182 | November 5, 2025

do not build any future development to close access to waterfront...area is already too congested
Contribution 119 of 182 | November 5, 2025

There are no walking trails in Cobourg other than the boardwalk.
Contribution 118 of 182 | November 5, 2025

The budget for the antiquated Centennial Pool would be better spent on supporting a new indoor pool that could support the needs of the community all year round.
Contribution 117 of 182 | November 5, 2025

Outdoor pool needs a lot of work and it's change room
Contribution 116 of 182 | November 4, 2025

outdoor sports fields and courts seem well taken care of by town and related sports organizations
Contribution 115 of 182 | November 4, 2025

need more outdoor basketball courts

Contribution 114 of 182 | November 4, 2025

The outdoor pool needs some love. The changerooms are in rough shape, showers that don't work properly, toilet seats barely hanging on.

Contribution 113 of 182 | November 4, 2025

Could add morr tennis court and reduce football fields as it is almost not used. I would not mind pay per use to reduce taxes and increase quality.

Contribution 112 of 182 | November 4, 2025

an outdoor track and outdoor basketball court would be nice to have, additionally in the winter somewhere outdoors to play hockey, also would be nice

Contribution 111 of 182 | November 4, 2025

On site bathrooms at donegan would be helpful year round

Contribution 110 of 182 | November 4, 2025

Homeless taking over certain fields, leaving garbage and drug paraphernalia lying around is dangerous for kids and adults using the fields. Updates to parks, washrooms, playgrounds and splash pads are in desperate need

Contribution 109 of 182 | November 4, 2025

The beach needs to be monitored for homeless people making a unhealthy mess at beach and surrounding area's

Contribution 108 of 182 | November 4, 2025

poorly maintained washrooms dirty showing its age

Contribution 107 of 182 | November 3, 2025

Pool at CCC

Contribution 106 of 182 | November 3, 2025

I think the cantina by the beach should be operated by the town to create revenue

Contribution 105 of 182 | November 3, 2025

Build connected bike lanes. Ontario street to burnham on Elgin.

Contribution 104 of 182 | November 2, 2025

At Donegan park we would like to see outdoor basket ball courts, washrooms, improved playground facilities, walking track/trails and improved parking (maybe shuttle from CCC to the beach) to deal with overflow parking in high season.

Contribution 103 of 182 | November 1, 2025

The parking and washroom (porta potty) at Cobourg conservation area where the kids play soccer is sorely lacking
Contribution 102 of 182 | November 1, 2025

Washrooms that are open or clean, modern outhouses available all year long are critical. The washrooms are disgusting at Donegan Park. That whole park needs to be upgraded: two full sized baseball diamond with proper seating and full service w/g and clean a
Contribution 101 of 182 | October 31, 2025

Parking at the soccer fields on Elgin St James Coburn Park are lacking proper space. Very difficult to get out of the lot, especially if walking to the church lot to the west. More enforced measures are needed to remove or ticket the vehicles that park
Contribution 100 of 182 | October 31, 2025

Outdoor pool is important to provide a safe swimming space for families.
Contribution 99 of 182 | October 31, 2025

More washrooms are needed.
Contribution 98 of 182 | October 30, 2025

Recreational opportunities for residents should be a priority. The total health (physical, social, emotional and mental) benefits are critical to our community and population.
Contribution 97 of 182 | October 29, 2025

The cement is cracking on the Sinclair courts making pickleball difficult. Windscreens are needed all the way around the courts.
Contribution 96 of 182 | October 28, 2025

Senior ladies volleyball - but would prefer this to be indoor as jumping around in the sun once you are a senior is not always a good idea.
Contribution 95 of 182 | October 28, 2025

More public washrooms are needed in town. Attendants and charges for washrooms would be helpful.
Contribution 94 of 182 | October 28, 2025

Update/resurface Sinclair for pickleball and tennis
Contribution 93 of 182 | October 28, 2025

We should have a better outdoor swimming area
Contribution 92 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Indoor racket courts would be beneficial.
Contribution 91 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Would be nice to have washrooms open earlier and later in season for tennis court use.
Contribution 90 of 182 | October 27, 2025

A new concrete skatepark is needed
Contribution 89 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Tennis Club has grown since we started - will need more courts soon
Contribution 88 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Again, with an aging population in Cobourg (me included) indoor pickleball/tennis would be appreciated
Contribution 87 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Outdoor pool needs to be kept open and washroom-change rooms updated
Contribution 86 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Cleanliness of facilities, no food access, use of designated food trucks is a possibility. Safety for families and independent teens from being accosted by the homeless and vagrant populations
Contribution 85 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Cobourg's public pickleball facilities are an embarrassment. As the fastest growing sport (which is inclusive to people of all ages and abilities), the lack of support for new facilities and/or current facility upgrades/maintenance is laughable.
Contribution 84 of 182 | October 27, 2025

Coverdale tennis court washrooms smell of sewer gas. There is no way to dry hands. Frequently locked until mid-morning. Fence around court needs repairs.
Contribution 83 of 182 | October 26, 2025

Fields are not maintained enough for development and rep soccer. Often the James Cockburn fields are bumpy with massive holes near the nets, field 1 and two are often in very bad condition while three and four are not level.
Contribution 82 of 182 | October 26, 2025

Extend this facility availability to match the weather
Contribution 81 of 182 | October 26, 2025

Washrooms open/close dates need to be extended.
Contribution 80 of 182 | October 26, 2025

Pickle ball courts at Sinclair broken cracked and unavailable unless you belong to the club
Contribution 79 of 182 | October 26, 2025

We desperately need pickleball facilities like other towns
Contribution 78 of 182 | October 26, 2025

Pickleball courts parking and washrooms are needed
Contribution 77 of 182 | October 26, 2025

Finish the paving of rotary field lots, washroom facility centralized in the popular soccer fields (rotary fields). Better parking, or lower use, for the field by the YMCA. Update the YMCA indoor pool and family changerooms (they are disgusting)
Contribution 76 of 182 | October 26, 2025

I believe the skatepark should be re done and experience new items there for different levels of skill
Contribution 75 of 182 | October 25, 2025

The field maintenance is lacking, the soccer nets are sunken.
Contribution 74 of 182 | October 24, 2025

Washroom and water refill stations are at a lot of other soccer fields in neighbouring communities
Contribution 73 of 182 | October 24, 2025

Donegan Park needs much more attention.
Contribution 72 of 182 | October 24, 2025

More parking is required for fields like James Cockburn as well as more spectator seats. Washrooms could be better than port a pots - and cleanliness during the summer should be increased
Contribution 71 of 182 | October 24, 2025

More space, better maintenance, more washrooms,
Contribution 70 of 182 | October 24, 2025

Centennial pool needs to be updated and widely advertised so more people use it
Contribution 69 of 182 | October 24, 2025

The CCC needs more parking.
Contribution 68 of 182 | October 24, 2025

Again, more soccer fields, especially if we're losing the fields near the CCC. It would be insane not to replace them. We're short quality fields as it is. Only Donegan has lights, and it's not maintained well enough for high-level soccer..
Contribution 67 of 182 | October 24, 2025

proper washrooms at soccer fields, like we have for baseball.

Contribution 66 of 182 | October 24, 2025

Outdoor fields are in rough shape. They have no lights which limits playing time and availability. Soccer is an afterthought in Cobourg.

Contribution 65 of 182 | October 23, 2025

It seems like there are never enough soccer pitches, and games have to be scheduled at inconvenient times.

Contribution 64 of 182 | October 23, 2025

Would like an up to date outdoor public pool (family change rooms, shaded viewing area, accessible entrance)

Contribution 63 of 182 | October 23, 2025

Need more ball diamonds and soccer fields. Open concession at Legion Fields.

Contribution 62 of 182 | October 23, 2025

There is a desperate need to expand soccer and basketball facilities

Contribution 61 of 182 | October 23, 2025

The baseball fields are great and well maintained. But more kids play soccer and the state of the fields and nets, especially Donegan, is not good.

Contribution 60 of 182 | October 23, 2025

The soccer fields have large dirt areas in front of the nets.

Contribution 59 of 182 | October 23, 2025

We play tennis almost every day in the warmer weather. For the last few years we have had to share with our folks who play pickleball (PB), which is fine. Unfortunately, the PB folks want to shut down the tennis courts at Sinclair. Please NO!

Contribution 58 of 182 | October 23, 2025

We need indoor soccer turf badly. How can Hastings have it and not us. More focus on field sports needed. Outdoor fields are in horrible shape with kids tripping on pot holes and balls bouncing all over.

Contribution 57 of 182 | October 23, 2025

JC needs better parking facilities

Contribution 56 of 182 | October 23, 2025

Need better parking options, no food options and need washrooms!

Contribution 55 of 182 | October 23, 2025

porta potties become disgusting. Properly maintained indoor facilities would be great. also need more soccer fields and/or turf field. Soccer fields have dangerous holes in them.
Contribution 54 of 182 | October 23, 2025

Expand outdoor pickleball facility to meet the growing need
Contribution 53 of 182 | October 23, 2025

Washroom accessibility is extremely dismissed. Soccer fields dont have washrooms at them, ball diamonds often locked. Zero option for food/drink purchases at ball diamonds even though existing canteen, it is never opened. Playgrounds for siblings needed
Contribution 52 of 182 | October 23, 2025

There is not enough sport recreation facilities
Contribution 51 of 182 | October 23, 2025

We need additional rugby field that are properly maintained. More soccer fields. Actual score boards for these sports. Rugby clubhouse with change rooms and washrooms. Outdoor pool needs to stay open with upgrades to change rooms and washrooms.
Contribution 50 of 182 | October 23, 2025

The soccer fields, including and specifically Donegan are not representative of premium fields we require as a community with strong membership base in rectangular size sports fields. There is no shade for players on players benches and no spec seating.
Contribution 49 of 182 | October 23, 2025

It could be a beach enhancement to add a designed swim lane at the beach for open water swimmers. I.e.swim buoys along to Breakers that do not blow in and clearly delineate where boats and jet skis are not permitted
Contribution 48 of 182 | October 22, 2025

It would be nice to have information from staff about what's happening in Cobourg e.g. the dredging of the harbour entrance, the boat haulout, when the Campground refit is planned etc
Contribution 47 of 182 | October 22, 2025

We need to keep the outdoor pool! It is used by many.
Contribution 46 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Skate park is badly in need of updating!
Contribution 45 of 182 | October 22, 2025

The bathrooms at the beach should be maintained better.
Contribution 44 of 182 | October 22, 2025

lack of a primary baseball diamond with washroom and concessions
Contribution 43 of 182 | October 22, 2025

More separate tennis & pickleball facilities required to avoid time of use conflicts.
Contribution 42 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Save the centennial pool/ update
Contribution 41 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Soccer fields - some don't have any parking at all or there is risk of damage in areas you need to park.
Contribution 40 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Dedicated pickleball courts non-existent. Sinclair Park courts needs resurfacing.
Contribution 39 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Lots of weeds and garbage in the outside facilities
Contribution 38 of 182 | October 22, 2025

There currently are sports fields that are not used to 100% of their capabilities.
Contribution 37 of 182 | October 22, 2025

I want to continue to use the Centennial pool
Contribution 36 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Great need for pool and hot tub for seniors
Contribution 35 of 182 | October 22, 2025

More basketball courts
Contribution 34 of 182 | October 22, 2025

We need more washrooms in Victoria Park. We need year-round washrooms available.
Contribution 33 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Y swimming facility is old and expensive. Need modern facility aimed at families. Facilities bathrooms are often locked. No food option at the beach or at the ball diamonds. Facility quality ranges.
Contribution 32 of 182 | October 22, 2025

expansion of washrooms and change rooms. Do not close these rooms because of homeless situation. homeless should be not allowed or granted permission to use these
Contribution 31 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Love the outdoor pool but the change rooms/washrooms are horrible

Contribution 30 of 182 | October 22, 2025

Tennis courts are in desperate need of maintenance, and pickle ball courts are needed because they're taking up an incredible amount of time away from people that want to use the TENNIS courts for their intended purpose.

Contribution 29 of 182 | October 22, 2025

They seem under used

Contribution 28 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Soccer fields often seem neglected. Open ditches with no protection to keep balls out.

Contribution 27 of 182 | October 21, 2025

We need a new indoor pool.

Contribution 26 of 182 | October 21, 2025

We should build on the assets on the beach and downtown that make Cobourg so special.

Contribution 25 of 182 | October 21, 2025

I would love to see our outdoor pool downtown removed and replaced with a bigger one. Perhaps when the playground equipment needs to be updated that space up towards where the current pool is could become larger upgrade parking

Contribution 24 of 182 | October 21, 2025

I use the Centennial Pool every day of the summer season and I feel the washrooms need to be upgraded. Also, the pool usage should be from June u til the end of September

Contribution 23 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Parking at the outdoor soccer fields near the CCC are a problem.

Contribution 22 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Not enough clay baseball diamonds. Not enough fenced baseball diamonds. Big diamond at Donegan is in shambles- no warning track, weeds, massive lips I'm the grass, backstop is far too low, offensive music from skatepark (which should be batting cages)

Contribution 21 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Do not actively use

Contribution 20 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Washroom are in need of more sustainable usage. To bring young children to washroom by the beach requires a great deal of patience. I have found more times than not the washroom are unusable for kids. Drug use in and around the washrooms are also a concern

Contribution 19 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Not at this time

Contribution 18 of 182 | October 21, 2025

I understand that the outdoor pool is close to "end of life". What's the plan for this facility?

Contribution 17 of 182 | October 21, 2025

We are in need of proper, designated pickleball courts.

Contribution 16 of 182 | October 21, 2025

need healthy food options, winterize washrooms for winter use

Contribution 15 of 182 | October 21, 2025

We need an aquatic facility

Contribution 14 of 182 | October 21, 2025

There are way too many soccer fields!

Contribution 13 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Need to make sure Victoria Park is safe & available to all Cobourg residents

Contribution 12 of 182 | October 21, 2025

AODA again does not account for visual or executive function/mental health challenges

Contribution 11 of 182 | October 21, 2025

I would rather swim in a "not quite 100% maintained" indoor pool than none at all.

Contribution 10 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Need pickleball courts

Contribution 9 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Baseball diamonds and parks contain needles and other hazards, but again not essential to spend money on

Contribution 8 of 182 | October 21, 2025

The soccer fields could use bathrooms: the littles use them and have to use dirty port-a potties

Contribution 7 of 182 | October 21, 2025

There should be a central outdoor basketball court - perhaps in Donegan Park where there is ample space

Contribution 6 of 182 | October 21, 2025

We are way outdated in terms of outdoor pickleball courts compared to almost everywhere else I visit.
Contribution 5 of 182 | October 21, 2025

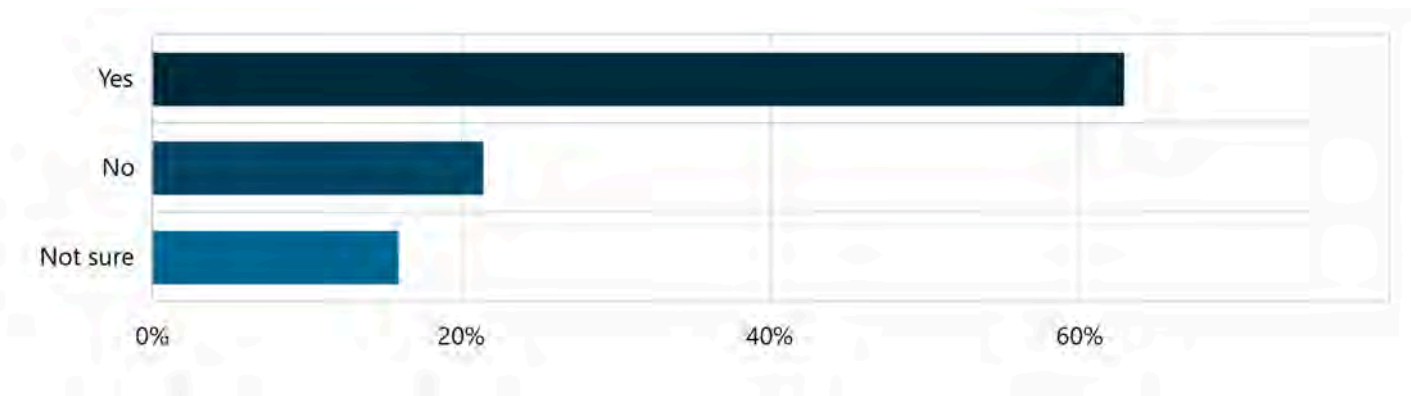
This town has screwed around with pickleball players for several years. It's shameful that the needs of citizens are toyed with, via misleading and lying.
Contribution 4 of 182 | October 21, 2025

parking is the issue. Make it mid town adjacent to CCC. Town growth is not keeping up with the need for facilities.
Contribution 3 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Need decicated pickleball courts
Contribution 2 of 182 | October 21, 2025

Ball diamonds will need to be updated and kept in better shapre
Contribution 1 of 182 | October 21, 2025

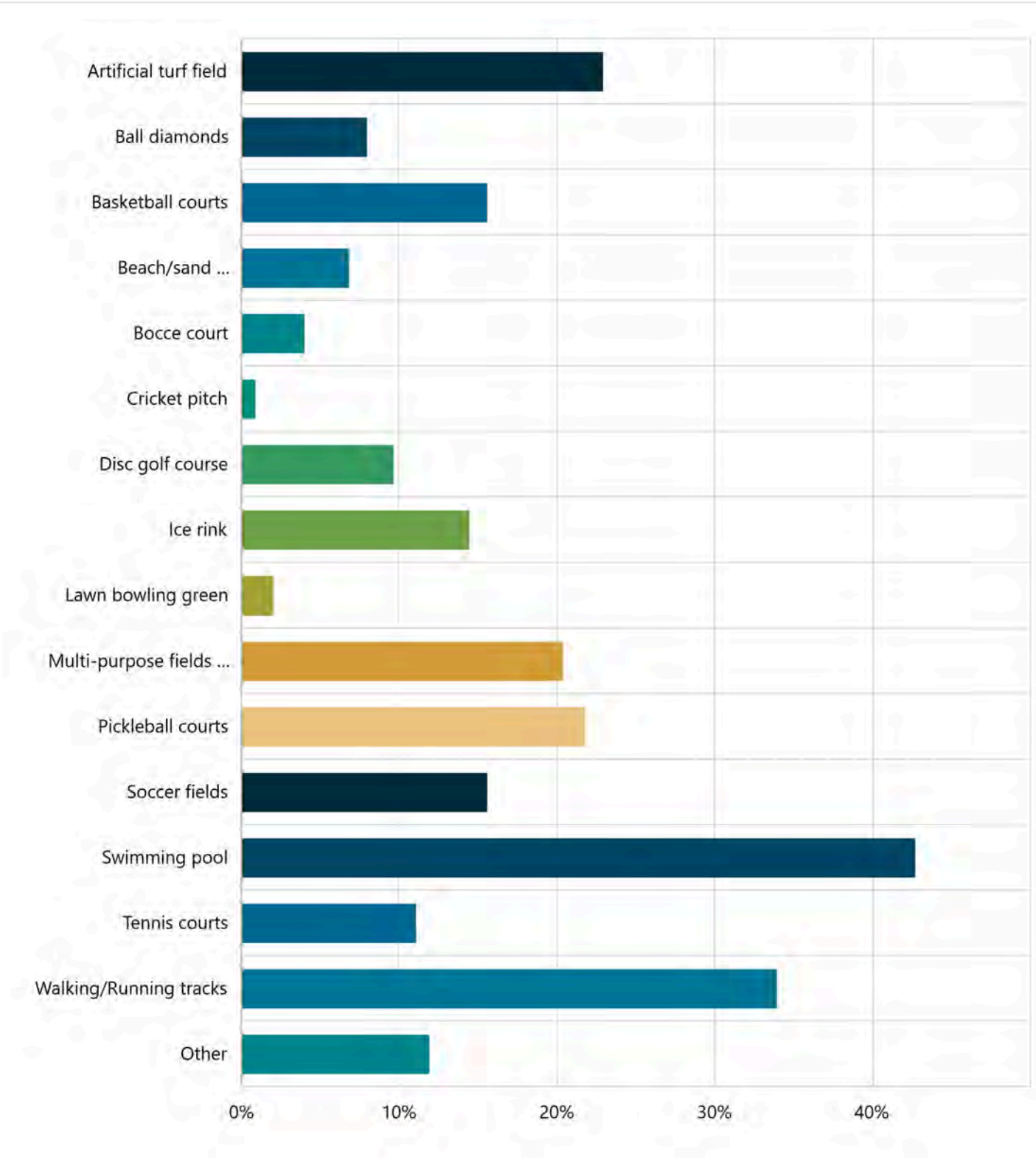
11. Do you think additional or expanded outdoor sport/recreation facilities are needed in Cobourg? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 19 | Answered: 473 (96.1%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	62.79%	297
No	21.35%	101
Not sure	15.86%	75
Total	100.00%	473

12. Considering the need to balance community interests with budget-conscious decision making, please select up to 3 outdoor sport/recreation facilities that your household thinks are needed or require expansion in Cobourg. Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 138 | Answered: 354 (72%)

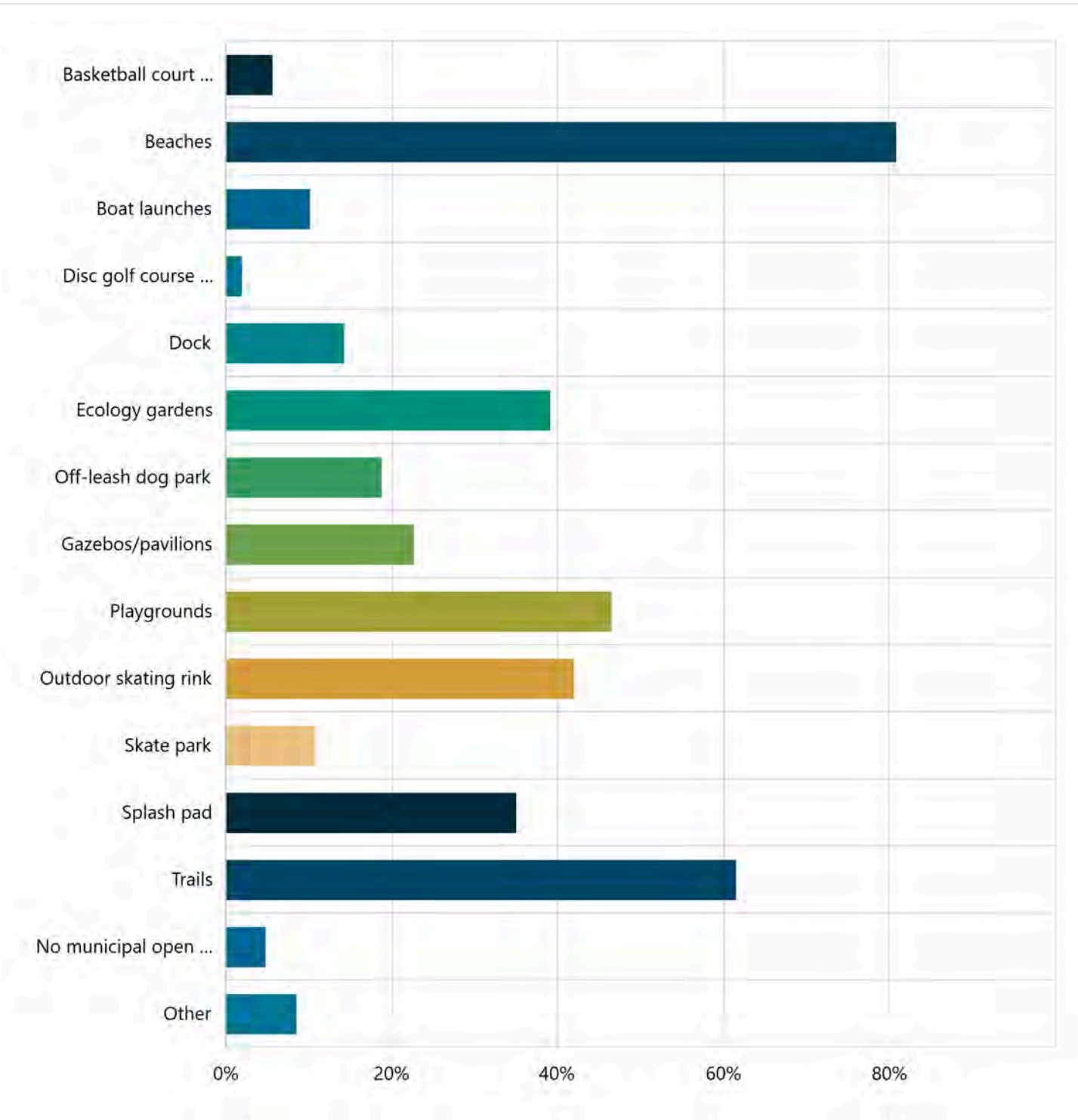


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Artificial turf field	22.88%	81
Ball diamonds	7.91%	28

Basketball courts	15.54%	55
Beach/sand volleyball court	6.78%	24
Bocce court	3.95%	14
Cricket pitch	0.85%	3
Disc golf course	9.60%	34
Ice rink	14.41%	51
Lawn bowling green	1.98%	7
Multi-purpose fields (e.g., rugby, football, lacrosse, field hockey)	20.34%	72
Pickleball courts	21.75%	77
Soccer fields	15.54%	55
Swimming pool	42.66%	151
Tennis courts	11.02%	39
Walking/Running tracks	33.90%	120
Other	11.86%	42

13. Which of the following municipally owned park and open space amenities does your household use in Cobourg? (Check all that apply.) Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 5 | Answered: 487 (99%)

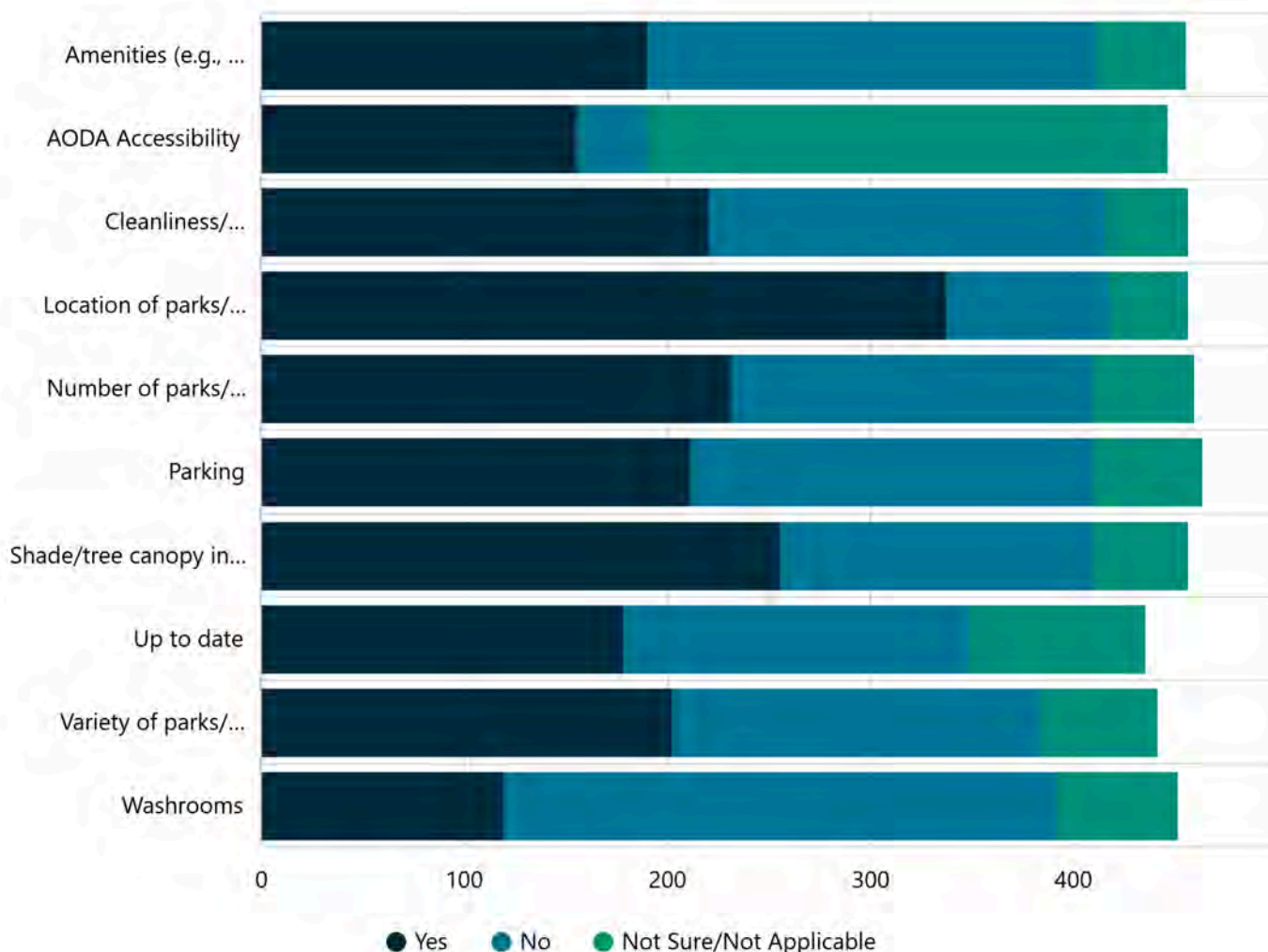


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Basketball court (Fitzhugh Park)	5.54%	27
Beaches	80.70%	393
Boat launches	10.06%	49

Disc golf course (Legion Fields)	1.85%	9
Dock	14.17%	69
Ecology gardens	39.01%	190
Off-leash dog park	18.69%	91
Gazebos/pavilions	22.59%	110
Playgrounds	46.41%	226
Outdoor skating rink	41.89%	204
Skate park	10.68%	52
Splash pad	34.91%	170
Trails	61.40%	299
No municipal open spaces	4.72%	23
Other	8.42%	41

14. Are your household's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally owned parks and open spaces (e.g., pavilions, trails, playgrounds) in Cobourg? Required

Matrix | Skipped: 23 | Answered: 469 (95.3%)



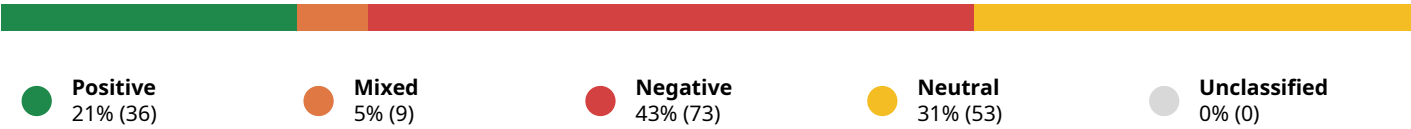
	Yes	No	Not Sure/Not Applicable	Count	Score
Amenities (e.g., drinking water fountains, seating, waste receptacles)	41.85% 190	48.46% 220	9.69% 44	454	1.68
AODA Accessibility	34.83% 155	7.87% 35	57.30% 255	445	2.22
Cleanliness/Maintenance	48.35% 220	42.86% 195	8.79% 40	455	1.60
Location of parks/outdoor spaces	74.07% 337	17.58% 80	8.35% 38	455	1.34
Number of parks/outdoor spaces	50.44% 231	38.86% 178	10.70% 49	458	1.60

Parking	45.67% 211	42.86% 198	11.47% 53	462	1.66
Shade/tree canopy in parks	56.04% 255	33.85% 154	10.11% 46	455	1.54
Up to date	41.01% 178	39.17% 170	19.82% 86	434	1.79
Variety of parks/outdoor spaces	45.91% 202	41.14% 181	12.95% 57	440	1.67
Washrooms	26.44% 119	60.44% 272	13.11% 59	450	1.87

15. Do you have any additional comments to share on your experience with municipal parks and open spaces in Cobourg? If not, please leave this question blank.

Short Text | Skipped: 321 | Answered: 171 (34.8%)

Sentiment



Tags

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Featured Contributions

Need a sidewalk around Donegan Park - Lakeshore Drive. Contribution 171 of 171 November 17, 2025
We need to preserve our green space. Too much is being taken away for more buildings. Help mental health by keeping nature in Cobourg. It is part of what draws people to the beauty of the town. We don't want to become another city. Contribution 170 of 171 November 17, 2025
we need an indoor pool with time for lane swims, adult classes Contribution 169 of 171 November 17, 2025
Clean up the homeless problem and give us our beach back Contribution 168 of 171 November 17, 2025
There should be more quiet park spaces that prioritize connection with nature Contribution 167 of 171 November 17, 2025
We need to consider using a percentage of all our parks for food production and species preservation Contribution 166 of 171 November 17, 2025
Washrooms should stay open later, into November where courts are being used. Contribution 165 of 171 November 16, 2025
Paved Bike friendly trails. Contribution 164 of 171 November 15, 2025
Inadequate number of washrooms, absolutely NO year-round washrooms in the parks and outdoor spaces. Very few canopy/shade/shelter spaces for resting and shade in the parks and outdoor spaces.

Contribution 163 of 171 | November 15, 2025

Cobourg's selection and maintenance of outdoor facilities is subpar at best.

Contribution 162 of 171 | November 14, 2025

think the more important thing here is safety

Contribution 161 of 171 | November 14, 2025

Parking can be difficult, the beach area is pretty dirty, garbages overflowing from visitors, too many homeless people in the park. Skating rink is great! Splash pad is broken sometimes.

Contribution 160 of 171 | November 13, 2025

More trails, parks, green space water access and free parking please

Contribution 159 of 171 | November 13, 2025

Victoria Park way to crowded in summer. Trying to find parking is ridiculous. Especially since we pay for a Waterfront Pass.

Contribution 158 of 171 | November 12, 2025

More natural areas for hiking, wildlife

Contribution 157 of 171 | November 12, 2025

Two things: 1. The beach access stairs at Fitzhugh Shores Park are becoming a liability to the Town, with exposed nails and unsafe wooden steps. 2. The bike path along the harbourfront is old and bumpy and needs repaving.

Contribution 156 of 171 | November 12, 2025

Parking at Victoria Park during summer months, downtown parking are concerns

Contribution 155 of 171 | November 12, 2025

Having selected washrooms open year-round is important because people use the parks after Thanksgiving and therefore sometimes need to use the washroom in the winter.

Contribution 154 of 171 | November 11, 2025

The beach area is the crown jewel of Cobourg but the plants are not as maintained as in the past. The boardwalk stones are in need of repair. It took an awful long time to replace the wooden boardwalk - it was closed for the season and some of the next

Contribution 153 of 171 | November 11, 2025

N/a

Contribution 152 of 171 | November 11, 2025

Maintenance at Lucas Point staircase is often very poor.

Contribution 151 of 171 | November 11, 2025

Splash pad could use an update. Looking pretty rough these days.
Contribution 150 of 171 | November 11, 2025

The new parkland in the west end (west of Glen Watford) needs to be recognized through signage and based on an updated survey. Make the lake access at the end of Tracy Rd more accessible .
Contribution 149 of 171 | November 11, 2025

Invest in the harbour and marina. We desperately need a new boat launch. It is a major summer attraction and it doesn't get enough credit.
Contribution 148 of 171 | November 10, 2025

The outdoor pool is an import part of a community and the town should stop neglecting it.
Contribution 147 of 171 | November 10, 2025

I would like to see more dedicated walking trails: sidewalks parallel to roads don't count! I'm thinking something like the walking path following the Don River in Toronto. No cars!
Contribution 146 of 171 | November 10, 2025

N/A
Contribution 145 of 171 | November 10, 2025

The west end of Cobourg (Pebble Beach community) is very isolated. With a neighborhood full of growing families a playground would be super beneficial.
Contribution 144 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Need more trails and green space that is accessible
Contribution 143 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Washrooms and parking are a problem
Contribution 142 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Owned privacy fences around Donegan even with posted signs get hardballs hitting and breaking boards. Weekend tournaments take privacy away from residences and we are forced to listen to whatever music is blasting. No communication from the rec dept.
Contribution 141 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Currently I avoid certain parks, ecology garden, waterfront and outdoor fountain/rink area because of the large number of addicts that use that area and make it unsafe
Contribution 140 of 171 | November 10, 2025

The bathrooms at all municipal parks and open spaces are atrocious. Disgusting.
Contribution 139 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Washrooms are not available, due to being locked, a vast majority of time
Contribution 138 of 171 | November 10, 2025

People who live in Northumberland county should not have to pay for parking. No encampments or loitering anywhere throughout Northumberland county..
Contribution 137 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Maintenance of wooden structures, paving, weeding, pruning (memorial rose garden north-end of Victoria Park) are poor.
Contribution 136 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Drug paraphernalia on playgrounds, no enclosed playgrounds for eloping children, skate park is very outdated and late of snake run
Contribution 135 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Maintenance is lighter than ideal; however once the core tourist season ends maintenance is poor.
Contribution 134 of 171 | November 10, 2025

too many unused playing fields...need to rethink productive use of space
Contribution 133 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Parking at the beach is too much!
Contribution 132 of 171 | November 10, 2025

That beach campground need to go, disappear. Cobourg could rake in tourist, local tax dollars. Such an eye sore and waste of space. Only useable for half the year. 25 year resident, Mayor should consider multifunction spa/recreation space with hotel.\$\$\$
Contribution 131 of 171 | November 10, 2025

We have so much more potential to enhance Victoria Park and our beach front. The washrooms/change facilities are dirty and very outdated and we need more. We should have food vendors consistently. The boardwalk by the beach is a tripping hazard.
Contribution 130 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Too many weeds along walking areas and around marina
Contribution 129 of 171 | November 10, 2025

I don't remember seeing water fountains? That would be great. Some of the parks have a nice shady area, but not all.
Contribution 128 of 171 | November 10, 2025

It would be really great if we had lights at the skatepark.

Contribution 127 of 171 | November 10, 2025

It's a balance of taking on new capital projects -- there needs to be enough money to maintain them. A lot of our infrastructure is looking tired and neglected (holes in skatepark fence, baseball diamonds over grown)

Contribution 126 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Shade at splash pad and parks would be huge, up to date and safe for toddler play grounds

Contribution 125 of 171 | November 10, 2025

Bring back the life guards at the beach. And, have the boat launch bathrooms open all year round

Contribution 124 of 171 | November 9, 2025

This year the parks in the west end had landscaped areas that were not attended to all summer. Victoria Park and the Ecology Garden were occupied by groups of drug users all summer. Loitering by-laws not enforced.

Contribution 123 of 171 | November 9, 2025

More interactive parks that allow kids who are over the age of 6 to have fun.

Contribution 122 of 171 | November 8, 2025

Cobourg needs a bigger and better park (compare to Lakeview park in oshawa)

Contribution 121 of 171 | November 8, 2025

Its hard to go to the park with all the drug addicts around. They destroy the bathrooms, parks are not clean and are unsafe. Cobourg also has no accessible parks for kids in wheelchairs or physically disabled kids can use.

Contribution 120 of 171 | November 8, 2025

Victoria park is not safe for children anymore unfortunately. There are too many drug users and drug paraphenalia at the park.

Contribution 119 of 171 | November 8, 2025

Keep the needles cleaned up

Contribution 118 of 171 | November 8, 2025

The new Amherst community really needs a proper playground for families and kids in the area. The cleanliness of parks is lacking, there has been safety issues at parks in Cobourg due to trash left and needles compromising the safety of young children.

Contribution 117 of 171 | November 8, 2025

Needs a bathroom and seating and regular cleaning

Contribution 116 of 171 | November 8, 2025

Adding a new pool and splash pad to cool off in the hot summertime away from the overly congested beach area with free parking would benefit local, low income families
Contribution 115 of 171 | November 8, 2025

I would like to visit and enjoy the use of the parks and open spaces without fear of drug paraphernalia or interactions with certain individuals.
Contribution 114 of 171 | November 8, 2025

We love the outdoor skating rink and the beach!
Contribution 113 of 171 | November 8, 2025

Westwood park needs seating and shade coverage and updated play equipment
Contribution 112 of 171 | November 8, 2025

The washrooms are always dirty, drug paraphernalia has been found at the beach and in playgrounds, and the skate park and playgrounds are very small and dated.
Contribution 111 of 171 | November 7, 2025

Westwood park needs update and splash
Contribution 110 of 171 | November 7, 2025

Washrooms and water available at smaller playgrounds. Also benefit from picnic tables at the smaller parks.
Contribution 109 of 171 | November 7, 2025

Parking is expensive
Contribution 108 of 171 | November 7, 2025

Beaches and park surrounding beach need to be free of homeless people and the use of drugs. Park should be free for residents of Cobourg at the beach not charge 40 dollars for a parking pass.
Contribution 107 of 171 | November 7, 2025

The washrooms are often taken over by illegal drug users making them unavailable to the majority of the public.
Contribution 106 of 171 | November 6, 2025

Pebble beach area needs a park
Contribution 105 of 171 | November 6, 2025

We have access to beautiful park spaces and waterfront. Please maintain this, it is a core component of life in this town
Contribution 104 of 171 | November 6, 2025

The skatepark and many of the playgrounds are very out of date.
Contribution 103 of 171 | November 5, 2025

Better supervision for the students doing the work in parks. Better control of all the weeds that are in the parks, walkways, more garbage cans in these areas
Contribution 102 of 171 | November 5, 2025

Cleaner washrooms more walking trails
Contribution 101 of 171 | November 5, 2025

We have moved to Cobourg and found that there are no walking trails. The conversation park has no trails. No idea why.
Contribution 100 of 171 | November 5, 2025

Closest playground to my neighbourhood is a 15 minute walk. North of the highway
Contribution 99 of 171 | November 5, 2025

We live next to one of the major parks and have to call the police/bylaw office regularly to respond to illegal and or dangerous activities in the park. Sadly, this will require an ongoing effort.
Contribution 98 of 171 | November 5, 2025

Town needs to pay more attention to green open spaces in parklands as cooling/respice areas in hot weather and ensure safe access for all ages for each neighbourhood area.
Contribution 97 of 171 | November 4, 2025

Erratic people have been using these areas forcing us going anywhere else. I moved to Cobourg to leave close to the beach, but I don't fell it is safe to use.
Contribution 96 of 171 | November 4, 2025

It would be nice to have more mature shade trees close to the climbers at virtually any/all of the parks. Additionally signage marking trails along the waterfront (i.e. between brook rd south and coverdale) and forested areas (ie. cobourg creek)
Contribution 95 of 171 | November 4, 2025

Should have a free parking pass for northumberland residents as to avoid astronomical parking prices and allow families to enjoy the town of Cobourg the way they could back in the day.
Contribution 94 of 171 | November 4, 2025

Skate park could use better bathroom facilities
Contribution 93 of 171 | November 4, 2025

Every park is out dated, updates are needed to the splash pad at the beach, jungle gyms for the kids, washrooms are old and dirty. The biggest issue is homeless people leaving broken beer bottles, needles and other drug paraphernalia and garbage
Contribution 92 of 171 | November 4, 2025

Washrooms at beach not open...garbage needs to be picked up more often. Canteen needs to be open.
Contribution 91 of 171 | November 4, 2025

We need more forest trails in Cobourg. Other cities and towns have so many little forest trails, there are almost none here. The Conservation Area is basically soccer fields. "Forest bathing" is popular now but all the forested areas get chopped down.
Contribution 90 of 171 | November 3, 2025

The only outdoor thing I personally would like to see more of are more walking trails
Contribution 89 of 171 | November 3, 2025

Connected bike lanes free parking for residents
Contribution 88 of 171 | November 2, 2025

Different shaded areas at Donegan with more benches/rocks for seating, garbage can to alleviate pollution at beach access near Lakeshore Rd/Drive and Brook Rd.
Contribution 87 of 171 | November 1, 2025

The beach area park and splash pad need to be updated in a bad way!
Contribution 86 of 171 | November 1, 2025

Lighting and washrooms needs to be improved in parks and parking areas,
Contribution 85 of 171 | November 1, 2025

There need to be more public washrooms available year-round.
Contribution 84 of 171 | October 31, 2025

Pebble Beach area has no park. We were promised a park years ago. Kids play in street as there are no sidewalks.
Contribution 83 of 171 | October 31, 2025

Washrooms at every playground in the summer would be nice. Adding a music park like the rotary one in quinte would be a huge bonus.
Contribution 82 of 171 | October 30, 2025

Don't like porta potties, they always smell and seem unclean, nice if some building washrooms were added.
Contribution 81 of 171 | October 28, 2025

Trees along the waterfront in the harbour create a visual block. Safety hazard
Contribution 80 of 171 | October 28, 2025

Victoria Park has become a haven for homeless people. As a parent, I am concerned with taking my children to parks due to instance of drug paraphernalia at times present in the park.

Contribution 79 of 171 | October 27, 2025

No

Contribution 78 of 171 | October 27, 2025

WASHROOMS COULD BE OPPENED EARLIER & CLOSED LATER IN THE SEASON

Contribution 77 of 171 | October 27, 2025

Need to improve washrooms

Contribution 76 of 171 | October 27, 2025

Develop some underuteluzed parks, with managed bathrooms, food tuck cards, inproved updated parking areas. More visable Signage to the available park areas

Contribution 75 of 171 | October 27, 2025

Green spaces, regardless of activity, need to be present in every community to help encourage a healthy and community-minded neighborhood. These locations need to be increased in number (they don't need to be large) and well maintained.

Contribution 74 of 171 | October 27, 2025

Needs more walking trails, and the parks could be upgraded

Contribution 73 of 171 | October 26, 2025

Extend washroom open/close dates

Contribution 72 of 171 | October 26, 2025

Food down by the beach (aside from Food trucks)

Contribution 71 of 171 | October 26, 2025

Certain parks (Victoria Park and Peace Park for instance) have some open areas that could benefit form additional tree canopy.

Contribution 70 of 171 | October 26, 2025

Several playgrounds need to updated for safety and field conditions.

Contribution 69 of 171 | October 24, 2025

Play structures for kids are NEEDED around CCC as there are so many soccer fields and their siblings need a safe place to play during practices or games.

Contribution 68 of 171 | October 24, 2025

Need more bathrooms and outdoor showers at the beach

Contribution 67 of 171 | October 24, 2025

Parks and gardens are beautiful and a great space for families when they're adequately maintained

Contribution 66 of 171 | October 24, 2025

Washroom cleanliness is an issue. Not sure how it can be solved. Outdoor rink needs the shelter reopened with security.

Contribution 65 of 171 | October 24, 2025

drinking water is available at beach in winter. washrooms to be more clean. more food trucks in the town

Contribution 64 of 171 | October 24, 2025

For Fitzhugh Park the walkway needs to be wider, you can't walk 2 people beside each other. Also, an additional bench for parent to sit near the playground. Our area is growing with younger families, which is lovely to see.

Contribution 63 of 171 | October 24, 2025

The beach needs lifeguards.

Contribution 62 of 171 | October 23, 2025

For the Victoria Park beach specifically, the accessible ramp over the sand should go ALL THE WAY into the water. Not just somewhere in the vicinity of the water.

Contribution 61 of 171 | October 23, 2025

Litter/Drug materials are too common (beach area and victoria park), More washroom access in busy areas required.

Contribution 60 of 171 | October 23, 2025

Outdoor rink in winter (not just skating) similar to Castleton set up would be amazing for something to do in the winter months.

Contribution 59 of 171 | October 23, 2025

There is a desperate need to expand soccer and basketball facilities

Contribution 58 of 171 | October 23, 2025

Parks are beautiful in Cobourg, but somewhat unmaintained. Can be witness to lots of garbage, drug paraphernalia, playgrounds are very outdated and unsafe.

Contribution 57 of 171 | October 23, 2025

Parking is too expensive.

Contribution 56 of 171 | October 23, 2025

At Donegan park, why are the washrooms not open? Why is the town renting portable toilets with no place to wash your hands?
Contribution 55 of 171 | October 23, 2025

The Victoria park campground needs to go. It's prime water front property that is only available for the few people that can afford expensive trailers. Why not have it open for development of shops and patio restaurants like all other beach towns..
Contribution 54 of 171 | October 23, 2025

The splash pad is outdated and dangerous as it is very slippery when wet
Contribution 53 of 171 | October 23, 2025

We currently do not use the parks in Cobourg due to safety concerns in the town. We often travel to Baltimore or port hope to use theirs instead.
Contribution 52 of 171 | October 23, 2025

During summer washrooms and garbages at the beach have to be cleaned more frequently
Contribution 51 of 171 | October 23, 2025

Homeless drug addicts using space. Leaving needles. Etc
Contribution 50 of 171 | October 23, 2025

As a Residence of surrounding townships e.g., Hamilton Township, it is disappointing that beach facilities aren't used as often due to the cost of parking and no option as a "local" resident to purchase feasible option.
Contribution 49 of 171 | October 23, 2025

I avoid going to Victoria Park and the Beach - as it is far too crowded with out of town visitors - sad that those of us who live here and pay taxes for its upkeep are not able to enjoy it like we could before.
Contribution 48 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Washroom at Buttersfield park would be useful.
Contribution 47 of 171 | October 22, 2025

We need a waterfront trail that connects Port Hope and Cobourg
Contribution 46 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Locking bathrooms and bringing in port a potties only makes sense if the goal is to control who uses them. Our family use to skate at the drink until the outbuilding was locked and benches removed. Canada is too cold to be tying up 12 skates outdoors.
Contribution 45 of 171 | October 22, 2025

There could be additional trees planted in Victoria Park (south end) It is not really a park, but a lawn,
Contribution 44 of 171 | October 22, 2025

There needs to be an accessible and open washroom near the West Beach. Key word: OPEN. Especially, near the Ecology Garden.
Contribution 43 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Long past the time to plant new trees to take over for older/dying trees. Provide washrooms for people that use boardwalk/parks for walking. Keep them open at marina in off season?
Contribution 42 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Please update the skate park.
Contribution 41 of 171 | October 22, 2025

More public trails linking public parks together away from busy roads.
Contribution 40 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Need better updated parks for children (brand new park in east village was horribly thought out and terribly small) public washrooms have been disgustingly and drug infested as has been the beach/park area
Contribution 39 of 171 | October 22, 2025

I would love some bike/e-bike trails
Contribution 38 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Homeless using drugs and intimidation in the parks, have caused us to reduce our time walking, playing and enjoying the park. This needs a solution before outdoor space is improved or money spent.
Contribution 37 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Garbage and weeds
Contribution 36 of 171 | October 22, 2025

How many passive recreation parks are there (seating/flowers)? Parkettes in town?
Contribution 35 of 171 | October 22, 2025

In particular, Factory Creek's abuse by fishermen leaving garbage, damaging shoreline and riverbed, illegal fishing habits and times is most unwelcome by those of us affected by it.
Contribution 34 of 171 | October 22, 2025

I'd like to be able to park near the boardwalk without having to pay for parking
Contribution 33 of 171 | October 22, 2025

More basketball courts to abate portable nets on boulevards
Contribution 32 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Wasn't aware we had basketball courts. Too many drug addicts in the parks downtown to be able to enjoy with family. Not enough accessible bathrooms.

Contribution 31 of 171 | October 22, 2025

just perhaps multi use parks, including swings, sitting areas, multi purpose fields with ample parking. Weekends at the

Contribution 30 of 171 | October 22, 2025

More trails and green space - don't develop the land on Ontario street or if you must keep some (the closest area near to the boardwalk) as a public park.

Contribution 29 of 171 | October 22, 2025

More trees are needed and something needs to be done about the homeless people in Victoria Park and the ecology garden in the summer. My family does not feel safe in either of these places.

Contribution 28 of 171 | October 22, 2025

Modernize outdoor pool. Install lifeguards at beach. It's dangerous without them there.

Contribution 27 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Its so sad washrooms are over run with druggies I don't go to the beautiful places as scared of the druggies in town miss the beach park

Contribution 26 of 171 | October 21, 2025

walking paths are pretty sad, the boardwalk should have been paved for year round use, wood will need to be replaced in a few years again. Conservation area is far from what it should be, no safe walking path that we have ever found

Contribution 25 of 171 | October 21, 2025

It would be wonderful to have more open space by the beach. Relocating the campsite would help. Washrooms in all public spaces are not very family friendly for young families with small children. Need updating and more space for changing little ones.

Contribution 24 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Often thought for bicycles, wheelchairs, scooters, etc., from the loop at the bottom of McGill over to the east side of the park, running behind the Bandahell bicycles, electric scooters for seniors and wheelchairs. Perhaps a branch down to the beach.

Contribution 23 of 171 | October 21, 2025

The west end of Cobourg (pebble beach area) needs a park. The dock at the marina area needs to be accessible!

Contribution 22 of 171 | October 21, 2025

No public washrooms are safe to use in Cobourg

Contribution 21 of 171 | October 21, 2025

There is great enthusiasm for natural spaces and quietness.

Contribution 20 of 171 | October 21, 2025

There are too many homeless hanging about in the park
Contribution 19 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Not at this time
Contribution 18 of 171 | October 21, 2025

I'd like to see more trash cans in park spaces.
Contribution 17 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Sinclair pickleball courts are inadequate and a long walk for some seniors from the street parking.
Contribution 16 of 171 | October 21, 2025

could have some more shade near the playgrounds
Contribution 15 of 171 | October 21, 2025

More accessible parks and outdoor spaces
Contribution 14 of 171 | October 21, 2025

We avoid the beach like the plague. Summer time too many out of owners that are disrespectful for its use. Too hard to get parking and use the space for locals
Contribution 13 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Convert the Victoria beach campground & use the space as a multi purpose area for all residents. The town is collecting very minimal amounts in fees & that space should be made available to RESIDENTS only
Contribution 12 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Protect the beaches!
Contribution 11 of 171 | October 21, 2025

While we understand the challenges, washrooms need to be updated and kept clean, this is a real issue, not enough drinking fountains/water bottle filling
Contribution 10 of 171 | October 21, 2025

We need to continue to add parks as Cobourg grows. I would also like the parks to be connected by off road pedestrian and cycling trails.
Contribution 9 of 171 | October 21, 2025

We need a celebration at the end of summer to invite townspeople to come down to the beach for a party! The parking expense should be lifted for that event! Most areas of the park need more picnic tables.
Contribution 8 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Most parks are not monitored for cleanliness ; no public washrooms suitable for use due to drug addicts and drug paraphernalia littered about children's play spaces , the ecology garden gazebo and lions piis constantly used by homeless and drug addicts .
Contribution 7 of 171 | October 21, 2025

There are not enough naturalized areas, especially down rivers where people would experience both 'green' and 'blue' nature. It is also important that naturalized areas are within walking distance of residences; interconnected were possible.
Contribution 6 of 171 | October 21, 2025

with the amount of new houses and people the town of cobourg has swiftly allowed to move here - the amount of garbage on our trails is disturbing. i am picking up garbage every day. it never used to be like this here.
Contribution 5 of 171 | October 21, 2025

More neighbourhood playgrounds within walking distance of homes are needed.
Contribution 4 of 171 | October 21, 2025

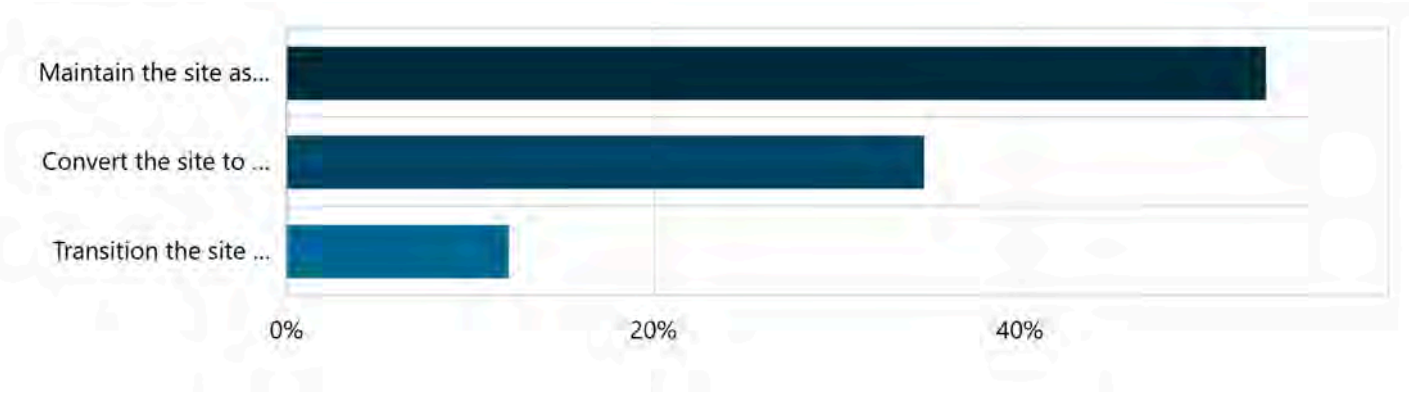
I don't find many water fountains, and tourists are often asking local businesses to use their washrooms because there aren't enough public free ones. And free ones are often locked because they become unsafe from unsafe people who are downtown.
Contribution 3 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Cobourg town council and recreation staff should all be fired
Contribution 2 of 171 | October 21, 2025

Better garbage cans and recycling units need to be larger.
Contribution 1 of 171 | October 21, 2025

16. The Victoria Park Campground continually sells out its 70 trailer and tent sites each season. Thinking about the next 10 years, what do you think is the best course of action for the future of the campground as an important economic driver in Cobourg? Required

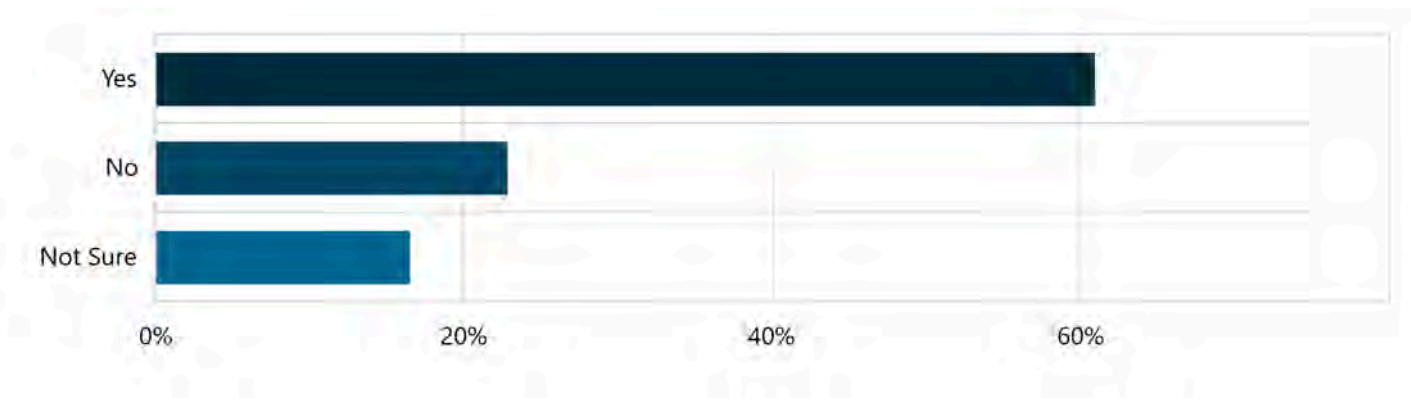
Multi Choice | Skipped: 19 | Answered: 473 (96.1%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Maintain the site as a campground	53.28%	252
Convert the site to event space and parkland, and relocate the campground to another location in Cobourg	34.67%	164
Transition the site to multi-use purposes that accommodate both camping as well as events and parking	12.05%	57
Total	100.00%	473

17. Do you think additional or expanded park spaces and amenities (e.g., skate parks, basketball courts, dog parks, playgrounds) are needed in Cobourg? Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 17 | Answered: 475 (96.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	60.84%	289
No	22.74%	108
Not Sure	16.42%	78
Total	100.00%	475

18. Considering the need to balance community interests with budget-conscious decision making, please select up to 3 park amenities that your household thinks are needed or require expansion in Cobourg.

Multi Choice | Skipped: 134 | Answered: 358 (72.8%)

Accessible beach mat

Basketball courts

Beaches/Water ...

Boat launches/Docks

Community gardens

Disc golf courses

Gardens

Gazebos/pavilions

Off-leash dog parks

Open green space

Outdoor fitness ...

Picnic areas

Ping pong tables

Playgrounds

Pump tracks (e.g., ...

Skate parks

Skating rinks

Splash pads

Trails

Waterfront trails

Other

0%

10%

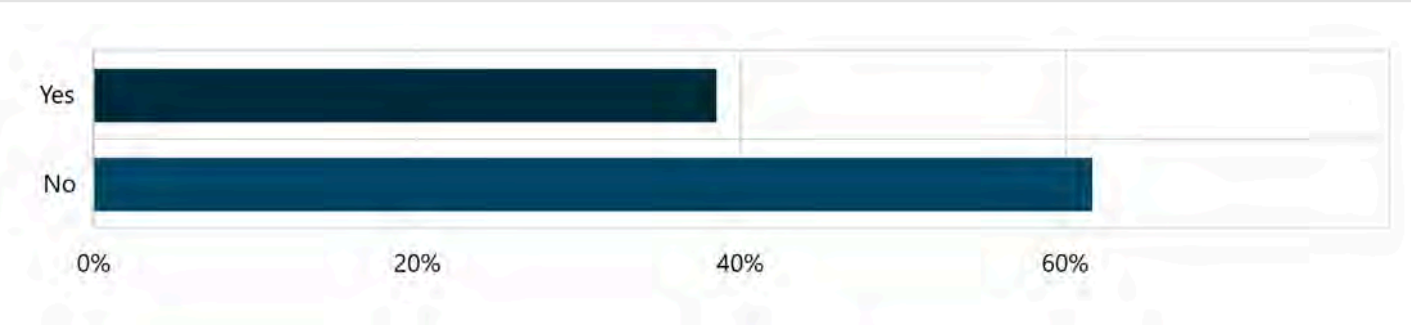
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30%

Answer choices	Percent	Count
Accessible beach mat	11.73%	42
Basketball courts	10.06%	36
Beaches/Water access points	17.88%	64
Boat launches/Docks	2.51%	9
Community gardens	9.50%	34
Disc golf courses	3.63%	13
Gardens	10.06%	36
Gazebos/pavilions	4.19%	15
Off-leash dog parks	8.38%	30
Open green space	15.92%	57
Outdoor fitness equipment	12.57%	45
Picnic areas	13.41%	48
Ping pong tables	2.23%	8
Playgrounds	22.91%	82
Pump tracks (e.g., mountain bikes, BMX)	10.89%	39
Skate parks	9.22%	33
Skating rinks	10.06%	36
Splash pads	19.27%	69
Trails	36.03%	129
Waterfront trails	39.11%	140
Other	8.38%	30

19. Do you or members of your household participate in municipal programs at the Cobourg Community Centre? Required

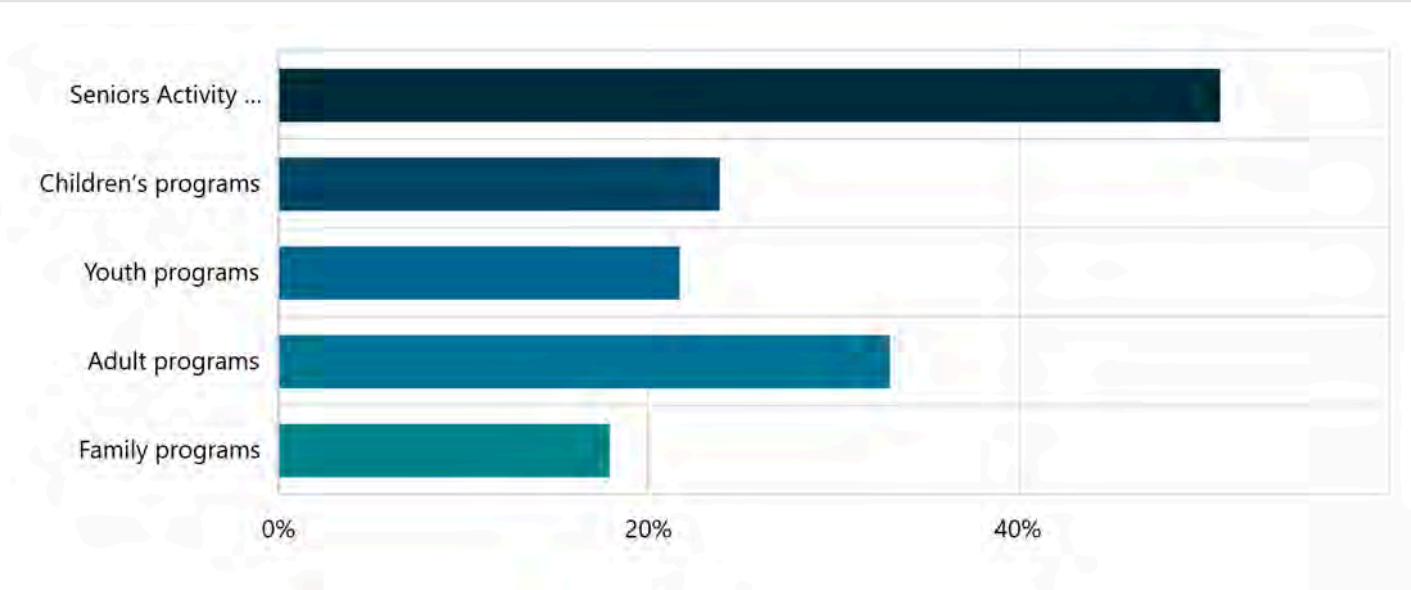
Multi Choice | Skipped: 5 | Answered: 487 (99%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	38.40%	187
No	61.60%	300
Total	100.00%	487

20. In which programs do you or your household participate at the Cobourg Community Centre? (Check all that apply.)

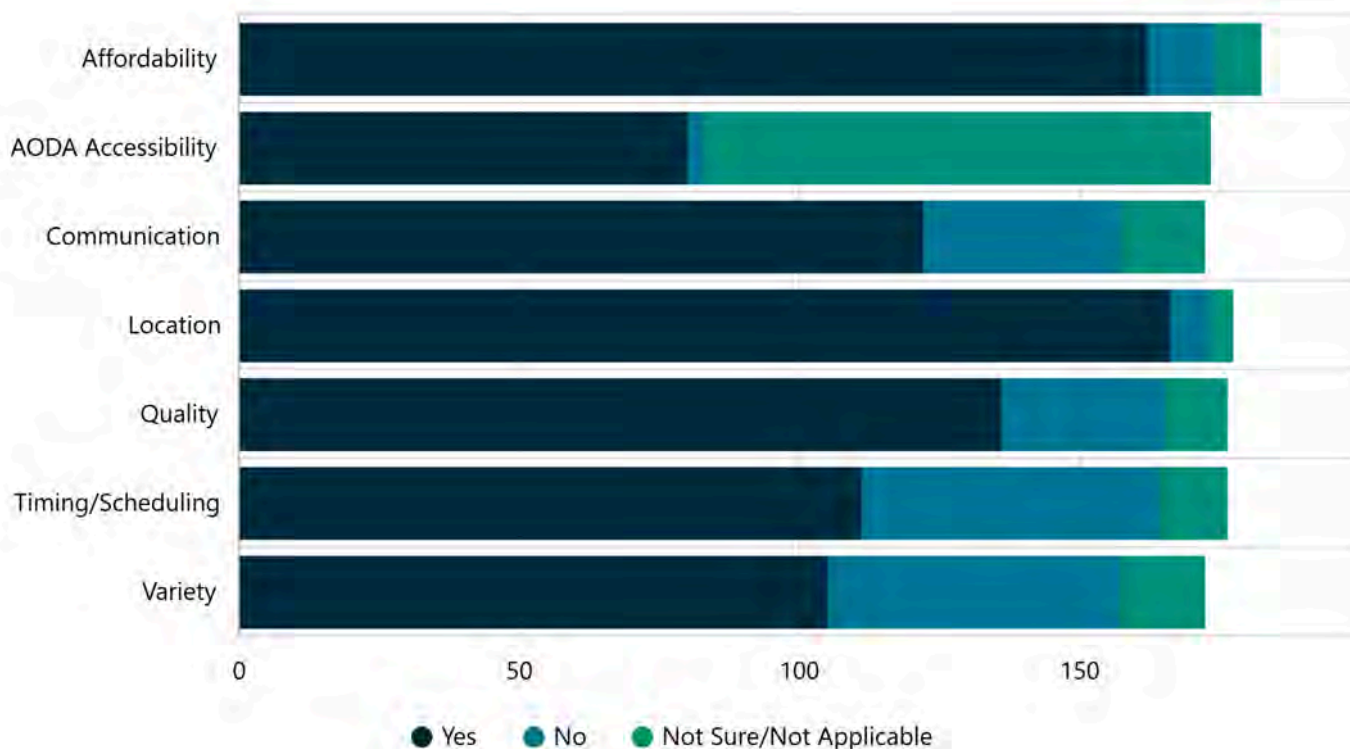
Multi Choice | Skipped: 307 | Answered: 185 (37.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Seniors Activity Centre programs	50.81%	94
Children's programs	23.78%	44
Youth programs	21.62%	40
Adult programs	32.97%	61
Family programs	17.84%	33

21. Have the municipally run programs that you or the members of your household have participated in at the Cobourg Community Centre met your needs according to the following categories: Required

Matrix | Skipped: 310 | Answered: 182 (37%)

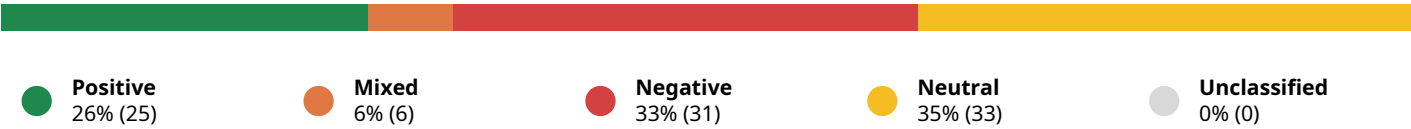


	Yes	No	Not Sure/Not Applicable	Count	Score
Affordability	89.01% 162	6.59% 12	4.40% 8	182	1.15
AODA Accessibility	46.24% 80	1.73% 3	52.02% 90	173	2.06
Communication	70.93% 122	20.35% 35	8.72% 15	172	1.38
Location	93.79% 166	3.95% 7	2.26% 4	177	1.08
Quality	77.27% 136	16.48% 29	6.25% 11	176	1.29
Timing/Scheduling	63.07% 111	30.11% 53	6.82% 12	176	1.44
Variety	61.05% 105	30.23% 52	8.72% 15	172	1.48

22. Do you have any additional comments to share on your experience with municipal recreation programs in Cobourg? If not, please leave this question blank.

Short Text | Skipped: 397 | Answered: 95 (19.3%)

Sentiment



Tags

No tag data

Featured Contributions

we need an indoor pool with updated facilities and varied times for classes, recreational swims Contribution 95 of 95 November 17, 2025
The Town of Cobourg needs to get out of the Recreation business and let other agencies and organizations take care of recreation. The town should concentrate and use tax payers dollars on parks and town owned facilities Contribution 94 of 95 November 17, 2025
Trying to book pickleball online at the community centre is a nightmare as I would end up in a queue and then when my time came to book it was full. As a result Contribution 93 of 95 November 15, 2025
There seems to be no programs at the CCC available for young adults and adults under 49 other than pickleball and skating related activities. There should be more programs aimed at ages 14-18yo, 19-29yo and 30-49yo that do not involve skating or the ice Contribution 92 of 95 November 15, 2025
Kids recreation programs are plentiful and easy to schedule but the quality of instruction is not good. It seems to be run by youth. We need the youth involved in the programs, but professionals should be structuring the curriculum. Contribution 91 of 95 November 14, 2025
I would really like to have an off-leash dog park in the east end of Cobourg in addition to the one on Ontario Street Contribution 90 of 95 November 14, 2025
we belong to the YMCA and they do their best with what they have Contribution 89 of 95 November 14, 2025
hope to participate in the future Contribution 88 of 95 November 14, 2025

More yoga, Pilates, fitness , all you see is pickleball
Contribution 87 of 95 | November 12, 2025

Would like to see a second Fitness Instructor hired to teach on Tuesdays and Thursdays - not zumba nor line dancing.
Contribution 86 of 95 | November 11, 2025

The walking track is very popular. Please close only when absolutely necessary. It's wonderful for everyone
Contribution 85 of 95 | November 11, 2025

N/a
Contribution 84 of 95 | November 11, 2025

enhance the soccer facilities both indoor and outdoor
Contribution 83 of 95 | November 11, 2025

Have the youth hockey practices and games end earlier
Contribution 82 of 95 | November 11, 2025

The soccer program this summer for the little ones in the field beside Salvation Army Church was great to watch.
Contribution 81 of 95 | November 10, 2025

Cobourg skews elderly so it probably makes sense, but there is perhaps an overemphasis on programs targeting the elderly. Also, many programs are offered midday when working age people are not available.
Contribution 80 of 95 | November 10, 2025

N/A
Contribution 79 of 95 | November 10, 2025

We drive to Port Hope and use the pool at Jack Burger.
Contribution 78 of 95 | November 10, 2025

Hours of programs, and more options
Contribution 77 of 95 | November 10, 2025

Communication/information regarding types of activities and times is sub-par and very disappointing. Our household often only finds out after events have passed. Social media communication is lacking.
Contribution 76 of 95 | November 10, 2025

i dont even know what is offered there

Contribution 75 of 95 | November 10, 2025

Many programs (eg. public skating, stick and puck, etc.) run during the work or school day and we cannot partake.
Contribution 74 of 95 | November 10, 2025

The camp ground could be moved to Lucas Point on the waterfront that the town/municipality owns.
Contribution 73 of 95 | November 10, 2025

The CCC needs better maintenance!
Contribution 72 of 95 | November 10, 2025

We end up going to Port Hope for most of this kind of stuff because there just isn't much here. I would love to see more variety of options here.
Contribution 71 of 95 | November 10, 2025

Building should be sold and activities privatized.
Contribution 70 of 95 | November 10, 2025

We just use the arena. The recreation schedule does not offer working parents much options.
Contribution 69 of 95 | November 10, 2025

Re: trailer park. This is likely single most valuable piece of underused land the town owns. It needs to either be better monetized (eg restaurant, patio) or cleanup up and used as garden/green space.
Contribution 68 of 95 | November 10, 2025

We did learn to skate with toddler and it was just expensive free skate. Zero instruction. My husband does adult shinny and loves it.
Contribution 67 of 95 | November 10, 2025

I think a spot near monks cove should have access to the beach as a lot of us around the area utilize the space during the summer months, and it's hard to get down there
Contribution 66 of 95 | November 9, 2025

The summer camps were boring. The leaders were not very engaging
Contribution 65 of 95 | November 8, 2025

More option for teen only events
Contribution 64 of 95 | November 8, 2025

I wish there were more variety of programming for children and adults
Contribution 63 of 95 | November 8, 2025

There needs to be more programs for other demographics. Every time I've tried to find fitness, social, or recreation programs the only ones I've found are targeted for young children, young parents, sports teams, or seniors. What about everyone else?
Contribution 62 of 95 | November 8, 2025

Better advertising for registration dates at CCC, often don't know when new sessions start and then they fill fast
Contribution 61 of 95 | November 8, 2025

More accessible family programs, better time offerings
Contribution 60 of 95 | November 7, 2025

Expansion of pickleball court time as the current times fill up so quickly that often cannot get a spot
Contribution 59 of 95 | November 7, 2025

Pickle ball needed
Contribution 58 of 95 | November 5, 2025

Love the library programs
Contribution 57 of 95 | November 5, 2025

The CCC offers a wide range of programs for 55+. The scheduling of these programs assumes that participants are retired. Many are not and would enjoy having the option to take classes in early evenings
Contribution 56 of 95 | November 5, 2025

not enough adult age programs
Contribution 55 of 95 | November 4, 2025

Missing adults events. Only seniors and youth events.
Contribution 54 of 95 | November 4, 2025

I wish there were more programs for adults, that accomodate working schedules
Contribution 53 of 95 | November 4, 2025

The CCC must be utilized much more and generate more revenue. Also out of town users need to pay more to offset cost. The Cobourg taxpayer is not a bottomless pit
Contribution 52 of 95 | November 3, 2025

We would like to see more family options at the CCC for winter programming that are not always giving priority to hockey.
Contribution 51 of 95 | November 1, 2025

Hours of activities are limited.

Contribution 50 of 95 | October 31, 2025

The sign up is complicated at best.

Contribution 49 of 95 | October 28, 2025

Didn't sign up this year, crochet and other such crafts N/A. Senior Exercise, not up to running up and down stairs of walking track

Contribution 48 of 95 | October 28, 2025

In the past we found children's programs excellent.

Contribution 47 of 95 | October 28, 2025

There should be more adult recreation opportunities such as hockey classes

Contribution 46 of 95 | October 27, 2025

Registering for programs got difficult after COVID - not been going for a while.

Contribution 45 of 95 | October 27, 2025

Need more for teens and adults, not just seniors

Contribution 44 of 95 | October 26, 2025

Need multi purpose dome facility.

Contribution 43 of 95 | October 26, 2025

At ccc go back to drop in not phone for spot

Contribution 42 of 95 | October 26, 2025

Improved communication plan for organized programming. Figure out how to consolidate communications BEFORE the "day of" an event, from the YMCA, CCC etc. The library is one place that actually does a good job at consistently sending out reliable comms

Contribution 41 of 95 | October 26, 2025

Public skating times only suit retirees

Contribution 40 of 95 | October 25, 2025

Need more family events other than walking/shopping days on main street

Contribution 39 of 95 | October 24, 2025

more classes on weekends and evening for working parents. more family programs

Contribution 38 of 95 | October 24, 2025

Cobourg needs more fitness facilities.
Contribution 37 of 95 | October 23, 2025

So much of what is on offer at ccc is for seniors and youth. Younger Adults also need programs!
Contribution 36 of 95 | October 23, 2025

There is a desperate need to expand soccer and basketball facilities
Contribution 35 of 95 | October 23, 2025

If there were more arenas the timing for the programming could be better. Currently spend both weekend mornings there and it's just not ideal.
Contribution 34 of 95 | October 23, 2025

Excellent CCC staff and lots of pickleball scheduling
Contribution 33 of 95 | October 23, 2025

Are there any free programs for young kids?
Contribution 32 of 95 | October 22, 2025

The cost to users of the CCC are far too low. Consequently the burde to all of the town's taxpayers is far too high
Contribution 31 of 95 | October 22, 2025

Not everyone is one social media, seniors especially. Without a local newspaper one finds it hard to find information about whats going on.
Contribution 30 of 95 | October 22, 2025

There is SUCH a need for children's programs here, art/yoga/kids basketball, cooking, life skills etc
Contribution 29 of 95 | October 22, 2025

The Town already loses too much money on operating the CCC.
Contribution 28 of 95 | October 22, 2025

Cobourg needs to improve it's summer camp and programming offerings for kids. Also, young youth basketball programming and an indoor swimming facility please!
Contribution 27 of 95 | October 22, 2025

adding more diverse programs for adults would be nice.
Contribution 26 of 95 | October 22, 2025

New Building sites should have Municipal facilities in the centre of them.
Contribution 25 of 95 | October 22, 2025

The website is not user-friendly. It's difficult to find what I'm looking for
Contribution 24 of 95 | October 22, 2025

Cleanliness is an issue, large amounts of human waste, and drug paraphernalia
Contribution 23 of 95 | October 22, 2025

Communication is the biggest issue here.
Contribution 22 of 95 | October 22, 2025

your staff are always helpful and provide guidance on the programs. Again our attendance is also hit and miss do to family commitments.
Contribution 21 of 95 | October 22, 2025

Need more range of programs offered - ages and interests.
Contribution 20 of 95 | October 22, 2025

Increase user fees to cover cost or outsource management of facility
Contribution 19 of 95 | October 22, 2025

Adult shinny is during the day... how does this serve anyone beyond retirees?
Contribution 18 of 95 | October 22, 2025

The YMCA is the best value but they have had so many reduced memberships and free fridays that it is overcrowded with no parking, no lockers and overcrowded gym and studio space.
Contribution 17 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Would love to see more music concerts at CCC
Contribution 16 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Fitness classes for seniors being continually cancelled is frustrating.
Contribution 15 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Will be in the new year
Contribution 14 of 95 | October 21, 2025

CCC walking track & public skating

Contribution 13 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Not at this time

Contribution 12 of 95 | October 21, 2025

You need more ice pads!!! Other municipalities of our size have more ice time and local hockey isn't getting as many ice times as other groups and thus less competitive

Contribution 11 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Parking at CCC is unavailable especially when there are hockey games & events on there at the same time

Contribution 10 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Campground at Victoria park would be a great spot for restaurants with a nice patio on the bike path and near the water

Contribution 9 of 95 | October 21, 2025

I took an art class last winter and to participate, I had to join the seniors centre which is not something i use.

Contribution 8 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Naturalized areas are least expensive to maintain. Trails are usually cleared of small obstructions (branches) by the users. For example, in the Dog Park woodlot, dogs designed the trails for quadrupeds, and people make them accessible to bipeds.

Contribution 7 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Cut the budget and redirect the funds to essential services

Contribution 6 of 95 | October 21, 2025

We do youth volleyball. I wish it were a little less expensive.

Contribution 5 of 95 | October 21, 2025

More adult programming. Most things are geared to 55+ and the age of the population moving here is dropping

Contribution 4 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Excellent, but pickleball is always full and too hard to get into.

Contribution 3 of 95 | October 21, 2025

More time is needed for pickleball

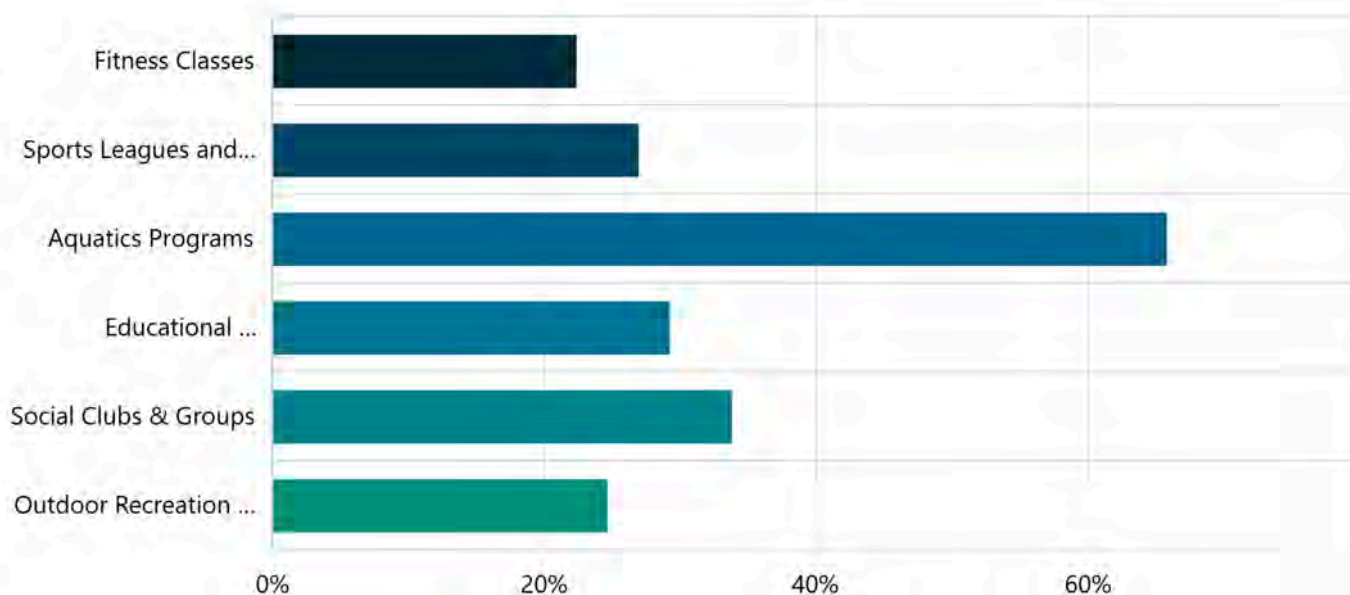
Contribution 2 of 95 | October 21, 2025

Excellent programs at the CCC.

Contribution 1 of 95 | October 21, 2025

23. Please check the top program/activity interests in your household for Babies & Toddlers (0-3 years).

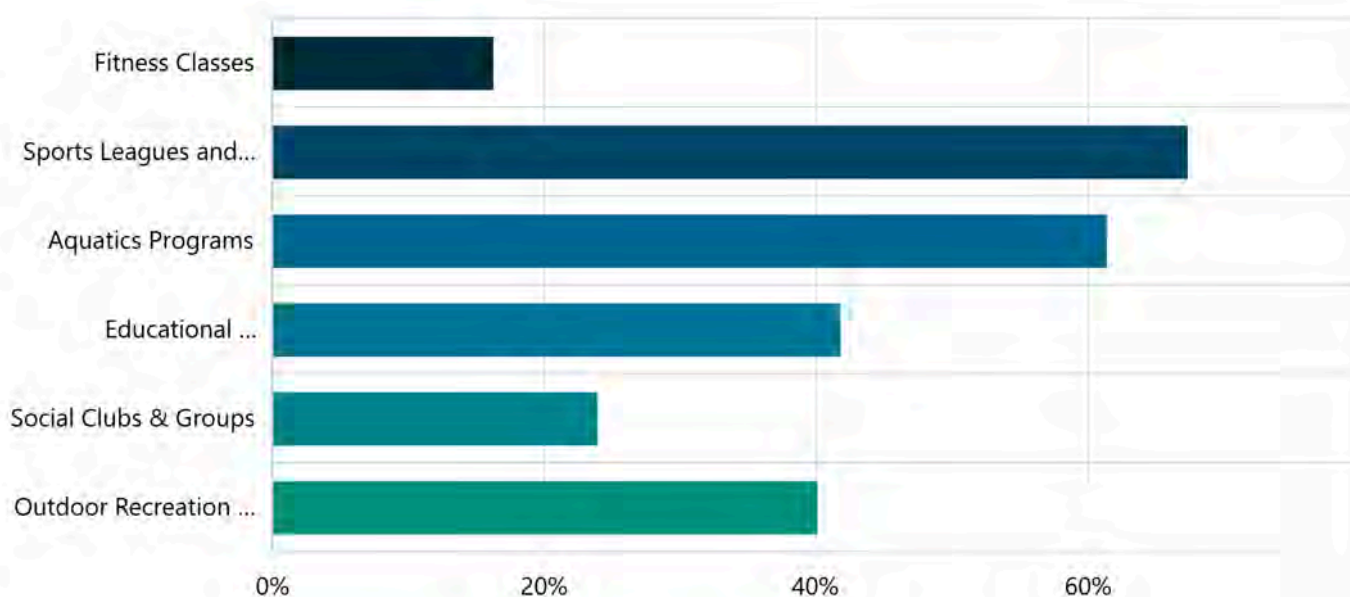
Multi Choice | Skipped: 317 | Answered: 175 (35.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness Classes	22.29%	39
Sports Leagues and Tournaments	26.86%	47
Aquatics Programs	65.71%	115
Educational Workshops/Art Classes (e.g., cooking, gardening)	29.14%	51
Social Clubs & Groups	33.71%	59
Outdoor Recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling)	24.57%	43

24. Please check the top program/activity interests in your household for School-aged Children (4-12 years).

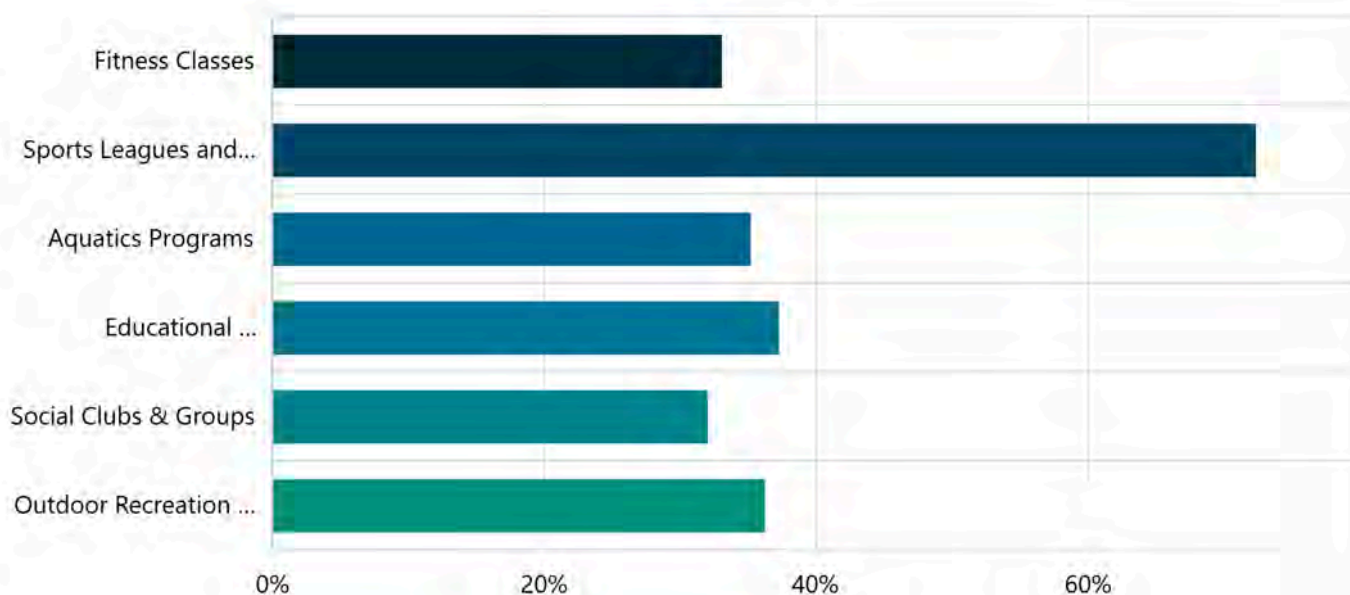
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Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness Classes	16.17%	38
Sports Leagues and Tournaments	67.23%	158
Aquatics Programs	61.28%	144
Educational Workshops/Art Classes (e.g., cooking, gardening)	41.70%	98
Social Clubs & Groups	23.83%	56
Outdoor Recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling)	40.00%	94

25. Please check the top program/activity interests in your household for Teenagers (13-19 years).

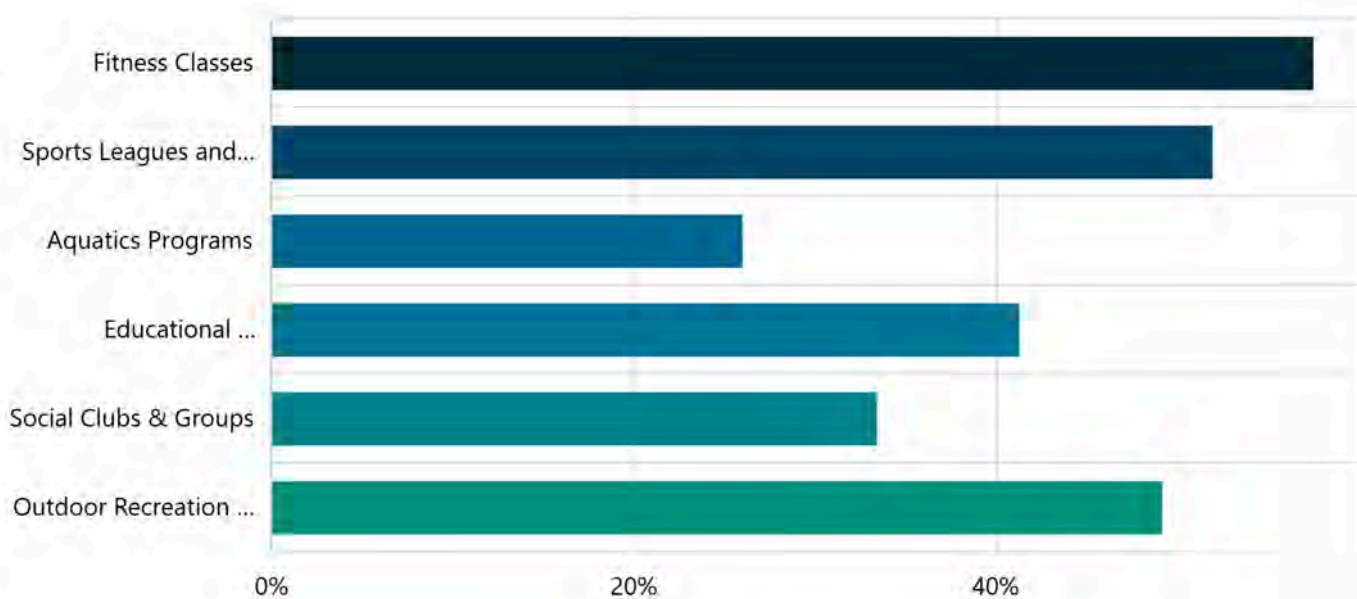
Multi Choice | Skipped: 301 | Answered: 191 (38.8%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness Classes	32.98%	63
Sports Leagues and Tournaments	72.25%	138
Aquatics Programs	35.08%	67
Educational Workshops/Art Classes (e.g., cooking, gardening)	37.17%	71
Social Clubs & Groups	31.94%	61
Outdoor Recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling)	36.13%	69

26. Please check the top program/activity interests in your household for Adults (20-39 years)

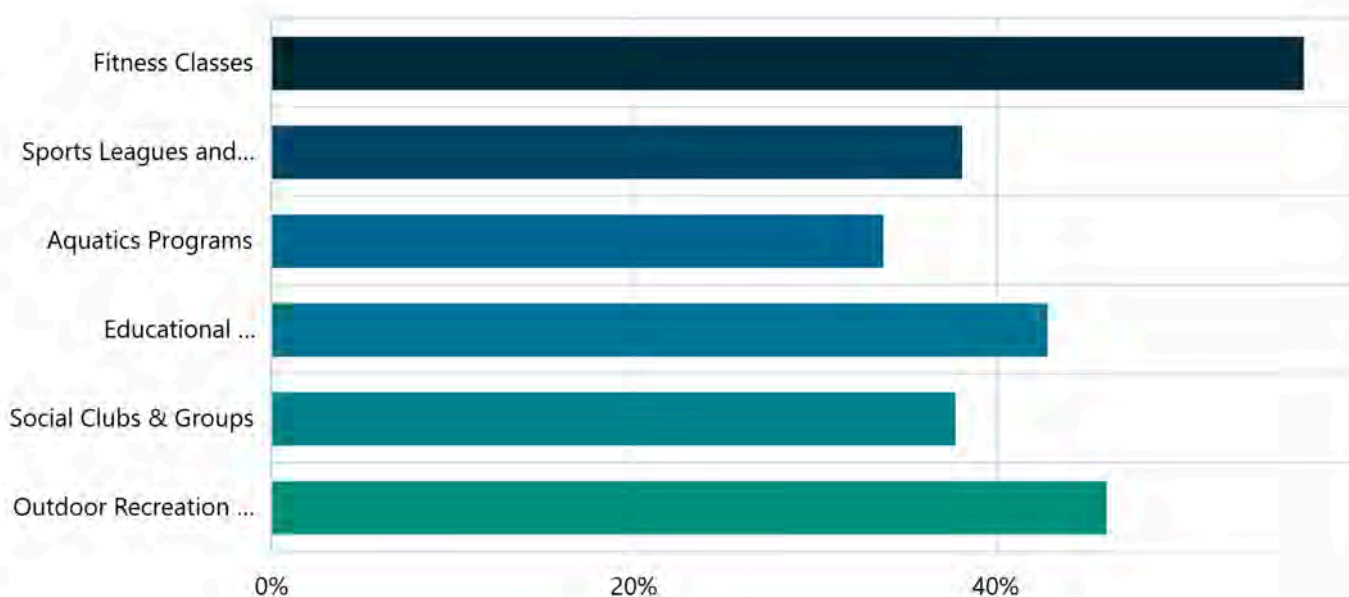
Multi Choice | Skipped: 276 | Answered: 216 (43.9%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness Classes	57.41%	124
Sports Leagues and Tournaments	51.85%	112
Aquatics Programs	25.93%	56
Educational Workshops/Art Classes (e.g., cooking, gardening)	41.20%	89
Social Clubs & Groups	33.33%	72
Outdoor Recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling)	49.07%	106

27. Please check the top program/activity interests in your household for Adults (40-64 years old)

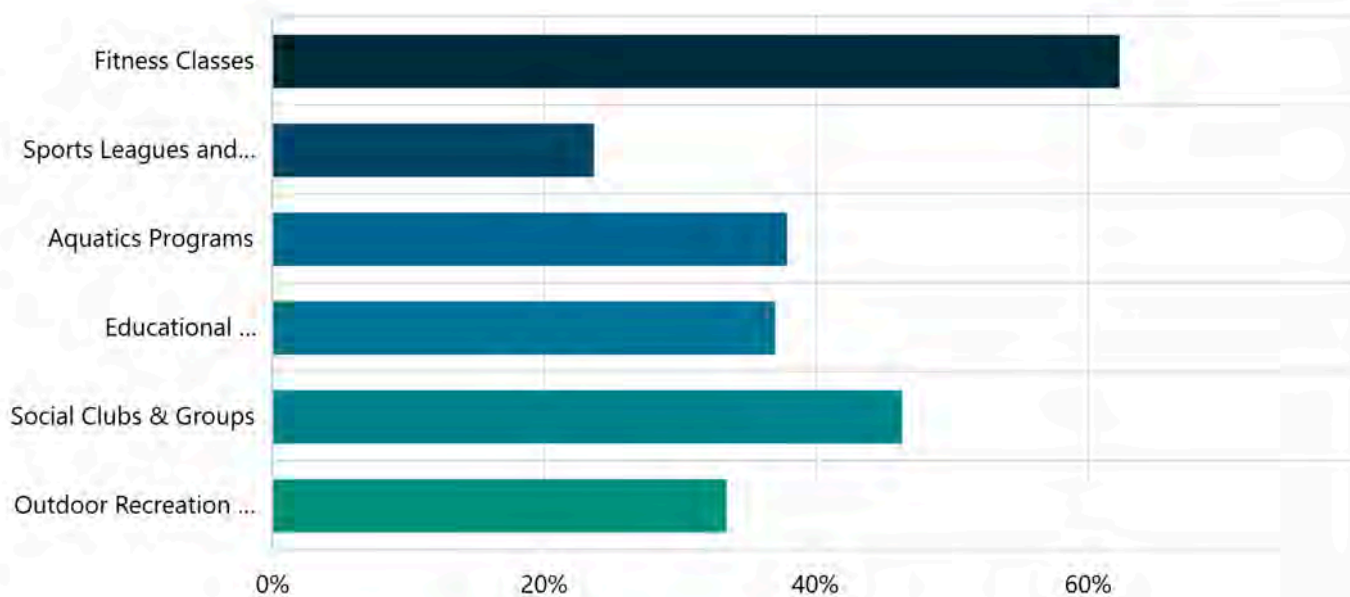
Multi Choice | Skipped: 216 | Answered: 276 (56.1%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness Classes	56.88%	157
Sports Leagues and Tournaments	38.04%	105
Aquatics Programs	33.70%	93
Educational Workshops/Art Classes (e.g., cooking, gardening)	42.75%	118
Social Clubs & Groups	37.68%	104
Outdoor Recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling)	46.01%	127

28. Please check the top program/activity interests in your household for Seniors (65-74 years).

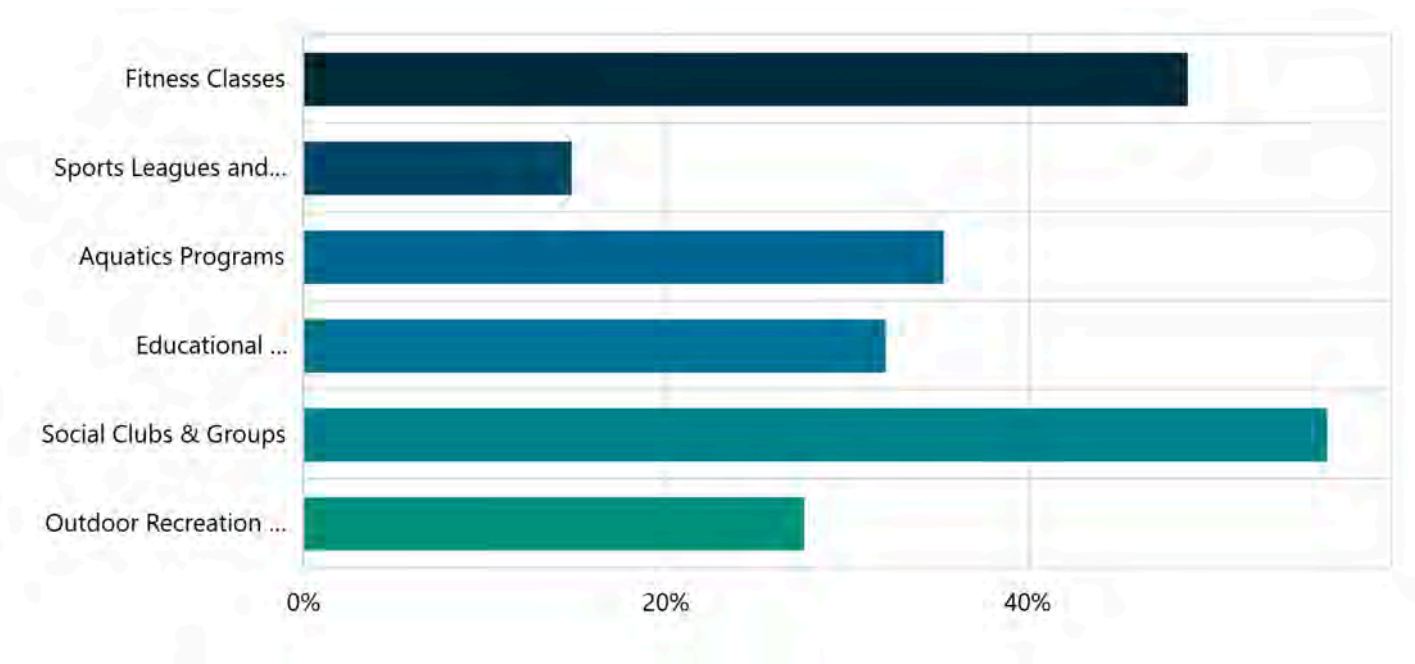
Multi Choice | Skipped: 267 | Answered: 225 (45.7%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness Classes	62.22%	140
Sports Leagues and Tournaments	23.56%	53
Aquatics Programs	37.78%	85
Educational Workshops/Art Classes (e.g., cooking, gardening)	36.89%	83
Social Clubs & Groups	46.22%	104
Outdoor Recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling)	33.33%	75

29. Please check the top program/activity interests in your household for Seniors (75 years +)

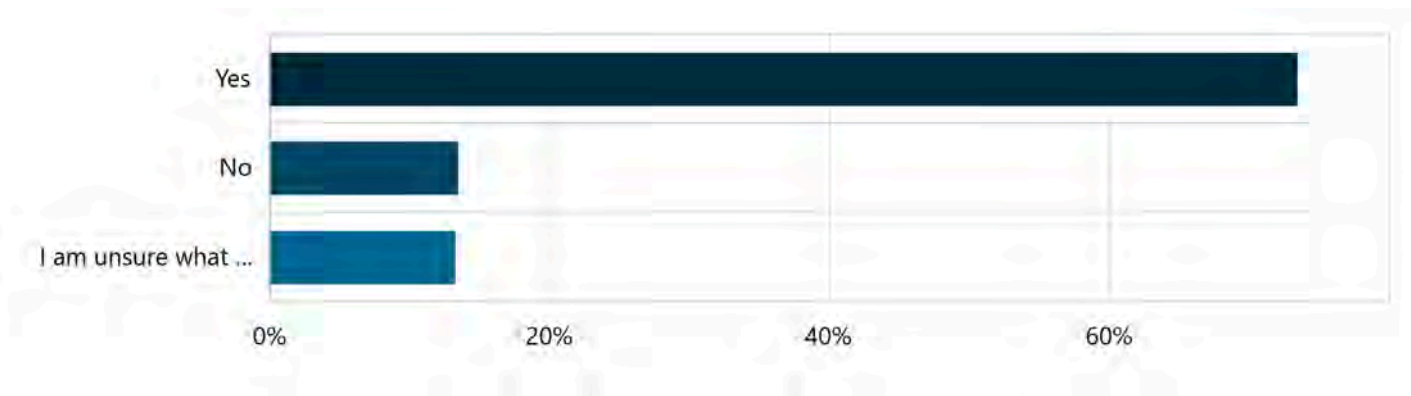
Multi Choice | Skipped: 336 | Answered: 156 (31.7%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Fitness Classes	48.72%	76
Sports Leagues and Tournaments	14.74%	23
Aquatics Programs	35.26%	55
Educational Workshops/Art Classes (e.g., cooking, gardening)	32.05%	50
Social Clubs & Groups	56.41%	88
Outdoor Recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling)	27.56%	43

30. Do you or your household participate in municipally run events in Cobourg? Required

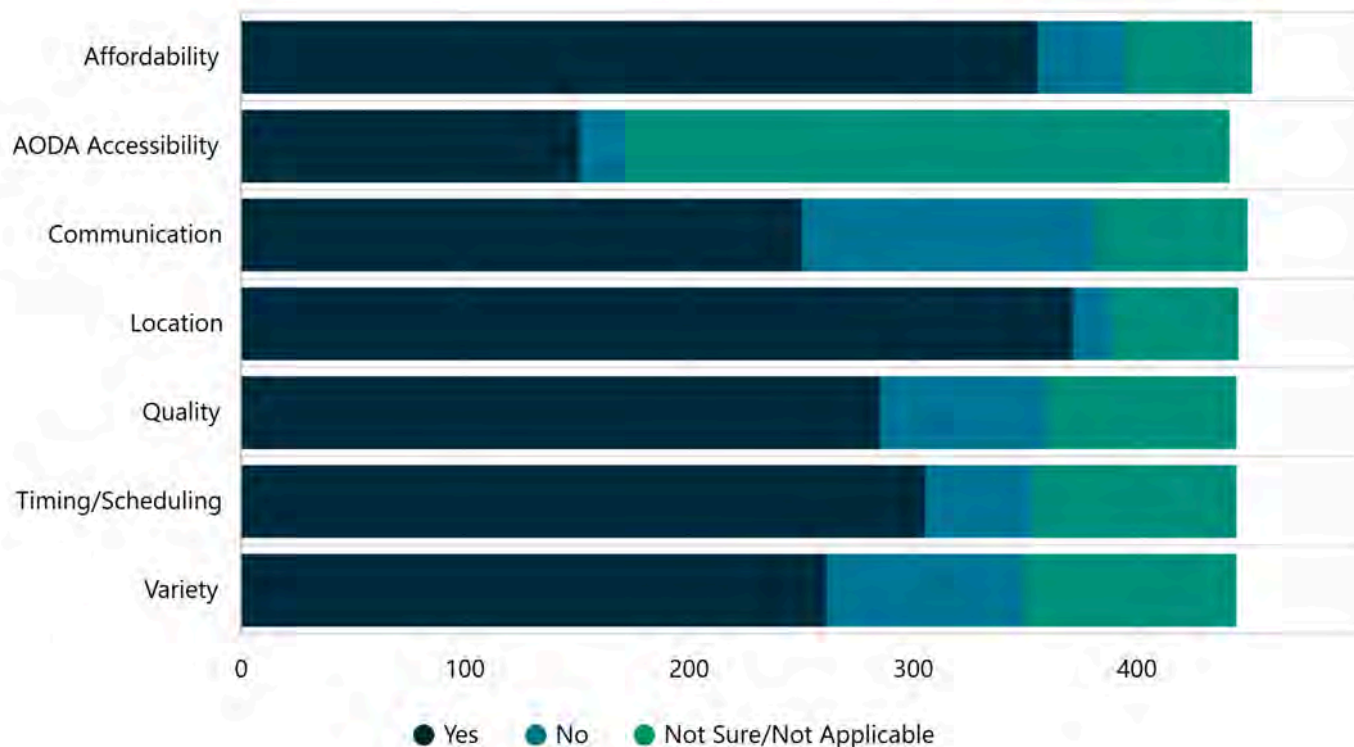
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 492 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	73.37%	361
No	13.41%	66
I am unsure what events exist.	13.21%	65
Total	100.00%	492

31. Have the municipally run events (e.g., festivals, parades, holidays, outdoor movie nights) that you or the members of your household have participated in within Cobourg fit your needs according to the following categories: Required

Matrix | Skipped: 34 | Answered: 458 (93.1%)

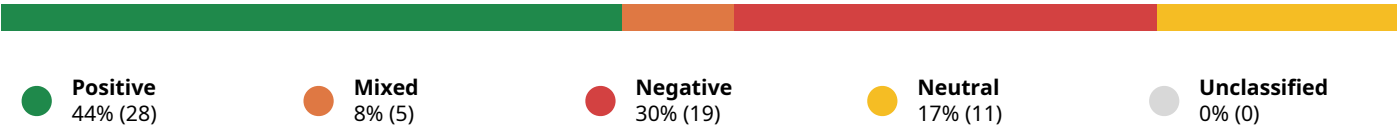


	Yes	No	Not Sure/Not Applicable	Count	Score
Affordability	78.89% 355	8.67% 39	12.44% 56	450	1.34
AODA Accessibility	34.32% 151	4.32% 19	61.36% 270	440	2.27
Communication	55.80% 250	29.24% 131	14.96% 67	448	1.59
Location	83.56% 371	3.83% 17	12.61% 56	444	1.29
Quality	64.33% 285	16.70% 74	18.96% 84	443	1.55
Timing/Scheduling	68.85% 305	10.84% 48	20.32% 90	443	1.51
Variety	58.92% 261	19.86% 88	21.22% 94	443	1.62

32. Do you have any additional comments to share on your experience with municipal events in Cobourg? If not, please leave this question blank.

Short Text | Skipped: 429 | Answered: 63 (12.8%)

Sentiment



Tags

No tag data

Featured Contributions

Enjoy the concert band in the summer in the park. Enjoy the waterfront festival. Contribution 63 of 63 November 17, 2025
Boring, usual events. No variety or fun. Local fundraiser events are better than the town thinks up. Contribution 62 of 63 November 17, 2025
We have found that it can be challenging to find out about what's happening in the area. Communication could be a focus moving forward because there are so many great things happening in the community. Contribution 61 of 63 November 17, 2025
Weekend-long events would be better if they extended the days from Wednesday/Thursday until Monday, Use of other parks like James Cockburn or Donegan Park's greenspace for additional new events would be great to see Contribution 60 of 63 November 15, 2025
The municipal events in Cobourg have far exceeded our expectations. Contribution 59 of 63 November 14, 2025
The movie on the beach was good! Could have been better, food could have been sold at the event. Contribution 58 of 63 November 13, 2025
N/a Contribution 57 of 63 November 11, 2025
Evening Santa Clause parade is a favourite. Contribution 56 of 63 November 11, 2025
Make parking free for residents or provide 6 parking passes to be used throughout the year per household, have cycling tours and

community runs free

Contribution 55 of 63 | November 11, 2025

Why is the pride festival moving to port hope? We need food festivals night markets, music festivals, and more involvement in the yacht club and marina.

Contribution 54 of 63 | November 10, 2025

I think there are enough programs for seniors but unsure whether more is needed for our teens.

Contribution 53 of 63 | November 10, 2025

Communication and information, including information available on social media, is very disappointing. Events are often advertised on Instagram, for example, with no times or dates given.

Contribution 52 of 63 | November 10, 2025

You need to find a way to let people know events are happening before they happen. We often don't find out until after

Contribution 51 of 63 | November 10, 2025

We need more events; particularly events that bring in revenue rather than free beach use (and abuse). Every weekend over the summer would be ideal.

Contribution 50 of 63 | November 10, 2025

Most events are downtown. Parking is a nightmare during these events. Adverts say lots to do but most are unaffordable and poor selection. Should have events more spread around town for all age groups, especially for parents and children.

Contribution 49 of 63 | November 10, 2025

Its like Groundhog Day. Same events every year.

Contribution 48 of 63 | November 10, 2025

Lack of community advertising and awareness for many.

Contribution 47 of 63 | November 10, 2025

The waterfront festival used to be the best around. Since covid, it got super expensive and not much happens anymore. Barely any rides anymore.

Contribution 46 of 63 | November 8, 2025

They are great! More draw for teens would be nice.

Contribution 45 of 63 | November 8, 2025

Return the Santa Claus parade to a daytime the third Saturday of November

Contribution 44 of 63 | November 8, 2025

More notice/prior advertising would be helpful. I frequently only find out about events within a few days of it happening.
Contribution 43 of 63 | November 8, 2025

Waterfront festival seems to be getting smaller every year with less ride and game options. Love the busker fest! Please continue with that one!
Contribution 42 of 63 | November 8, 2025

We'd like to attend both the port hope and Cobourg Santa Claus parades but it's too much for our child to do both on one day.
Contribution 41 of 63 | November 8, 2025

Our favorite events are the Santa Claus Parade and the Waterfront Festival
Contribution 40 of 63 | November 7, 2025

Better communication is needed, especially when event times/locations are changed. Better times for families.
Contribution 39 of 63 | November 7, 2025

Parking fees downtown/waterfront are expensive, expand the range of months for the parking passes
Contribution 38 of 63 | November 7, 2025

More throughout the year.
Contribution 37 of 63 | November 6, 2025

Recommend coordination w surrounding areas, eg Port Hope, to avoid scheduling events at same time eg Canada Day Parade
Contribution 36 of 63 | November 6, 2025

I think the town has done a really good job with their events!
Contribution 35 of 63 | November 4, 2025

Should explore year round activities to improve tourism and attract investment.
Contribution 34 of 63 | November 4, 2025

Sometimes we are unaware of what all is going on. we do love when downtown is pedestrian only for events!
Contribution 33 of 63 | November 4, 2025

Parking is probably the number one deterrent for south side/downtown events. The waterfront festival is seemingly losing it's luster without the rides on the pier.
Contribution 32 of 63 | November 4, 2025

More art (visual art, music) festivals would be cool.

Contribution 31 of 63 | November 3, 2025

I hate that my money is spent on kids being exposed to drag queens. Our property taxes are exploding every year now and you spend my hard earned money that you're stealing from me on pride parades. The town badly needs to become more humble again.

Contribution 30 of 63 | November 3, 2025

We appreciate the outdoor street and park festivals during the spring and summer months

Contribution 29 of 63 | November 1, 2025

Victoria Park events need to upgrade the level of entertainment. It is important to support local musicians but higher profile bands should be included as well to improve attendance and revenue.

Contribution 28 of 63 | October 29, 2025

Parking, too expensive, not enough, food at events pricey, don't go as often as walking there is difficult - seniors, one with health problems

Contribution 27 of 63 | October 28, 2025

The harbour and the downtown should not be closed at the same time

Contribution 26 of 63 | October 28, 2025

Great festivals!

Contribution 25 of 63 | October 27, 2025

No

Contribution 24 of 63 | October 27, 2025

Hard to get information on events since we no longer have a local paper

Contribution 23 of 63 | October 27, 2025

Too many shopping focused events

Contribution 22 of 63 | October 27, 2025

Need more family events

Contribution 21 of 63 | October 24, 2025

Quality of events is overall good but could be improved.

Contribution 20 of 63 | October 24, 2025

waterfront festival to be elevated to the level of port hope agriculture fest. the rides and food stalls are much better at port hope fair

Contribution 19 of 63 | October 24, 2025

Would enjoy more beach movie during summer as well as early fall.
Contribution 18 of 63 | October 23, 2025

Fair at Victoria park should be free entrance.
Contribution 17 of 63 | October 23, 2025

Better way of spreading the word on what events are happening
Contribution 16 of 63 | October 22, 2025

Since the demise of local newspaper, events are poorly advertised.
Contribution 15 of 63 | October 22, 2025

It be nice if the town had more posts about upcoming events in social media as we find that we don't find out about many events until after they've happened.
Contribution 14 of 63 | October 22, 2025

I am very pleased with the number and quality of the events held at the waterfront and Main Street each year.
Contribution 13 of 63 | October 22, 2025

All events have the same vendors and activities. There is barley any actual produce at the farmers market.
Contribution 12 of 63 | October 22, 2025

Refer to the never implemented culture plan to get some ideas on how to create unique events
Contribution 11 of 63 | October 22, 2025

Canada Day festivities are nothing like they used to be. Not being able to use the pier is part of this, but not all that's wrong with it. It really feels like there is a massive void of events in Cobourg that don't take advantage of the beach.
Contribution 10 of 63 | October 22, 2025

Community kitchen - cooking classes for vulnerable populations
Contribution 9 of 63 | October 21, 2025

I would like the Santa Claus parade to not be at night.
Contribution 8 of 63 | October 21, 2025

Festivals are wonderful in Cobourg (Harvest Fest, Canada Day etc) but they feel all very similar. Same vendors, same format... need to provide something new so they don't feel as stale and have people come back for more
Contribution 7 of 63 | October 21, 2025

I'd like to see more music in the park. I'd love to see a large dance floor concrete pad built in front of the band shelf. The days of dancing have gone by the wayside and a lot of people still enjoy doing so it was nice to see that down in front

Contribution 6 of 63 | October 21, 2025

My children have left home. My answers reflect what we did when we were together.

Contribution 5 of 63 | October 21, 2025

Not enough communication to say when & where events are held/to be held. Cobourg needs a website which shows all events in the area can be posted, not just Town of Cobourg hosted/sponsore/organized

Contribution 4 of 63 | October 21, 2025

Movies in the park is great. Keep it up or increase it. Also Christmas lights event at city hall is great

Contribution 3 of 63 | October 21, 2025

Bring back the Christmas parade and Christmas wording, not Santa

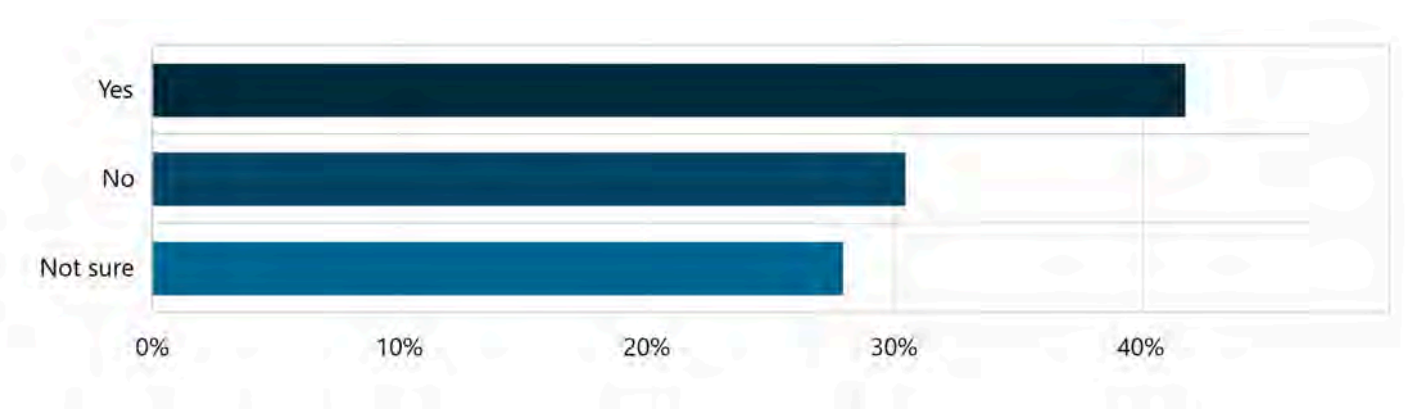
Contribution 2 of 63 | October 21, 2025

There are too many downtown events (eg harvest festival) that are lacklustre and underwhelming. It would be good to have fewer but higher quality events. The downtown events are all the same - sidewalk sale, food trucks, and music. More variety please.

Contribution 1 of 63 | October 21, 2025

33. Do you or any members of your household think more events are needed in Cobourg? Required

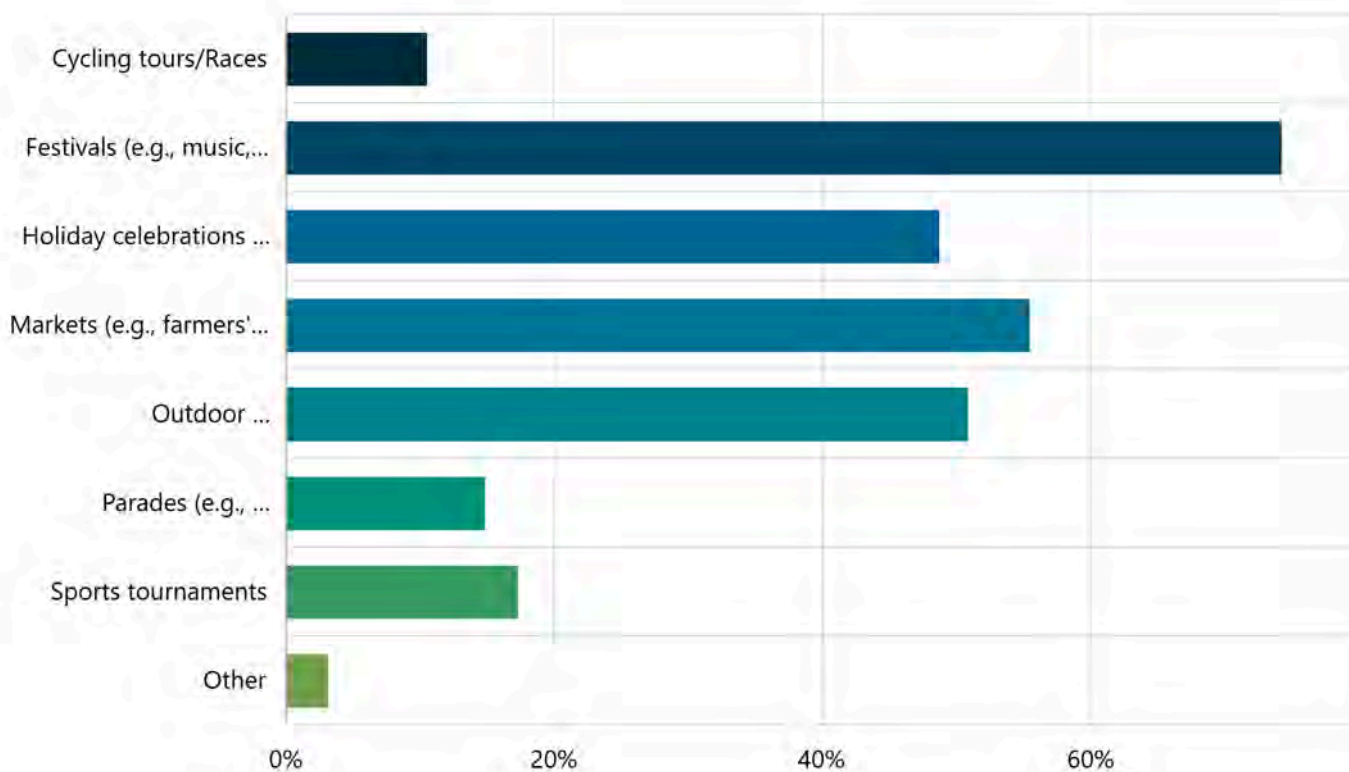
Multi Choice | Skipped: 15 | Answered: 477 (97%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	41.72%	199
No	30.40%	145
Not sure	27.88%	133
Total	100.00%	477

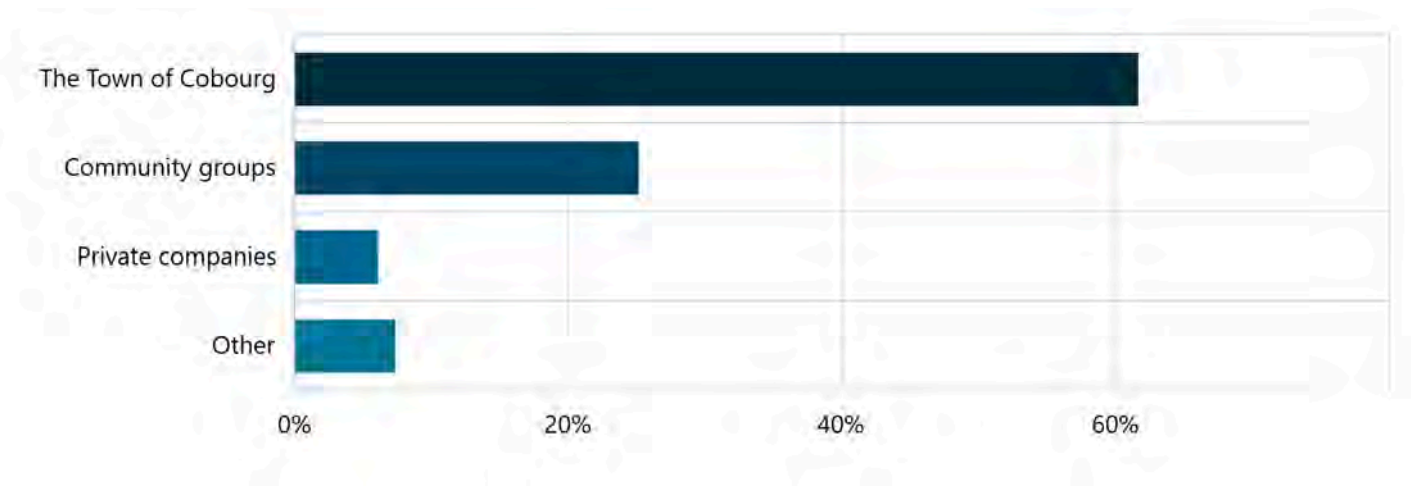
34. What are your household's top event interests? (Select up to 3.) Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 167 | Answered: 325 (66.1%)



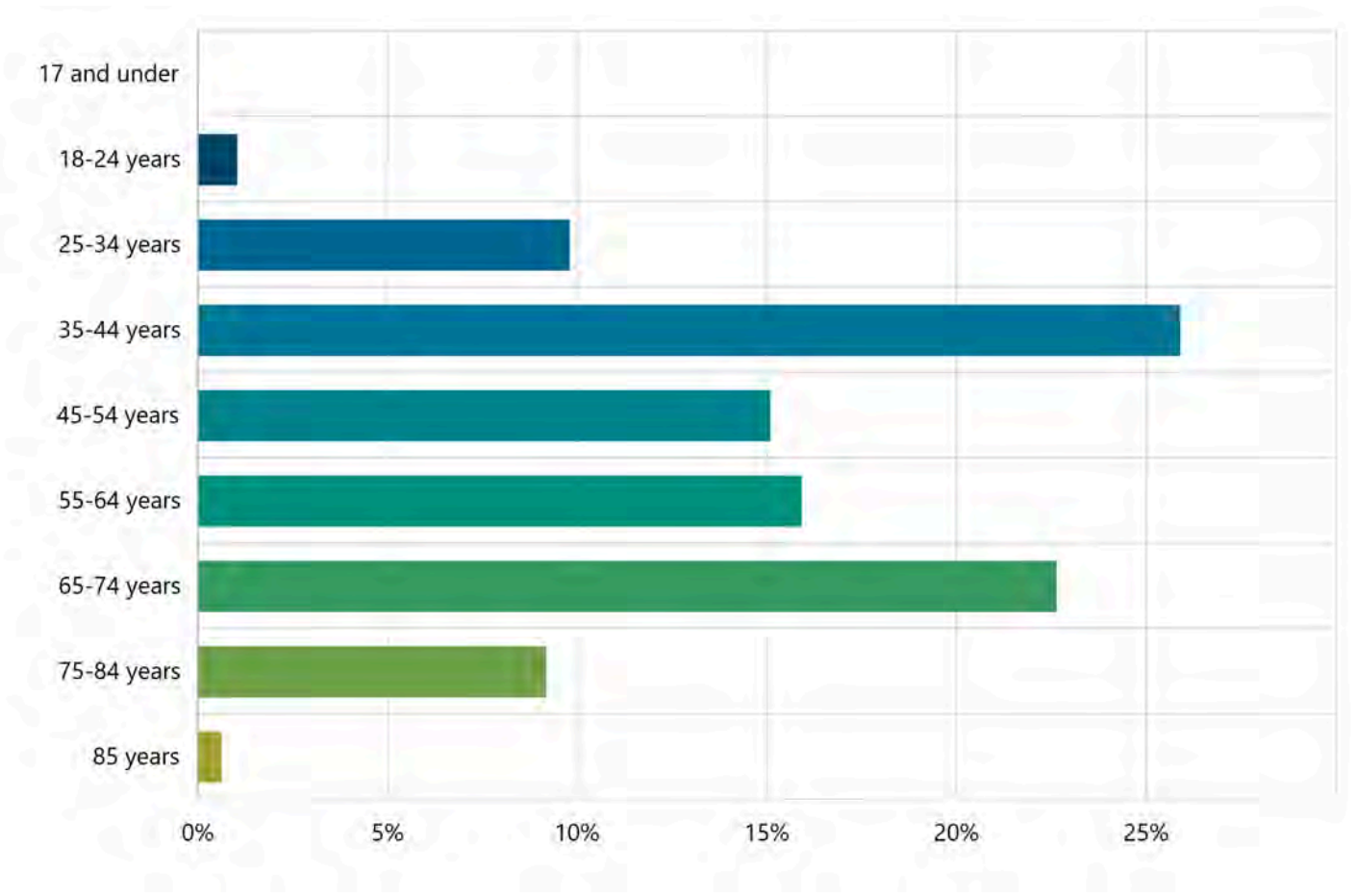
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Cycling tours/Races	10.46%	34
Festivals (e.g., music, food, art, cultural heritage)	74.15%	241
Holiday celebrations (e.g., Easter egg hunts, Canada Day fireworks, etc.)	48.62%	158
Markets (e.g., farmers' markets, craft fairs)	55.38%	180
Outdoor entertainment (e.g., outdoor movie nights, concert series)	50.77%	165
Parades (e.g., holidays, pride, cultural celebrations)	14.77%	48
Sports tournaments	17.23%	56
Other	3.08%	10

35. Who do you or your household believe should be the primary provider of these additional events? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 177 | Answered: 315 (64%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
The Town of Cobourg	61.59%	194
Community groups	25.08%	79
Private companies	6.03%	19
Other	7.30%	23
Total	100.00%	315

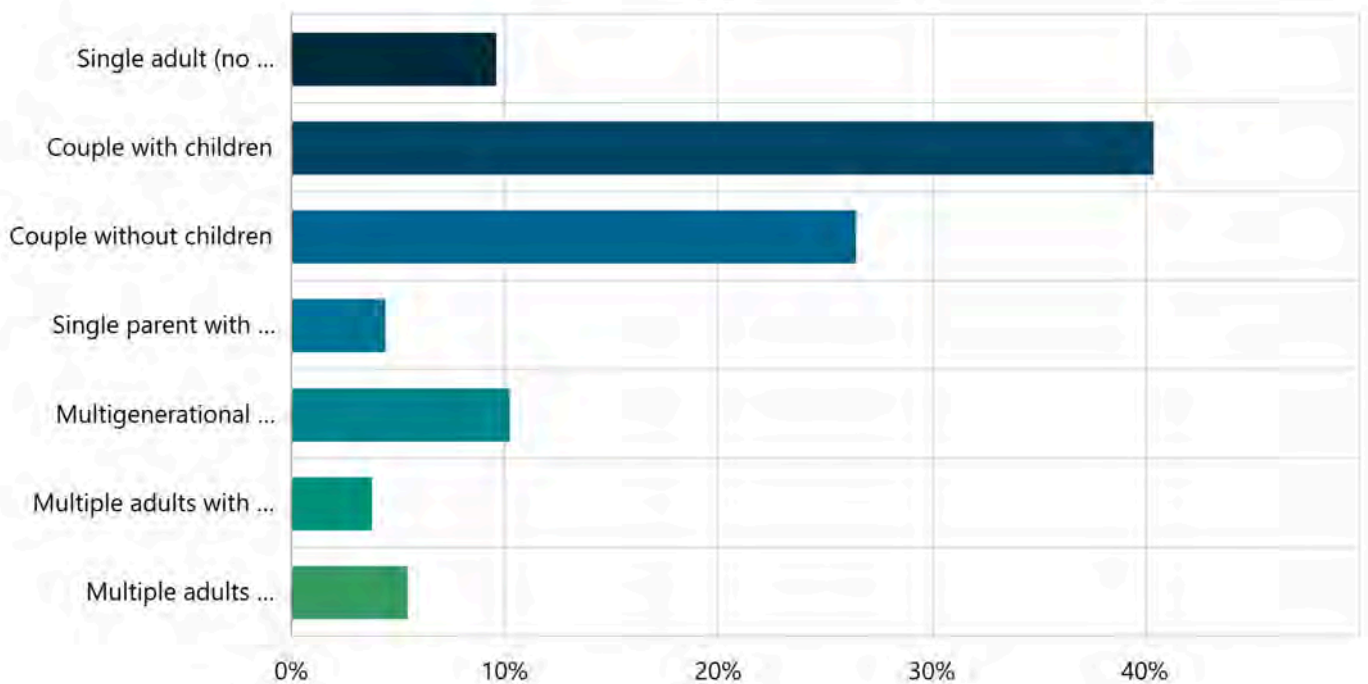
36. What is your age? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 491 (99.8%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
17 and under	0%	0
18-24 years	1.02%	5
25-34 years	9.78%	48
35-44 years	25.87%	127
45-54 years	15.07%	74
55-64 years	15.89%	78
65-74 years	22.61%	111
75-84 years	9.16%	45
85 years	0.61%	3
Total	100.00%	491

37. Which of the following best describes the household you are responding on behalf of? Required

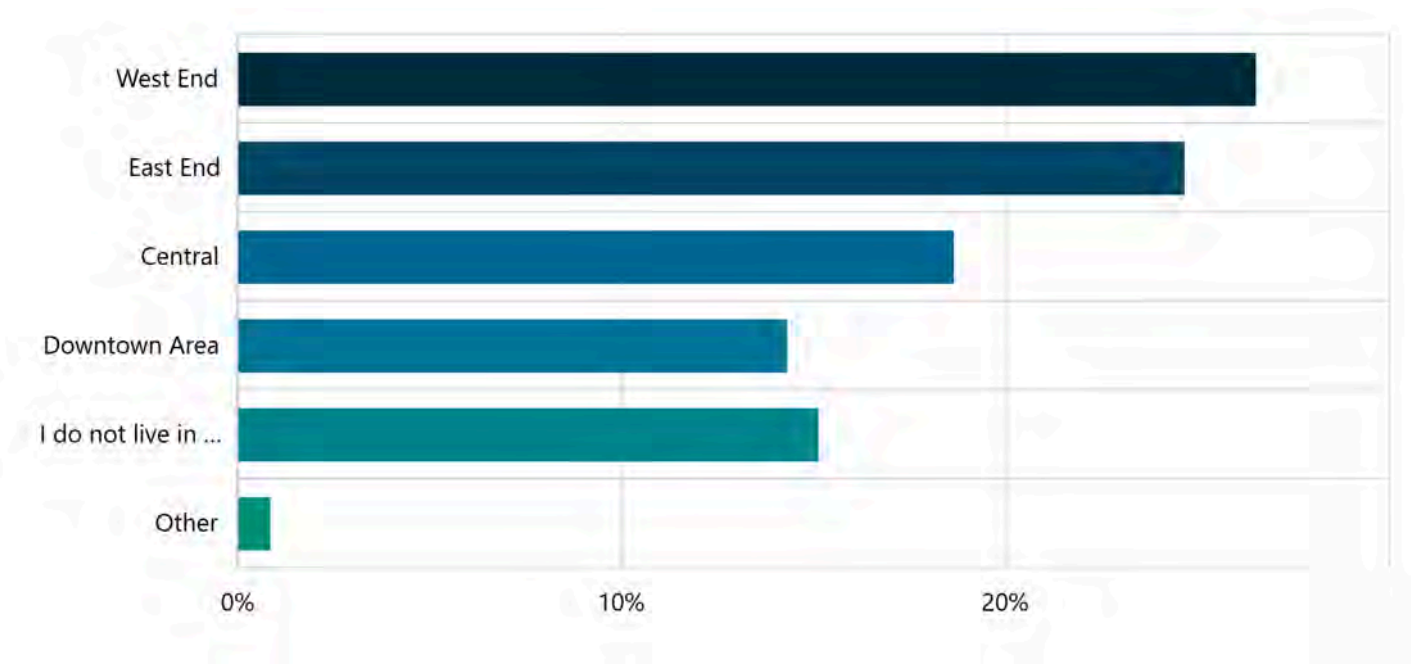
Multi Choice | Skipped: 11 | Answered: 481 (97.8%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Single adult (no children)	9.56%	46
Couple with children	40.33%	194
Couple without children	26.40%	127
Single parent with children	4.37%	21
Multigenerational household (e.g., grandparents, parents, children)	10.19%	49
Multiple adults with children	3.74%	18
Multiple adults without children	5.41%	26
Total	100.00%	481

38. Where do you live in Cobourg? Required

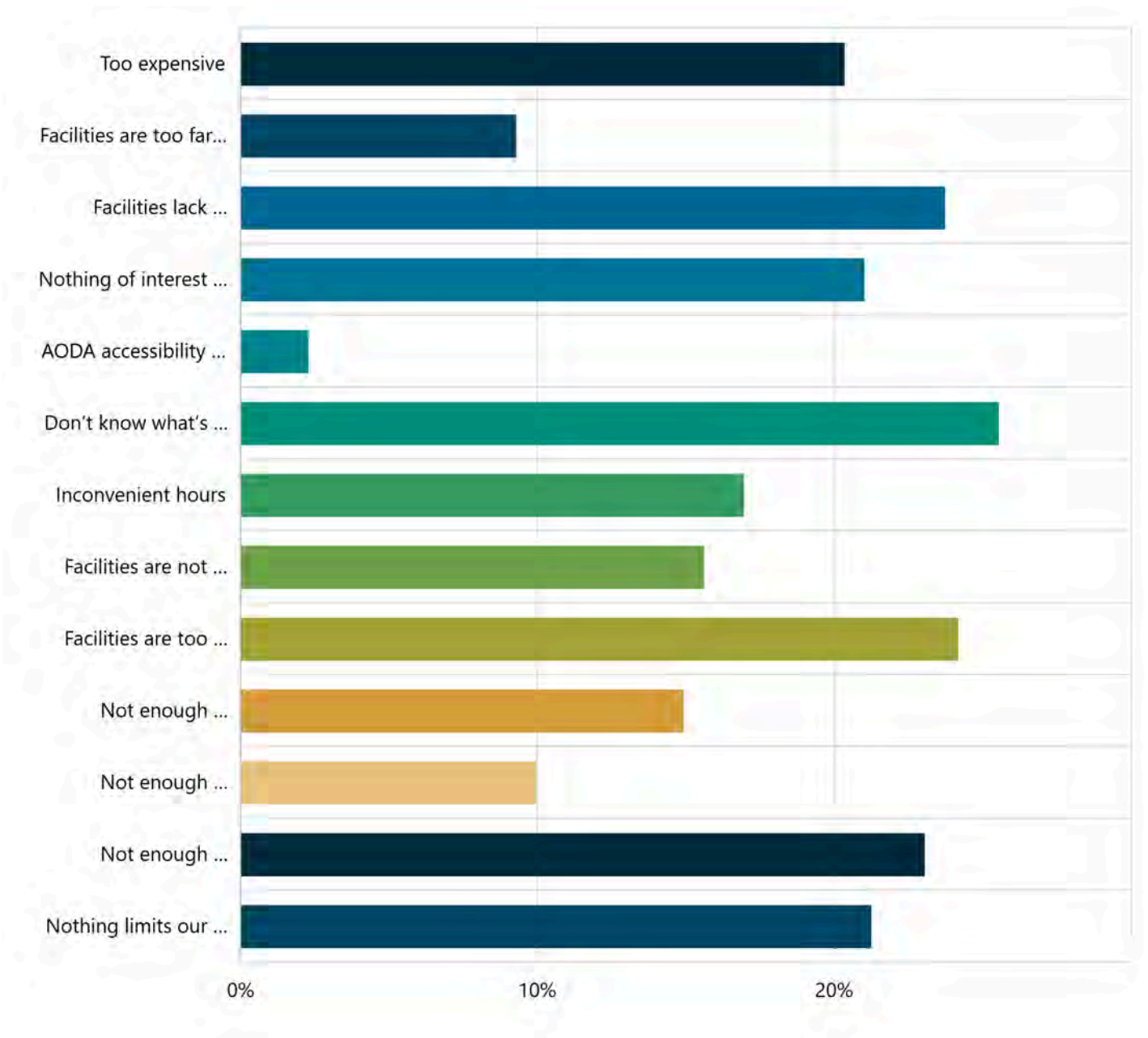
Multi Choice | Skipped: 9 | Answered: 483 (98.2%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
West End	26.50%	128
East End	24.64%	119
Central	18.63%	90
Downtown Area	14.29%	69
I do not live in Cobourg but do live in Northumberland County	15.11%	73
Other	0.83%	4
Total	100.00%	483

39. Which of the following factors, if any, prevents or limits your household from participating in recreation opportunities? (Check all that apply.) Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 49 | Answered: 443 (90%)

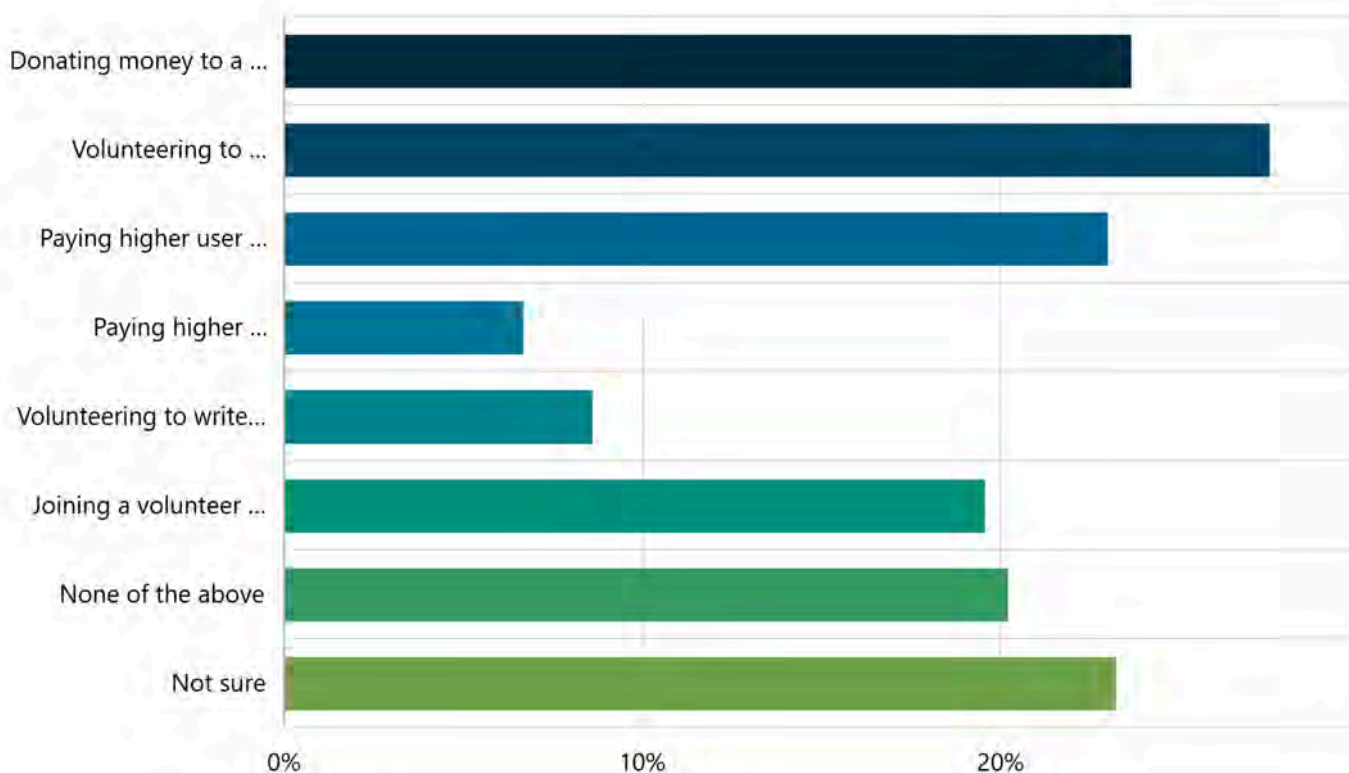


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Too expensive	20.32%	90
Facilities are too far from home/transportation difficulties	9.26%	41
Facilities lack sufficient parking	23.70%	105
Nothing of interest offered	20.99%	93
AODA accessibility barriers	2.26%	10
Don't know what's available/can't find information	25.51%	113

Inconvenient hours	16.93%	75
Facilities are not available when needed	15.58%	69
Facilities are too busy or lack sufficient space/equipment	24.15%	107
Not enough recreation opportunities for children	14.90%	66
Not enough recreation opportunities for teens	9.93%	44
Not enough recreation opportunities for adults	23.02%	102
Nothing limits our participation	21.22%	94

40. Would you/your household contribute to the development/improvement of municipal recreation facilities or services in Cobourg through any of the following methods? (Check all that apply.) Required

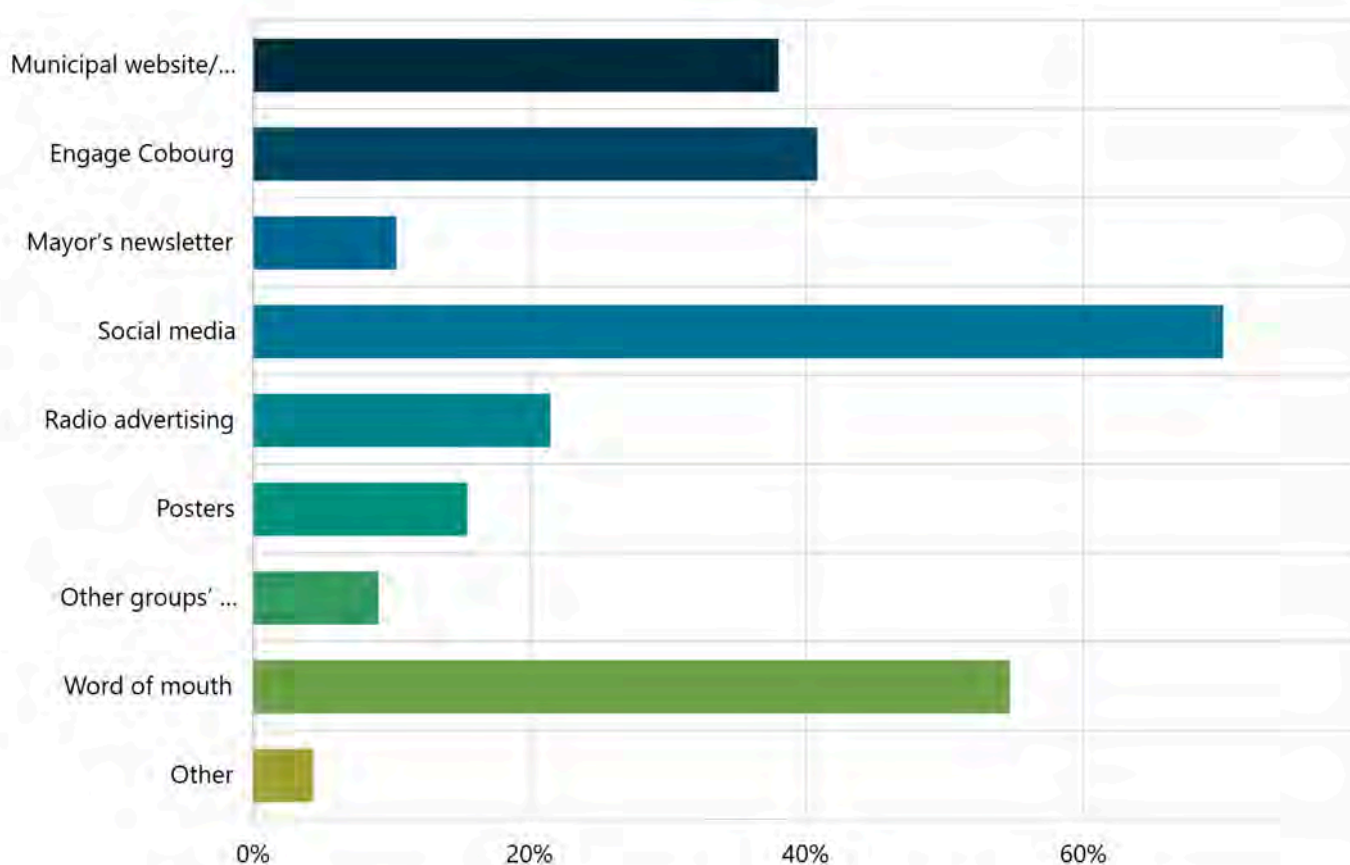
Multi Choice | Skipped: 26 | Answered: 466 (94.7%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Donating money to a capital campaign/fundraising effort	23.61%	110
Volunteering to organize/assist with fundraising efforts	27.47%	128
Paying higher user fees (e.g., paying more to rent a recreation facility, participate in a recreation program, carry a membership, etc.)	22.96%	107
Paying higher property taxes	6.65%	31
Volunteering to write applications for grants or seek out donors/sponsors	8.58%	40
Joining a volunteer stewardship group (e.g., Friends of 'x' Park)	19.53%	91
None of the above	20.17%	94
Not sure	23.18%	108

41. How do you learn about what's happening in Cobourg? (Check all that apply.) Required

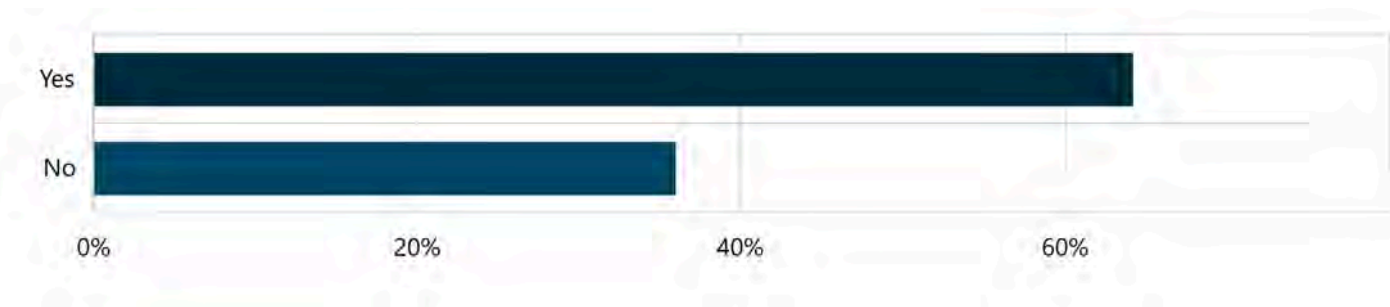
Multi Choice | Skipped: 25 | Answered: 467 (94.9%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Municipal website/Events Calendar	37.90%	177
Engage Cobourg	40.69%	190
Mayor's newsletter	10.28%	48
Social media	70.02%	327
Radio advertising	21.41%	100
Posters	15.42%	72
Other groups' newsletters (e.g., Seniors Centre, Concert Hall)	8.99%	42
Word of mouth	54.60%	255
Other	4.28%	20

42. Do members of your household travel outside of Cobourg to use recreation services? Required

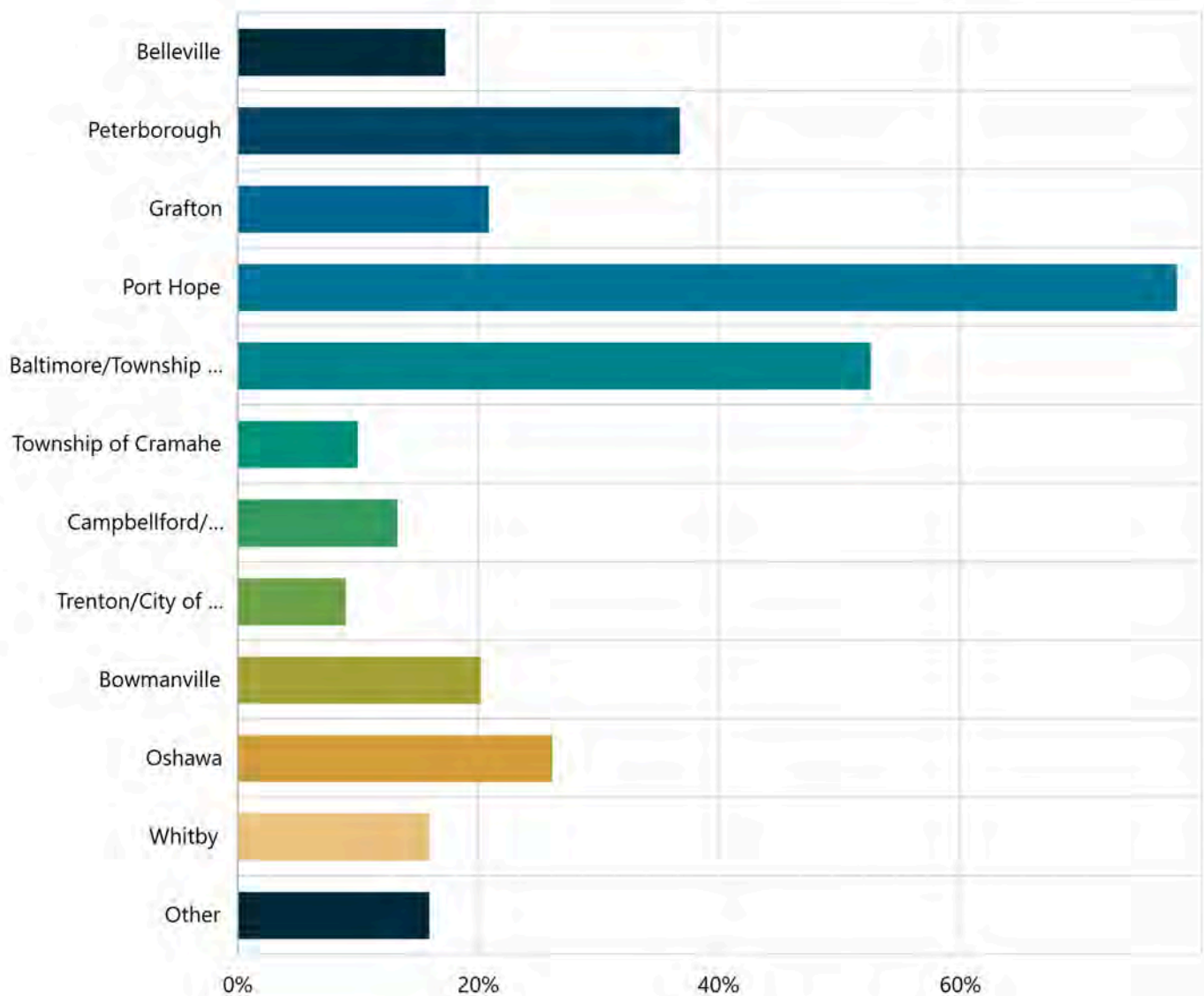
Multi Choice | Skipped: 7 | Answered: 485 (98.6%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes	64.12%	311
No	35.88%	174
Total	100.00%	485

43. Which municipalities outside of Cobourg do you travel to for recreation services? Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 189 | Answered: 303 (61.6%)



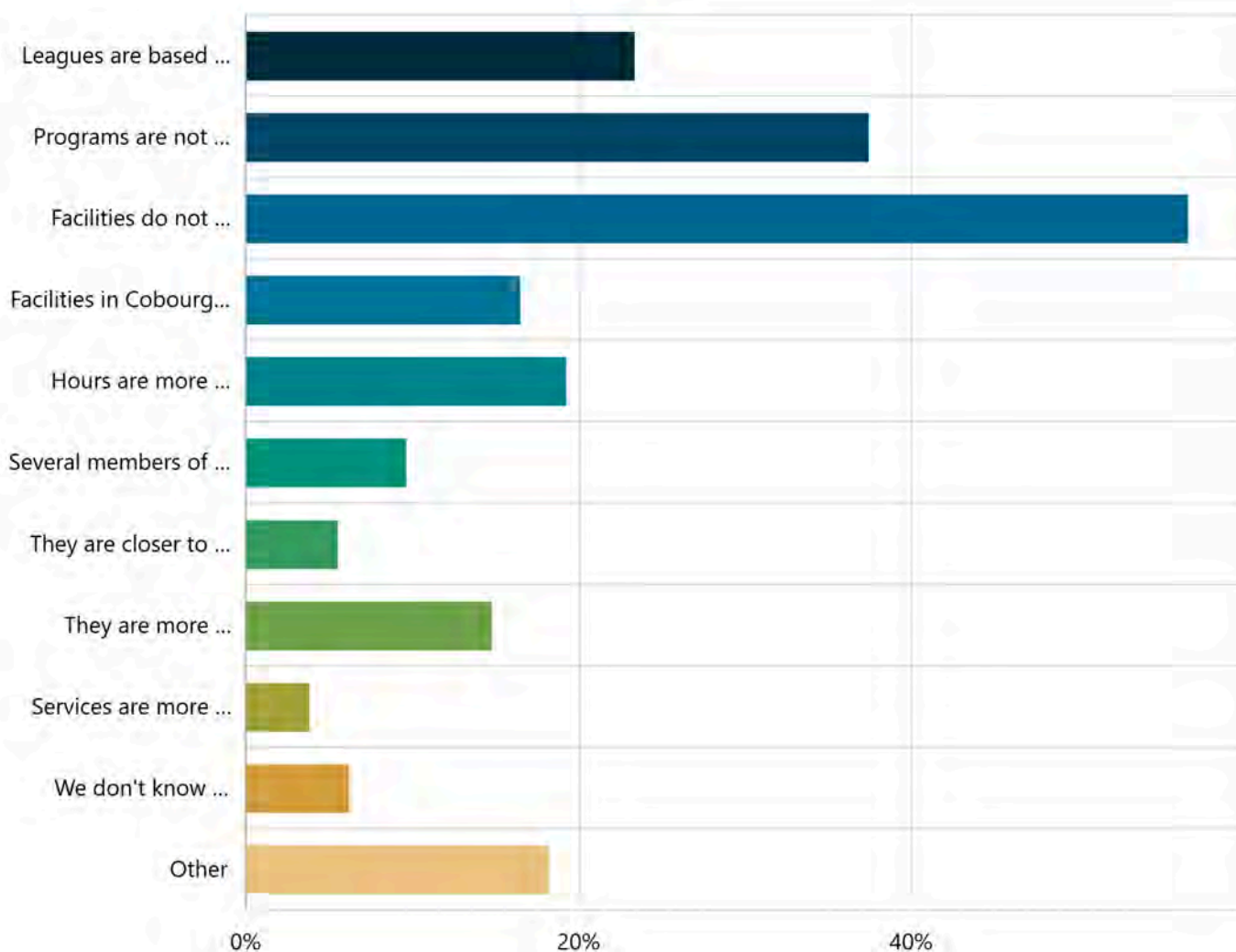
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Belleville	17.16%	52
Peterborough	36.63%	111
Grafton	20.79%	63
Port Hope	77.89%	236
Baltimore/Township of Hamilton	52.48%	159
Township of Cramahe	9.90%	30
Campbellford/Municipality of Trent Hills	13.20%	40
Trenton/City of Quinte West	8.91%	27

Bowmanville	20.13%	61
Oshawa	26.07%	79
Whitby	15.84%	48
Other	15.84%	48

44. Why do you use recreation services in these communities instead of in Cobourg? (Check all that apply.)

Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 200 | Answered: 292 (59.3%)

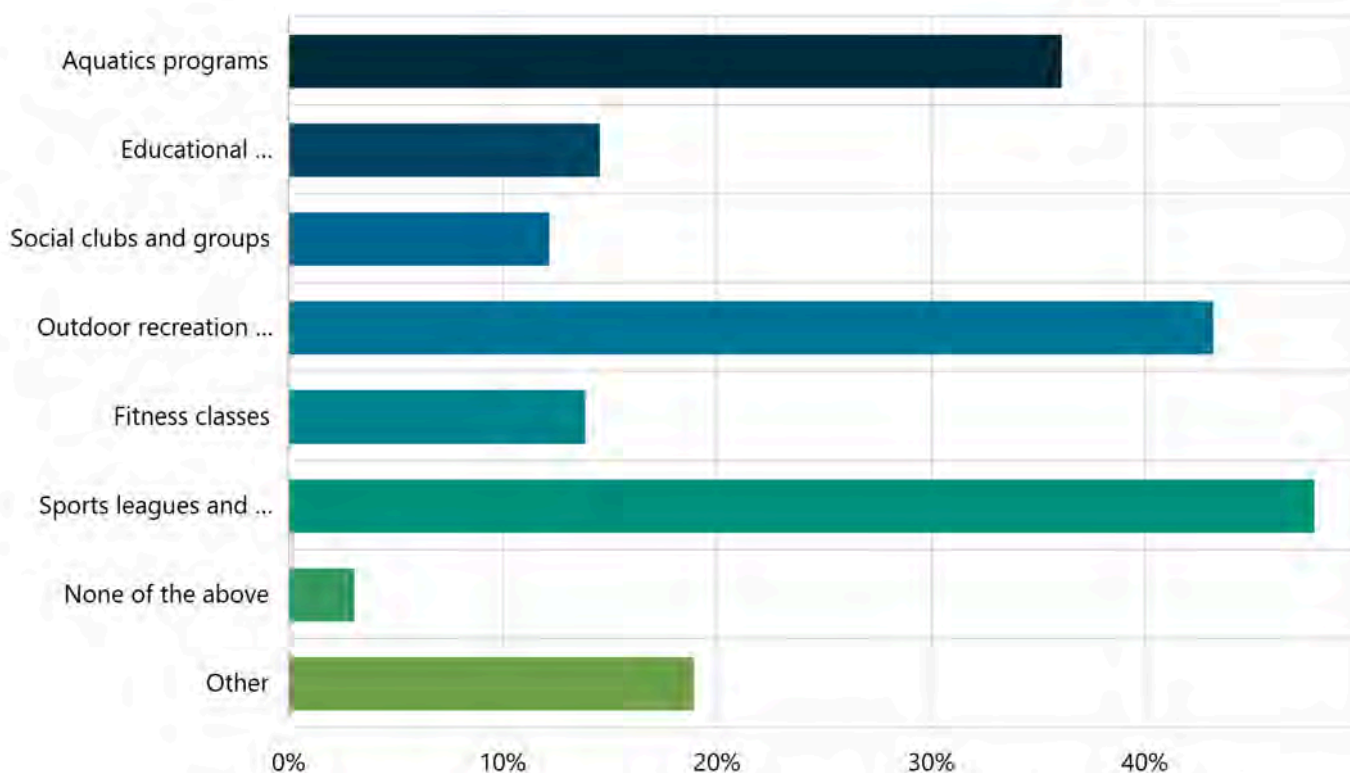


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Leagues are based outside of Cobourg	23.29%	68
Programs are not available in Cobourg	37.33%	109
Facilities do not exist in Cobourg	56.51%	165
Facilities in Cobourg are not available to rent when needed	16.44%	48
Hours are more convenient	19.18%	56
Several members of household can participate at the same time	9.59%	28
They are closer to work and/or we use them in conjunction with trips to shop, etc.	5.48%	16
They are more affordable	14.73%	43
Services are more accessible (i.e., cognitive, sensory, physical, or developmental accessibility)	3.77%	11

We don't know what's available in Cobourg	6.16%	18
Other	18.15%	53

45. Which of the following programs/activities do you or members of your household use in these communities? (Check all that apply.) Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 195 | Answered: 297 (60.4%)

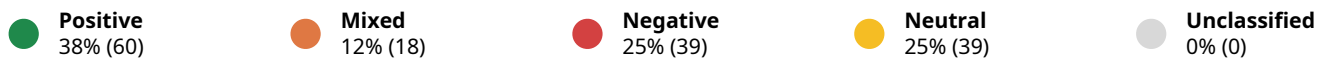


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Aquatics programs	36.03%	107
Educational workshops/Art classes	14.48%	43
Social clubs and groups	12.12%	36
Outdoor recreation (e.g., snowshoeing, cycling, etc.)	43.10%	128
Fitness classes	13.80%	41
Sports leagues and tournaments	47.81%	142
None of the above	3.03%	9
Other	18.86%	56

46. If there are any additional comments you would like to make, please provide them below.

Long Text | Skipped: 336 | Answered: 156 (31.7%)

Sentiment



Tags

No tag data

Featured Contributions

Thank you too all who help make the Cobourg Community a place where everyone belongs and can participate in a variety of activities.
Contribution 156 of 156 | November 17, 2025

Need more sidewalks in the east end of Cobourg
Contribution 155 of 156 | November 17, 2025

We need more recreational programs for seniors; specifically classes, lectures, workshops. Life long learners are an important part of any community. We have many citizens with amazing experiences who could lead/teach classes in their area of expertise. We need a location for an adult learning center. We need a good size indoor pool with capacity for classes, lane swims, recreational programs.
Contribution 154 of 156 | November 17, 2025

Top priority for us: There need to be more quiet spaces where nature can be appreciated, especially with the expected population growth. Cobourg Beach for example could benefit from a quiet zone away from summertime activities like volleyball and blaring radios. The garden at the far east end of the beach, near the motel, could service this purpose very well. Further Comment: Cobourg parks generally are well designed and maintained at present, with a good mixture of open space and natural areas. The Parks Dept deserves a high grade for its efforts.
Contribution 153 of 156 | November 17, 2025

We love Cobourg. It has so much potential and we just want it to thrive! It will need to adjust to its growing population by providing growing its facilities, resources and services.
Contribution 152 of 156 | November 17, 2025

The parcel of land which the town owns (previous school football field down by the board walk) should not even be considered to be sold. This is prime waterfront property which should be kept for town constituents to use and enjoy. Here are a few ideas of what can be done with this land for the community to enjoy. Tennis / pickleball courts. Outdoor pool. Multi functional building (community hall)
Contribution 151 of 156 | November 15, 2025

The town needs to start providing more programming and activities especially for ages 12-25ish. There is not much to do within the town or even the County for teens, especially highschool students and it follows them into young adult-hood and college because oftentimes they move out of town for post-secondary education as there is no college or university here and Loyalist in Port Hope has less than a handful of college programs offered. These young adults typically stay living outside of Cobourg once they graduate from studies because those other cities they moved to have more things to offer them.
Contribution 150 of 156 | November 15, 2025

We desperately need more outdoor facilities to keep the youth occupied, and for families to enjoy. An outdoor hockey rink for winter pick-up hockey, and a proper skatepark and pump track are at the top of our list.

Contribution 149 of 156 | November 14, 2025

Some suggestions: 1. Play structure in Donegan Park needs maintenance. Raw metal edges on steps. Very dangerous. 2. Walkway between Abbott and Donegan should be paved (it's a mud pit in the spring). Also, trim back the bushes so it's wide enough for people to pass. It would also be nice if this paved path extended over to Darcy between the trees to encourage people to stay off the baseball diamonds when games are on. 3. The right hand shoulder of Brook Road north going up the hill by the old Winchester plant is incredibly dangerous for cyclists. It should be paved. Cars fly by and can't get over for a cyclist because they don't know what's coming over the hill. Cyclists struggle to get up this hill and need the extra space. A 4 inch shoulder just doesn't work. 4. Have you thought about paving a walking/running path around the periphery of Donegan Park. I'm guessing you could construct a 1Km path. 5. Add a pathway from the NE corner of Victoria Park down to meet the central pathway down the centre in the same way as from the NW corner.

Contribution 148 of 156 | November 14, 2025

The YMCA is old, stuffy, crowded and feels like a private facility, not a public one. We need a very good indoor aquatic centre.

Contribution 147 of 156 | November 13, 2025

Fix the soccer fields, for the price we all pay to play, we deserve much better. The beach needs to be cleaned better to ensure people are safe. The town needs a high quality sports complex with basketball courts.

Contribution 146 of 156 | November 13, 2025

Can we please consider a waterfront trail between Cobourg and Port Hope. ie in Ajax 905-377-8728 William. Thank you More access to the lake for public Need is for free parking I have to Pay to park in order to attend everything downtown beach restaurants etc. Thank you

Contribution 145 of 156 | November 13, 2025

The CCC needs to have programs for all ages.

Contribution 144 of 156 | November 12, 2025

The "Pebble Beach" park requires a proper name and signage and a maintained walking trail. We need a stewardship group to help look after the property. The property needs to be surveyed so the boundaries are known by users and adjacent landowners. This park should remain more natural for wildlife.

Contribution 143 of 156 | November 12, 2025

Restore Biodiversity of Cobourg's natural plant life

Contribution 142 of 156 | November 12, 2025

Changing demographics are determining factors for what will be needed.

Contribution 141 of 156 | November 12, 2025

Ecological integrity should be at the forefront of Parks action using the Presq'ile flora as a model for what is possible in Cobourg. Restoring ecological damage done since colonialism should be a big part of this conversation. Thanks.

Contribution 140 of 156 | November 11, 2025

It is unfortunate that there is a pre-registration system at the CCC. I understand that it is necessary, given that there is only one fitness Instructor. However, I have been participating briefly at the YMCA and there are a very large number of former CCC members at the Y. Both facilities are overflowing.

Contribution 139 of 156 | November 11, 2025

I can't stress enough how important it is to maintain and upgrade the public facilities around Victoria Park and the beach area. It has fallen in the past 5 years. The washrooms are long overdue for a renovation. Porta potties should only be necessary during big events like ribfest and waterfront festival.

Contribution 138 of 156 | November 11, 2025

No

Contribution 137 of 156 | November 11, 2025

Soccer is the third sport behind hockey and baseball. The town has promised for 60 years to take care of soccer with fields and maintenance support but the chosen few who can participate in hockey and baseball have always got the best support. If soccer needs some support, it gets put on the list. If hockey expresses a need a new score board, it arrives the following week.

Contribution 136 of 156 | November 11, 2025

I know the local hockey leagues (nighthawks and wild) are struggling to grow as organizations due to the lack of ice availability. Many kids and parents want to play here but other organizations offer more ice with consistent times making life easier for them even though they are travelling an additional 20-60mins. The lack of available ice due to men and women's leagues and outside organizations has cause the two local organizations to struggle to add teams when the demand is there. Another rink would be amazing but I know this won't help my kids growing up but I do know it will be great for the young ones who will be starting soon.

Contribution 135 of 156 | November 11, 2025

Keep outdoor recreation and enjoyment a priority for the master plan rather than development

Contribution 134 of 156 | November 11, 2025

Please invest in updating the beach and downtown it's looking tired. As well, please take the marina and yacht club into consideration, not many places have a harbour like this and we should be focused on maintaining it and showcasing it. Rebuild the pier. It's been too long and we clearly used it.

Contribution 133 of 156 | November 10, 2025

The Town should prioritize protecting and maintaining current facilities. I note there was no specific question about Centennial Pool but there is strong desire to maintain that facility. Additional facilities should be added as needed to support population growth. For example, the Town may soon require a second pool facility with lane and therapy pools to meet the diverse needs of different age and ability groups that are difficult for the current Y to meet with one pool. Some special attention should be paid to the summer season beach situation. As a resident, I enjoy visiting the beach year round, including in the summer. The waterfront parking pass has been a great way to get parking in summer. However, the beach itself is at or over capacity on weekends. I think it's time for the Town to consider setting a capacity limit and requiring out of town visitors to the beach to purchase a pass in advance. The pass could cover parking but then the beach would not be so uncomfortably crowded as to be inaccessible to local residents.

Contribution 132 of 156 | November 10, 2025

Parking comes up a few times in this survey. I want to take this opportunity to remind those who haven't already read it: "The high cost of free parking" by Donald Shoup argues why parking should not be free, and there should probably be less of it in our cities and towns. I'm not saying don't build any parking, but please resist caving to the relentless clamor for more parking. More parks, please, not more parking! if people want to park, they can pay market rate in a dynamic pricing scheme.

Contribution 131 of 156 | November 10, 2025

A much more updated, user friendly, and inclusive indoor artificial turf is needed within Northumberland County. The Baltimore turf, while great, can no longer accommodate all the groups that use it - soccer (all genders/all ages), baseball (all genders/all ages) lacrosse (all genders/all ages). Municipalities with large indoor multi-sport facilities can accommodate all of these sports as well ultimate frisbee, badminton, some offer volleyball or basketball. The arterial turf can be a great surface for rehab programs and indoor fitness options as well

Contribution 130 of 156 | November 10, 2025

Baseball is going to explode in popularity going forward, town needs to get the useage rate in Donegan down. Too many clinics, games and no rotation to south and east diamonds. We cant use the park when its totally over run, and with warmer climate induced weather seasons for both baseball and soccer seem to never end. I would also like to see trimming of bright night lights often on after events are over.

Contribution 129 of 156 | November 10, 2025

Communication regarding events is severely lacking. Many events this past summer were advertised on Instagram only a few days beforehand (we were not able to fit into our schedule on such short notice), and lacking crucial details (time/date/location). Information is often difficult to find, and is not consistent across platforms (Instagram, Facebook, town website).

Contribution 128 of 156 | November 10, 2025

The Cobourg YMCA has been very poorly maintained and operated for many years. Its not lacking members and we pay a significant amount for monthly fee's so it gives the impression of mis-managment. We would like to see a greater focus on maintaining and operating the facility in a more professional manner. The people are all very nice but it seems that complacency has set in.

Contribution 127 of 156 | November 10, 2025

There's not enough ice/ice time in Northumberland County to meet the needs of the various hockey and other ice organizations + Town-run programs.

Contribution 126 of 156 | November 10, 2025

All in all I believe there are enough activities available in the Cobourg/Port Hope area to go to . . you just have to join in.

Contribution 125 of 156 | November 10, 2025

There is nothing in the survey that suggests or questions the importance of our pier and its potential for expansion in any of the forementioned categories

Contribution 124 of 156 | November 10, 2025

Make the CCC a Multi functional building with pool, restaurant, bar, outdoor track and a hotel between the CCC & Legion Fields to help bring more tournaments to our community. OR Hotel to our downtown core, build in the field space behind the west side of Legion village. OR Utilize the Northumberland mall for a mega multi-purpose sports facility or hotel.

Contribution 123 of 156 | November 10, 2025

Yes. Re Campground. I would like to choose -Transition the site to multi-use purposes that accommodate both camping as well as events and parking- except that it would have to be guaranteed that the proposed (but unknown) events would not interfere with the current camping facilities/schedule AND the parking would also not interfere with the campgrounds.

Contribution 122 of 156 | November 10, 2025

We need to focus on our town and county's residents first when it comes to free services; we need to continue to welcome those from other regions, but do so in a way that we do not encourage activities that cost us (free park use with garbage collection at our expense

as an obvious one), but rather revenue generating tourism, along with growth in hotel and service industry (hotel on the current camp site grounds, with camping moved to new location perhaps). Contribution 121 of 156 November 10, 2025
Property taxes very high. Need to cut costs/programs in parks and recreation budget Contribution 120 of 156 November 10, 2025
Our daughters soccer league would benefit from having a new/updated indoor/outdoor turf facility. Contribution 119 of 156 November 10, 2025
Get rid of that campground for good! Hotel/ multi surf and turf restaurant (KEG) or other high end restaurant. Lobby them!!! Get a spa/multiuse recreational space and Marriott hotel chain. LOBBY THEM!! Valuable beach front space that is open all year, tax income for the Town and will offer more jobs, interest in the ghost town we currently have. 25 years here and if I see another coffee shop, my lord. Wasted campground space that could generate income for the town, keep tax dollars here for locals and offer residents some glam to our boring downtown. Contribution 118 of 156 November 10, 2025
The cost to participate in senior programs increased by twice the amount of previous years!! Why??? Contribution 117 of 156 November 10, 2025
More multi use indoor space is needed and would be used quickly Contribution 116 of 156 November 10, 2025
Better upkeep of second street pathway. Grass watering and cutting, weed control and garbage cleaning. More garbage cans. Contribution 115 of 156 November 10, 2025
It's time to put a playground on Daintry Crescent Contribution 114 of 156 November 10, 2025
This survey appears to be biased in favour of residents who want more of everything. Let's work on reducing costly events and programs to prevent increases in property taxes. Contribution 113 of 156 November 10, 2025
Do not hike our taxes to pay for more unnecessary services. We are taxed to death as it is!!! Contribution 112 of 156 November 10, 2025
Could we please have lights at the skatepark? Contribution 111 of 156 November 10, 2025
I know this was for town of cobourg, however hamilton township is connected to cobourg and it would be nice to build on parks and rec options together? Contribution 110 of 156 November 9, 2025

It was extremely concerning to witness open drug users loitering at the top of Victoria Park in particular all summer long, all day long. Decided not to use the park this past summer. I realize this is not a parks issue, but this made it unusable to us.
Contribution 109 of 156 | November 9, 2025

Victoria park is a beautiful park on the lake but unfortunately it doesn't feel safe to be there with my toddler anymore. The amount of drug users and drug paraphernalia is concerning and deters us from going there. I would like to see the RV campsite moved - it is an eye sore and that space could serve local people better. I would like to see a playground in New Amherst - there are a lot of young families in this neighborhood that would benefit from having one. An indoor warm pool would be welcome - we drive to Port Hope to use theirs. An indoor turf field like the one in Hastings would be beneficial for the community and would be put to great use.
Contribution 108 of 156 | November 8, 2025

Please ensure accessible parks with fencing and often checks for drugs and needles. Teen options to engage them.
Contribution 107 of 156 | November 8, 2025

Fenced playgrounds would be an added safety feature for patients with young kids. A playground in the west end of cobourg in the new Amherst community is really needed for all the families with young children in the community.
Contribution 106 of 156 | November 8, 2025

We support a child with a disability and it is such a need in Northumberland to have a gated fenced in playground. Parents are constant talking about how we wish there was a playground that was fully fenced in for children with disabilities and for child safety. If one of the parks that exists could be funded to fully fence it in that would be SUCH a wonderful addition to our community and make so many children and parents feel safe and make parks more accessible.
Contribution 105 of 156 | November 8, 2025

Ultimately it should not fall to the resident of the town only to provide the additional funds for expansion or addition. Higher property taxes will not benefit the community at the state it is currently in. Community spaces could be cared for if there wasn't a separate crisis going on in our most popular recreational and public areas to be dealt with first.
Contribution 104 of 156 | November 8, 2025

Please keep Centennial pool open every summer. It's a gem!
Contribution 103 of 156 | November 8, 2025

An additional splash pad facility would be useful. Shade coverage at Westwood park with seating. CCC more advertising for skating registration and other program registrations. Improvements to outdoor pool is essential.
Contribution 102 of 156 | November 8, 2025

There is not enough in Cobourg for our teens to do. The skate park is small, parks are very small, many are too scared or not allowed to visit certain areas due to the homeless and addicts who take up camp there, the beach has become far too crowded to the point most Cobourg residents avoid the area completely. Families come from out of town and take up entire sections of both the beach and green space making it impossible for others to enjoy the area, not to mention having to pay to park there now the cost is insane.. The town of Cobourg seems to be more concerned with making it a tourist attraction than ensuring the residents who pay taxes get to enjoy and participate in their town.
Contribution 101 of 156 | November 7, 2025

There should be at least 3x dog parks
Contribution 100 of 156 | November 7, 2025

The pier and marina feel like such a missed opportunity in our community. Visit any other waterfront town and see it thrive! We should have waterfront dining and entertainment. The pier should be green and lively and encourage movement and cyclists and runners. Pickleball is being played on rundown tennis courts while other towns have brand new facilities. It does feel like hockey families were given a brand new arena and everyone else is left with run down facilities — Soccer, pickleball, basketball, dancers.

Contribution 99 of 156 | November 7, 2025

We are new residents of Cobourg, we moved here a year ago from Durham we've been regular visitors in the past. Our observation of downtown Cobourg is that it is vibrant, there's lots of variety in the types of stores, cafes, restaurants, entertainment - that Concert Hall is such a unique gem. The downtown business association needs to be supported to maintain this vibrancy. We think the key to maintaining a vibrant downtown is parking. Unlike Bowmanville, in Cobourg we can always find parking in lots within walking distance of the downtown core and this is what keeps us coming back. It is the downfall of downtown Bowmanville. Keep up the great work.

Contribution 98 of 156 | November 7, 2025

Higher fees for non-Cobourg residents

Contribution 97 of 156 | November 7, 2025

I would like to go downtown to some of the events but the parking is to expensive.

Contribution 96 of 156 | November 6, 2025

Thank you for the opportunity and the future thinking. We need to maintain what we have before building more, eg park space, CCC.

Contribution 95 of 156 | November 6, 2025

I didn't get to finish my blurb on legion field I guess I'm only allowed so many words. I would really appreciate a email why it's not open .I love this town and I love mostly everything about it .You all do a good job .Thank you .

Contribution 94 of 156 | November 5, 2025

Students should be divided in areas and the best areas, cleaning, weed removal.... Should be rewarded with a dollar amount as a reward. Students must be given proper instructions and tools for the job they are doing.

Contribution 93 of 156 | November 5, 2025

Green space should not be designated a "park" if it does not have adequate parking, washrooms and seating. For example, across MacDonald, off Elgin Street and Westwood Park, off Carlisle Street.

Contribution 92 of 156 | November 5, 2025

I find biking here frustrating! Bike lanes come and go. They are not maintained well. I have had to go and cut branches, so I can bike in The lane. I also find there are many holes in the lanes. I love to walk trails. There are no shaded trails.

Contribution 91 of 156 | November 5, 2025

Me and my family love cobourg. Coming from a bigger city before there is a large gap for fitness facilities at an affordable price. The beach is lovely. We do find there is a lack of playgrounds. Parking can also be inconvenient at events. Thanks for the opportunity for giving feedback!

Contribution 90 of 156 | November 5, 2025

A lot of people bicycle in Cobourg. More paths should be built and improvements made to existing (harbour area repair in particular). No good options to ride to neighbouring towns. Electric bikes have changed the landscape.
Contribution 89 of 156 | November 5, 2025

Everyone I know would love to see a small boutique hotel where the trailer park is. It can have a restaurant, spa. We're closer to Toronto than PEC we should be elevating our destination status not filling the beach with people who trash it and don't patronize local businesses
Contribution 88 of 156 | November 4, 2025

Encourage/require new development to provide more/better; ensure older neighbourhoods meet parkland standards especially in light of intensification of infill building; do not let new downtown residential projects use existing public parklands and recreation facilities as part of their required parkland amenity as it interfere with carrying capacity of green spaces and public squares. Identify needed recreation needs and collect D/Cs for amenities and public outdoor art (universal method of wayfinding). Ban smoking and substance intoxication in public parks and recreational facilities. Fix the harbour piers and allow people to walk to the lighthouse in fine weather.
Contribution 87 of 156 | November 4, 2025

In general, it would be great if we could use some of the forested areas in Cobourg as trails like in northumberland forest. It would be nice if these already exist if there were trail maps or markings on them. Cobourg has excellent waterfront areas and lots of access to parks and climbers for kids, but it seriously lacks shade and forest cover. It would be nice to see some parks that are more forested like Lemoine point in Kingston, which is next to an airport and you can see owls, deer, foxes, etc. quite easily, not to mention access the water and walk among mature trees.
Contribution 86 of 156 | November 4, 2025

I grew up in the area and went to high school in Cobourg. I truly miss the pier and getting a free car wash from the waves. The rides being on the pier was truly a magical experience. The cost of parking is just crazy even for locals.
Contribution 85 of 156 | November 4, 2025

Chipping Park Blvd area has very little places for recreation. There is a dilapidated baseball diamond and small playground. This park could be much better utilized. Also some kind of bridge pedestrian bridge connection should be made between the dog park and the Cobourg conservation area. This would see both areas better utilized.
Contribution 84 of 156 | November 4, 2025

Please make a forest trail in town, or a couple. Thank you.
Contribution 83 of 156 | November 3, 2025

NON -Resident need to pay higher user fees, these facilities are supported by Cobourg Taxpayers out of town users fees should reflect full cost recovery. No increase fees for Cobourg residents or business. parking at CCC need immediate improvement to traffic flow and added spaces overflow parking is not maintain to a safe and passable standard which leave municipality open to liability. These facilities need to be managed by an outside resources that will maximize its potential revenue generation. Hopefully to off set the millions of dollars taxpayers must cover each year to keep these facilities open. Only recover 20% of what it cost to run these facilities. Cobourg staff either need to do better or let it be outsourced by a private company to manage!!
Contribution 82 of 156 | November 3, 2025

The trailer park area at the beach should be converted to a shaded picnic area with gardens. I'm sorry, but there shouldn't be trailers in a beach area that's for everybody! The central washroom facilities should be replaced with a larger building with additional change rooms. There are not enough of these facilities at the beach area.
Contribution 81 of 156 | November 3, 2025

Great facilities in Cobourg. A swimming pool at CCC would be great. I use the YMCA to swim. \$11 per use!
Contribution 80 of 156 | November 3, 2025

In your question why don't I use recreational programs in Cobourg you forgot one important answer: We don't have time. Partially because we're too busy working 2 jobs to pay the ever exploding property taxes. You really need to prioritize cost savings over all moving forward or people won't be able to use any of your programs or facilities anyways.... Also you really need to drastically increase user fees for out of towners. It is just straight unacceptable that I pay for them to use our services for next to nothing.
Contribution 79 of 156 | November 3, 2025

I'm currently baffled that a town this size does not have evening, indoor, drop-in pickleball for adults or all-ages. Really, general adult programming that works for a daytime employed adult is truly lacking.
Contribution 78 of 156 | November 2, 2025

Please connect bike lanes. Should have done this before revamping the boardwalk to be exactly what it was before the renovation. Free parking for residents downtown. I pay enough property taxes for this to be offered.
Contribution 77 of 156 | November 2, 2025

We appreciate the variety of indoor and outdoor spaces in Cobourg and make use of them regularly as a family with our kids and with other adults. We support the expansion and modernization of these spaces (sports facilities, trails, community centres) over the next ten years in our community. Please continue to support bike lanes, bike racks, and garbage/recycling along the lakeshore to avoid pollution and protection of wild spaces within our community.
Contribution 76 of 156 | November 1, 2025

Cobourg is a lovely community but I would love to see more playgrounds (up to date) in the community and a community indoor swimming pool and programs for toddler/preschoolers like parent and tot programs.
Contribution 75 of 156 | November 1, 2025

It is important for the town to develop and maintain green space for citizens to enjoy. Not to sell out to condo developers.
Contribution 74 of 156 | October 31, 2025

We live just a few houses from Victoria Park. Unfortunately, we are seeing a substantial increase in the number of homeless, addicted and mentally ill in our public parks. Housing, treatment, rehabilitation and support services are needed to improve the lives of these individuals and to improve our park experience. Focus on that issue please.
Contribution 73 of 156 | October 30, 2025

Link the snowmobile trail/ATV trail with a route directly down into Cobourg for more tourist investment in the town.
Contribution 72 of 156 | October 29, 2025

Please provide Cobourg with proper outdoor pickleball courts.
Contribution 71 of 156 | October 28, 2025

The population of Cobourg has a great number of seniors and seniors coming to join the community. Parking for events is either very limited or too expensive. Walking there as we are in the general downtown is too much for health reasons. Food at the events has been very expensive. Last time we tried a lower priced hamburger. It was of very poor quality. The other stands had hamburgers generally priced at \$12 a burger only. For two hamburgers \$24 plus tax. Too pricey. Otherwise on a very hot summer day another choice was

french fries - a bit greasy for such a hot day. The rest of the fare was very expensive also.
Contribution 70 of 156 | October 28, 2025

WE travel to attend regattas for sailing, sailing camps We volunteer tirelessly for the church and for many Cobourg groups. We have always been involved in special events and many clubs.
Contribution 69 of 156 | October 28, 2025

Sinclair needs to be resurfaced- the Pickleball Club is affordable and offers physical exercises and a social outlet for seniors and other Cobourg taxpayers.
Contribution 68 of 156 | October 28, 2025

Please clean up downtown parks. The homeless situation has created barriers to families taking kids to parks.
Contribution 67 of 156 | October 27, 2025

No
Contribution 66 of 156 | October 27, 2025

There needs to be a ballance between serving local families in our own towns, vs revenue generating events, tournaments that bring in people and money from outside the community, but in that event time limit the access to space and avalable activities to our local families. Big concert plugs parking lots, increases traffic so kids not safe to go to sorrer field or park nearby. Or access facilities other rooms.
Contribution 65 of 156 | October 27, 2025

The need to maintain the outdoor pool.
Contribution 64 of 156 | October 27, 2025

Please support (both financially and emotionally) your residents to be healthy and active and want to use spaces, especially outdoors.
Contribution 63 of 156 | October 27, 2025

Cobourg parks and recreation are doing a great job. Thank you.
Contribution 62 of 156 | October 26, 2025

User fees are not the answer. They discriminate against many different age and economic groups in community. Would be glad to provide usership hours at Delanty Park facility. User hours vs municipal cost proves this facility is a huge community positive asset. (VS playground and especially the ballfield)
Contribution 61 of 156 | October 26, 2025

Please add pickleball it's a huge sport here and we need courts inside and outside and programs
Contribution 60 of 156 | October 26, 2025

Cobourg needs Pickleball courts. Most have to go to Port Hope and Peterborough. Get with the program. Only town that doesn't have designated Pickleball Courts.

Communications need a more cohesive funnel to get to people. It takes WAY too much time to figure out what's going on where, and when. In searching for tennis lessons for my 8 year old, I got overwhelmed and annoyed with trying to find options between the Coverdale and Port Hope racquet clubs. I ended up taking him to Matchpoint in Whitby/Iroquois Park. They offered a streamlined website that actually shared relevant information, and allowed me to register him. Northumberland Soccer Club has grown in its efficiency of communication, and with improved facilities, the quality of what we can offer will improve as well. We can't find turf time for practices, so are going to take our teams to Hastings and outside of Northumberland. YMCA - when are events coming up? Nobody really knows. We find out AFTER the events are already open for registration and/or started. Babysitting courses for teens There ARE resources in the area, but they are so hard to find out about. A consolidated communication plan from the Town, for a "one stop shop" of what's happening in the community, would be immensely helpful for busy families. Even "sharing" the clubs' information on a Town of Cobourg channel would be helpful. Perhaps providing clubs with training on the power of social media and communication strategy would be helpful, so that the town can then just share the content created by the clubs etc. Cobourg has A LOT of potential as a destination venue, and to keep families and dollars, in the local economy. We just need the facilities to do the things, and have it easier for buy parents and adults to engage and access these things.

Contribution 58 of 156 | October 26, 2025

I would like to see Cobourg Community Centre have gym facilities (weights, etc.). Cobourg Community Centre is the more "walkable" facility for me (I don't feel comfortable cycling to the Y) and I'm sure more people would use a gym facility at the CCC if it were available.

Contribution 57 of 156 | October 26, 2025

The soccer fields around the CCC are in dire need of resurfacing. The turf has massive holes, and the goals are sunken. There is also insufficient shade and seating.

Contribution 56 of 156 | October 24, 2025

Soccer fields are poorly maintained with uneven, hard and under watered surface. Indoor facilities for soccer training are non existent.

Contribution 55 of 156 | October 24, 2025

We need more play structures around CCC and where the soccer fields are.

Contribution 54 of 156 | October 24, 2025

Better maintenance of all the outdoor facilities, including painting the lighthouse

Contribution 53 of 156 | October 24, 2025

We need parkour for kids in cobourg. More fitness classes for working adults during evenings or weekends or lunch breaks. More parks with better varied play structures- like trampoline, zipline, tree climbs etc.

Contribution 52 of 156 | October 24, 2025

Turf, improvement to soccer fields and a pump track or outdoor recreation area for teens to hang out in a safe healthy environment.

Contribution 51 of 156 | October 23, 2025

Cobourg needs a indoor turf soccer field that is full size. Many different sports would be able to use the indoor turf for there own purposes as well. A outdoor turf at the very least. We are so far behind other similar sized communities.

Contribution 50 of 156 | October 23, 2025

The Town should limit private for-profit companies' use of areas in the county, when local minor hockey associations have trouble finding enough ice.

Contribution 49 of 156 | October 23, 2025

We have beautiful parks, but we need some updated playgrounds. We need playgrounds that match the needs of our children and community, with input from CHILDREN! We need adventure based playgrounds, one's that children want to play on

Contribution 48 of 156 | October 23, 2025

I would be in favour of expanding services to include other sports/interests, but not at the expense of something that already exists ie don't shut down Sinclair park tennis courts to turn into dedicated Pickleball. Build NEW pickleball courts.

Contribution 47 of 156 | October 23, 2025

For northumberland soccer to compete we need indoor full field.

Contribution 46 of 156 | October 23, 2025

Keep needles out of playgrounds! I can't safely take my kids to playgrounds or the beach.

Contribution 45 of 156 | October 23, 2025

Hopefully, at some stage of your community engagement you will address/connect the role of parks and recreation in our ICSP, the County's adaptation and resilience plan .

Contribution 44 of 156 | October 23, 2025

In new subdivisions ensure that builders can not buy themselves out of including adequate parks, trails and green space

Contribution 43 of 156 | October 23, 2025

It seems that the only garden that is properly cared for is in Victoria Garden. The Ecology garden and the garden at corner of Williamson and King are messes and give a very bad impression.

Contribution 42 of 156 | October 23, 2025

Childcare or child friendly environments to support family involvement in activities is important

Contribution 41 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Please please consider creating a safe and enjoyable way of connecting Port Hope and Cobourg by trail so that runners, cyclists, roller bladers can get to and from!

Contribution 40 of 156 | October 22, 2025

We don't find out about events until the week before. I understand there is an entire Town Department that is in charge of this and it's sorely lacking when it comes to executing and planning.

Contribution 39 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Add funding to improve the skate park! Set up a committee and I will get skateboarders to join and help fundraise. Do not let seniors who don't skateboard decide the design of a new skatepark!

Contribution 38 of 156 | October 22, 2025

An upgrading park at east village needs to be considered. We were given a worse Coverdale copy cat park that is small & not safe for small children & there's a HUGE green space unused with just trees when there was opportunity for a safer park or splashpa
Contribution 37 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Our family is in favour of the Pool closing and operating cost reduction at the CCC
Contribution 36 of 156 | October 22, 2025

One important aspect of the parks and rec programs that we value are the christmas magic lights at the parks, both Rotary and Victoria throughout the christmas season. They are a tremendous asset and should be expanded to all Vic Park.
Contribution 35 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Indoor swimming, youth basketball, a variety of summer camps (not just the daycare version offered currently at the CCC), cleaning up the parks/trails and waterfront so we feel safe and comfortable to be at the park, and added family events priority.
Contribution 34 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Proper supervision for all students that are working at the waterfront.
Contribution 33 of 156 | October 22, 2025

What is the current Parkland to population ratio ? Is it being met?
Contribution 32 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Cobourg really needs a public pool. The Ymca is too expensive if you just want to swim
Contribution 31 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Parking downtown is a problem and it's going to become more of an issue with the scheduled development downtown
Contribution 30 of 156 | October 22, 2025

I would like to see the boardwalk at the west beach have openings to beach paths to allow accessibility. The playing field at the West Beach should be converted to parkland.
Contribution 29 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Cobourg needs vitality and more facilities for youth and adults to gather together. More events. More focus on arts not just sports.
Contribution 28 of 156 | October 22, 2025

odd activities you list for toddlers, snowshoeing, biking etc.. not sure who came up with that. Also I dont know any one the southern ontario area snowshoes.
Contribution 27 of 156 | October 22, 2025

We need more parks and more community events. We also need more posters advertising things going on
Contribution 26 of 156 | October 22, 2025

Please change our moniker...."The Feel Good Town" is dreadful, outdated, says nothing!
Contribution 25 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Need to clean up the town so people can enjoy these events
Contribution 24 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Keep the outdoor pool
Contribution 23 of 156 | October 21, 2025

I use a private gym and many trails and hiking paths in Northumberland County,
Contribution 22 of 156 | October 21, 2025

More for seniors. Larger pool. Bring back the kiddie pool. Could the downtown rink be converted with a very low wall to make it a kiddie pool in the warm weather?
Contribution 21 of 156 | October 21, 2025

The survey should have used an age and house hold occupants at the start to filter out generic needs.
Contribution 20 of 156 | October 21, 2025

The wooden playground in Victoria park requires an updated version of what it is now. When we visit more times than not there is garbage underneath the structure and usually someone sleeping either underneath or on top of the play structure.
Contribution 19 of 156 | October 21, 2025

How can Cobourgers get more involved in town recreation planning?
Contribution 18 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Cobourg really needs proper designated pickleball courts. The current Sinclair courts used the the CPC are unsafe.
Contribution 17 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Build more arenas for growing population
Contribution 16 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Both indoor and outdoor pool
Contribution 15 of 156 | October 21, 2025

You need more ice time!!! More ice pads.
Contribution 14 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Get rid of the campground renters & use that space as a resident only facil
Contribution 13 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Indoor turf field for soccer and other sports is needed.
Contribution 12 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Interested in organized donation or fund raising to maintain the outdoor pool
Contribution 11 of 156 | October 21, 2025

It's unfortunate that there is very limited areas to cycle safely in cobourg and especially for young children and families . There needs to be more safe cycling off road trails ! have no desire
Contribution 10 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Connect Port Hope and Cobourg with a waterfront trail.
Contribution 9 of 156 | October 21, 2025

please stop expanding cobourg. you have added enough subdivisions and franchises. the traffic here is so stressful and chaotic here now it feels like we live in bowmanville. the small town vibe of cobourg we once had is completely gone. please stop!
Contribution 8 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Please keep Victoria Park as a camping site. If not feasible, create other camping site on water that expands in accessibility (tenting), affordability, and resources (play grounds, shuttle to downtown)
Contribution 7 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Lower the budget and if not charge more for community programs so the people the use them can pay for them
Contribution 6 of 156 | October 21, 2025

A network of bike trails through Parkland(Conservation area), river valleys or along the old railway line would be an asset.e
Contribution 5 of 156 | October 21, 2025

an indoor turf soccer pitch would be a good investment.
Contribution 4 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Cobourg doesn't need more of anything in this survey. It needs to do a better job of maintaining what it currently has. The last minute speed job at Victoria Park every year is ridiculous. Not all gardens are maintained, especially the east corner at King
Contribution 3 of 156 | October 21, 2025

The taxes I pay are misspent. I understand the mayor likes frisbee golf so we have a course. I go by it regularly, never seen it used. Pickleball courts are always busy, in spite of poor condition
Contribution 2 of 156 | October 21, 2025

We cannot raise taxes to meet these needs. We are already overtaxed here.
Contribution 1 of 156 | October 21, 2025

Appendix D:

Telephone Survey Results



Parks, Recreation & Culture Master Plan Report



October 2025

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Methodology & Logistics

Overview

This report documents the findings from a telephone survey of N=300 residents from the Town of Cobourg conducted by Oraclepoll Research for the Town on behalf of thinc design, the lead firm for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

The survey questions were designed by thinc design and the Town. The role of Oraclepoll Research Ltd was to field the telephone survey and report on the findings. The purpose of the survey was to determine current use of parks, trails and recreation facilities, participation in programs and activities, and opinions on the need for future services in the Town.

Some numbers presented in the tables and graphs of this report may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

In addition, a separate Excel report provides the results for each question.

Study Sample & Survey Method

A total of N=300 respondents, 18 years of age and older, who are residents of Town of Cobourg were interviewed. All surveys were conducted by telephone using live operators at the Oraclepoll call centre facility. The survey was conducted using person-to-person interviewing with computer-assisted techniques for telephone interviews (CATI) and random number selection (RDD).

The sample frame included landlines as well as cell phone-only households. Respondents were first screened to ensure their residency in the Township, before administering the survey. A total of 20% of all interviews were monitored and the management of Oraclepoll Research supervised 100% of all the calls made.

Logistics

Telephone surveys were conducted by phone at the Oraclepoll call centre using person-to-person live operators between the days of October 24th to November 5th, 2025.

Initial calls were made between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Subsequent call-backs of no-answers and busy numbers were made on a (staggered) daily rotating basis up to five times (from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.) until contact was made. In addition, telephone interview appointments were attempted with those respondents who were unable to complete the survey at the time of contact. If no contact was made at a number after the fifth attempt, the number was discarded, and a new one supplemented it.

Confidence Level & Reporting Notes

The margin of error for the N=300 sample is $\pm 5.6\%$ 19/20 times.

Respondent Profile

Q1. What is your age?

18-24 years	5%
25-34 years	16%
35-44 years	16%
45-54 years	20%
55-64 years	19%
65-74 years	15%
75-84 years	7%
85+ years	3%

Q2. Which of the following best describes the household you are responding on behalf of?

Single adult (no children)	18%
Couple with children	38%
Couple without children	27%
Single parent with children	10%
Multigenerational household (e.g., grandparents, parents, children)	3%
Multiple adults with children	2%
Multiple adults without children	3%

Q3. Where do you live in Cobourg?

West End	30%
East End	31%
Central	31%
Downtown Area	8%

Indoor Facilities

The following asked respondents about which, if any, municipally owned indoor recreation facilities that their household uses.

Q4. Which of the following municipally owned indoor recreation facilities does your household use?

No municipal indoor facilities	41%
Cobourg Community Centre	23%
Cobourg YMCA	18%
Jack Heenan Arena/Cobourg Curling Club	17%

The 23% or n=70 that said they use the Cobourg Community Centre were then asked in the following Q5 about how often they use the facility.

Q5. How often do your household access services and activities at the Cobourg Community Centre?

Every day	15%
Several times a week	30%
Once a week	26%
Several times a month	11%
Once a month	6%
Several times a year	4%
Once a year	4%
Rarely	3%

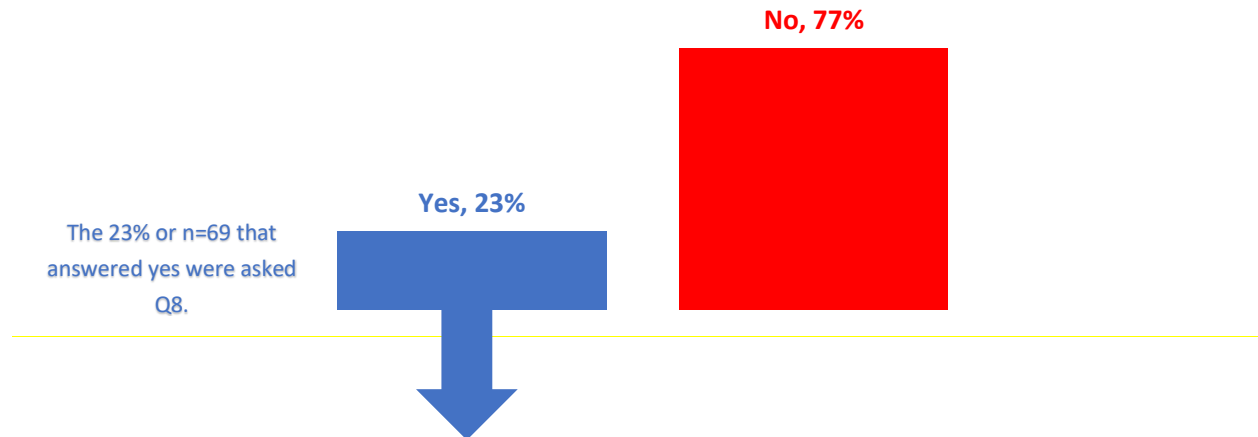
The next set of questions (asked to all N=300) were read to all respondents and asked if their needs are met with respect to indoor facilities.

Q6. Are your household's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally owned indoor recreation facilities in Cobourg?

	Yes	No	Unsure /Not Applicable
AODA accessibility	61%	5%	34%
Change rooms	63%	7%	30%
Cleanliness/maintenance	66%	10%	25%
Food options	32%	18%	51%
Location of facilities	64%	19%	17%
Number of facilities	44%	31%	26%
Parking	40%	29%	31%
Spectator/audience seating	38%	22%	40%
Up to date	53%	17%	29%
Variety of facilities	49%	26%	25%
Washrooms	62%	20%	18%

Next, all N=300 respondents were asked if additional indoor recreation facilities are needed in Cobourg. The 23% that answered yes were then asked in Q8 about the indoor recreation facilities that they think are needed. Up to three responses were accepted in Q8 and the results illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each facility was mentioned.

Q7. Do you think additional or expanded indoor recreation facilities are needed in Cobourg?



Q8. Considering the need to balance community interests with budget-conscious decision making, please list up to three indoor recreation facilities that your household thinks are needed or require expansion in Cobourg over the next 10 years. If you do not think any new/expanded facilities are needed, please say "none".

	Percent of Cases
Swimming pool	31%
Walking/Running track	26%
Fitness facilities	23%
Arena	21%
Artificial turf field	19%
Community kitchen	19%
Dance/Aerobics studio	17%
Gymnasium	17%
Arts/Artisan studio	14%
Multi-purpose space	14%
Performing arts space	14%
Racket sport facilities	13%
Meeting space	13%
Banquet hall	7%

Outdoor Facilities

The following asked respondents about which if any municipally owned outdoor recreation facilities that their household uses. Multiple responses were accepted, and the results illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each facility was mentioned.

Q9. Which of the following municipally owned outdoor sport and recreation facilities does your household use?

	Percent of Cases
No municipal outdoor facilities	44%
Outdoor Pool	37%
Ball Diamonds	28%
Lawn Bowling Green	25%
Beach Volleyball Courts	22%
Soccer Fields	17%
Tennis and Pickleball Courts	17%
Rugby Field	13%

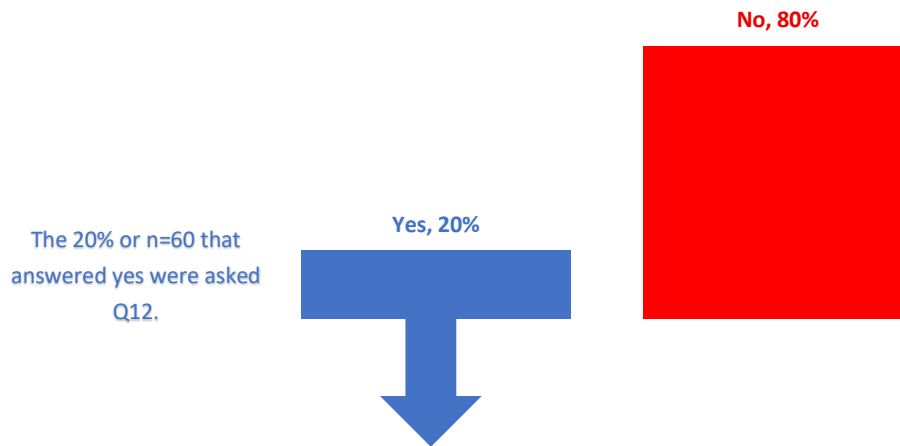
The next set of questions (asked to all N=300) were read to all respondents and asked if their needs are met with respect to aspect of outdoor facilities.

Q10. Are your household's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally owned outdoor sport/recreation facilities (e.g., ball diamonds, fields, courts, outdoor pool) in Cobourg?

	Yes	No	Unsure /Not Applicable
AODA accessibility	66%	11%	23%
Change rooms	46%	21%	33%
Cleanliness/maintenance	59%	12%	28%
Food options	52%	19%	29%
Location of facilities	56%	18%	26%
Number of facilities	69%	15%	16%
Parking	54%	10%	36%
Spectator/audience seating	60%	13%	27%
Up to date	53%	24%	23%
Variety of facilities	54%	28%	18%
Washrooms	64%	14%	22%

Next, all N=300 respondents were asked if additional outdoor recreation facilities are needed in Cobourg. The 20% that answered yes were then asked in Q12 about the outdoor recreation facilities that they think are needed. Up to three responses were accepted in Q12 and the results illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each facility was mentioned.

Q11. Do you think additional or expanded outdoor sport/recreation facilities are needed in Cobourg?



Q12. Considering the need to balance community interests with budget-conscious decision making, please list up to 3 outdoor sport/recreation facilities that your household thinks are needed or require expansion in Cobourg.

	Percent of Cases
Swimming pool	32%
Ball diamonds	28%
Ice rink	28%
Beach/sand volleyball court	27%
Pickleball courts	27%
Basketball courts	20%
Tennis courts	18%
Walking/Running tracks	18%
Artificial turf field	12%
Lawn bowling green	10%
Soccer fields	10%
Multi-purpose fields	8%
Bocce court	8%
Cricket pitch	8%
Disc golf course	3%

Park & Open Spaces

The following asked respondents about which if any municipally owned park and open space areas that their household uses. Multiple responses were accepted, and the results illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each facility was mentioned.

Q13. Which of the following municipally owned **park and open space amenities** does your household use in Cobourg?

	Percent of Cases
Beaches	32%
No municipal open spaces	26%
Off-leash dog park	24%
Gazebos/pavilions	20%
Splash pad	18%
Playgrounds	17%
Ecology gardens	16%
Outdoor skating rink	15%
Trails	12%
Boat launches	10%
Basketball court (Fitzhugh Park)	5%
Dock	5%
Disc golf course (Legion Fields)	4%
Skate park	1%

The next set of questions (asked to all N=300) were read to all respondents and asked if their needs are met with respect to municipally owned park and open space areas.

Q14. Are your household's needs met in relation to the following aspects of municipally owned **parks and open spaces** (e.g., pavilions, trails, playgrounds) in Cobourg?

	Yes	No	Unsure /Not Applicable
Amenities	68%	17%	16%
AODA accessibility	60%	13%	28%
Cleanliness/maintenance	73%	9%	18%
Location of parks/outdoor spaces	88%	3%	9%
Number of parks/outdoor spaces	70%	20%	11%
Parking	64%	18%	18%
Shade/Tree canopy in parks	65%	18%	17%
Size	75%	8%	17%
Up to date	87%	4%	9%
Variety of parks and outdoor spaces	70%	21%	8%
Washrooms	65%	14%	22%

In the next question, respondents were asked about the future of the Victoria Park Campground. They were provided with a list of three options to choose from.

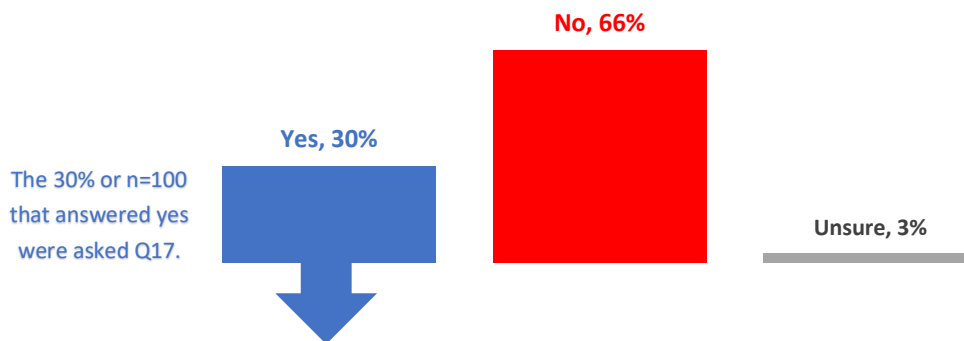
Q15. The Victoria Park Campground continually sells out its 70 trailer and tent sites each season. Thinking about the next 10 years, what do you think is the best course of action for the future of the campground as an important economic driver in Cobourg?

Maintain the site as a campground	22%
Convert site to event space and parkland, and relocate the campground to another location in Cobourg	36%
Transition site to multi-use purposes that accommodate both camping as well as events and parking	43%

The most preferred option is a multi-use transition, suggesting strong public interest in balancing economic activity with flexible space use. Relocation and conversion also have notable support, while maintaining the current setup is least favored.

All N=300 respondents were asked if additional or expanded park spaces and amenities are needed in Cobourg. The 30% that answered yes were then asked in Q17 about what they think is needed. Up to three responses were accepted in Q17 and the results illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each facility was mentioned.

Q16. Do you think additional or expanded park spaces and amenities (e.g., skate parks, basketball courts, dog parks, playgrounds) are needed in Cobourg?



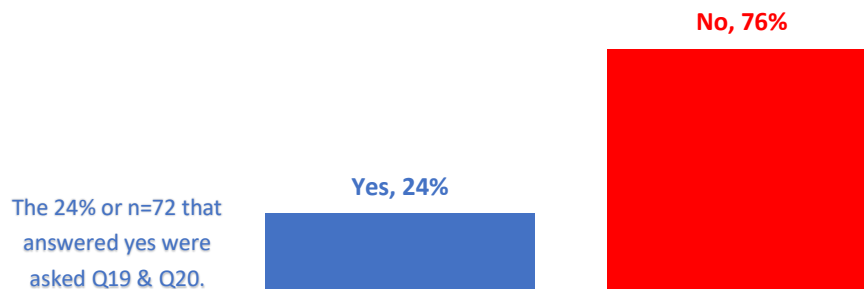
Q17. Considering the need to balance community interests with budget-conscious decision making, please list up to 3 park amenities that your household thinks are needed or require expansion in Cobourg.

Percent of Cases			
Waterfront trails	46%	Disc golf courses	11%
Trails	36%	Off-leash dog parks	9%
Splash pads	30%	Beaches/Water access points	9%
Playgrounds	28%	Boat launches/Docks	8%
Skate parks	23%	Accessible beach mat	2%
Skating rinks	22%	Open green space	2%
Gazebos/pavilions	20%	Outdoor fitness equipment	2%
Basketball courts	16%	Picnic areas	2%
Gardens	14%	Ping pong tables	1%
Community gardens	11%		

Municipal Programs

All respondents were asked if they or members of their household participate in municipal programs at the Cobourg Community Centre. The 24% (n=72) that answered yes were then asked Q19 and Q20.

Q18. Do you or members of your household participate in municipal programs at the Cobourg Community Centre?



In the first follow-up, those participating in municipal programs were asked which one they took part at the Centre.

Q19. In which programs do you or your household participate at the Cobourg Community Centre?

Adult programs	54%
Children's programs	42%
Seniors Activity Centre programs	38%
Family programs	39%
Youth programs	32%

The next set of questions were asked to the 24% or n=72 that participate in municipal programs at the Cobourg Community Centre.

Q20. Have the municipally run programs that you or the members of your household have participated in at the Cobourg Community Centre met your needs according to the following categories?

	Yes	No	Unsure /Not Applicable
Affordability	85%	14%	1%
AODA accessibility	65%	11%	24%
Communication	79%	15%	6%
Location	93%	7%	-
Quality	90%	6%	4%
Timing/Scheduling	83%	15%	1%
Variety	86%	10%	4%

Activity Interest by Age

In this question, all N=300 respondents were asked to identify the top program or activity interests by age cohort in their respective households.

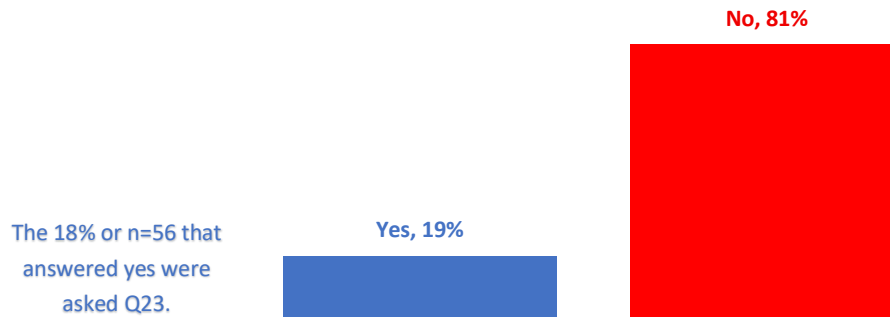
Q21. Please identify the top 5 program/activity interests in your household by type and age group.

	Fitness Classes	Sports Leagues and Tournaments	Aquatics Programs	Educational Workshops / Art Classes	Social Clubs & Groups	Outdoor Recreation
Babies & Toddlers (0-3 years)	<1%	<1%	7%	4%	2%	2%
School-aged Children (4-12 years)	15%	26%	17%	13%	13%	14%
Teenagers (13-19 years)	17%	20%	8%	5%	4%	13%
Adults (20-39 years)	16%	14%	5%	6%	4%	9%
Adults (40-64 years)	23%	13%	17%	14%	15%	6%
Seniors (65-74 years)	2%	1%	4%	3%	14%	2%
Seniors (75 years+)	2%	-	4%	3%	9%	2%

Municipally Run Events

All N=300 respondents were asked if they or others at their household participate in municipally run events. The 19% or n=56 that answered yes were then asked the seven probes in Q23.

Q22. Do you or your household participate in municipally run events in Cobourg?



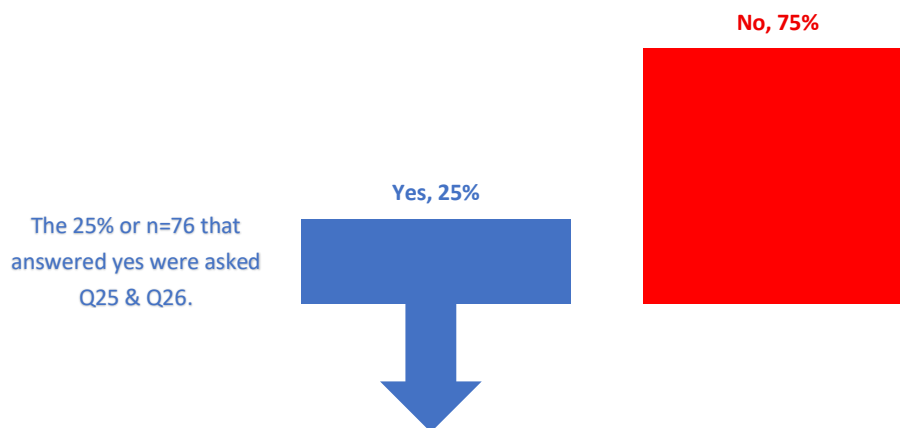
Q23. Have the municipally run events (e.g., festivals, parades, holidays, outdoor movies nights) that you or the members of your household have participated in within Cobourg your needs according to the following categories:

	Yes	No	Unsure /Not Applicable
Affordability	82%	11%	7%
AODA accessibility	88%	5%	7%
Communication	79%	18%	4%
Location	91%	4%	5%
Quality	89%	4%	7%
Timing/Scheduling	80%	16%	4%
Variety	77%	20%	4%

Respondents (all N=300) were first asked if they think more events are needed in Cobourg. The 25% (n=76) that answered yes were then asked in Q25 about their household's top event interests. Up to three responses were accepted in Q25 and the results illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each facility was mentioned.

Then in Q26 they (25%, n=76) were asked to identify who they felt should be the main provider of these additional events. One response was accepted.

Q24. Do you or any members of your household think more events are needed in Cobourg?



Q25. What are your household's top 3 event interests?

	Percent of Cases
Festivals	59%
Holiday celebrations	54%
Markets	38%
Parades	36%
Sports tournaments	13%
Cycling tours/Races	11%
Outdoor entertainment	4%

Q26. Who do you or your household believe should be the primary provider of these additional events?

The Town of Cobourg	70%
Community groups	18%
Private companies	12%

Participation

In a question allowing for multiple responses, all respondents were asked what if anything prevents them from participating in recreation opportunities. Results below display the percentage of cases or the number of times each area was referenced.

Q27. Which of the following factors, if any, prevents or limits your household from participating in recreation opportunities?

	Percent of Cases
Nothing limits our participation	39%
Inconvenient hours	15%
Facilities are too far from home/transportation difficulties	15%
Nothing of interest offered	14%
Too expensive	13%
Facilities are not available when needed	11%
Facilities are too busy or lack sufficient space/equipment	11%
Don't know what's available/can't find information	12%
Facilities lack sufficient parking	10%
Not enough recreation opportunities for adults	9%
Not enough recreation opportunities for children	6%
AODA accessibility barriers	4%

In a question that accepted multiple responses, all N=300 residents were asked if they would contribute to the development/improvement of municipal recreation or services in Cobourg through a series of methods. Multiple responses were accepted, and the findings illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each area was referenced.

Q28. Would you/your household contribute to the development/improvement of municipal recreation facilities or services in Cobourg through any of the following methods?

	Percent of Cases
Volunteering to organize/assist with fundraising efforts	32%
Donating money to a capital campaign/fundraising effort	34%
Paying higher user fees	24%
Volunteering to write applications for grants or seek out donors/sponsors	24%
None / no action	23%
Joining a volunteer stewardship group (e.g., Friends of 'x' Park)	16%
Paying higher property taxes	8%
Unsure	4%

All respondents were then questioned about how they learn about what is happening in the Municipality. The findings illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each area was referenced.

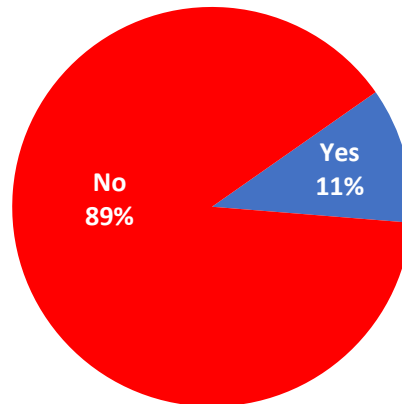
Q29. How do you learn about what's happening in Cobourg?

	Percent of Cases
Social media	62%
Municipal website/Events Calendar	33%
Engage Cobourg	29%
Mayor's newsletter	24%
Radio advertising	20%
Word of mouth	15%
Posters	12%
Other groups' newsletters	3%

Outside Municipalities

Next, all N=300 respondents were asked if they or others at their household travel to outside municipalities for recreation services of which 11% said they do. The 11% or n=32 were then asked three follow up questions Q31 to Q33.

Q30. Do members of your household travel outside of Cobourg to use recreation services?



The 11% or N=32 that answered yes were asked Q31, Q32 & Q33.

Q31. Which municipalities outside of Cobourg do you travel to for recreation services?

	Percent of Cases
Peterborough	22%
Oshawa	19%
Bowmanville	16%
Whitby	16%
Belleville	13%
Baltimore/Township of Hamilton	13%
Port Hope	9%
Township of Cramahe	9%
Trenton/City of Quinte West	9%
Campbellford/Municipality of Trent Hills	3%
Grafton	3%

The 11% or n=32 that use services outside of Cobourg were asked the following open probes that allowed for multiple responses. The findings illustrate the percentage of cases or the number of times each area was referenced.

Q32. Why do you use recreation services in these communities instead of in Cobourg?

	Percent of Cases
Leagues are based outside of Cobourg	25%
They are more affordable	25%
Hours are more convenient	22%
Programs are not available in Cobourg	19%
They are closer to work and/or we use them in conjunction with trips to shop, etc.	19%
Facilities in Cobourg are not available to rent when needed	16%
Several members of household can participate at the same time	13%
Facilities do not exist in Cobourg	9%
Services are more accessible	9%
We don't know what's available in Cobourg	9%

Q33. Which of the following programs/activities do you or members of your household use in these communities?

	Percent of Cases
Sports leagues and tournaments	84%
Outdoor recreation	59%
Aquatics programs	53%
Fitness classes	34%
Social clubs and groups	31%
Educational workshops/Art classes	22%

Priorities

In the final aided probe allowing for multiple responses, residents were asked to name up to three priorities for the Recreation Master Plan. Below are the percentage of cases or the number of times each area was referenced.

Q34. What are the top 3 priorities that your household thinks Cobourg's Parks & Recreation Master Plan should focus on??

	Percent of Cases
Improvements or expansions to recreation programs	33%
Improvements or expansions to outdoor sport/recreation facilities	30%
Improved maintenance	29%
Improvements or expansions to indoor recreation facilities	26%
Better communication and/or customer service	24%
Improvements or expansions to parks and open space amenities	20%
Improvements or expansions to events	19%
None of the above	8%

Appendix E:

Parks and Open Spaces Inventory & Maps

Figure 2.1: Cobourg's Total Parkland and Open Space Network

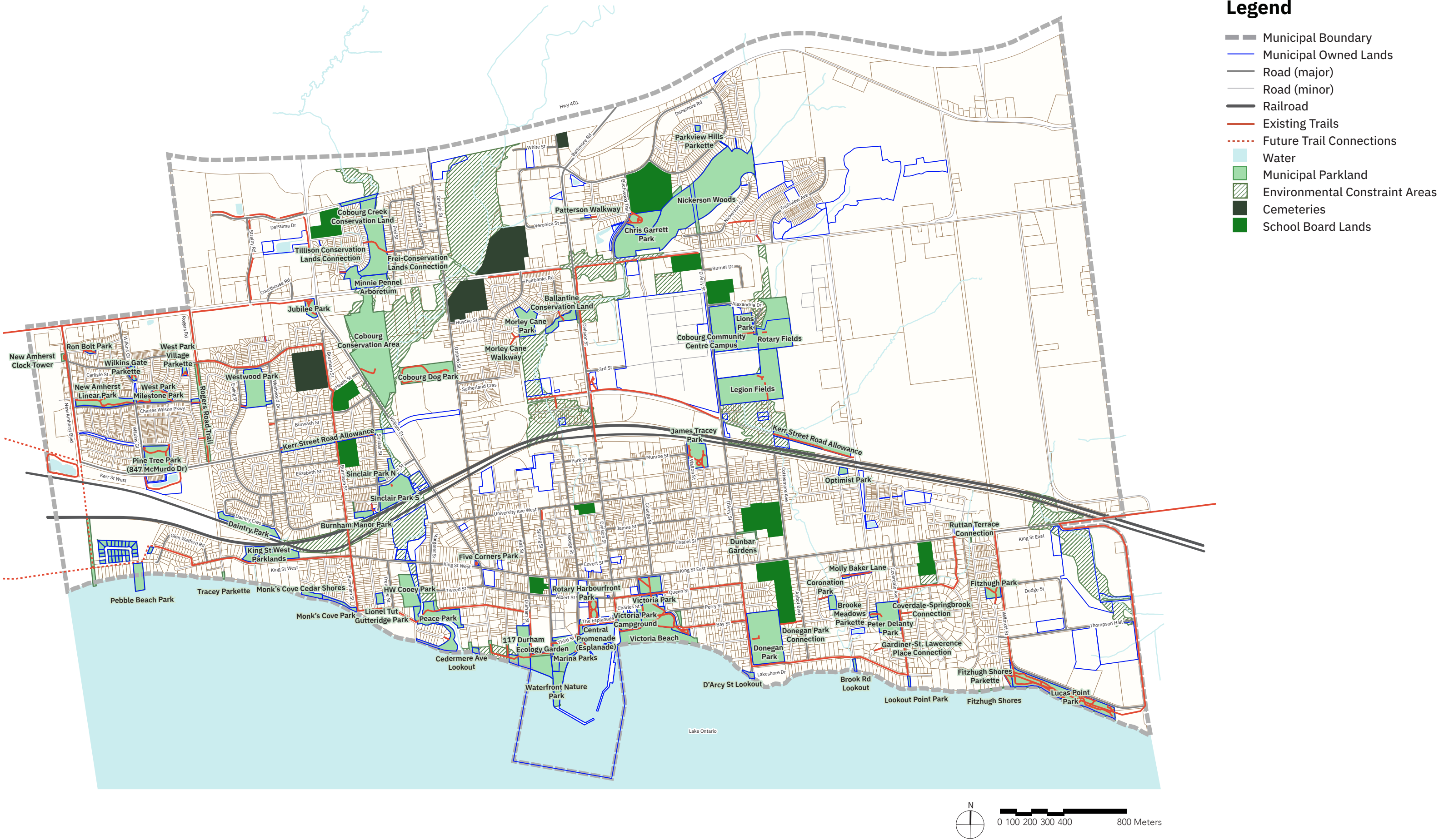


Figure 2.3: Cobourg's Parkland Re-classified

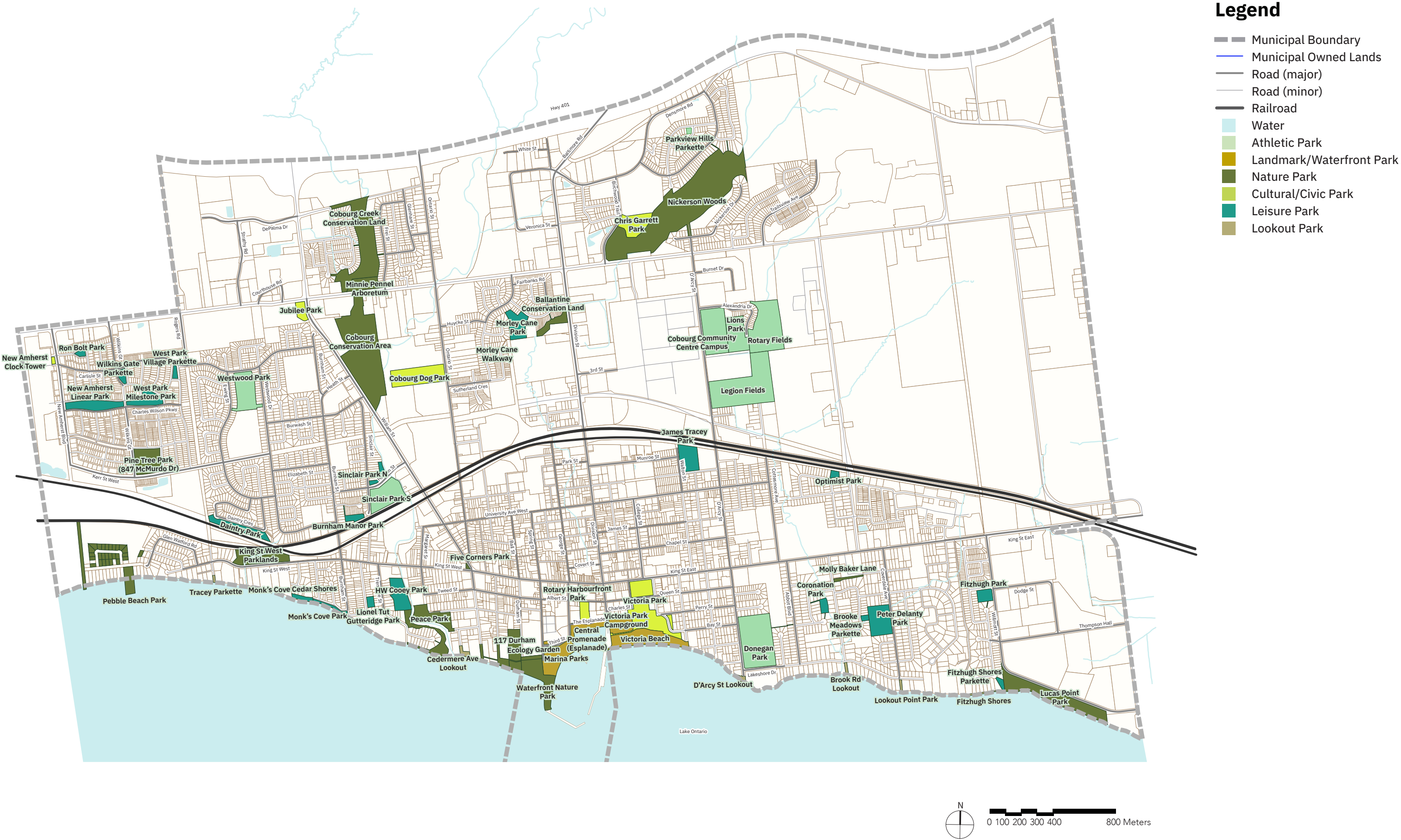


Figure 2.5: Cobourg's Parkland Distribution and Population Density

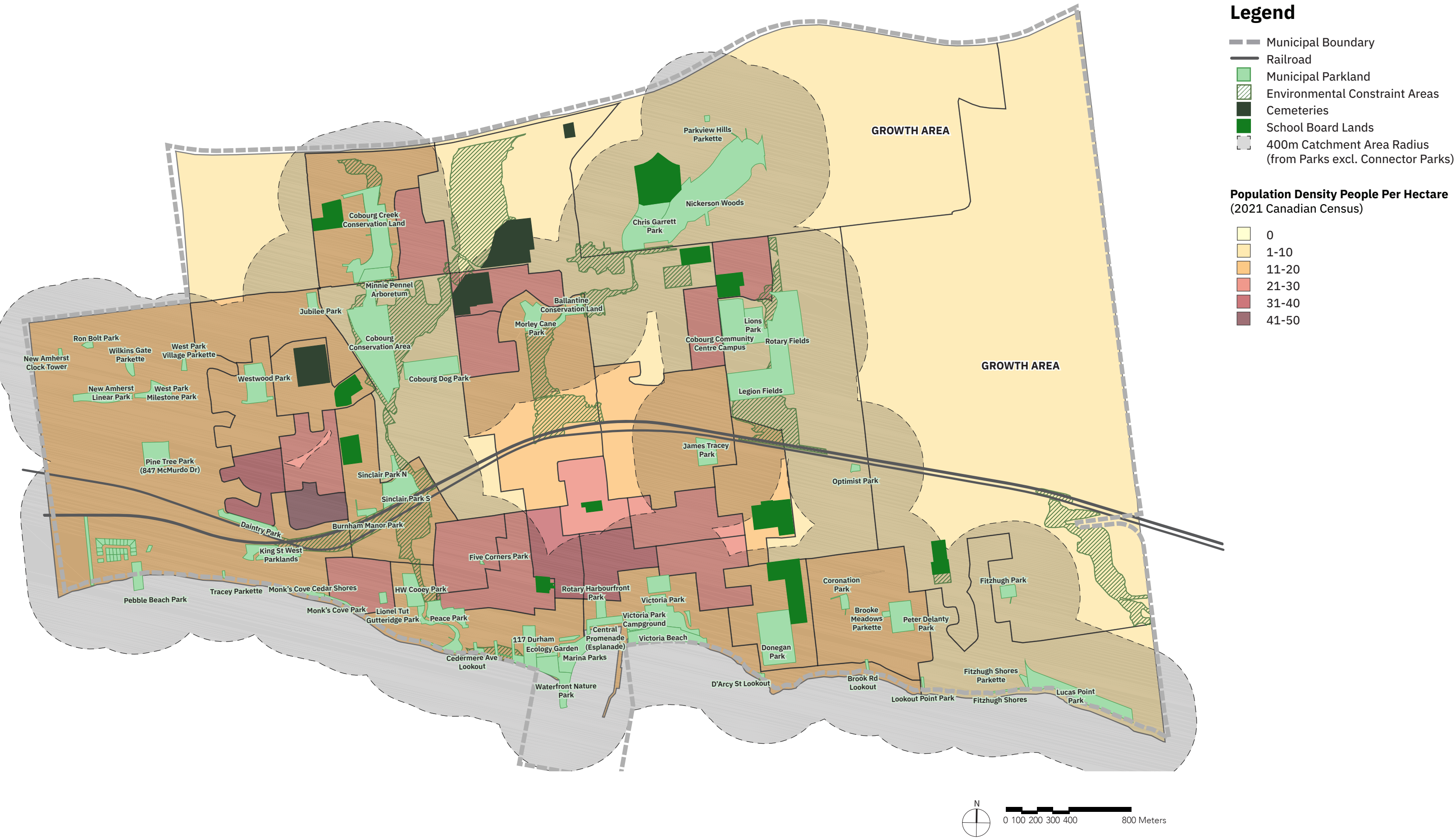


Figure 2.6: Cobourg's Parkland Distribution and Gap Areas

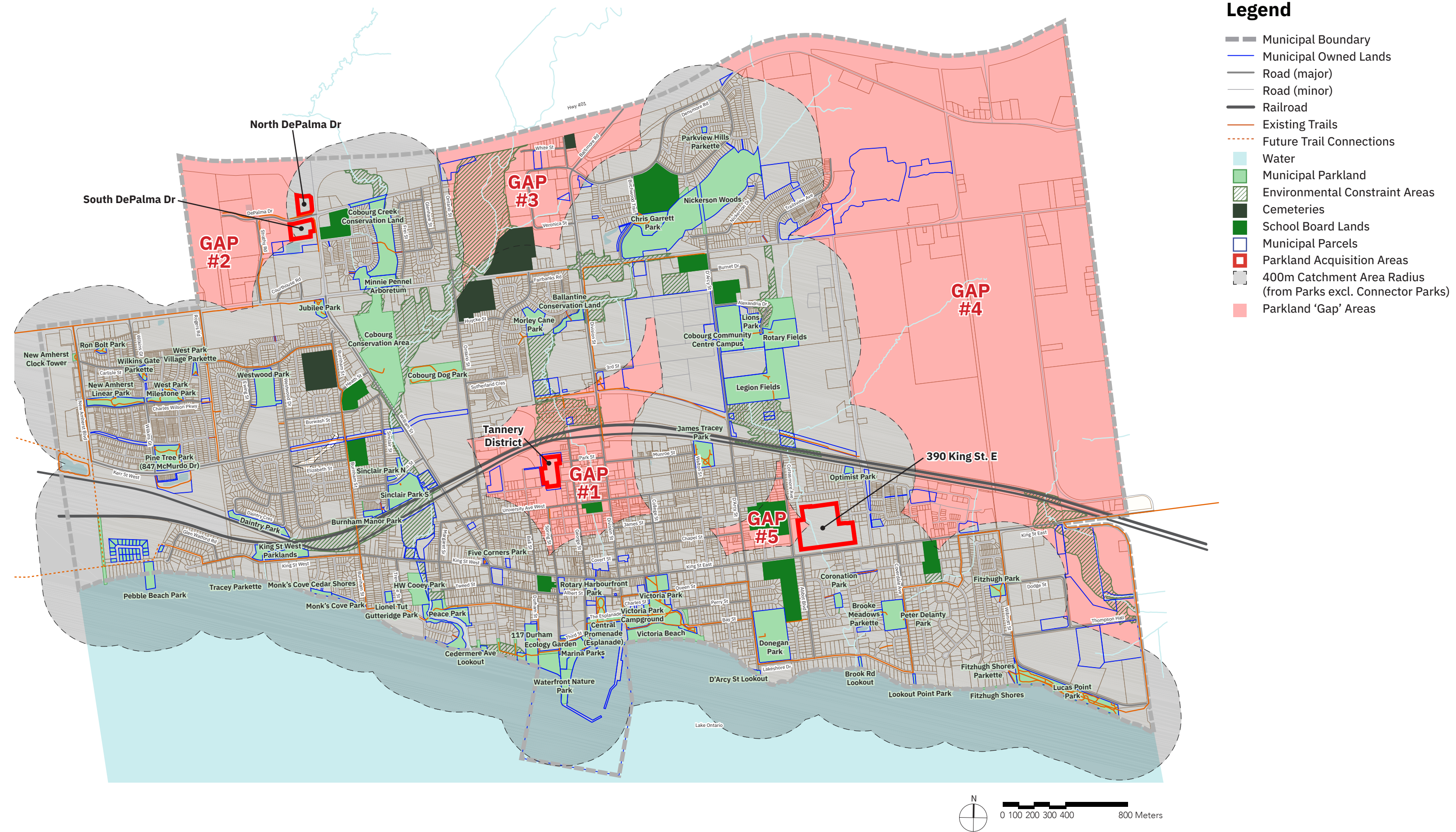
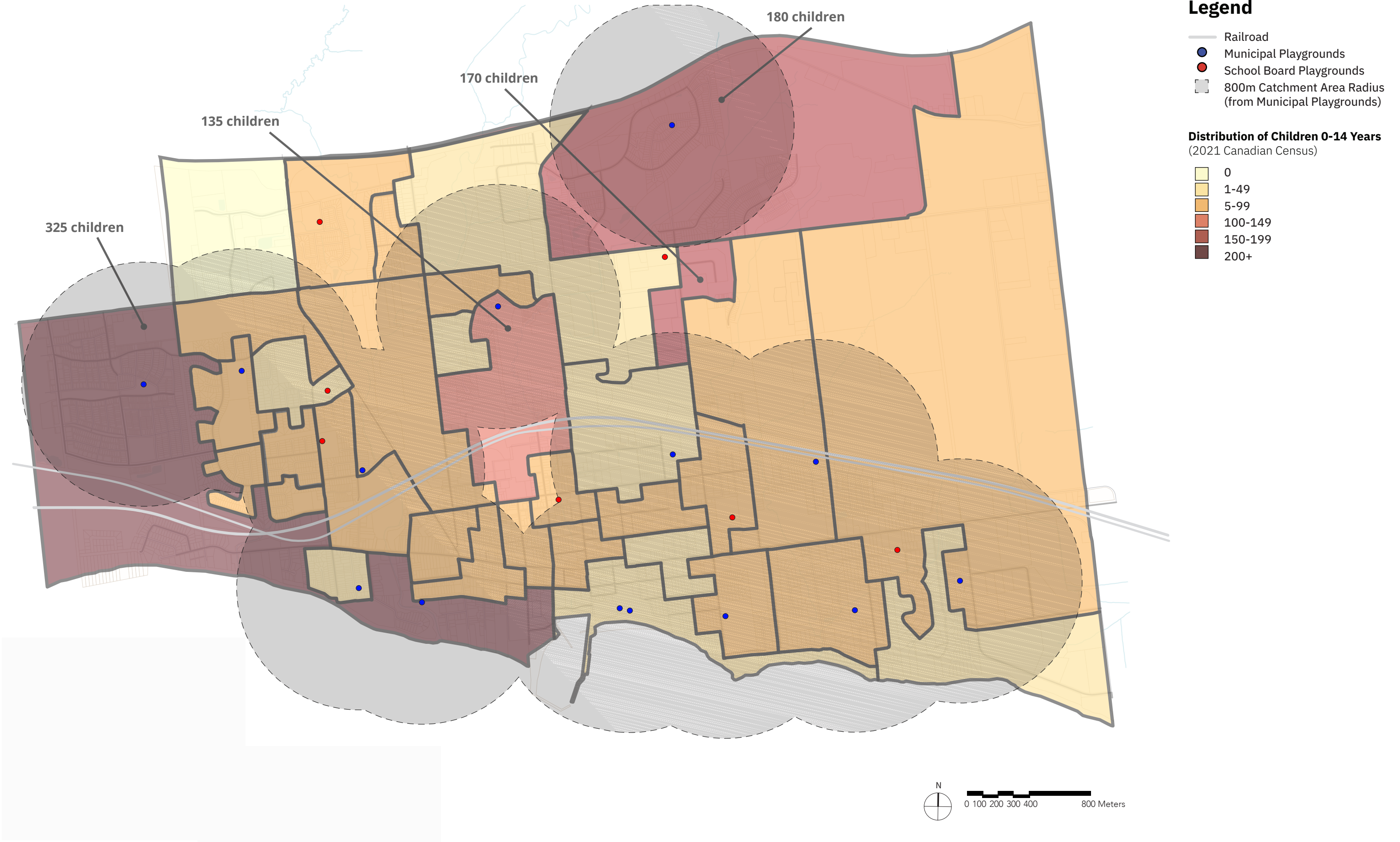


Figure 2.10: Cobourg's Existing Trail Network



Figure 2.17: Municipal Playground Distribution and Census Population of Children



Appendix F:

Racquet Courts Schedules

APPENDIX F: 2025 Coverdale and Sinclair Court Schedules for Tennis and Pickleball Groups

Lit Courts

Prime time on weekdays: 9:00 am to 11:00 am and 5:00 pm 11:00 pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Prime time on weekends: 9:00 am to 11:00 pm Saturday, Sunday

Coverdale Courts 2025

Tennis

Weekly calendar for Coverdale Tennis on 3 courts

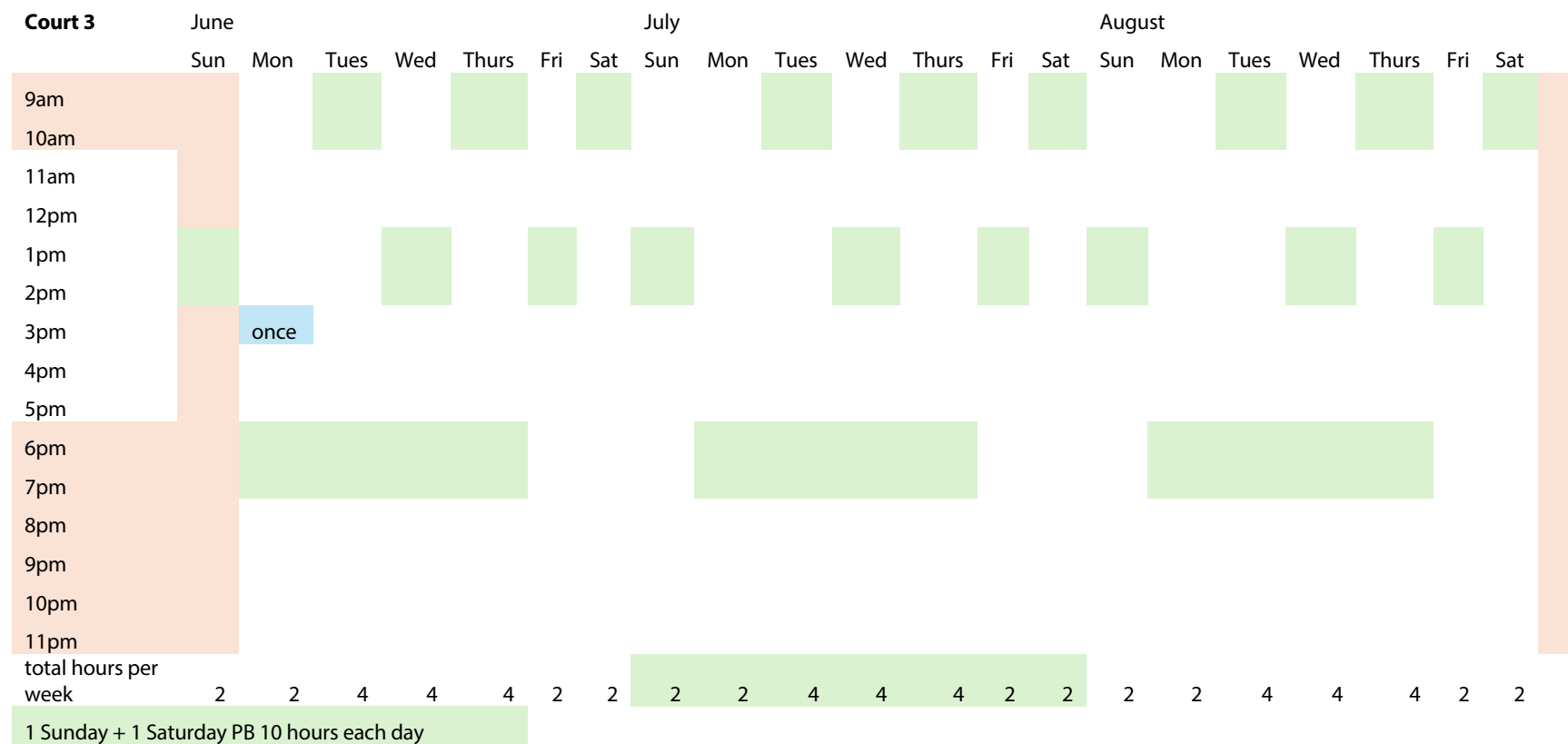
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total hours per week	2	5	3	5	3	5	0	2	5	3	5	3	5	0	2	5	3	5	0	5	0
x3 courts	6	15	9	15	9	15	0	6	15	9	15	9	15	0	6	15	9	15	0	15	0
In August, 9 Thursday evening times slots not booked by Tennis Club																					

Pickleball

Courts 1 and 2

1 Sunday + 1 Saturday PB 10 hours each day

Pickleball only



Hours Available 9am to 11pm Sunday through Saturday = 14 hours per day x 28 days x 3 courts

July: Weekly time calculations

- Hours per court per day = 14 (9am to 11pm)
- Hours per court per week = 14 x 7 days = 98
- Hours per 3 courts per week = 98 x 3 = 294

Coverdale Tennis

	Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total Available Time	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%
Tennis Hours	6	2%	15	5%	9	3%	15	5%	9	3%	15	5%	0	
Pickleball Hours	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-
Open Hours	288	98%	279	95%	285	97%	279	95%	285	97%	279	95%	294	100%

Sinclair Pickleball + Tennis

	Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total Available Time	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%	294	100%
Tennis Hours	0	-	4	1.4%	0	-	4	1.4%	0	-	4	1.4%	0	-
Pickleball Hours	6	2%	6	2%	12	4%	12	4.1%	12	4%	6	2%	6	2%
Open Hours	288	98%	284	96.6%	282	96%	278	94.5%	282	96%	284	96.6%	288	98%

Appendix G:

Example Policy - Owen Sound Ball Diamond Maintenance Standards

Title: Ball Diamond Maintenance Standards

Department / Division: Community Services, Parks and Open Space

Purpose:

1. To establish clear service level guidelines at the City's ball diamond facilities.

Scope:

2. This policy applies to all employees of the Parks and Open Space division who manage, supervise and perform maintenance operations on City operated ball diamonds.
3. This policy applies to all ball diamond rental bookings. The City's rental booking policies remain in force and are not superseded by any part of this policy.
4. The City will endeavour to fulfill the maintenance guidelines herein, weather permitting and pending the availability of required equipment and pending adverse conditions.

Definitions:

5. For the purposes of this policy,

"Adverse" conditions means any condition deemed to pose undue risk to staff, participants, spectators or risks damage to the ball diamond itself.

"Ball" means any sport played on a field defined as a ball diamond that requires an infield and outfield area

"Infield" means an area constructed of any combination of sand, clay, fine aggregate or other material employed with the intended purpose for use as a pitching, batting, base running and close fielding during a ball game connected to an outfield.

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“Outfield” means a turf grass area outlined by fence, or lines or imaginary boundaries agreed upon by participants as the playing limits of the ball game that is connected to an infield

“Backstop” means any fence structure constructed above a height of 4m specifically located for the purpose of keeping balls within the playing area setback behind home plate.

“Ball Diamond” means any combination of adjoined a backstop and an infield and an outfield

“Ball season” is defined as beginning with the first ball diamond rental booking on each diamond and the diamond is approved for use by the Manager of Parks and Open Space. Ball season ends with the final ball diamond rental booking of the year per diamond, or a defined closure as notified in writing to any unfulfilled rental bookings by the Manager of Parks and Open Space

“Groomer” means any equipment employed for the specific application of grading and conditioning the infield surface of a ball diamond.

“Drag mat” means any equipment employed to condition the infield surface

“Mower” means any equipment designed for and employed to maintain grass length on an outfield, grass area of an infield where applicable and the turf area surrounding the outside of a playing area

“Lined” means the marking of the boundaries of play set out by the rules of a sanctioning organization of the type of ball to be played

“Class A” means a ball diamond as defined herein that also has a lighting system designed to extend playing hours past sunset or a pitchers mound attached to it and is not limited in use by fence clearances or other limiting factor.

“Class B” means a ball diamond as defined herein that also has a lighting system designed to extend playing hours beyond sunset but has a limiting use factor such as outfield fence clearance or other limiting factor.

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“Class C” Means a ball diamond as defined herein that has no lighting system or pitchers mound.

“Game” means a rental booking scheduled at the appropriate game rental booking fee for the class of diamond rented.

“Tournament” means a rental booking scheduled at the appropriate tournament rental fee for the class of diamond rented.

Policy:

The addition or removal of lights, and/or dugouts to any ball diamond will change the class of the affected ball diamond to the appropriate class as per the definitions of this policy.

6. Class A Maintenance:

Applies to Duncan McLellan Park (Major, North and South) , and Tom Williams Park ball diamonds.

Maintenance service level for class A ball diamond bookings are:

Ball Season Maintenance

- i. Staff will perform a documented inspection of each rented ball diamond each day there is a rental booking prior to that booking. Staff will immediately notify the Parks and Cemetery Supervisor of any adverse condition that may impact safety discovered during an inspection. Inspections will include but are not limited to the ball diamond, dugouts and/or benches, spectator areas including bleachers, fences, buildings where applicable and any other facility on the premises provided by the City.
- ii. The groomer will be used once each date where bookings occur from the beginning to end of the ball season to condition the field. Grooming will be exempt when weather or diamond conditions are not suitable for this operation.
- iii. The City retains the right to perform additional maintenance during any rental period, including tournaments and regular league play, at any time to maintain

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a safe field of play. Dragging or raking a minimum of every 3 hours or 3rd game whichever comes first, or as needed. Additional maintenance above the minimum interval will be performed at the sole discretion of City staff.

- iv. A minimum of a drag mat will be used on dates where a practice booking occurs.
- v. Where applicable the pitchers mound will be raked by hand. Pitting on the pitchers stride path will be filled and tamped with mound clay and the mound will be watered as appropriate during the ball season to maintain a desired level of moisture saturation to maintain reasonable playing conditions.
- vi. The infield will be lined for game rental bookings as per the standard specifications of the renters sanctioning organization for the type of ball to be played. Lining will occur prior to the first game of any game rental block. One additional lining during a game rental block can be arranged and scheduled at the time of booking.
- vii. Outfield lines will be re lined once a week or additionally as required to maintain reasonable visibility for the purpose of playing ball.
- viii. Grass will be cut to a length of 6.35cm (2.5 inches) two times a week as permitted by weather conditions.
- ix. Line trimming will occur at least one time per week, including fences adjacent to the playing field.
- x. Baselines and infield to outfield transitions shall be raked and kept clear of irregular changes in grade
- xi. Additional dragging or grooming of the infield at a minimum of 1.5 hour intervals during a rental booking lasting at least 3 hours can be requested by the rental and will be performed at their cost. Fees for additional dragging will be administered at the established charge out rate for the equipment and operator for the year it is performed. These services are to be arranged at the time of booking.

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- xii. Additional grooming or dragging included with a tournament rental booking at the minimum intervals described in (iii). Times are to be arranged at the time of booking.

Seasonal Maintenance

- xiii. Fall infield outfield transition maintenance will occur annually after the ball season
- xiv. Fall maintenance of mounding and turf accumulation at the base of backstops will occur annually after the ball season
- xv. Rolling of the outfield turf will occur in the spring before the beginning of ball season and before aerating. Rolling will include the infield outfield transition area
- xvi. Aerating of outfields will occur in the spring before the beginning of ball season and in the fall after ball season ends annually
- xvii. Topdressing of the outfields will occur in the fall after ball season annually
- xviii. Fertilizing of the outfield turf will occur annually in the spring prior to May 1st or 2 weeks before the beginning of ball season, whichever is later.

7. Class B Maintenance

Applies to St. George's Park Ball Diamond.

Maintenance service level for class B ball diamond bookings are:

Ball season Maintenance

- xix. Staff will perform a documented inspection of each rented ball diamond each day there is a rental booking prior to that booking. Staff will immediately notify the Parks and Cemetery Supervisor of any adverse condition discovered during an inspection. Inspections will include but are not limited to the ball diamond, dugouts and/or benches, spectator areas including bleachers, fences, buildings where applicable and any other facility on the premises provided by the City.

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- xx. The groomer will be used once each date where game rental bookings occur from the beginning to end of the ball season to condition the field. Grooming will be exempt when weather or diamond conditions are not suitable for this operation.
- xxi. A minimum of a drag mat will be used on dates where a practice booking occurs.
- xxii. The infield will be lined for game rental bookings as per the standard specifications of the renters sanctioning organization for the type of ball to be played. Lining will occur prior to the first game of any game rental block.
- xxiii. Outfield lines will be re lined once a week or additionally as required to maintain reasonable visibility for the purpose of playing ball.
- xxiv. Grass will be cut to a length of 6.35cm (2.5 inches) two times a week.
- xxv. Line trimming will occur at least one time per week, including fences adjacent to the playing field.
- xxvi. Baselines and infield to outfield transitions shall be raked and kept clear of irregular changes in grade
- xxvii. Additional dragging or grooming of the infield at a minimum of 1.5 hour intervals during a rental booking lasting at least 3 hours can be requested by the rental and will be performed at their cost. Fees for additional dragging will be administered at the established charge out rate for the equipment and operator for the year it is performed. These services are to be arranged at the time of booking.
- xxviii. Additional grooming or dragging included with a tournament rental booking at the minimum intervals described in (iii). Times are to be arranged at the time of booking.

Seasonal Maintenance

- xxix. Fall infield outfield transition maintenance will occur annually after the ball season

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- xxx. Fall maintenance of mounding and turf accumulation at the base of backstops will occur annually after the ball season
- xxxi. Rolling of the outfield turf will occur in the spring before the beginning of ball season and before aerating. Rolling will include the infield outfield transition area
- xxxii. Aerating of outfields will occur in the spring before the beginning of ball season.
- xxxiii. Topdressing of the outfields will occur in the fall after ball season annually
- xxxiv. Fertilizing of the outfield turf will occur annually in the spring prior to May 1st or 2 weeks before the beginning of ball season, whichever is later.

8. Class C Maintenance

Applies to Kinsmen Park, St. Juliens Park, Harrison Field and Kelso Beach Park Ball Diamonds

Maintenance service level for class C ball diamond bookings are:

Ball season Maintenance

- xxxv. Staff will perform a documented inspection of each rented ball diamond each day there is a rental booking prior to that booking. Staff will immediately notify the Parks and Cemetery Supervisor of any adverse condition discovered during an inspection. Inspections will include but are not limited to the ball diamond, dugouts and/or benches, spectator areas including bleachers, fences, buildings where applicable and any other facility on the premises provided by the City.
- xxxvi. The groomer or drag mat will be used once each date where bookings occur from the beginning to end of the ball season to condition the field. The groomer will be used a minimum of 2 times per week.
- xxxvii. Grass will be cut to a length of 6.35cm (2.5 inches) one time per week.

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- xxxviii. Line trimming will occur at least one time per week, including fences adjacent to the playing field.
- xxxix. Baselines and infield to outfield transitions shall be raked and kept clear of irregular changes in grade
- xl. Additional dragging or grooming of the infield at a minimum of 1.5 hour intervals during a rental booking lasting at least 3 hours can be requested by the rental and will be performed at their cost. Fees for additional dragging will be administered at the established charge out rate for the equipment and operator for the year it is performed. These services are to be arranged at the time of booking.
- xli. Lining can be requested by the rental and will be performed at their cost. Fees for additional dragging will be administered at the established charge out rate for the equipment and operator for the year it is performed. These services are to be arranged at the time of booking.
- xl ii. Additional grooming or dragging included with a tournament rental booking at the minimum intervals described in (iii). Times are to be arranged at the time of booking.

Seasonal Maintenance

- xl iii. Fall infield outfield transition maintenance will occur annually after the ball season
- xl iv. Fall maintenance of mounding and turf accumulation at the base of backstops will occur annually after the ball season

Related Policies & Legislation:

9. None

Appendices:

10. None

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