

# Parks & Recreation Master Plan

## Background Report



**TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH STORMONT** | February 2020 (Updated November 2020)

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Background & Retainer

In 2007, the Township undertook its first Recreation Master Plan (Phase I). This was followed by a Recreation Development Plan (Phase II) in 2009 that set out a 10-year implementation plan for capital projects and large maintenance issues as well as programming and service delivery recommendations, based on the information provided in the Phase I report. Several of the recommendations have been implemented to date, in addition to other key achievements that have changed the landscape of recreation within South Stormont (detailed in Section 4.4.4). Therefore, a new plan is required to reflect these changes and plan for the next 10-year period.

Sierra Planning and Management was retained by the Township of South Stormont to develop a new Parks and Recreation Master Plan for the municipality. It is important to note that the process for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan was undertaken in tandem with an update of the Waterfront Plan, initially completed in 2005, in collaboration with The MBTW Group.

## 1.2 How to Read This Document

This Background Report provides an overview of the scope of work and process, findings, analysis and public consultation, including an understanding of:

- Historic and forecasted population dynamics and demographic change and the impact of this on the delivery of recreation;
- An understanding of the current municipal delivery model for recreation including levels of investment in the sector;
- Review of the current supply of municipally owned recreation assets (condition, utilization and standards of provision);
- Community demand for recreation and satisfaction with recreation facilities, services and programs (as understood through consultation); and
- Identification of preliminary gaps and opportunities for the provision of facilities, services and programs that may be addressed through recommendations of the Master Plan.

This information was used to inform the directions and recommendations presented in the accompanying Parks and Recreation Master Plan, which should be read in conjunction with this Report.

## 1.3 Community Engagement Process

### 1.3.1 Summary of Activities Completed

Engagement with the community and stakeholders is a key component of any recreation master planning exercise, in order to gather input from those who use and help to deliver these services. The following activities were undertaken to inform the Parks and Recreation Master Plan:

- **In-Person Community Workshop:** Held on August 13, 2019 at the Stormont Community Hall with 50 interested citizens in attendance;
- **Public Online Survey:** Open from August 13<sup>th</sup> to September 27<sup>th</sup>, received 618 responses in total. Detailed results of the Public Online Survey have been prepared under separate cover and provided to the Township;
- **User Group / Stakeholder Online Survey:** Open for the month of October 2019, received 6 responses in total;
- **Online Directions Presentation and Feedback Survey:** Provided online for feedback in late May / early June 2020;
- **Engagement with Internal Township Council and staff;** and
- **Engagement with External Stakeholders:** undertaken in September and October 2019 (i.e. conservation authority, public health unit, school boards, SLPC, minor sports associations, service clubs, etc.).

### 1.3.2 Emerging Themes

From the activities and discussions undertaken to date, several key themes and observations became evident, and opportunities were identified. These are summarized below.

#### Celebrate Existing Assets

Overall, stakeholders celebrated many of the Township's recreation assets including parks, trails, the arena, and the docks. Some of the favourite places of stakeholders are the marina restaurant, the bike path, the bird sanctuary, and the Parkway. Some of the favourite parks indicated by stakeholder included Lakeview Park, Lost Villages Museum (Ault Park), and

Arnold Bethune Memorial Park for its soccer and baseball fields. Stakeholders were happy with the new Ingleside Community Park and recognized it as an example of what other parks could become in the Township.

#### Recreational Facilities Require Attention

At the same time, stakeholders describe many of these green spaces as falling into disrepair, particularly the playground equipment. Playgrounds were identified by stakeholders as a top priority for investment as many of them are aging and may pose safety risks to children. In addition, stakeholders felt that more variety was needed in the types of play structures available across the Township's parks, and that upgrades or additions were needed to create play opportunities for toddlers as well as older age groups, such as naturalized play elements and climbing ropes. A need for more shade (i.e. shade shelters or shade trees) at parks, playgrounds, pools and splash pads was also commonly identified.

Stakeholders indicated that many of the soccer fields and ball diamonds have poor drainage hindering the ability to play games / practice after a heavy rain event. More lighting at the outdoor sport fields and courts to extend play times is also desired.

Trails and bike paths were identified to need better and more regular maintenance and cleared of potentially hazardous plants. In particular, the Lake Ontario Waterfront Trail was identified as in need of brush trimming and resurfacing.

The Long Sault Arena was identified as in need of aesthetic improvements, maintenance, and cleaning throughout the building. Many suggestions were made for additions or expansions to the arena (see Section 5.2), and the arena was identified as a site where additional facilities might be co-located.

Overall, stakeholders find the Township's meeting rooms to be too small and generally had neutral experiences with them. The Lancer Centre was identified by many as having potential to be used more, however, some find it difficult to use due to the fees associated with it and difficulty navigation of the school board rules.

**Accessibility of  
Recreational  
Space**

Having more benches across the Township's parks was a key accessibility issue commonly raised by stakeholders. Specific accessibility issues were identified in some of the Township's parks:

- Improved seniors' accessibility in Ault Park with walkways or motorized carts available for transport;
- Bathroom accessibility in Lakeview Heights; and
- Accessibility along the waterfront in general needs improvement.
- Stakeholders also identified the need for improved access to recreational facilities including:
  - Paved access to bike lanes in Ingleside;
  - More crossings along County Road 2 for pedestrians and cyclists;
  - Pedestrian crossings, paved shoulders and lower speed limits on County Road 15 to improve safety for families and children walking to the beach;
  - More parking for waterfront access; and
  - More public access to the waterfront and more access to waterways in general.

**Recreational  
Facility &  
Program  
Needs**

Stakeholders identified a lack of age-specific recreational programs for older children and teenage age groups, with some indicating that they must travel to other towns to find teams. These include but are not limited to baseball, soccer and basketball. A common barrier to participation was that the timing of programs was not convenient or conflicted with work schedules. Stakeholders had a wide variety of suggestions for additional programming. In general, additional youth, adult and seniors programming were high priorities identified from the public survey. Many respondents desired more courses and workshops to be offered such as for hobbies, job skills, or educational purposes. Fitness programs for seniors were also commonly mentioned.

In terms of additional facility needs, investment in trails was one of the top priorities identified by survey respondents and public consultation attendees. Responses indicate that residents would like to see more



pathways and boardwalks along the waterfront, better trail connectivity to other parts of the Township and between green spaces, and generally more paths and trails throughout the Township to improve opportunities for those that reside outside of the main urban areas. The ability to use trails in the winter for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing as well as more winter sport opportunities (i.e. snowmobiling) was a commonly raised theme.

The highest priority for investment in additional indoor facilities was for an indoor multi-use facility with walking track and indoor field turf. Other priorities, consistently raised by community members, were the need for an off-leash dog park, an additional outdoor or indoor pool, as well as more water and beach access overall, including more boat launches and docking facilities.

#### Economic Development

Many stakeholders identified the need for recreational facilities and events that would attract visitors and tourists to the Township. Opportunities were identified for more events and activities particularly along the waterfront such as festivals, artisan/farmer's markets, pop-up shops, bike and boat rentals and competitions. Many also called for a stage or bandshell on the waterfront that would enable hosting more events. Through the development of more bike paths and branding around the 45<sup>th</sup> Parallel, opportunities were also identified for creating a destination stop for cyclists in South Stormont that could also attract more visitors and tourists. More historic signage and plaques commemorating events and/or people were also recommended as a way to make places more educational and interesting for tourists and to raise money by selling commemorative benches to families.

#### User Fees

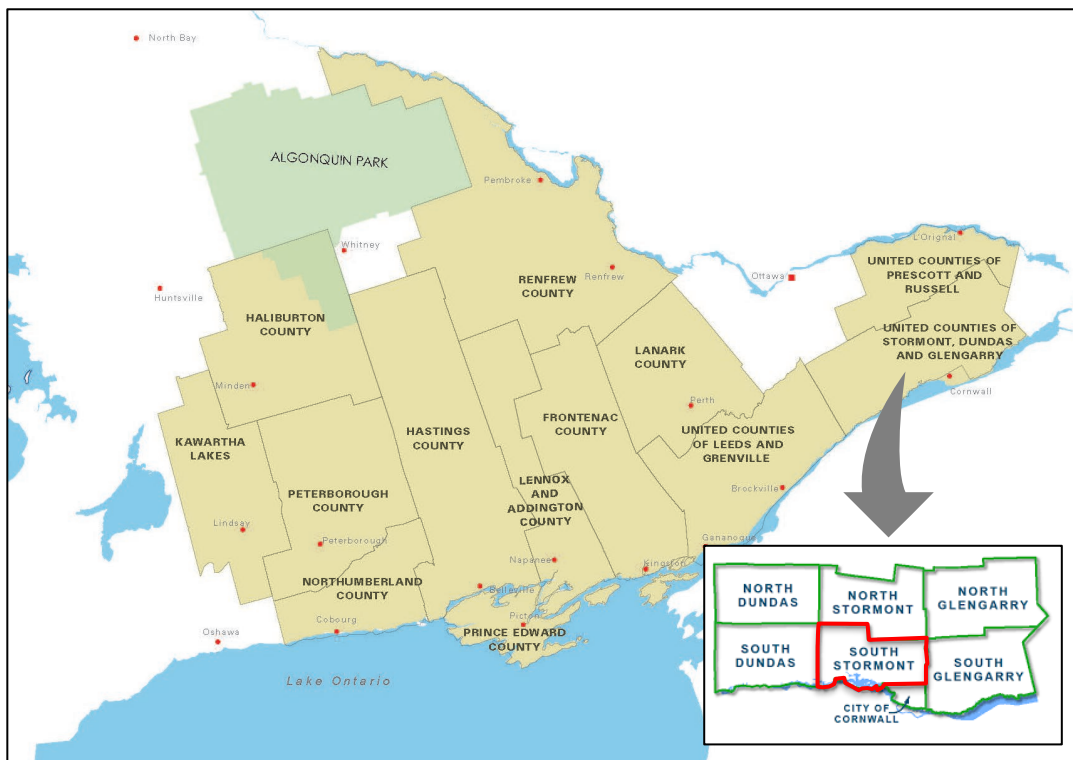
Many stakeholders felt that access to park facilities should be free or fees waived for local residents. Some indicated that free times should be offered at facilities for pick-up games of basketball or soccer, etc. and free program space should be offered to community groups such as non-profit activities for kids e.g. Girl Guides, Scouts. 14% of public survey respondents also identified recreation programs being too expensive as a barrier to their participation and felt that fees were too high for the volunteer run sports programs.

## 2 Planning Context

### 2.1 Geographic Context

The Township of South Stormont is located in eastern Ontario along the shore of the St. Lawrence River. The Township is one of six lower-tier municipalities within the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SDG) and is strategically located along Highway 401's east-west corridor.

**Exhibit 1: Locational Context of South Stormont within Eastern Ontario**



The Township comprises five “Urban Settlement Areas”, as per the Official Plan for the United Counties, including Long Sault, Ingleside, St. Andrews West, Newington and Rosedale Terrace, and five hamlets or “Rural Settlement Areas” including Beaver Glen, Bonville, Harrison’s Corners, Lunenburg, and Osnabruck Centre.

## 2.2 Policy Context

Parks, recreational and cultural facilities are key components to a community's overall quality of life. These resources contribute to the health of residents, as well as the social, environmental, and economic well-being of the community.

South Stormont's recreational assets, as well as its parkland, trails and open space network, are currently planned through the following supportive municipal policies as well as those with a broader lens.

### 2.2.1 Local Policy Directions

#### **United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Official Plan**

The upper tier *Official Plan for the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry* (2018) identifies a vision and policies guiding growth and development in the Township of South Stormont and the five other lower tier townships. The following policies address planning issues relevant to parks and recreation:

- **Official Plan Objective:** (s. 3.1.1) "To maintain an appropriate supply of land for residential, institutional, recreational, park and open space, and employment uses to meet projected growth and development demands for the next 20 years."
- **Official Plan Objective:** (s. 3.1.6) "To achieve balanced growth and settlement across the County including a mix of residential, employment, institutional, and recreation uses to meet long-term needs."
- **Complete Communities:** (s. 3.5.1) "Achieving complete communities requires a diverse range of housing options, opportunities for recreation and education for people of all ages, protecting cultural heritage, and creating inclusive public spaces with community identity."
- **Community Structure:** (s. 3.5.2.1) "Parks, open spaces or green areas should be planned to meet a variety of leisure and recreation needs and should be readily accessible to users (e.g. playgrounds, neighbourhood parks, community parks, wilderness parks, recreational trail systems). Green areas should be linked or integrated with natural heritage features and areas."
- **Infrastructure:** (s.3.5.2.5) "Transportation systems should be functional and should, wherever feasible, emphasize non-motorized systems such as recreational trails, and rights-of way for cyclists and pedestrians".

- **Parkland Acquisition and Cash-in-Lieu:** (s. 4.3.2.5) “Local Municipalities shall provide parks and open space facilities for recreation and leisure in accordance with the park land dedication provisions of the Planning Act. Where new parks or open space facilities are not possible or practical, or where these facilities already exist in close proximity, the Local Municipality may accept cash-in-lieu of parkland. These funds can be used to acquire land or develop public parks or public recreational uses.

Special purpose trails should be protected and incorporated into design and development decisions. Trails should be designed as a continuous system with linkages, notably to park and open space facilities and community services.”

## 2.2.2 Supportive Provincial Policies

### **Planning Act & Provincial Policy Statement**

The Planning Act sets out the ground rules for land use planning in Ontario and describes how land uses may be controlled, and who may control them. The Planning Act supports the adequate provision and distribution of recreational facilities and identifies requirements for parkland conveyance.

Municipalities use the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) to develop their official plans and to guide and inform decisions on other planning matters. Policy 1.5.1 addresses Public Spaces, Recreation, Parks, Trails and Open Space and identifies the promotion of healthy, active communities through:

- a) Planning public streets, spaces and facilities to be safe, meet the needs of pedestrians, foster social interaction and facilitate active transportation and community connectivity;
- b) Planning and providing for a full range and equitable distribution of publicly accessible built and natural settings for recreation, including facilities, parklands, public spaces, open space areas, trails and linkages, and, where practical, water-based resources;
- c) Providing opportunities for public access to shorelines; and
- d) Recognizing provincial parks, conservation reserves, and other protected areas, and minimizing negative impacts on these areas.

### **Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act**

The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) came into effect in 2005. The Act includes mandatory accessibility standards aimed at identifying, removing, and preventing barriers for people with disabilities, with the goal of making Ontario fully accessible by 2025.

The AODA consists of five regulatory standards. The area that is most pertinent to built infrastructure is the Design of Public Spaces Standard, which is contained within the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation. The Design of Public Spaces Standard establishes a minimum set of technical design requirements that apply to: exterior paths of travel; recreation trails, beach access routes, and outdoor public-use eating areas; outdoor play spaces (e.g., playgrounds); accessible parking; service elements; and maintaining accessible public spaces. These standards apply to both new development and redevelopment but are not retroactive for elements that existed prior to the phase-in period (now in full effect).

The AODA also requires the development of Accessibility Plans at the municipal level, which may identify enhancements to existing facilities, among other matters. Technical building standards relating to the accessibility of the parks and recreation facilities that will be considered within the Master Plan are largely governed by the Ontario Building Code and the Township's Multi-Year Accessibility Plan (currently in Draft form).

#### 2.2.3 National Framework

##### **A Framework for Recreation in Canada 2015: Pathways to Wellbeing**

The Framework for Recreation in Canada 2015 outlines the national directive for the development of recreation in Canada over the next ten years, for which provincial and municipal recreation policies and practices should support. The Framework was endorsed by Provincial and Territorial Ministers and supported by the Government of Canada in February 2015. Its aim is to improve the wellbeing of individuals, communities, and the built and natural environments. Specifically, it:

- Presents a renewed definition of recreation and explores the challenges and benefits of recreation today;
- Provides the rationale for investing in an evolved recreation strategy and describes the need for collaboration with other initiatives in a variety of sectors; and,
- Describes a new vision for recreation in Canada and suggests some common ways of thinking about the renewal of recreation, based on clear goals (active living,

inclusion and access, connecting people, supportive environments, and recreation capacity) and underlying values and principles.

A number of the goals of the plan relate specifically to parks and recreation facilities:

**Goal 1: Active Living** seeks to promote active living through physical recreation.

**Goal 2: Inclusion and Access** focuses on increasing inclusion and access to recreation for populations that face constraints to participation.

**Goal 4: Supportive Environments** is to ensure the provision of supportive physical and social environments that encourage participation in recreation and help to build strong, caring communities.

### **Canadian Sport Policy (2012)**

Canadian Sport Policy (CSP) is an intergovernmental policy directive that provides a national vision and framework for sport, physical activity and recreation until 2022. In facilitating sport excellence, enhanced education and skill development, improved health and wellness, civic pride and economic prosperity; the Policy outlines a vision to increase the number and diversity of Canadians participating in sport.

Key policy objectives of the 2012 CSP support the development of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan for South Stormont, in as much as the latter will constitute a comprehensive framework to achieve the following national priorities at a local/municipal level:

- Programming is accessible, equitable and inclusive to meet the needs, motivation and interests of participants in a fun and safe experience;
- Collaboration among community, regional and provincial/territorial partners supports the development of sustainable sport facilities, green spaces and equipment accessible to all citizens;
- Children and youth have access to safe and appropriate spaces for unstructured play and self-organized sport;
- Linkages and partnerships are fostered and supported among municipalities/local governments, schools, Provincial/territorial and national sport organizations to provide leadership and resources for recreational sport programs;
- Capable volunteers and salaried workers are recruited and retained in order to achieve system objectives;

- Collaboration among community, regional and provincial/territorial partners supports the development of sustainable sport facilities, green spaces and equipment accessible to all citizens;
- Linkages and partnerships between and among sport organizations, municipalities/local governments, and educational institutions align and leverage athlete, coach and officials' development and maximize facility utilization; and,
- Leaders, educators, and parents support the development of physical literacy and safe, healthy, values-based play and sport among children and youth.

### **Canadian Sport for Life (CS4L)**

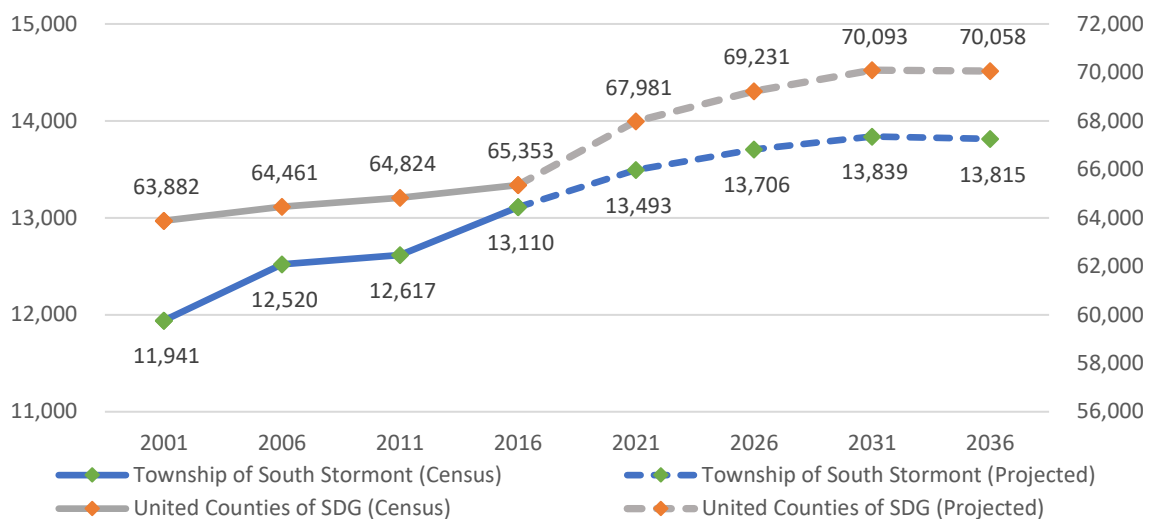
Canadian Sport for Life (CS4L) is a national initiative to improve the quality of sport and physical activity in Canada via a seven-stage training, competition, and recovery pathway framework for fostering sport and physical activity from infancy to adulthood. The initiative challenges Canadian sport organizations to develop and adopt a Sport for Life model and subsequently forms a framework for provincial sport organizations and municipalities in delivering recreation services and attaining funding from upper levels of government.

## 2.3 Population and Demographic Change

### 2.3.1 Population Growth

The Township of South Stormont has experienced moderate growth since 2001, adding 1,169 residents to its permanent population base. Based on population projections included in the SDG Official Plan, the Township is expected to continue to grow over the long term, with an estimated additional 705 new residents by 2036, however the Township estimates that the current population (2020) is likely in the range of 13,900 residents (based on MPAC and population per unit data). The Official Plan estimates that there would be 390 new households in South Stormont from 2016-2031 (25 years), however, the Township has issued permits for 327 new units in just under five years 2016-2020(Q3). The population projections are currently under review as the Township is growing faster than anticipated.

**Exhibit 2: Historic and Projected Population Growth (2001 – 2036)**



Source: SPM based on Statistics Canada Census Data (2006, 2016) and United Counties of SDG Official Plan (2018).

Between 2011 and 2016, the Township grew faster than Cornwall and all of SDG combined. Much of the recent growth has occurred in Long Sault and areas north of the City of Cornwall. Many of the more northern, rural areas have experienced a decrease in population between 2006 and 2016. See Appendix A for details.



**Exhibit 3: Population Change Comparison of Neighbouring Municipalities (2011 – 2016)**

Municipality	2011 Pop.	2016 Pop.	Pop. Change	% Change
South Glengarry	13,162	13,150	-12	-0.1%
<b>South Stormont</b>	<b>12,617</b>	<b>13,110</b>	<b>+493</b>	<b>+3.9%</b>
North Dundas	11,225	11,278	+53	+0.5%
South Dundas	10,794	10,833	+39	+0.4%
North Glengarry	10,251	10,109	-142	-1.4%
North Stormont	6,775	6,873	+98	+1.4%
City of Cornwall	46,340	46,589	+249	0.5%

Source: SPM based on Statistics Canada Census Data, 2016.

### Servicing Future Populations

In order to understand the growth potential of the Township over the long-term, it is important to first understand the future servicing requirements and the implications to be able to accommodate such growth.

The Township is responsible for three water systems located in Long Sault-Ingleside, Newington and St. Andrews West/Rosedale Terrace, and two municipal wastewater systems (Ingleside and Long Sault). Based on discussions with Township staff, it is understood that the Wastewater Treatment Plant in Ingleside currently has minimal capacity left (less than 5%), while Long Sault is at approximately 60% capacity which is why most of the recent growth is happening there.

The Township is currently in the process of assessing future capacity requirements related to municipal servicing for Long Sault, including water and wastewater services, and reviewing alternative solutions to ensure that municipal servicing will meet the demands of the existing population as well as the expected population growth over the next 20 years. Future capacity requirements for Long Sault are expected to be finalized towards the end of 2019.

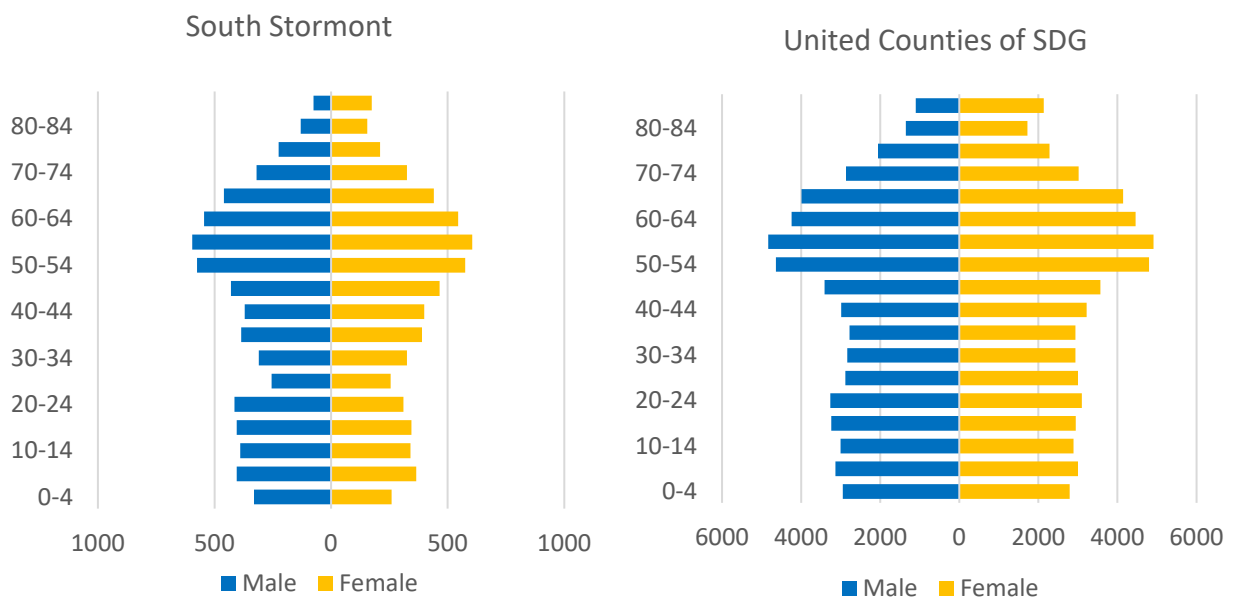
In order to be able to accommodate future growth in Ingleside, an expansion to the existing Ingleside Wastewater Treatment Plant was recommended through the Environmental Assessment process undertaken by EVB Engineering in 2017, at a cost of approximately \$27 M (2017 dollars). This facility is located south of County Road 2 and on the north shore of the St. Lawrence River.

### 2.3.2 Profile of Residents

#### Age Profile

The Township’s age distribution profile generally aligns with that of the United Counties, although with a lower proportion of young adults particularly those between the ages of 25 and 34 years. The largest age cohort in both the Township and SDG are those residents between the ages of 55 and 59 years. The Township and Counties are expected to experience aging similar to other communities in Ontario and across Canada.

**Exhibit 4: Age Distribution Comparison (2016)**



Source: Sierra Planning and Management based on Statistics Canada Census Data, 2016.

The average age of South Stormont’s population is 43.4 years, based on 2016 Census data. This is slightly higher than Ontario’s average age at 41.0 years. When broken down by Dissemination Area<sup>1</sup>, South Stormont’s average age varies significantly. The more rural areas tend to have lower average ages, while Ingleside and Long Sault’s population have higher average ages, signifying a higher concentration of older adults

<sup>1</sup> Statistics Canada defines Dissemination Area (DA) as small area composed of one or more neighbouring dissemination blocks, with a population of 400 to 700 persons.

within the southern urban centres. Specifically, in central Ingleside, more than 30% of the population is over the age of 65 and less than 15% of the population is under 19 years of age. See Appendix A for additional details.

**Exhibit 5: Township Age Distribution Change (2011 – 2016)**

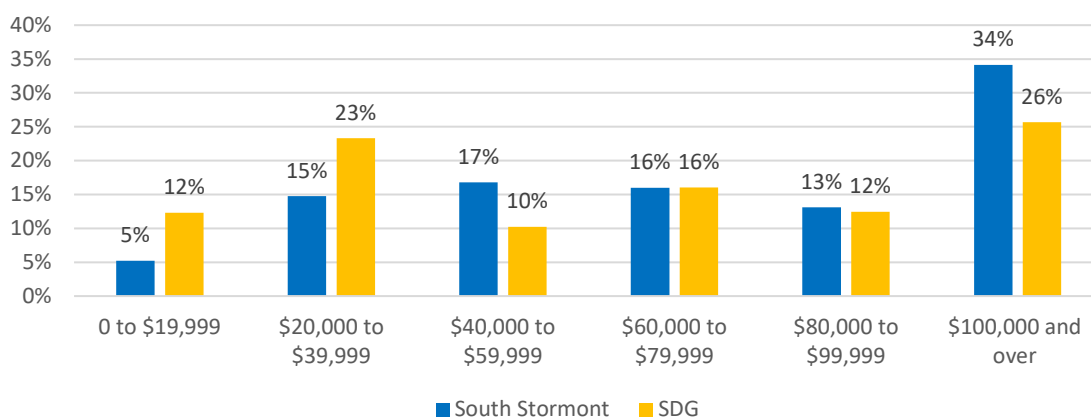
Age Cohort	2011		2016		Change
	Pop.	% share	Pop.	% share	
Children (0-9)	1,220	9.67%	1,360	10.37%	Stable (minimal increase)
Youth (10-19)	1,745	13.83%	1,485	11.32%	Decrease
Young Adult (20-29)	1,125	8.91%	1,240	9.45%	Stable (minimal decrease)
Adult (30-64)	6,510	51.58%	6,515	49.68%	Decrease
Older Adult (65+)	2,020	16.01%	2,515	19.18%	Increase
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,620</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>13,115</b>	<b>100%</b>	

Source: SPM based on Statistics Canada Census Data, 2016.

### Profile of Income

As per the 2016 census, the Township has an average household income of \$76,092 (before tax), which is considerably higher than the United Counties of SDG (\$59,526) as a whole, and comparable to that of Ontario (\$74,287). Thirty four percent (34%) of the Township's households have an income of \$100,000 or more, compared to 26% of households in SDG.

**Exhibit 6: Total Household Income Comparison (2016)**



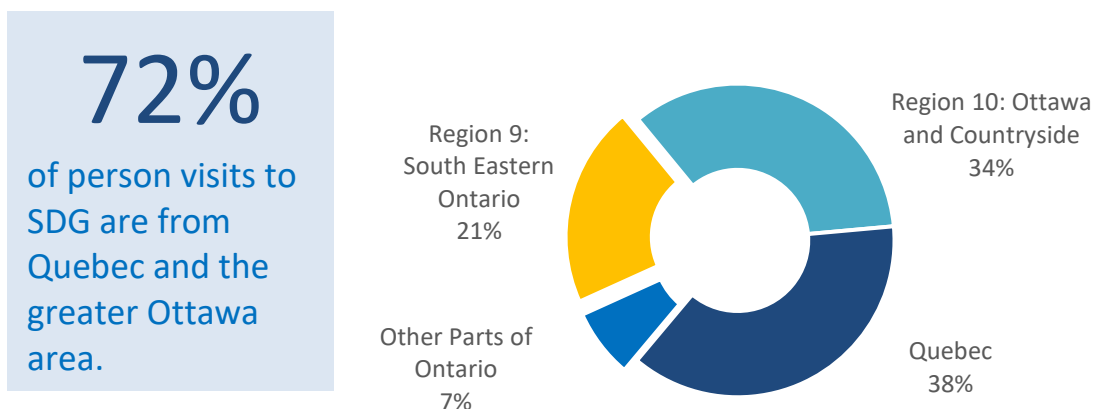
Source: SPM based on Statistics Canada Census Data, 2016.

The prevalence of households that fall under the Low-Income Cut-Off After Tax (LICO-AT) within South Stormont (2.8% of households) is significantly less than the provincial average (9.8%). The distribution of lower income households is fairly evenly spread across the Township. See Appendix A for details.

## 2.4 Recreation as a Driver for Tourism

The Township of South Stormont is located within the South Eastern Regional Tourism Organization (RTO#9), which stretches from Trenton in the west to the Ontario/Quebec border in the east. While visitor statistics are not available specific to South Stormont, a breakdown of data was obtained that captures the visitation and activities statistics of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SDG) as a whole, which the Township is a part of, as detailed below. This area (SDG) had a total of 1.2 million person visits in 2016, 28% of which stayed overnight.

**Exhibit 7: Person Visits to SDG based on Visitor Origin (2016)**



In 2016, 38% of visitors came to the United Counties of SDG to visit friends and relatives. This is followed by outdoor / sports activity (29%), and shopping (17%). A further breakdown of the top 10 outdoor / sports activities they are participating in while in SDG is provided below.

**Exhibit 8: Visitation to SDG – Visitor Participation in Outdoor / Sports Activities (2016)**

Top 10 Outdoor / Sports Activities	% of Total
Visit a beach	15%
Hiking	14%
Fishing	13%
Playing a sport	13%
Boating	12%
Wildlife/Bird watching	10%
Camping	8%
Cross-country skiing	5%
Hunting	5%
Golfing	3%

Visitor spending totalled over **\$5.2 million** on recreation, entertainment, and culture activities across the United Counties in 2016.

Source: SPM based on Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport, Visitors to UCSDG (CD1) data, 2016.

**Cycle Tourism**

The Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS, Tourism Research Unit) completed a Province-wide Cycling Network Study Report in 2016, highlighting the importance of cycle tourism on local economies. It indicates that in 2016, there were 1.6 million cycle visits in Ontario, representing 1.1% of total visits, a majority of which are Ontario residents (84%). The Study also notes that cycling visitors generally spend more on average per trip (\$317 per trip compared to \$186 per trip for total visitors).

While cycling was not included within the top 10 ranked activities for SDG, it ranked number 11th, with 2% of the total visitors participating in outdoor / sports activities taking part in cycling.

## 3 Recreation and Sport Trends

In order to plan recreation and community facilities effectively for the future, it is important to understand the demand for recreation programs, services and facilities. Provided below is a high-level assessment with regards to general physical activity profiles and trends in participation at the national, provincial, and local level (based on available data).

### 3.1 Observed Influences on Participation

There are a number of socio-economic and lifestyle factors that influence participation in physical recreation, including:

- **Age** – Sport participation and overall active lifestyle tends to decrease with age. National and Provincial sports participation is projected to continue to decline as the population ages;
- **Gender** – The gender gap in sport participation has increased, where the gap in favour of a greater representation of male sport participation increased from 1998 (17%) to 2010 (19%);
- **Labour force status** – In 2010, students displayed the highest rate of participation in sport (46%), followed by part-time workers (31%), full-time workers (27%) and the unemployed (17%);
- **Marital status** – Single adults are more likely to participate in sport as compared to married Canadians, who are more likely to participate in sport than widowed, divorced or separated adults;
- **Income inequality** – In 2010, the rate of sport participation among households with incomes greater than \$80,000 (33%) was five times larger than sport participation for households with incomes of less than \$20,000 (7%) Wealthier Canadians tend to have more access to recreational opportunities.
- **Geography/Place of Residence** – Rural Canada experiences lower sports participation levels than more urbanized areas. Lower rural sports participation may be a result of longer travelling distances, which often limits engagement in physical activity opportunities;

- **Health challenges** – An increase in sedentary lifestyle has led to unhealthy eating practices and increases in chronic diseases such as diabetes and heart disease. Psychological barriers include depression, especially among youth; and
- **Social media** – an increase in the use of social media has limited face-to-face interactions and the opportunity to recreate.

### 3.2 Recreation Infrastructure Trends

A lack of quality recreation spaces can hamper community access to recreation opportunities. The pace of development that impacts the natural environment also reduces the quality and quantity of outdoor recreation spaces in urban areas. Therefore, well designed and functioning recreation and sport facilities, trails and parks are key to creating and maintaining healthy communities.

Much of Ontario's recreation infrastructure is in a state of decline, as the majority of publicly owned facilities were built between 1956 and 1980. According to Parks and Recreation Ontario's *Major Municipal Sport and Recreation Facility Inventory*, all communities throughout Ontario will be required to upgrade or replace up to 55% of their community centres over the next 15 to 20 years.

Key trends that have emerged in the development of parks and recreation facilities include:

- **Multi-usage** – Increasing focus on multi-use facilities as recreation, entertainment, family centres, and community hubs;
- **Unstructured outdoor spaces** – With an ever-expanding suite of sports and recreational activities appealing to a broad population, providing areas within parks for unstructured or informal play is becoming increasingly important;
- **Sustainability** - Facilities and amenities that encourage complete sustainability (environmental, economic, and social) focused on zero waste, green building typologies, and promoting green lifestyle choices.
- **Accessibility** - Fully accessible and inclusive facilities and amenities means improved opportunities for participation by all people in all recreational pursuits regardless of age, income or ability.

### 3.3 Parkland Planning & Development Trends

While each municipality sets its own goals and priorities in the development of its parkland system, current trends that can have an impact on the development / redevelopment of parks, trails, and other outdoor facilities include demographic changes (aging communities and rising senior needs for passive pursuits), participation trends in traditional field sports, active transportation and active living, linking recreation and leisure services to the quality of life, and parks as cultural spaces. Current best practices in parks planning and development are identified as follows:

**Holistic parks planning:** Parks planning has historically taken a more fragmented approach, identifying parcels of green space to protect from residential development, and develop into active and passive parks. More recent trends in parks planning however, have focused on a more holistic approach that attempts to understand the role that each park and open space plays in the broader system within a community. As a result, greenways and trails have been important in order to connect these parcels of green space, particularly within urban areas but also in more rural municipalities that encompass a number of distinct communities, such as South Stormont.

**Multi-use for multiple audiences:** Parks and green spaces that tend to have the most influence in encouraging residents to participate in outdoor recreation and leisure pursuits, are those that provide a range of amenities that facilitate a broad variety of activities. As an example, well designed neighbourhood parks may include a playground, walking track, benches, and playing field. Based on availability and original condition of the land, the park may also include a natural/naturalized area. Such a park functions to provide residents of all ages with a variety of opportunities for outdoor recreation.

Creating open spaces that are flexible enough to be used for a variety of events and activities by a variety of ages. This trend speaks to the “8 to 80” movement, which focuses on designing spaces that if everything in the space is great for an 8-year-old and an 80-year-old, then it will be great for all people. Encouraging seniors to visit parks yields an added ‘stewardship’ benefit as they tend to observe and report problems to authorities.

**Parks as social hubs and gathering spaces:** This concept emphasizes the development of parks as community places which can animate neighbourhoods and provide opportunities for events, programs, and interactions. Providing a variety of seating options, such as park benches, landscape stones, and amphitheatres, designing unique and flexible spaces, innovative landscaping and public art features, as well as shade and



shelter, are key considerations that will contribute to an inviting and comfortable space for recreational and social activities to occur.

**Parks as cultural and educational spaces:** Linked with the trend of parks as social hubs and gathering spaces is the trend that parks are increasingly being developed with amenities that support arts, culture, and heritage. Examples include performance spaces, local art exhibitions, community gardens, and / or interpretive park elements.

**Community involvement in park design:** Community involvement at the design stage, by identifying which amenities the community would use, can help to ensure a park becomes a social hub, as those involved in the process take ownership and feel a sense of pride when the project is realized. These parks also typically offer amenities that encourage community involvement and cohesion, such as community gardens, playgrounds, and playing fields. The park design should focus on ‘placemaking’ – the development of a park that reflects the community’s character through design.

**Maintenance and sustainability:** Many municipalities are facing strained budgets when it comes to the maintenance and operation of public spaces, as new parks and facilities are acquired through the development process. To reduce the maintenance and operational requirements for parkland and park amenities, park development and renewal in the future, municipal governments are now contemplating sustainability practices, specifically related to:

- Designs that encourage sustainable maintenance practices (xeriscaping, naturalized landscapes, etc.);
- Incorporating native, drought resistant vegetation features in an effort to reduce watering requirements; and
- Utilizing durable materials and infrastructure (e.g. furniture, play equipment, etc.).

### 3.4 Trail Development Trends

Current recreation participation trends that affect the development of trails include:

**Participation in walking for exercise:** Walking as a recreational/leisure time activity has grown in popularity across the province and is often the most common and popular activity above all other leisure pursuits in Ontario communities. Use of trails continues to grow with an increasing emphasis on healthy and active lifestyles, “walkable” communities, and given that it is a fairly universal activity (for those who are mobile). Walking and other trail activities are also typically low cost (or no cost) to participate, with a range and diversity of routes and alternatives available, offer the ability to

participate alone or in groups and in either organized programs or spontaneously, and the availability and convenience of locations for walking at almost any time.

**Community connectivity:** In addition to supporting public health and promoting active-lifestyles, trails play an increasingly important role in creating community connectivity as a means of enticing people into the community to take advantage of recreation and leisure opportunities available not just by car, but via trails, walkways and bike paths. Walking and biking are emerging as some of the most popular fitness trends, and therefore, an interconnected trail system offers communities a way to recreate, access key community hubs, and commute to work without using a vehicle.

**Accessible pathway design and multi-use trails:** Ensuring that some portions of the trail system are universally accessible is important to ensure use by multiple audiences. While it is recognized that universally accessible trails may not be realistic in some of the more natural areas, due to slope, general terrain, or other limitations, those trails located in more urban settings (sidewalks or otherwise) should be designed for universal accessibility (i.e. appropriate curb cuts, signage, etc.).

**Four-season use:** As with parks, there is increasing emphasis on the year-round use of trails to support a greater range of activities throughout the four seasons. Related activities and types of trails have diversified to include leash-free dog-walking trails, skating trails, tobogganing trails, mountain biking and BMX trails, in addition to traditional seasonal and year-round trail activities such as walking, hiking, running, cycling, rollerblading, snow-shoeing, cross-country skiing, etc. There are related maintenance and equipment considerations however, for specific uses such as winter trail grooming for cross-country skiing and flooding/surfacing equipment for skating trails.

### 3.5 Trends in the Delivery of Programming and Services

Key trends that have emerged in service delivery methods for recreational and sport programming include:

- **Volunteerism** – National trends show a decline in volunteerism. However, those who volunteer are doing so on a more frequent basis;
- **Performance measures** – Recreation sector performance measures are increasingly shifting from outputs to outcomes (shift from output measures such as capital costs, number of registrants to outcome measures such as how the program benefited the community and health indicators);

- **Partnerships** – Communities are increasingly entering into partnership agreements with community groups and the private sector to maximize cost efficiencies;
- **User and rental fees** – Rising user and rental fees are increasingly raising the cost of participation. This is a particular challenge for communities in the inclusion of target groups; and
- **Structure of recreation/sport participation** – Resident demand for unorganized and drop-in activities are on the rise.

Assessing the service delivery needs of a community can help to guide recreation departments when identifying gaps in service and developing programming. These needs most commonly relate to the following:

- **Lack of free time** – busy lifestyles and commuting have been a barrier to recreation participation, which has increased demand for self-scheduled and spontaneous activities. The flexibility of drop-in programming will have implications in terms of non-traditional hours, the popularity of multi-purpose facilities and a diversity of drop-in activities.
- **Focus on Youth** – a growing awareness of the importance of focusing on youth programming and its life-long benefits, such as healthier lifestyle and decrease in bullying and crime. Play Works developed criteria for “Youth Friendly Communities”, which are awarded to municipalities that demonstrate their commitment to youth programming.
- **Engaging an Aging Population** – recreation departments are trying to engage older adults more to get a better understanding of their needs. This generation of older adults tends to be more physically active than previous generations and more likely to register for mainstream fitness classes. This level of activity will likely drive more demand for more active programming/skill development, higher expectations of service quality and facilities, and a greater emphasis on “active” living.
- **Strengthening Neighbourhoods & Creating Community Hubs** – the need to animate neighbourhoods with an increase of recreational activity, and work with local groups to determine neighbourhood needs. A community gathering space that provides a range of programming can create a greater sense of belonging, empowerment and cohesion within diverse populations.

## 4 Service Delivery for Recreation

Recreation services delivered by the Township of South Stormont comprise all support activities required to actualize the delivery of programs and facilities and facilitate end-user/community access to these opportunities. With respect to the municipality's current mandate, this includes:

- Operations and maintenance, regulation and allocation of recreation and culture facilities and park / outdoor recreational assets;
- Recreation and leisure program development and provision;
- Special events including summer events;
- Working in conjunction with service providers to support festivals / major events (i.e. Canada Day);
- Partnership development with other parks and recreation service providers (not-for profit and private organizations); and
- All communication and promotion of parks and recreation facilities, programs, and services, in general.

The Township's approach to the provision of recreation services is based on a Community Development Model, with the assumption that the private sector sport and recreation providers are a partner, and that the municipality will not be in direct competition, only providing programs where they do not exist (i.e. minor sport leagues). The Township is the key provider of publicly accessible recreational facilities.

### 4.1 Organizing Structure for the Delivery of Services

At the time of the 2009 Master Plan, there was one staff member in charge of community recreation for the Township, organized within the Public Works Department. Over the past 10 years, the Township has begun to build a modern departmental structure for the provision of recreation and leisure. Today, the management of all recreation facilities, programs and services lies with the Parks and Recreation Department, overseen by the Township's Chief Administrative Officer (CAO).

The Parks and Recreation Department is led by a full-time Director, who manages several staff members. The Department strives to plan strategically in order to preserve and extend the life of key recreational facilities, as well as develop new programs and

facilities that efficiently meet the current and future needs of the community at large. Exhibit 9 illustrates the current organizational structure of the Parks and Recreation Department and its staff.

Based on feedback obtained from user groups, experiences in dealing with members of the Township's Recreation staff, as it relates to the ease of booking facilities, support to operate their program(s), facility cleanliness, and on-site services provided by Facility Operators were reported as being 'very positive' and 'excellent'.

It is understood that the existing available resources, coupled with administrative duties to support existing programs, is restricting further program development and marketing initiatives. It is important to note that the Summer Event staff currently assist the Parks and Recreation Coordinator with minor sports programs that occur in the summer months (e.g. minor soccer and baseball), and without their assistance, these programs would be difficult to run.

In order to facilitate expansion of the program and events suite, the opportunity exists for further development of the Parks and Recreation Department to include Culture as another branch. There are many examples of other small municipalities where, as they grow, the Recreation Department evolves accordingly and typically includes a Culture branch or division. Whitchurch-Stouffville is one such example of a quickly growing community that has 3 divisions under its Leisure & Community Services Department banner – Culture & Community Services Division (responsible for cultural facilities and programming, and special events), Facilities & Parks Division (development and operation of parks and indoor and outdoor facilities), and Recreation Services Division (focused on program development and delivery).

Township staff has also identified that the Parks and Recreation department will be adding to its portfolio of outdoor recreation assets that will require operating and maintenance resources. This includes five (5) cemetery properties that were previously run by individual cemetery boards which are now either no longer in place and/or no longer able to oversee these properties, and the Lost Villages Museum property, currently run by the Lost Villages Historical Society, which is not able to continue to fulfill the terms of the agreement in place at present.

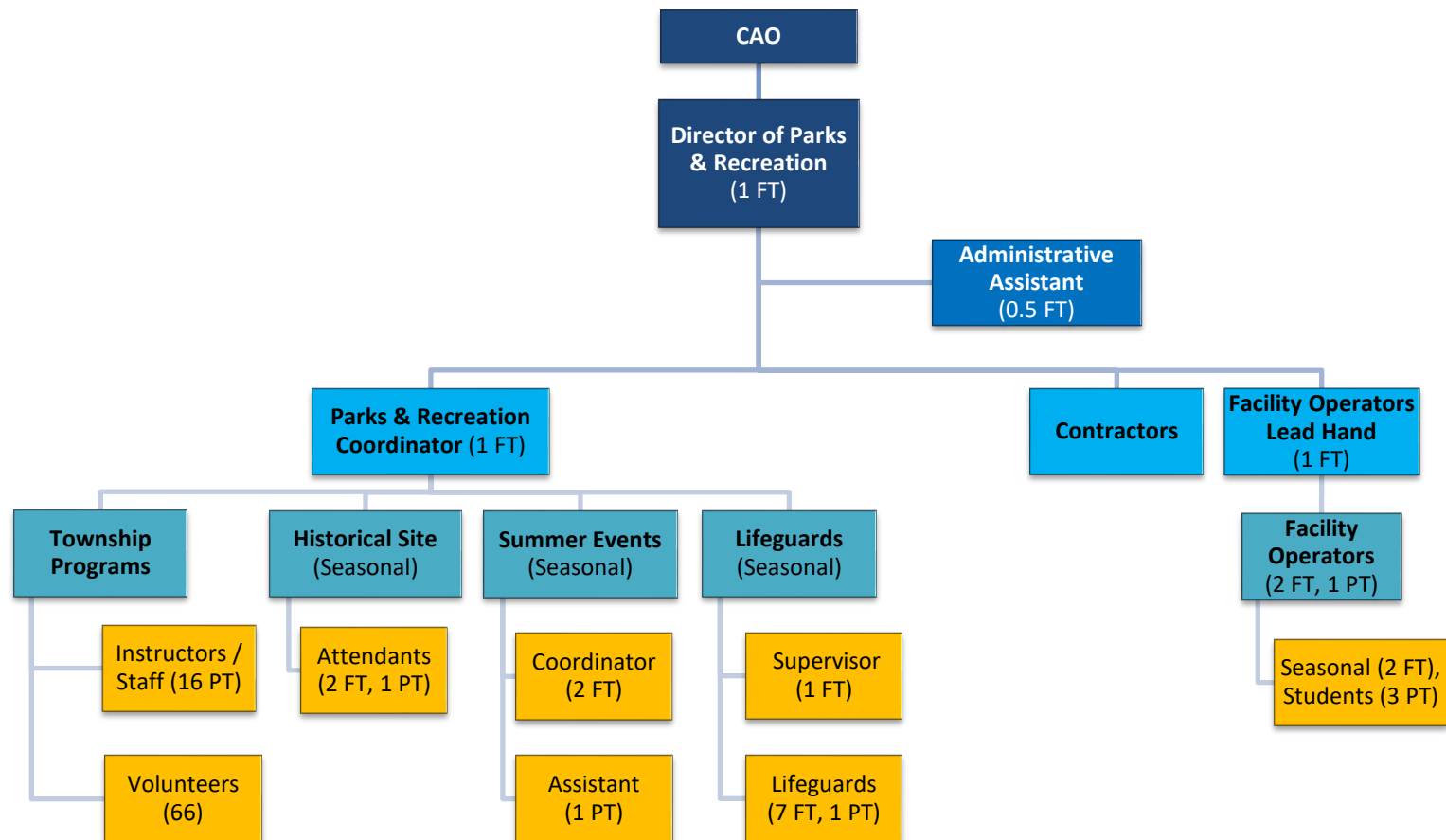
Regarding the cemeteries, the Township currently hires and managers mowing contractors to cut the grass at these locations. Starting in 2020, Department resources will be used to perform small landscaping projects at the cemeteries, including tree trimming, small fence repairs, and brush clearing. The Township has taken the initiative to send a staff member to an ORFA Cemeterian Operations course, in order to be able to

perform general site inspections and properly undertake maintenance and oversee contracted repairs.

As for the Lost Villages Museum, a new lease agreement is currently being negotiated, and it is anticipated that the Historical Society will continue to be responsible for the programming and events at the museum / park, and the Township will assume all responsibility for building and grounds maintenance. Therefore, Township resources will be required to perform some of the small maintenance items, while contractors will be hired to do larger repairs. The two entities will work together to ensure that seasonal students hired for the day-to-day operation of the Museum (June to August) are properly trained and supervised.

There are some concerns regarding the Township taking a larger role in the operation of the museum buildings and grounds. More staff time will be required to properly address the renovations and day-to-day operations, and the added annual expenses to the budget in order to maintain these facilities. The other concern is that the truly active members of the historical society are aging and the Township wants to ensure that there are plans to properly train and organize material in a manner that would allow for future generations to have the knowledge of telling the stories of the lost villages.

**Exhibit 9: Parks and Recreation Department Organizational Structure**



Note: Seasonal activities are supported by seasonal staff resources in the spring and summer months. Student positions are year-round.

## 4.2 Supporting Committees and Partnerships

### 4.2.1 Special Projects Committees

South Stormont has a number of Special Projects Committees, each developed for a specific purpose, event, or study. For example, in 2017 a Canada 150 Committee was formed to plan, oversee and implement the celebration for Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration. At present, Committees include:

- **Waterfront Development Committee:** formed in the Spring of 2019 to help guide the development of the Waterfront Plan (being developed in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Master Plan process), and to oversee initial implementation initiatives related to the recommendations identified within the Plan (anticipated to be finalized in Spring 2020);
- **Volunteer Recognition Committee:** formed to organize the annual Volunteer Appreciation Gala; and
- **Sports Hall of Fame Committee:** operates at an arms length of the Township.

### 4.2.2 Local Partners

In addition to staff of the Parks and Recreation Department, there are a number of external partners that provide important assets within the Township that are used for both formal and informal recreational purposes, facilitate access to recreation facilities, and/or deliver programs and services within the community, including:

- Environmental agencies (i.e. St. Lawrence Parks Commission, Conservation Authorities);
- Local school boards;
- Health and wellness agencies (i.e. Seniors Support Centre, Public Health Unit);
- Cultural groups (i.e. Lost Villages Historical Society);
- Community associations (i.e. Lions Club, Friendly Circle Seniors Club);
- Sports organizations and local leagues (i.e. South Stormont Minor Hockey Association); and
- Private fitness program providers (i.e. Yoga, local gyms).



South Stormont has a history of a strong volunteer base who are committed to offering a wide variety of activities and programs for all ages.

#### 4.2.3 Existing Lease Agreements

Specific to the provision of land / facilities for public enjoyment, the Township has four existing lease agreements with external agencies and private landowners for the maintenance and operation of land. These agreements vary significantly and are summarized below:

Facility	Agency / Entity	Lease Term	Details
<b>Lancer Community Centre</b>	Upper Canada District School Board (UCDSB)	20-year rental agreement (2012 to 2032); renewal every 5 years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Township has exclusive usage priority of the facility when school is not in session, during the Township's designated usage times.</li> <li>Youth programs are not charged (unless they occur on weekends).</li> <li>Rate of \$45.00 per hour (plus the cost of janitorial overtime staff) for use of the multi-use double gymnasium / community centre, mobile stage, municipal recreation office, storage space, change rooms, parking lot and servery.</li> </ul>
<b>St. Andrews West Outdoor Rink &amp; Sports Fields</b>	Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese in Alexandria Cornwall (St. Andrews Parish) (RCEC)	5-year rental agreement (March 1, 2019 to February 29, 2024).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land leased to Township to operate recreational facilities and programs through Parks and Recreation Department for a nominal fee.</li> <li>Township operates / maintains recreation facilities on lands.</li> <li>Shared parking lot maintained by RCEC and cost split with Township.</li> </ul>

Facility	Agency / Entity	Lease Term	Details
<b>Lakeview Park</b>	St. Lawrence Parks Commission (SPLC)	20-year lease agreement (2002 to 2022); renewal every 5 years.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land leased to Township to operate as a recreational day use area for a nominal annual fee.</li> </ul>
<b>Lunenburg Park</b>	Private landowner	Expired May 2019.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land leased to Township to operate and maintain for parkland purposes.</li> </ul>

In order to maximize the potential associated with the public use of SLPC lands (including Lakeview Park, which is under lease, but also other key parcels across the waterfront), investment in additional infrastructure is likely necessary. For the Township to be willing to invest capital of any significance into these lands, the Township requires a solidified long-term lease and rights of usage to enable it to justify investment in the park(s).

The Township also has three lease agreements in which they are the property owner, as detailed below.

Facility	Agency / Entity	Lease Term	Details
<b>Lost Villages (Ault Park)</b>	Lost Villages Historical Society (LVHS)	2012-2017, with an additional 5-year renewal option, which was never formalized (as of February 2019).  Renegotiations are currently ongoing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land leased to LVHS from Township for the operation of a historical museum site in the Township.</li> <li>LVHS oversees the programming, activities and events.</li> <li>Township oversees the operations and maintenance of the buildings and grounds.</li> </ul>
<b>Seniors' Support Centre (Ingleside)</b>	Carefor Health & Community Services	Unknown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides services (e.g. Meals on Wheels, congregate dining / social recreation, foot care, adult day program, etc.) to seniors and adults with physical disabilities.</li> </ul>

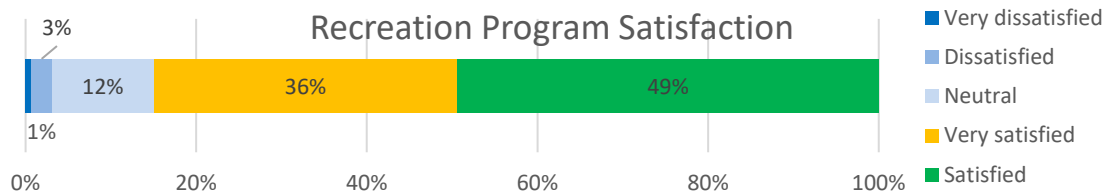
<p><b>SDG Library (Ingleside and Long Sault)</b></p>	<p>SDG Library Board</p>	<p>2017-2022, with an additional 5-year renewal option (to 2027).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building leased to the Library Board to operate a County library branch.</li> <li>• 2020 rental rate based on \$8.00 per square foot (equates to a rental revenue of \$33,456 annually for both facilities). This has increased from \$4.00 per square foot in 2018.</li> <li>• Township assumes responsibility for operations, maintenance, and capital improvements (typically requested by SDG Library).</li> </ul>
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### 4.3 Existing Municipal Program Offer & Participation

Through the Parks and Recreation Department, the Township directly delivers a limited offer of registered programs - this includes minor sports programs, swimming lessons, and summer events. Other programs, such as fitness classes, arts, and crafts programs, etc., are offered through non-profit or private providers. Many of these providers rent space from the Township to run the programs. The Township typically assists these providers by advertising the programs on the municipal website and in the Community Guide.

#### What we Heard

Overall, the majority of respondents to the public survey (n=160) indicated they were ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’ with the recreation programs currently being delivered by the Township.



A variety of communication techniques are utilized by the Township to advertise programming and activities. Respondents to the public survey identified that they typically learn about these programs / activities in more than one way. Respondents

primarily learn about recreation programs and activities through the printed Community Guide (72% of respondents) published biannually by the Township, while social media (60%) word of mouth (50%), and the municipal website (42%) are also popular resources for program and activity information.

#### 4.3.1 Minor Sports Programs

Minor sports programming, namely ball hockey, baseball and T-Ball, and soccer, often provided by a not-for-profit sports organization indirectly, are provided in South Stormont directly by the Township. Registrations in minor sports programs run by the Township have increased since 2015 with junior ball hockey, the basketball camp, T-ball (part of baseball), and certain soccer divisions reaching the maximum number of registrants in 2019.

**Exhibit 10: Annual Registrations in Minor Sports Programs**

Minor Sports Program	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Ball Hockey	117	73	100	103	94
Baseball / T-Ball	58	36	32	76	55
Soccer	478	438	412	475	487
Basketball Camp	0	45	61	63	56
Sport for Life	0	46	68	55	62
<b>Total</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>754</b>

Source: SPM based on Township of South Stormont Registration Data.

#### What we Heard

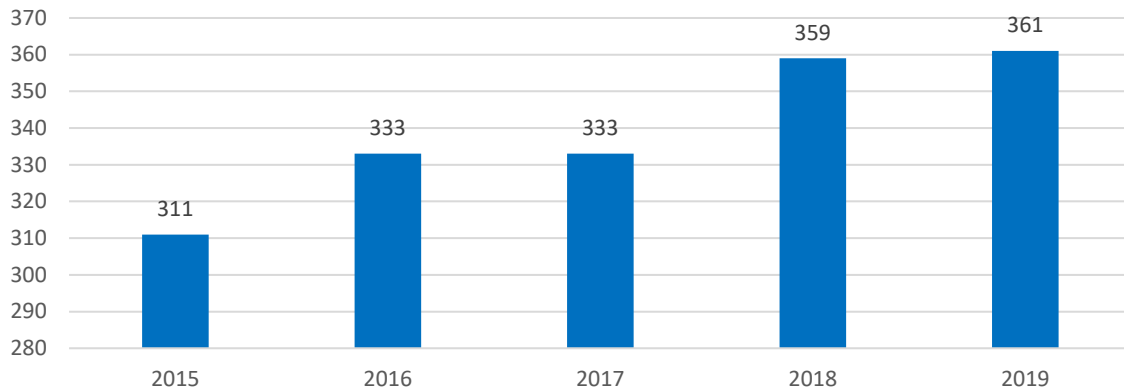
Results from the public survey reflect the annual registrations depicted above in that the minor soccer program is the most heavily attended (57% of respondents, n=92). Respondents indicated that the soccer program needs more organization and direction, as well as guidance and training for coaches and referees. In addition, some respondents indicated the need for the minor sports teams to accommodate older age groups, as some residents find they must travel to Cornwall or South Dundas to find teams. It should be noted that the Township has run minor sports programs for older children in the past, however there was dwindling participation and the Township was not able to continue providing these services.

#### 4.3.2 Swimming Programs

The Township offers swimming lessons during the summer months at the two outdoor pools; however, a majority of these lessons occur at the St. Andrews West Pool. The Long Sault Wading Pool only had 10 registrants for lessons during the 2019 season – the

remainder (351 registrants) took part in lessons at the St. Andrews West Pool. This has resulted in a decision to permanently close the Long Sault Wading Pool after the 2019 season. In general, registrations over the past five years have steadily increased.

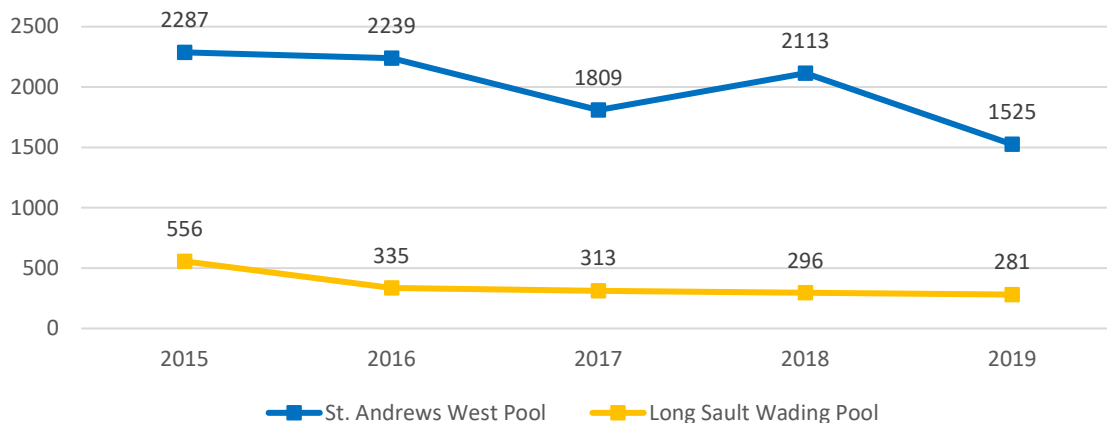
**Exhibit 11: Annual Swimming Lessons Registrations**



Source: SPM based on Township of South Stormont Registration Data.

Drop-in public swim times are also available at the two outdoor pools. A reduction of drop-in hours at the St. Andrews West Pool since 2017 has allowed for more private bookings and fitness classes. A decrease in the number of drop-in swimmers in 2017 can be attributed to this, as well as unfavourable weather conditions and the Glengarry Camp discontinuing their use of the pool on a regular basis. Drop-in swimmers at the Long Sault Wading Pool have decreased over the past five years.

**Exhibit 12: Annual Drop-In Swimming Participation**



Source: SPM based on Township of South Stormont Tracking Data.

## What we Heard

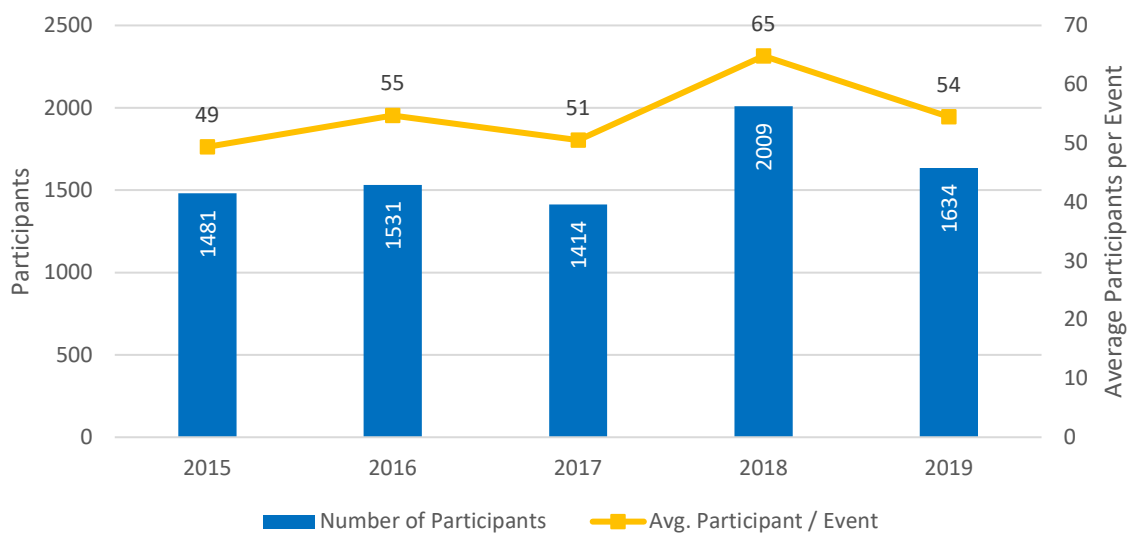
According to the public survey, swimming programs were the second most popular program (37% of respondents, n=52). Respondents expressed the need for indoor swimming facilities to increase participation by providing all season availability.

### 4.3.3 Summer Events

The Township currently provides themed activities and events during July and August for school-aged children. These activities are planned and run by the summer students, and are provided in various locations throughout the Township and include events such as Crazy Cooks, Summer Block Party, Zumba Kids, and Mid-Summer Splash. These events are run daily for one and a half to two hours each. Most of these events are free of charge, while some require a small fee typically between two and five dollars to cover some of the program costs.

Since 2015, overall participation in summer events has increased, most notably in the 2018 season. This can be attributed to the elimination of bus trips in 2018 enabling staff to focus on hosting larger events within the township with more participants during each event. In 2019, a small fee was introduced for larger events, which still drew a good turnout, but lower than in 2018.

**Exhibit 13: Summer Events Program Participation**



Source: SPM based on Township of South Stormont Registration Data.

### What we Heard

35% of public survey respondents who indicated they access Township programming identified that they participate in the weekly summer events for kids. Respondents suggested that more variety was needed in the types of activities and that with many of the activities being offered in Long Sault during the work week, some children have difficulty accessing them on their own.

#### 4.3.4 Special / Community Events

The Township organizes and implements a number of community events, including Canada Day Celebration, Volunteer Appreciation Gala, and outdoor movie nights in the summer. In addition to this, Township staff provide logistical and in-kind support to other community events, such as Stormont County Fair, Nature and Wildlife Day, St. Andrews West Fun Day, and the South Stormont Hall of Fame.

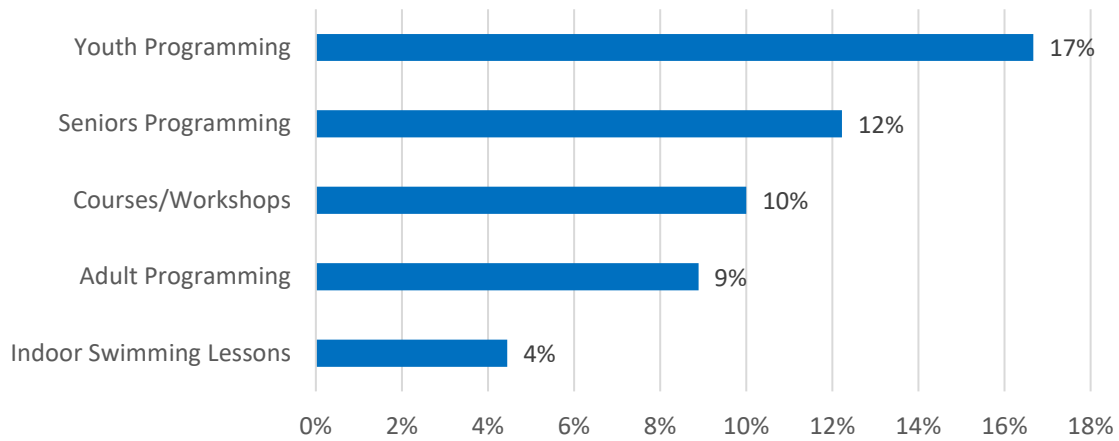
### What we Heard

Public survey respondents indicated they would like to see more cultural events occurring within the township.

#### 4.3.5 Additional Program Needs

The public survey asked if there are additional programs that respondents would like to see offered in South Stormont, and a variety of suggestions were provided. A common theme that emerged was the need for more programs that catered to a wider range of age categories such as adults, young adults and people that work during the day. Some respondents said they must drive to Cornwall or South Dundas to find teams for their teenage kids. Providing free time or access to free equipment at recreation centres for youth and adults to practice and play pick-up games was also suggested.

Top 5 Responses: Are there additional programs you would like to see offered in South Stormont? (n=90)



Additional programming suggestions, categorized by age, included the following:

Children / Youth	Adults	Older Adults	All Ages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Broomball</li> <li>• Badminton</li> <li>• Tennis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Badminton</li> <li>• Basketball</li> <li>• Dance</li> <li>• Fitness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indoor walking</li> <li>• Fitness</li> <li>• Curling</li> <li>• Aquafit</li> <li>• Crafts and hobby courses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arts and Crafts</li> <li>• Skills Workshops</li> <li>• Outdoor Education</li> <li>• Hobby Courses</li> </ul>

#### 4.3.6 Barriers to Participation

Responses to the public survey generally indicate that barriers affecting participation in recreation programs is generally limited (18% of respondents identified they did experience barriers). Of those that indicated they did experience barriers, the most common barriers were timing related with work schedule making it difficult to attend



(37%), and programs were not offered at a convenient time (32%). Programs that catered to respondents' skills, location of programs, and awareness of programming were also common barriers at 25% each. For those that selected other (23%), being too old or too young to participate in programs is a barrier, and it was indicated that there was not enough programming for adults. Accessibility for special needs and older adults was also identified as a barrier by 3 respondents.

While cost was not identified in the public survey as a top prohibitive barrier to accessing recreation (only 14% of those respondents that identified they encountered barriers identified cost as a factor), consideration for affordable access is important.

## 4.4 Municipal Investment in Recreation

### 4.4.1 Historic Operating and Capital Budgeting

A review of the annual expenditures of the Parks and Recreation Department, both in terms of operating and capital budgets, was undertaken to assess the level of investment in recreation by the Township. The table below includes the 4-year average for both the 2005 to 2008 and 2016 to 2019 period, as assessed within the previous and current master plans.

**Exhibit 14: Average operating and Capital Budgets for Parks and Recreation Department**

	2005-2008	2016-2019
Operating Budget	\$ 800,332	\$ 1,088,119
Capital Budget	\$ 143,108	\$ 337,664

Source: Sierra based on budget information provided by the Township.

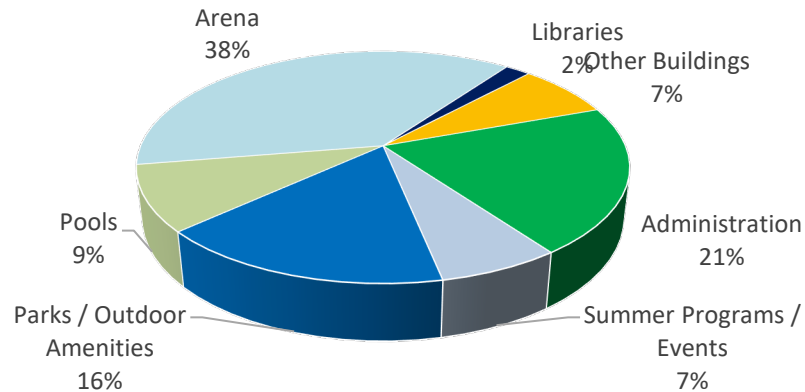
Over the 10-year period, the average capital budget has increased, although it is still quite modest, confirming the Township's commitment to providing up-to-date amenities to its residents. The operating budget has increased more modestly, indicating the need for improved investment in the required resources to successfully operate and maintain the new and revitalized amenities, facilities, and additional properties that the Township has taken on since the 2009 Plan.

### 4.4.2 Recent Spending on Parks & Recreation

Spending on parks and recreation accounted for approximately 12% of the Township's 2018 municipal budget. This is reflective of an asset base which comprises major infrastructure such as indoor ice and outdoor aquatics facilities. In 2018, the Township of South Stormont spent just over \$1 million in operating dollars across all parks, recreation facilities, programs, and services. Over one-third (38%) of these expenses are

associated with the operation of arena. The operation of all other parks, trails, and recreational assets account for the remainder.

**Exhibit 15: Breakdown of Municipal Spending on Recreation (2018)**



Note: Programming budgets are included within the expenditures at each relevant facility (arena, pools, parks/outdoor amenities). Source: SPM based on Township of South Stormont 2018 Operating Budget.

The recreation-related expenditure identified above amount to approximately \$88 per capita and includes costs associated with the delivery of facilities as well as its limited programs and related services. It is important to note that spending amounts per capita can vary greatly across municipalities and are largely dependent on the services provided and facilities held within the municipal portfolio. South Stormont's spending translates into a lower than average spending per capita when compared to the provincial average (\$133 per capita) as identified in the BMA Municipal Study, a municipal comparative study undertaken on behalf of participating Ontario municipalities, however reporting may not be consistent.

#### 4.4.3 Approach to Fee Setting

There is a direct co-relation between user fees and charges set by municipalities and cost recovery performance. In general, recreation programs and facilities are typically delivered with some level of subsidy. The tables below provide a summary comparison of the user fee rates and charges for comparable communities with similar indoor and outdoor facilities. This information is based on the most current information available at the time of this report. When comparing the ice rental rate per hour for minor sports teams during prime-time South Stormont's rate is on the higher end of the scale, however, this likely relates directly to the quality of facility provided, as many of the comparable communities have older arenas.

**Exhibit 16: Arena User Fees and Charges Comparison**

Municipality	Ice (Prime Time)			Ice (Non-Prime)
	Minor Sports	Adult Groups	School Groups	All
	Per Hour Rate (incl. HST)			
South Glengarry	\$ 133.34	\$ 181.00	\$ 110.74	\$ 143.51
South Dundas	\$ 107.35	\$ 141.25	\$ 95.05	\$ 95.05
North Glengarry	\$ 159.00	\$ 192.00	\$ 86.00	\$ 164.00
North Dundas (Non-Resident)	\$ 134.47	\$ 187.58	\$ 96.05	\$ 125.43
North Dundas (Resident)	\$ 134.47	\$ 162.72	\$ 96.05	\$ 107.35
North Stormont	\$ 140.60	\$ 181.54	\$ 92.21	\$ 121.02
Cornwall (Benson Centre)	\$ 158.23	\$ 282.91	\$ 158.23	\$ 198.04
Cornwall (Civic Complex)	\$ 140.99	\$ 235.09	\$ 140.99	\$ 164.97
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$ 138.56</b>	<b>\$ 195.51</b>	<b>\$ 109.42</b>	<b>\$ 139.92</b>
<b>South Stormont</b>	<b>\$ 145.00</b>	<b>\$ 195.00</b>	<b>\$ 90.00</b>	<b>\$ 145.00</b>

Municipality	Outdoor Pool: Daily Rate			Outdoor Pool: Season Pass	
	Child / Youth	Adult	Senior	Individual (Adult)	Family (2 adults, 2 kids)
	Per Person Rate (incl. HST)			Per Pass Rate (incl. HST)	
Cornwall	\$ 3.15	\$ 3.65	\$ 3.45	\$ 86.15	\$ 161.36
Russell	\$ 3.70	\$ 4.30	\$ 4.30	\$ 74.10	\$ 146.60
Alfred & Plantagenet	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 80.00
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$ 3.62</b>	<b>\$ 3.98</b>	<b>\$ 3.92</b>	<b>\$ 65.08</b>	<b>\$ 129.32</b>
<b>South Stormont</b>	<b>\$ 3.00</b>	<b>\$ 3.00</b>	<b>\$ 3.00</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>

Note: All rates include H.S.T. and are 2019/2020 season rates. Source: SPM based on data obtained from Township of South Stormont and municipal websites in October 2019.

As in many communities across Ontario, South Stormont faces challenges with respect to cost recovery for parks and trails (i.e. typically less than 10%). This is due to several factors including:

- The expansive nature of the parks and open space supply which warrant significant investment in maintenance; and
- Relatively minimal user fee revenues as a number of assets are not 'fee for use', including trails, playgrounds, basketball courts, etc. which support informal and

unstructured recreation. As such the delivery of parks and open space is more heavily subsidized when compared to other aspects of recreation.

A review of select outdoor facility and park use fees across comparable municipalities indicates hourly rental rates for ball diamonds and soccer fields levied by the Township of South Stormont for youth and adult use are within a typical range of the other municipalities. However, it is noted that many municipalities offer discounted rates for youth organizations to rent the diamonds and fields; a similar structure is often used for Youth or Minor rates for ice time.

**Exhibit 17: Outdoor Amenities User Fees and Charges Comparison**

Municipality	Ball Diamond		Soccer Field	
	Per game / lit diamond		Per game / lit field	
	Youth	Adult	Youth	Adult
Cornwall	\$ 33	\$ 51	\$ 40	\$ 64
Russell	\$ 19	\$ 24	\$ 19	\$ 24
Brockville	\$ 20	\$ 20	\$ 20	\$ 20
Alfred & Plantagenet	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$ 24</b>	<b>\$ 32</b>	<b>\$ 26</b>	<b>\$ 36</b>
<b>South Stormont</b>	<b>\$ 30</b>	<b>\$ 30</b>	<b>\$ 30</b>	<b>\$ 30</b>

Notes: 1. Diamond and field rates are on a per game (estimated at 1.5 hours) basis and include lighting where applicable. 2. All rates include H.S.T. and are 2019 rates (South Dundas rates are 2018).

Source: SPM based on data obtained from municipal websites in October 2019.

#### 4.4.4 Recent Achievements

Since the original Parks and Recreation Master Plan was completed, a number of key recommendations and other achievements have been implemented, including:

- **Long Sault Arena (2011 to 2020)** –Refrigeration plant upgrades, lobby and changeroom renovations, facility expansion, accessibility improvements.
- **Identified / developed 3 Community Parks** in Ingleside (Ingleside Community Park), Long Sault (Arnold Bethune Memorial Park) and St. Andrews West (Simon Fraser Memorial Park) - Strategically located to serve all residents and tourists in South Stormont.

- **Simon Fraser Park (St. Andrews West) (2012-2018)** – Pool and deck retrofit, washroom renovation (AODA), repaired play structure, and addition of community meeting room at new fire hall.
- **Arnold Bethune Park (Long Sault) (2010-2016)** – Developed 8 soccer fields, outdoor rink, splash pad, beach volleyball courts, and washroom renovation (AODA).
- **Ingleside Community Park (2014-2019)** – Strategic planning of location and amenities, washroom renovation (AODA), developed play structure, multi-use courts, and splash pad.
- **Multi-Use Courts (2012-2020)** – Upgrades to 3 existing courts (rubberized paint, pickleball lines). A 4th court was part of the Ingleside Community Park project.
- **Signage Upgrades** – Upgrades to recreational facilities and trail signage.
- **Great Lakes Waterfront Trail (2016-2017)** – Paving of a portion of the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail within South Stormont.
- **Facility Booking Software (2015)** – Book King launched to facilitate online booking requests via the Township website.
- **New Online Registration Software (2019)** – Book King capabilities expanded to enable easier registrations in Township-run programs. This software also allows staff to identify the maximum number of registrants for each program (based on instructor / coaching availability) to ensure a high-quality program experience.
- **Broadened Scope of Departmental Responsibilities** - Since 2009, the Department has expanded its portfolio of recreation and cultural assets, and to accommodate this, has begun to build a modern departmental structure for the provision of recreation and culture within the Township.

Many of the above noted projects were feasible through joint efforts comprising community support, provincial and federal grants, corporate donations, and tax dollars raised through annual municipal budgets. For additional details, refer to the appendix.

#### 4.4.5 Potential Future Capital Projects

Based on the Township's 2019 and 2020 budget presentations, the following future projects and their associated cost estimates have either been proposed by local residents and associations, or have been identified by the Township. The Master Plan

carefully considers these, and other future projects, within the recommendations and implementation strategy.

**Exhibit 18: Potential Future Capital Projects for Parks and Recreation Department**

Item	Estimated Project Cost
Lost Villages Museum: Roof Repairs (x3)	\$25,000
Moulinette Island: Play Structure	\$30,000
Lakeview Heights: Play Structure & Swings	\$46,500
Chase Meadows: Play Structure & Swings	\$46,500
Arrowhead Estates: Play Structure & Swings	\$46,500
Arnold Bethune Park (Long Sault): Walking Path	\$29,500
Community Dog Park: Location to be determined	TBD
Community Park Pavilions (3 parks + Lost Villages)	\$180,000
Arnold Bethune Memorial Park: Play Structure Replacement	\$65,000
MacLellan Park (Rosedale Terrace): Play Structure Replacement	\$46,500
Ingleside Community Park: Basketball Court	\$40,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$555,500+</b>

# 5 Overview of Assets

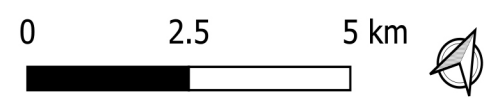
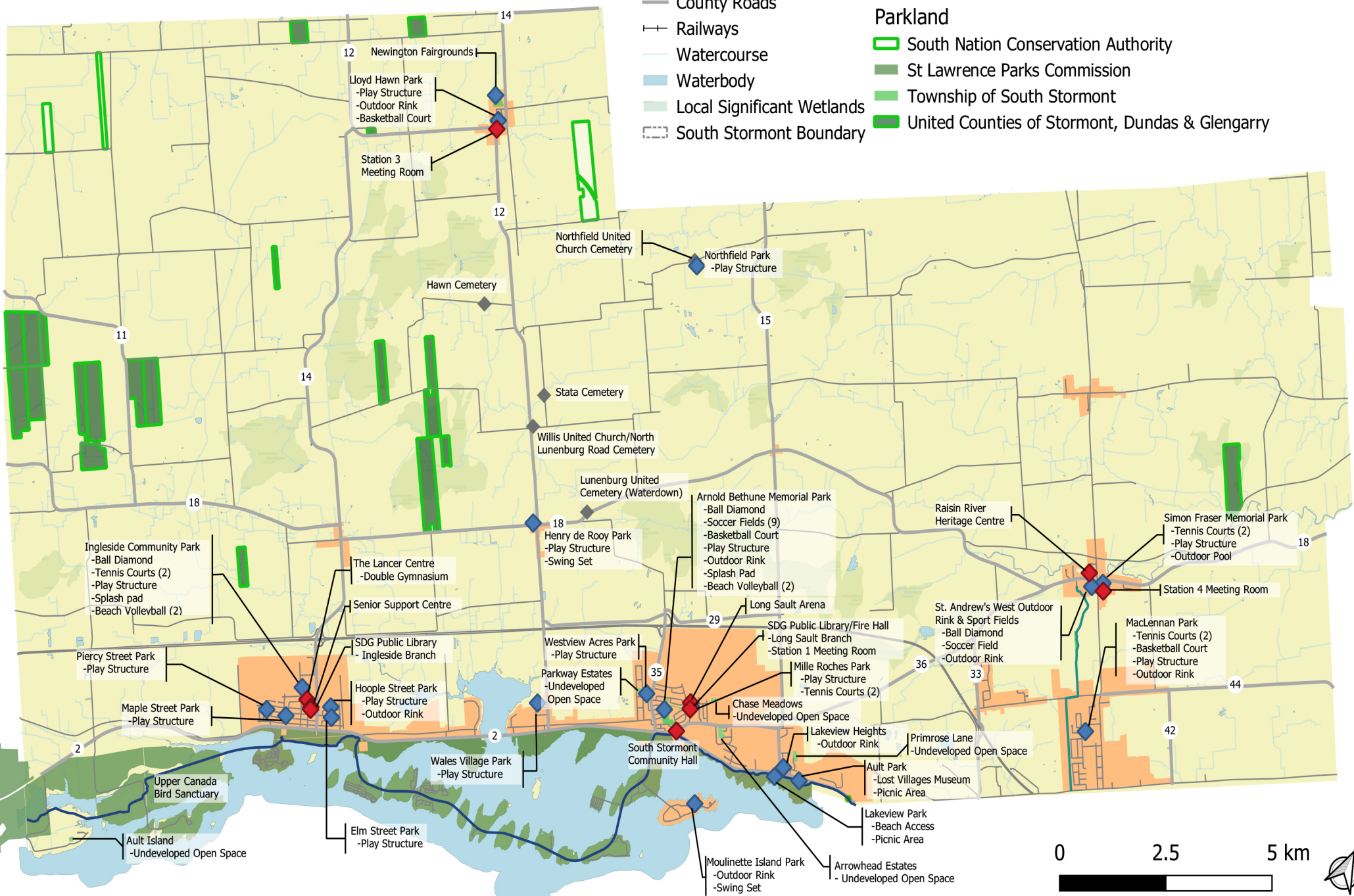
The Township of South Stormont’s municipal recreation asset base consists of the following:

<p><b>Indoor Recreation Facilities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 arena</li> <li>• 1 community hall</li> <li>• 4 meeting rooms</li> <li>• Lancer Centre (Leased Facility)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Outdoor Recreation Facilities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 ball diamonds</li> <li>• 10 soccer fields</li> <li>• 8 tennis courts</li> <li>• 3 basketball courts</li> <li>• 7 outdoor rinks</li> <li>• 2 rink houses</li> <li>• 2 splash pads</li> <li>• 1 outdoor pool</li> <li>• 4 beach volleyball courts</li> <li>• 16 playgrounds</li> <li>• Paved Recreation Trail</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Cultural Facilities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lost Villages Museum</li> <li>• Raisin River Heritage Centre</li> <li>• 5 Inactive Cemeteries</li> </ul>	

These facilities and assets are distributed throughout the municipality, as illustrated on the following overall map.

# Township of South Stormont Parks and Facilities

- ◆ Indoor Facilities
- ◆ Outdoor Facilities
- ▭ Settlement Area
- Roads
- Highways
- County Roads
- ⊢ Railways
- Watercourse
- ▭ Waterbody
- ▭ Local Significant Wetlands
- ▭ South Stormont Boundary
- ▭ Township of South Stormont
- ◆ Inactive Cemeteries
- Trails**
- Great Lakes Waterfront Trail
- South Stormont Recreational Trail
- Parkland**
- ▭ South Nation Conservation Authority
- ▭ St Lawrence Parks Commission
- ▭ Township of South Stormont
- ▭ United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry





## 5.1 Standards of Provision

### 5.1.1 Existing Standards of Provision

The existing standards of provision represent the ratio of population to recreational services within the Township. The standards of provision of parks and recreation facilities in South Stormont are based on the current and projected population of the Township as a whole.

While the 2007 and 2009 Plans planned for recreation on a sector-based approach, the centralization of major facilities within the more urban 'Community Parks' has been the Township's approach to providing recreation amenities over the past ten years. This is a typical approach for municipalities with both urban and rural geographies and populations, however a rural standard of provision is also required to service the northern areas.

### 5.1.2 Projecting Future Needs

In order to understand the future needs of the Township as it relates to recreation facilities and amenities, an assessment of need based on forecasted population growth was completed. With modest growth anticipated, and based solely on population projections, it would appear that the supply of recreational facilities does not need to increase significantly in order to service a larger population, however the potential to expand the variety of facilities and amenities offered exists.

In addition to looking at population-based standards of provision, it is also important to understand whether this current level of service is appropriate for the community. This is evaluated through an analysis of historic and current facility utilization data, feedback from the community and user groups related to the level of satisfaction with the assets, and target standards of provision established for other comparable Ontario communities. This information provides a framework of analysis for the project as it moves forward to options and recommendations and is presented in the sections below.

It should be noted that the supply identified in Exhibit 19 includes non-municipal facilities (other), such as those located on school properties, however, for the purposes of analysis, only municipal facilities (with the exception of the gymnasium) have been included when determining the existing and future level of service, as the Township does not have control over the school facilities.

**Exhibit 19: Township Existing and Projected Population-Based Standard of Provision (Service Level)**

Facility Name	Supply			Population Standard (based on municipal supply only)						Observed Service Level in Comparable Communities
	Twp.	Other*	Total	2016	2021	2026	2029	2036		
				13,110	13,493	13,706	13,786	13,815	Residents	
<b>Indoor Facilities</b>										
Ice Pad / Arena	1	0	1	13,110	13,493	13,706	13,786	13,815	Residents	1:10,000 to 15,000 residents
Gymnasium**	1	5	6	2,185	2,249	2,284	2,298	2,303	Residents	1:15,000 to 20,000 residents
Community Hall	1	7	8	13,110	1,687	13,110	13,110	13,110	Residents	No Comparable Standards
Meeting Room	4	5	9	3,278	1,499	3,278	3,278	3,278	Residents	No Comparable Standards
<b>Outdoor Facilities</b>										
Ball Diamond	4	5	9	3,278	3,373	3,427	3,447	3,454	Residents	1:3,000 residents
Soccer Field	10	6	16	1,311	1,349	1,371	1,379	1,382	Residents	1:2,000 residents
Tennis Court	8	0	8	1,639	1,687	1,713	1,723	1,727	Residents	1:3,000 to 5,000 residents
Pickleball Court	8	0	8	1,639	1,687	1,713	1,723	1,727	Residents	No Comparable Standards
Basketball Court	3	2.5	5.5	495	509	517	520	521	Youth (10-19)	1:800 Youth (age 10-19)
Play Structure	14	4	18	Population-Based Standard Not Applicable to Play Structures					Within 500m - 800m walking distance of major residential areas.	
Outdoor Rink	7	0	7	1,873	1,928	1,958	1,969	1,974	Residents	No Comparable Standards
Splash Pad	2	0	2	680	700	711	715	716	Children (0-9)	1:3,000 to 5,000 Children (age 0-9)
Outdoor Pool	1	0	1	13,110	13,493	13,706	13,786	13,815	Residents	No Comparable Standards
Beach Volleyball Court	4	0	4	3,278	3,373	3,427	3,447	3,454	Residents	No Comparable Standards

\*Facilities provided by local school boards, places of worship, community organizations, agencies and private businesses are included under "other".

\*\* Lancer Centre is leased by the Township for community use.

Note: The Township supply of ball diamonds considers field equivalencies, where lit fields are counted as 1.5 unlit equivalents due to increased playing time during the evening hours.

## 5.2 Indoor Recreation Facilities

### 5.2.1 Long Sault Arena

The Long Sault Arena, built in 1994, is the only arena in the Township's supply. In addition to an NHL-size ice pad, the facility has 6 changerooms, referee room, music room, John Cleary meeting room, canteen, and office space for Township Recreation staff. This facility is home to South Stormont Minor Hockey Association, Long Sault Skating Club, and the South Stormont Sports Hall of Fame. When considered within a regional context, the Long Sault Arena is an important addition to the supply. There is a total of 12 ice pads within the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SDG) and the City of Cornwall, and when considered together, provide a regional standard of provision of 1 ice pad per 9,329 residents. When compared to its regional partners, South Stormont has one of the lower standards of provision.

**Exhibit 20: Regional Ice Supply and Standard of Provision**

Municipality	Population	Ice Pads	Standard of Provision
Cornwall	46,589	4	1: 11,647
South Stormont	13,110	1	1: 13,110
North Stormont	6,873	1	1: 6,873
South Dundas	10,833	1	1: 10,833
North Dundas	11,278	2	1: 5,639
South Glengarry	13,150	1	1: 13,150
North Glengarry	10,109	2	1: 5,055
<b>Total</b>	<b>111,942</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1: 9,329</b>

Source: SPM based on Statistics Canada Census Data (2016) and data obtained through municipal websites.

### Utilization

The facility operates on a year-round basis, with ice installed from the beginning of September to the end of April. For the purposes of this assessment, prime-time ice is categorized as Monday to Friday from 4:30pm to 11:00pm and all day (8:00am to 11:00pm) on Saturday and Sunday.

It is important to note that for the start of the 2017/2018 season, the Township extended the ice season from the end of March to the end of April / first week of May, adding 5 weeks of ice time to the calendar. This change was implemented in response

to an increasing demand for ice time, which neighbouring municipalities are also experiencing.

With an estimated prime-time utilization rate of 89.5% during the winter ice season<sup>3</sup>, the facility experiences higher usage than many of the other ice pads within the regional context, including those within the City of Cornwall.

**Exhibit 21: Long Sault Arena Ice Rental Statistics**

Winter Ice Rentals	Non-Prime Time <sup>4</sup>	Prime Time <sup>5</sup>
Available Hours <sup>6</sup>	978	1859.5
Rented Hours	512	1664.5
<b>% Rented</b>	<b>52.4%</b>	<b>89.5%</b>

Spring <sup>7</sup> Ice Rentals	Non-Prime Time	Prime Time
Available Hours	167.5	299
Rented Hours	58.5	230.5
<b>% Rented</b>	<b>34.9%</b>	<b>77.1%</b>

Source: Sierra based on data provided by Township of South Stormont.

For comparison purposes, the City of Cornwall has kindly provided the Township with the utilization rates for their arenas from the 2018/2019 ice season. The City has 4 ice pads, 1 at the Civic Complex and 3 at the Benson Centre, a multi-use facility in the City's west end. For comparison purposes, the average utilization rates of the Benson Centre's 3 ice pads are provided. It should be noted that the percentage of time the Civic Complex is rented is lower than that at the Benson Centre, for example prime-time ice in the winter is booked 52% of the available time, while non-prime time winter ice is booked 13% of the available time.

<sup>3</sup> Winter ice season in South Stormont runs from September 1 to March 30.

<sup>4</sup> Non-prime time hours based on Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm.

<sup>5</sup> Prime-time hours based on Monday to Friday 4:30pm to 11:00pm, and Weekends 7:30am to 11:00pm.

<sup>6</sup> Available hours reflect when arena was closed due to a holiday (i.e. Christmas, Boxing Day) or for weekly ice maintenance (4 hours on Wednesdays).

<sup>7</sup> Spring ice season runs in South Stormont from March 31 to May 5.

**Exhibit 22: City of Cornwall Benson Centre Ice Rental Statistics (Average)**

Winter <sup>8</sup> Ice Rentals	Non-Prime Time <sup>9</sup>	Prime Time <sup>10</sup>
Available Hours <sup>11</sup>	4422	6600
Rented Hours	1121	3915
<b>% Rented</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>59%</b>

Spring/Summer <sup>12</sup> Ice Rentals	Non-Prime Time	Prime Time
Available Hours	<b>1008</b>	<b>1518</b>
Rented Hours	<b>413</b>	<b>460</b>
<b>% Rented</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>30%</b>

Source: Sierra based on data provided by the Township of South Stormont / City of Cornwall.

The change in the ice season, in turn, has resulted in a shortened season for the dry floor. From June to mid-August (11 weeks), the dry floor is used for lacrosse, ball hockey, roller hockey, and community events, etc. Total utilization of the arena floor has consistently been slightly less than 20% over the past four years, modestly increasing as a result of the reduction in the available hours for dry floor use, while the total hours booked have also decreased since 2016.

**Exhibit 23: Total Utilization Rates for Long Sault Arena (Dry Floor)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Hours Booked	267.5	221	224	211
Total Hours Available	1575	1575	1155	1155
<b>% Utilized</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>18%</b>

Note: 2019 figures are subject to change.

Source: SPM based on Township 2019 Parks and Recreation Program and Facilities Overview.

<sup>8</sup> Winter ice season at the Benson Centre runs from August 19/20 to April 13 for Pads #1 and #2, and August 19 to March 30 for Pad #3.

<sup>9</sup> Non-prime time hours based on Monday to Friday 7:00am to 4:00pm

<sup>10</sup> Prime-time hours based on Monday to Friday 4:00pm to 11:00pm, and Weekends 7:00am to 11:00pm

<sup>11</sup> Available hours reflect when arena was closed due to a holiday (i.e. Christmas Day, New Years Day).

<sup>12</sup> Spring/summer ice season at the Benson Centre runs from April 14 to August 18 for Pad #3 and July 16 to August 18 for Pad #2.

## Condition

While there is no building condition assessment available, the arena is generally considered to be in fair condition, having undergone various recent renovations and upgrades:

- 2013 – General improvements undertaken (lighting, roof, doors, dehumidifiers);
- 2014 – New seasonal controller for compressors installed;
- 2015 – New puck boards for arena floor installed;
- 2016 – Chiller replacement for refrigeration plant, new edger for ice maintenance;
- 2017 – Flooring upgraded in lobby, hallways, washrooms and meeting room;
- 2017 - accessible washroom fully renovated; and
- 2019 – Changeroom upgrades to be AODA compliant.

## Operating Performance

The arena has been operating at an average annual deficit of approximately \$113,000. This is comparable to other single pad arena facilities within the province, which often operate with an annual deficit in the \$100,000 to \$200,000 range.

**Exhibit 24: Long Sault Arena Operating Performance**

	2016	2017	2018	Average
Revenues	\$ 265,689	\$ 303,276	\$ 309,345	<b>\$ 292,770</b>
Expenses	\$ 398,111	\$ 400,938	\$ 420,397	<b>\$ 406,482</b>
<b>NOI</b>	<b>(\$132,422)</b>	<b>(\$97,662)</b>	<b>(\$111,052)</b>	<b>(\$113,712)</b>
<b>Cost Recovery</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>72%</b>

Source: SPM based on Township 2019 Parks and Recreation Program and Facilities Overview.

## Participation Trends

### Ice Hockey

On a national and provincial basis, youth participation in ice hockey has experienced a decline over the past decade. Both Hockey Canada and the Ontario Hockey Federation have seen declining youth registrations (ages 5 to 20) since the 2008/2009 season. Overall registrations across all age categories peaked in the 2014/2015 season in Canada and in 2012/2013 season within Ontario; both have experienced a decline since.

Registration in female hockey has decreased since 2008/2009 by 6,876 players (or 15% of total female registrants), while registration in male hockey has decreased by 5,145 players which equates to only 3% of total male registrants over the same period.

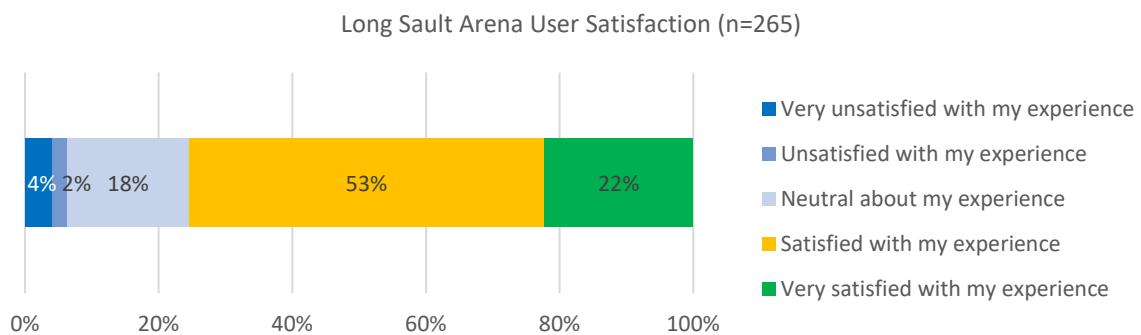
## Figure Skating

Since 2014, total registrations in figure skating has remained steady if not declined slightly on both a national and provincial basis. Ontario experienced a decrease in registrants of 4% (or 2,909 registrants) over the past 4 years. Similar decreases were experienced across the prairies and in the north. Whereas, British Columbia, Quebec and the Maritime provinces experienced increased registrations. This accounts for an overall slight decrease (2%) in total registrants (2,861 registrants) across Canada.

Based on information provided by the Township, registrations in ice hockey in South Stormont have remained stable over the past few years, while registrations in figure skating have decreased.

## What we Heard

Arena users from the public survey were generally satisfied with the Long Sault Arena (75% indicated they were either 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied').



Specific comments related to the arena suggested that the facility is in need of aesthetic improvements and maintenance, improved cleanliness, and more heating. Specifically, the showers were identified as in need of more regular cleaning and repairs. Respondents also identified that the arena could be better utilized in the summer months. Many called for an addition or expansion to the facility, with the following amenities suggested:

- Community hall;
- Walking track;
- Indoor pool;
- Fieldhouse;
- Fitness facilities;
- Second level eating and licensed area;

- More seating;
- Longer and more public skating times, organized by age group or purpose (learn to skate times) and to accommodate working families;
- Additional ice pad- arena space is at a premium;
- Allow usage for other events in the off-season; and
- More lighting in the parking lot.

### 5.2.2 South Stormont Community Hall

The South Stormont Community Hall was built in 2010 and is adjoined to the Town Hall. This facility has a fully serviced kitchen, coat check room, stage, and built-in sound system.

The facility hosts a number of community events, bridal / baby showers, employee training, family gatherings, fitness instruction, wedding functions, etc.

#### Utilization

Over the past four years, the Community Hall was utilized around 20% to 25% of the time (available from 8:30am to 10:30pm, 7 days a week, 50 weeks a year – allowing for holiday closures). This rate of use is typical for hall or banquet facilities offered by municipalities.

It should be noted that not all bookings are reflected in the figures below, as Township-run events and some other meetings / events are often not included in the Township’s scheduling software. This, however, does not affect the utilization rates significantly (perhaps 1-2% in total). Additionally, with limited staff resources available, the ability to “turn over” the space for more than one event to occur on weekend days is lacking. This contributes to the low utilization rates provided below.

**Exhibit 25: Total Utilization Rates for South Stormont Community Hall**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Hours Booked	887.5	892	1211.5	1069.25
Total Available Hours	4900	4900	4900	4900
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>22%</b>

Source: SPM based on Township booking data.



## Condition

Based on a visual inspection, the Community Hall is observed to be in good condition. Recent upgrades include the purchase of new furniture in 2015 and installation of an accessible door opener in 2016 at the main entrance.

## Operating Performance

Over the past three years, the Community Hall has operated in a positive position. Being the largest multi-use space for rent within Township facilities, this space attracts a wide variety of programs and special events, which translates into revenues that exceed the expenses associated with the space.

**Exhibit 26: Stormont Community Hall Operating Performance**

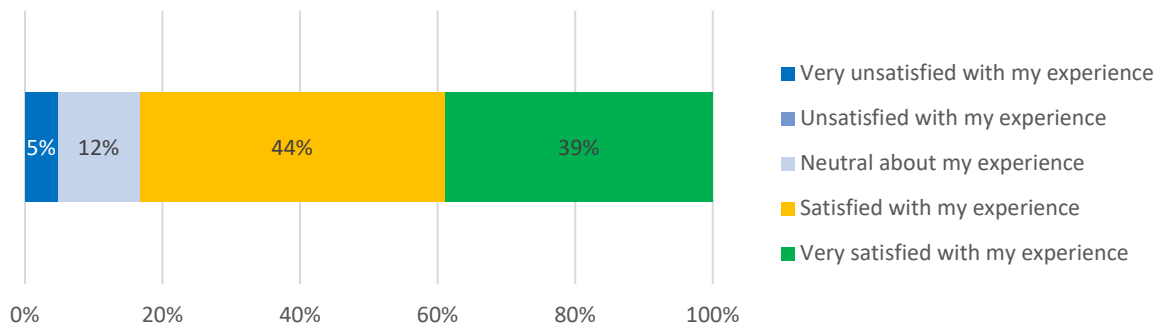
	2016	2017	2018	Average
Revenues	\$ 15,550	\$ 14,867	\$ 21,102	<b>\$ 17,173</b>
Expenses	\$ 8,453	\$ 11,674	\$ 9,943	<b>\$ 10,023</b>
<b>NOI</b>	<b>\$7,097</b>	<b>\$3,193</b>	<b>\$11,159</b>	<b>\$7,150</b>
<b>Cost Recovery</b>	184%	127%	212%	<b>171%</b>

Source: SPM based on Township 2019 Parks and Recreation Program and Facilities Overview.

## What we Heard

Public survey results showed that 83% of the South Stormont Community Hall users were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with the facility.

South Stormont Community Hall User Satisfaction (n=252)



Specific comments related to the South Stormont Community Hall Included:

- The facility needs more frequent cleaning; and

- The addition of a large screen for presentations would be welcomed.

### 5.2.3 Meeting Rooms

In addition to the meeting room at the Long Sault Arena, the Township owns and maintains 3 other meeting rooms located at Fire Halls in Long Sault (Station 1), Newington (Station 3), and St. Andrews West (Station 4).

#### Utilization

Utilization rates for the St. Andrews West (Station 4) Meeting Room and the John Cleary Room at the arena are provided below.

The facility in St. Andrews West sees a major share of meeting room rentals. Rentals typically consist of firefighter training, fitness classes, Historical Society meetings, and shower/party rentals. Utilization of this space has steadily increased since the facility was rebuilt, opening in 2017.

At the end of 2018, the Friendly Circle Seniors Club discontinued their rental of the John Cleary Room for weekly Bridge Club, Knitting Classes, and Painting Classes, decreasing the hours booked significantly for 2019.

**Exhibit 27: Total Utilization Rates for Meeting Rooms**

	2017	2018	2019
<b>St. Andrews West Fire Hall Meeting Room</b>			
Total Hours Booked	102.5	333	505
Total Available Hours	4900	4900	4900
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>John Cleary Room (Arena)</b>			
Total Hours Booked	573	510	158.5
Total Available Hours	4900	4900	4900
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>3%</b>

Note: Utilization rates are based on total available hours (Monday to Sunday, 8:30 am to 10:30 pm, 50 weeks per year). Source: SPM based on Township booking data.

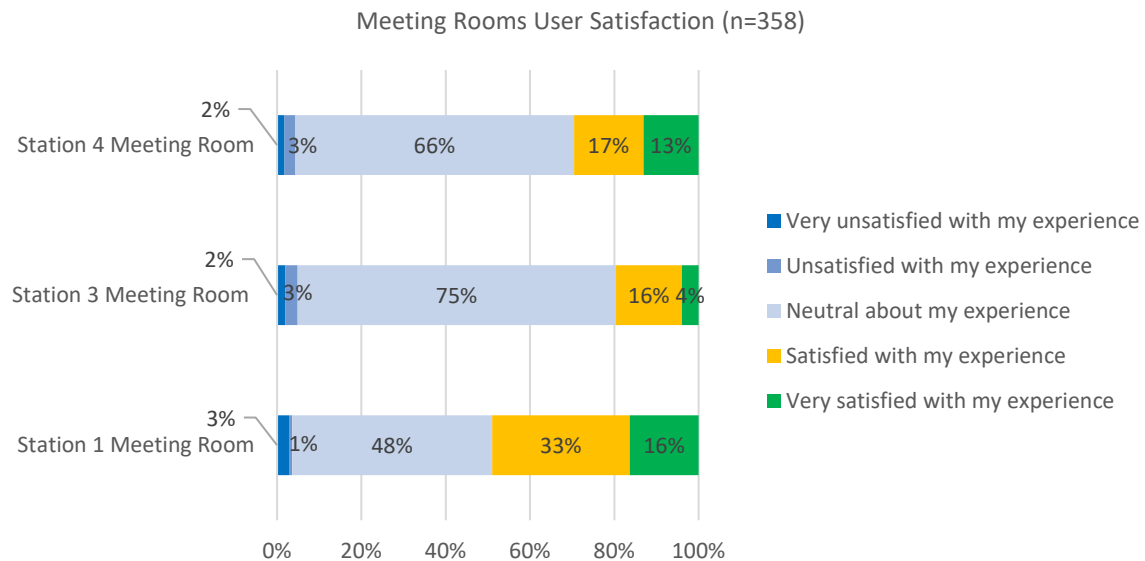
#### Condition

While there are no Building Condition Assessment reports available at this time, it is understood that the meeting room at the Long Sault Fire Hall (Station 1) is not

wheelchair accessible. The St. Andrews West facility is AODA compliant, while the Newington facility was renovated in 2005 to be accessible.

### What we Heard

Generally, respondents were more neutral about their experiences with the meeting room facilities, particularly with the Station 3 and Station 4 Meeting Rooms having the highest levels of neutrality (75% and 66% respectively). The main complaint about the meeting rooms were their small size.



Specific comments related to Newington meeting room included:

- There is no certified kitchen in the village, at the Fire Hall or other building;
- The meeting space is too small for large community events; and
- Would like to see more programs for seniors and children offered in the village during the week.

## 5.2.4 Lancer Centre

The Lancer Centre is a gymnasium located within the Rothwell-Osnabruck Elementary School in Ingleside. It is rented by the Township and local community groups through the Community Use of Schools Policy from the Upper Canada District School Board (UCDSB). The Township has first right of rental.

### Utilization

Based on the bookings that occur through the Township, the utilization of the Lancer Centre has remained relatively stable over the past four years. Recently, there have been a few minor variations in bookings resulting in a slightly reduced number of hours booked from 2018. This includes a men's basketball group discontinuing use of the Lancer Centre in January 2019, and pickleball reducing their rental time from two nights a week to once in 2019.

In December 2019, the Lancer Centre became available for rental during the day. This was possible because of the secure separation from the school portion of the facility. So far, a free walking program has been implemented (3 times per week) as well as a paid pickleball program (1 time per week).

**Exhibit 28: Total Utilization of Lancer Centre (UCDSB)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Hours Booked	309.75	359	356	324.5
Total Available Hours	2900	2900	2900	2900
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>11%</b>

Note: Total utilization based on Monday to Friday, 4:30pm to 10:30 pm, Saturday and Sunday, 8:30am to 10:30pm, 50 weeks per year. Source: SPM based on Township booking data.

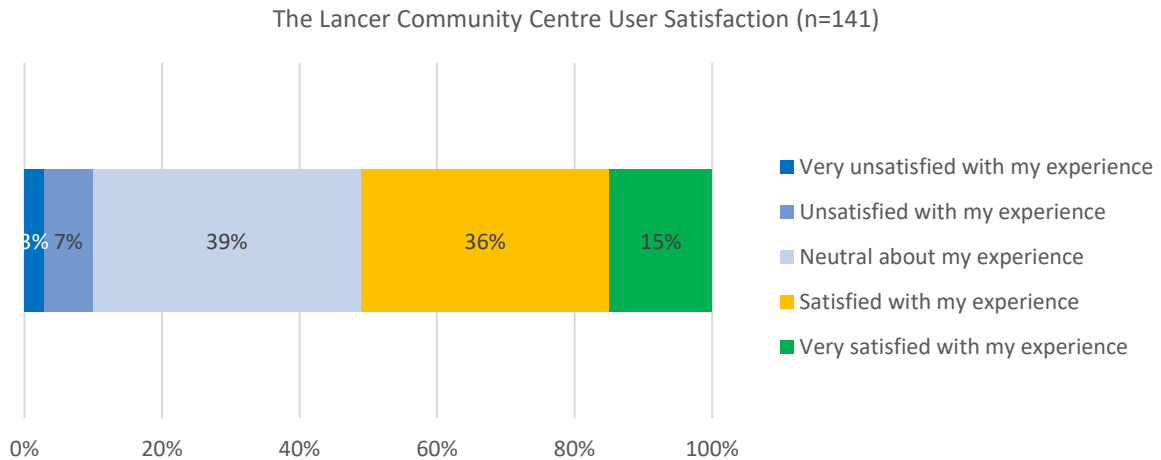
### Condition

The Long-Term Pupil Accommodation Projections developed by the UCDSB indicate that the Rothwell-Osnabruck Elementary School is in relatively good condition with a Facility Condition Index (FCI)<sup>13</sup> of 30% at present. This is expected to rise to 43% by 2030. The gymnasium, as an integral part of the school, is expected to have a similar FCI rating.

<sup>13</sup> UCDSB defines Facility Condition Index (FCI) as the comparison of identified repair needs of a building to the replacement cost of the building as conveyed in percentage terms. The lower the percentage FCI, the better the building condition and the lower the total assessed repair costs.

## What we Heard

Public survey results show that over half of the users (51%) are 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with the facility. However, many respondents (39%) also indicated they were neutral with their experience.



Respondents indicated that the Lancer Centre is difficult to access due to lack of availability for booking, the high cost of rental and difficulty in navigating the rules of the School Board's community use agreement. User groups that currently book the Lancer Centre indicated that opportunities to use other gymnasiums (within schools or otherwise) would be welcomed.

Some respondents identified the need for an updated speaker system in the Lancer Centre gymnasium as well.

## 5.3 Parkland and Trails

### 5.3.1 Parkland Supply & Classification

The Town owns and operates 26 municipal park parcels (some of which are to be developed in the future), with a total land area of 44.8 hectares. The parks are geographically disbursed throughout the Township, with concentrations in the urban settlement areas of Ingleside and Long Sault.

**Exhibit 29: South Stormont Parkland Supply & Classification**

Park	Park Classification	Size (ha)
Ault Park	Regional	3.95
Lakeview Park	Regional	3.77
OPG and Township Owned Corridors	Regional	3.07
Arnold Bethune Memorial Park	Community	8.89
Ingleside Community Park	Community	3.28
Memorial Square Park	Community	0.77
Simon Fraser Memorial Park	Community	0.67
St. Andrews Outdoor Rink & Sports Fields	Community	4.16
Arrowhead Estates (Undeveloped)	Neighbourhood	2.18
Ault Island Park (Undeveloped)	Neighbourhood	0.49
Chase Meadows Parkland (Undeveloped)	Neighbourhood	0.60
Elm Street Park	Neighbourhood	1.02
Henry de Rooy Memorial Park	Neighbourhood	0.20
Hoople Street Park	Neighbourhood	1.09
Lakeview Heights Outdoor Rink	Neighbourhood	0.06
Lloyd Hawn Park	Neighbourhood	0.30
MacLennan Park	Neighbourhood	2.34
Maple Street Park	Neighbourhood	0.67
Mille Roches Park	Neighbourhood	0.89
Moulinette Island Park	Neighbourhood	0.36
Northfield Park	Neighbourhood	1.05
Parkway Estates Parkland (Undeveloped)	Neighbourhood	1.24
Piercy Street Park	Neighbourhood	1.76
Primrose Lane Park (Undeveloped)	Neighbourhood	1.31
Wales Village Park	Neighbourhood	0.44
Westview Acres Park	Neighbourhood	0.25
<b>Total</b>		<b>44.81</b>

The United Counties Official Plan does not classify parks into a parkland hierarchy. As part of this Master Plan process, municipal parkland has been classified based on form, function, and level of service. This incorporates the three 'Community Parks' that have been developed / are currently under development as focal points within Long Sault, Ingleside and St. Andrews West.

Parkland service levels are typically measured in terms of hectares per thousand population, providing the municipality with a useful target in which to maintain and augment the supply of parkland. These targets can be encouraged through documents such as Official Plans as a level the Township should strive to attain / maintain.

Service levels observed in comparable communities typically are in the range of 2.0 to 4.0 hectares of parkland (combination of both active and passive parkland) per 1,000 residents. This service level is applicable only to municipally owned parkland.

South Stormont's current service level of 3.4 ha of municipal parkland per 1,000 residents is therefore within an acceptable range. Consideration for the abundance of non-municipal parkland (most notably over 1,300 ha of open space along the waterfront owned by the St. Lawrence Parks Commission – including the islands), is also important here, and contributes significantly to the overall supply of land that is publicly accessible for recreation and leisure purposes.

#### **Exhibit 30: South Stormont Parkland Service Level Breakdown (Municipal Parkland)**

<b>Park Classification</b>	<b>Total No.</b>	<b>Area (ha)</b>	<b>ha / 1,000 population</b>
Neighbourhood	18	16.3	1.2
Community	5	17.8	1.4
Regional	3	10.8	0.8
<b>Total Municipal Supply</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>3.4</b>

#### **What we Heard**

In general, respondents felt that many of the parks needed to be updated or improved with the addition of gazebos, shade shelters, picnic areas and benches. Specific parks mentioned that need improving include:

- MacLennan Park (Rosedale Terrace);
- Moulinette Park (Moulinette Island);
- St. Andrews West Sports Fields (not municipally owned);

- Hoople Street Park (Ingleside);
- Northfield Park (Newington); and
- Maple Street Park (Ingleside).

More specific improvements to parks included:

- More parking and additional bathrooms at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park (Long Sault);
- More shady areas at Simon Fraser Memorial Park (St. Andrews West) and Arnold Bethune Memorial Park (Long Sault);
- More picnic tables and accessible walkways for seniors in Ault Park (Long Sault); and
- More shady areas at Ingleside Community Park.

Locations for additional parks identified by respondents include:

- Bonville;
- Lakeview Heights;
- Arrowhead Estates (future park is planned); and
- Chase Meadows (future park is planned).

### **Projected Parkland Requirements**

In order to maintain the existing service level for parkland within South Stormont, a minimum provision level of 3.4 hectares per 1,000 new residents is recommended. Based on the marginal forecasted population growth to 2030, the Township would need to procure an additional 2.1 hectares of parkland to meet the proposed service level target.



**Exhibit 31: Projected Parkland Requirements**

	2016	2021	2026	2031	2036
	(Census)	(Estimated)			
Population	13,110	13,493	13,706	13,786	13,815
Population Added from 2016	-	383	596	676	705
Current Parkland Supply	44.8	44.8	44.8	44.8	44.8
Parkland Provision Target	3.4 hectares per 1,000 new residents				
<b>Additional Parkland Required</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.2</b>

## 5.3.2 Parkland Acquisition &amp; Dedication

**Policy Framework**

The Township primarily acquires new parkland through the land dedication or cash-in-lieu of parkland requirements of the *Ontario Planning Act* to facilitate the provision of new parks within new developments, or in areas of intensification and redevelopment. The *Planning Act* enables municipalities to require the conveyance of land for parks or other public recreational purposes as a requirement of land division or development. As an alternative, the *Act* also sets out that municipalities may require the payment of cash-in-lieu of parkland that is otherwise required to be dedicated. For example, the cash-in-lieu of parkland dedication can be used when the parcel for parkland offered by the developer is too small to develop recreational facilities of any significance on the site.

In South Stormont's case and based on the projections above, due to the small amount of parkland that could be acquired through dedication, cash-in-lieu of parkland dedication is likely to be preferred in order to be able to either improve amenities within the existing park portfolio and/or acquire larger parcels that can accommodate a variety of amenities for future populations (currently, nearly half of the municipally owned park parcels are less than 1.0 hectare in size).

**Alternative Acquisition Strategies**

As the population continues to grow, the Township will need to acquire additional parkland through other non-dedication means. This can be done by employing a variety of strategies, including, but not limited to:

- Land purchase, lease, exchange or easements;
- Reclassification of surplus municipally owned lands to parkland;

- Accepting undevelopable natural open space areas through the development process to provide enhanced opportunities for conservation and compatible public access and linkages to parks, trails and open spaces. This land is not to be accepted as part of the parkland dedication requirements (i.e. no credit is to be applied); and/or
- Partnerships to provide parkland through community partners.

### 5.3.3 Parkland Design & Development

The design and development of parks is typically led by the Township. Certain park projects and specific facility development may also involve developer and/or community volunteer contributions to fundraising and resourcing for design and construction of specific park projects. Section 3.3 of this report summarizes the key trends and practices that may influence the design and development of parks in the future, related to accessibility standards, sustainability, operational considerations, flexible and multi-use spaces, landscape treatments and the use of native plantings, and other amenity trends on a national and international scale. Through implementation, these trends can serve to enhance the overall user experience and contribute to resident's quality of life.

#### **Inclusion and Accessibility**

Ease of access to, and inclusivity within, parks, open space and trails encourages use by a range of users. Designing a linked and easily navigable network of parks and trails, incorporating a variety of amenities and barrier-free design, designing for active and passive uses as well as structured and unstructured play, and providing the appropriate parking facilities (vehicular, bicycle or otherwise) are important considerations for the Township going forward. As parks are (re)developed, all park, trail and open space amenities must be designed to AODA standards.

#### **Operations and Maintenance**

Investments in the development and renewal of parks (and trails) must be matched with corresponding parks operations and service delivery resource requirements. Ongoing parks management needs will continue to change and grow with the continued expansion and diversification of parks and facilities related to staffing and resourcing, operations and administration of park policies, by-laws, bookings, budgets and other aspects.

To create long-term sustainability, there is a need for increased emphasis on opportunities for operational savings and efficiencies in new capital projects and allocation of sufficient operational resources to address ongoing maintenance as well as

lifecycle needs. Operating and maintenance procedural guidelines can aide in efficiencies and create a consistent level of service across the assets.

### Community Engagement

It is now common practice to engage the community through the park design and development process. For example, the City of Kingston employs a web-based engagement tool to garner feedback related to individual playground development / enhancement that are taking place across the city. The Master Plan considers how the Township of South Stormont can further engage the community as it relates to future park (re)development.

#### 5.3.4 Urban Forestry

The township has a variety of ecosystems within its boundaries, ranging from wetlands, lakes and rivers, to forests and urban tree canopies within the settlement areas. Ensuring a diverse and healthy tree canopy that is resistant to outbreaks and other stressors is the most effective approach to sustainable forest management. Trees provide essential green infrastructure for the settlement areas in South Stormont, providing a public health and human wellness asset.

The Township of South Stormont currently does not have a tree inventory or associated management plan. With the urban canopy currently under threat from diseases and infestations such as the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), a strategy is required to address the preservation and future management of the Township's trees.

#### 5.3.5 Trail Network

Trails and active transportation routes are an important consideration as part of the overall parks and recreation network within South Stormont. The Township currently maintains the **South Stormont Recreation Trail**, a 5 km trail for non-motorized uses running from Cornwall Centre Road in the south (Rosedale Terrace) to County Road 18 in the north (St. Andrews West).

In addition, the Township is also home to a portion of the **Great Lakes Waterfront Trail**, a multi-use trail running the length of the Township along the water's edge that is maintained by SLPC. The trail currently follows the Long Sault Parkway across the islands and is an on-road trail shared with cars (no shoulder) – diverting trail users away from the primary settlement areas of Ingleside and Long Sault. This trail is part of a larger 3,000 km province-wide trail network that runs along the shores of the Great Lakes.

The Township recently hosted a Bicycle Friendly Communities Workshop, facilitated by the Share the Road Cycling Coalition. The purpose of the workshop was to identify ways in which the township can become more bicycle friendly and to make cycling more comfortable and accessible to all residents and visitors to the area. The five-year vision for cycling in South Stormont is summarized as follows:

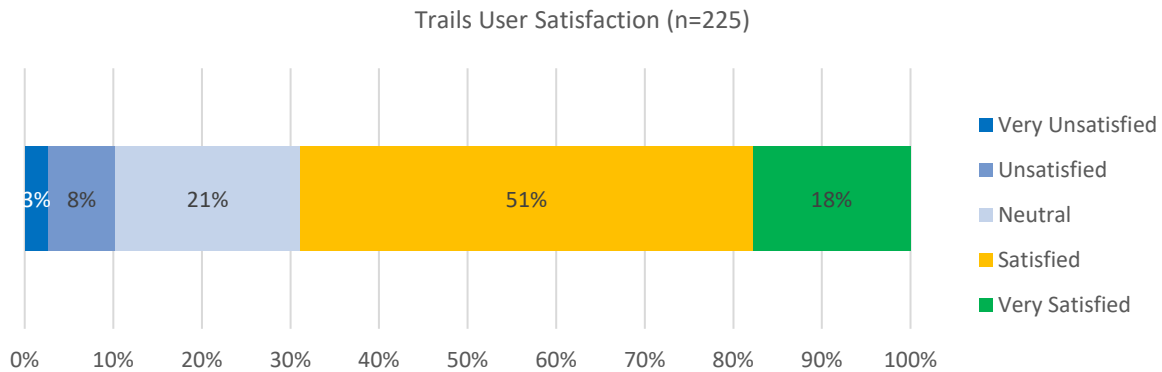
- The villages will be connected by safe, comfortable cycling routes;
- There will be new opportunities to learn cycling skills to help to build a strong culture of road respect;
- Active transportation will be ingrained into the local school culture;
- There will be special events where walking and cycling are a key component of the event experience (i.e. a signature cycling event along the Long Sault Parkway);
- Riding a bike will be a rewarding and enjoyable experience through Incentive and/or Bike Share programs; and
- Walking and cycling will be the easy choice for new residents through development and complete streets policies.

Ultimately, the Township would like to be recognized as a designated Bicycle Friendly Community within Ontario.

Additionally, through discussions with the South Nation Conservation Authority, it was noted that ATV and snowmobiling are popular activities within the Township. The provision of connections and associated trail facilities that cater to both motorized and non-motorized users will be important in future planning.

### **What we Heard**

Trail / pathway development was the top priority for future investment based on respondents who felt that South Stormont needed additional and/or new outdoor recreation facilities. Public survey respondents were generally 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with the existing trails in South Stormont (69%).



Specific suggestions regarding the trail network include:

- More bike paths, including separate paths for cyclists and walker/runners on the Waterfront Trail, and bike lanes along the roadway through the Parkway;
- More trails including along the waterfront, along the Parkway and on Moulinette Island, as well as more hiking trails and advertising of group hiking trips;
- Keep trails on the islands open in the winter for cross-country skiing;
- Consider snowshoeing trails on Moulinette Island;
- Consideration for an outdoor walking track;
- Improved maintenance of the Waterfront Trail (tree/brush trimming, resurfacing);
- Better maintenance and upkeep on all trails and bike paths as well as removal of poisonous weeds; and
- Address the lack of parking at the South Stormont Recreation Trail;
- Bike path from Farran Park to Long Sault Parkway needs widening and maintenance.

## 5.4 Outdoor Recreation Facilities

### 5.4.1 Ball Diamonds

The Township provides 3 unlit equivalent ball diamonds (where lit fields are counted as 1.5 unlit equivalents due to increased playing time during evening hours) for use by the community, located at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park (Long Sault), Ingleside Community Park.

Through a lease agreement with the church in St. Andrews West, an additional unlit junior diamond is provided at St. Andrews West Sports Fields.

Sector	Facility Name	Diamond Size				Total	Field Equivalency
		Senior		Junior			
		Lit	Unlit	Lit	Unlit		
1	Arnold Bethune Memorial Park			1		1	1.5
2	Ingleside Community Park	1				1	1.5
4	St. Andrews West Sports Fields				1	1	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>

### Utilization

The ball diamond in Long Sault has the highest number of hours booked on an annual basis. This diamond is used mainly by Oneill's Sports Club. The ball diamond in Ingleside is used by the Ingleside Modified Softball League two nights per week on average, and for Minor Baseball run by the Township. There is sufficient capacity available at the Long Sault and Ingleside ball diamonds to accommodate increased usage on the weekends (however, this would require consideration of the currently limited staff resources).

An assessment of the utilization at St. Andrews West diamond has been excluded since it is overgrown and unusable.

**Exhibit 32: Prime Time Utilization Rates for Ball Diamonds**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Long Sault Ball Diamond</b>					
Total Hours Booked	142	238	286	238	259.5
Total Available Prime Time Hours	637	637	637	637	637
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>41%</b>
<b>Ingleside Ball Diamond</b>					
Total Hours Booked	65	110.5	134	134	145
Total Available Prime Time Hours	637	637	637	637	637
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>23%</b>

*Note: For the purposes of this assignment, booked hours are assumed to occur during prime-time hours. Prime Time is defined as Monday to Friday 4:30pm to 9:30pm, Saturday and Sunday 9:30am to 9:30pm.*

*Source: SPM based on Township booking data.*

**Condition**

The ball diamonds in Long Sault and Ingleside are considered to be in fair condition, while the St. Andrews West ball diamond is in poor condition, with drainage issues being a major factor impeding play.

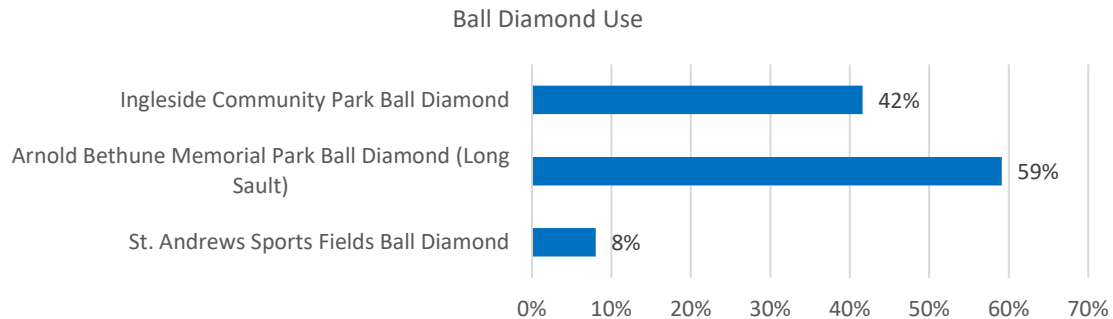
**Participation Trends**

Over the past 5 years, baseball in Ontario has experienced growth in youth registrants. Registration in local baseball leagues typically fluctuates in conjunction with the popularity or overall success of local sports teams (i.e. Toronto Blue Jays making the play-offs in 2015).

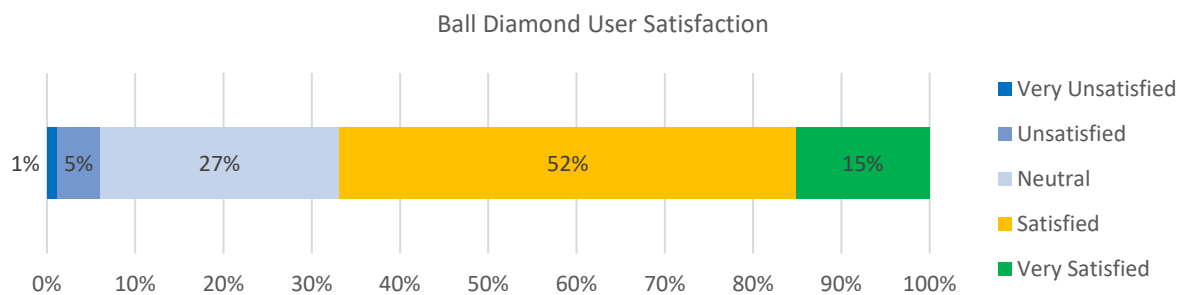
On a local level, minor ball registrations in South Stormont have fluctuated over the past five years, with participation more than doubling from 32 registered participants in 2017 to 76 registered participants in 2018. In 2019, registrations evened out, with 55 registered participants in baseball (including T-ball). Registration in adult leagues have remained stable over the same period, however the organizers of this league often put a cap on total number of registrants.

## What we Heard

Arnold Bethune Memorial park is the most frequently used ball diamond according to the public survey.



Public survey results indicate that ball diamond users are generally satisfied with the facilities (67% are 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied').



Comments related to the ball diamonds indicated that better maintenance is needed in general. Specifically, drainage problems at the St. Andrews West ball diamonds was identified as well as the lack of a proper infield and diamond layout. The ball diamond at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park was identified as being non-regulation size for adult play.

Specific improvements related to the Ingleside ball diamond include:

- Improved / additional netting to reduce interference with the washroom and splash pad area;
- Regrading of the field (base) – there are large holes around home plate, second base and the pitcher's mound (Note: the Township completed this in Spring 2020); and



- More regular maintenance of field in the future may prevent major improvements from being required.

#### 5.4.2 Soccer Fields

There are ten (10) soccer fields within the Township's supply, nine of which are located at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park (Long Sault). The fields at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park vary in size, ranging from a full-size field (11v11) to mini / micro-mini for 3v3. None of the fields are lit.

There is an additional soccer field at St. Andrews West Sports Fields (under lease agreement with the adjacent church).

#### Utilization

The full-size soccer field at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park is booked mostly for minor soccer use. This accounts for 41 hours per year (or 58% of total hours booked). The soccer field at St. Andrews West Sports Fields has not been booked for the past few years due to drainage and flooding issues on the field. Even with the St. Andrews West Field not being usable, there is no apparent utilization pressure on the Arnold Bethune full-size field.

**Exhibit 33: Prime Time Utilization Rates for Soccer Fields**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Arnold Bethune Soccer Field</b>					
Total Hours Booked	67	102	99	92.5	71
Total Available Prime Time Hours	637	637	637	637	637
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>St. Andrews West Soccer Field</b>					
Total Hours Booked	0	50	36	0	0
Total Available Prime Time Hours	637	637	637	637	637
<b>% Booked</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>

*Note: For the purposes of this assignment, booked hours are assumed to occur during prime-time hours. Prime Time is defined as Monday to Friday 4:30pm to 9:30pm, Saturday and Sunday 9:30am to 9:30pm.*

*Source: SPM based on Township booking data.*

#### Condition

Based on a visual inspection during site visits, the field at St. Andrews West is considered to be in poor condition, due to ongoing flooding and drainage issues, while those at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park are considered to be in fair condition, and generally acceptable for regular game play.

## Participation Trends

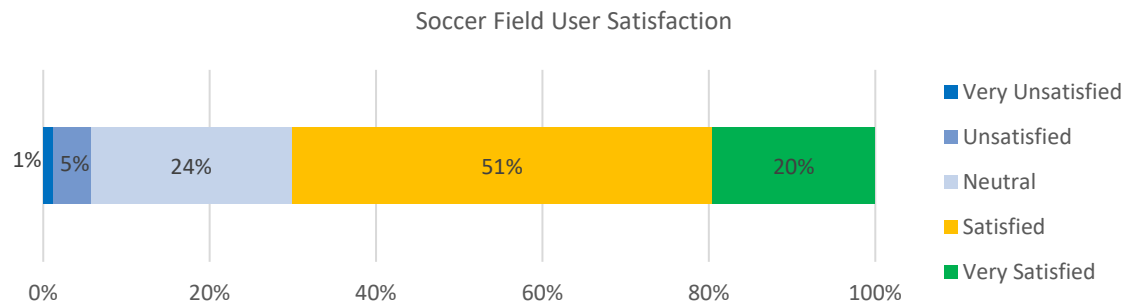
Over the past five years, Canada Soccer has recorded an overall decline in the number of youth registrations within Ontario, which experienced a total decrease of 16% or 43,180 youth registrations, as well as nation-wide with a 9% (or 59,718) decrease youth registrations.

Within South Stormont youth registrations in soccer has remained relatively stable since 2015, with 478 registered participants in 2015 and 487 participants in 2019. The lowest number of registered participants was in 2017, with 412. Of the minor sports programs offered by the Township, soccer is by far the sport with the highest registration numbers (around 75% of all registrants participate in soccer).

## What we Heard

Public survey results indicate that the Arnold Bethune Memorial Park soccer field is the most widely used, with 91% of question respondents (n=144) having used the field over the past year. St. Andrews Sports Field was used by 10% of the question respondents.

Users of the fields were also generally 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with the facilities (71%).



Specific comments related to the soccer fields include:

- Lack of proper drainage in the soccer fields cause them to often be wet or flooded except for a few months in the summer; and
- Improvements to the soccer fields identified by respondents include tile drainage at Long Sault, leveling, additional spectator seating, and more bathrooms.

### 5.4.3 Tennis & Pickleball Courts

The Township supplies 8 tennis courts and 4 pickleball courts (not dedicated). None of the court facilities are lit.

Sector	Facility Name	Tennis Courts	Pickleball Courts*
1	Mille Roches Park	2	2
2	Ingleside Community Park	2	2
4	MacLennan Park	2	2
	Simon Fraser Memorial Park	2	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>

\*Pickleball courts are shared with tennis courts (lines painted).

#### Utilization

Tennis and pickleball courts are typically used on a casual basis by local residents and small tennis groups.

The tennis courts at Mille Roches Park in Long Sault are booked occasionally by Seaway Fitness who have offered programs on the courts since 2016. These courts are also used for free pickleball lessons offered by individuals within the community.

#### Participation Trends

Results from a national research study commissioned by Tennis Canada indicates that 6.5 million Canadians played tennis at least once in 2014, a 32% increase in compared to 2012. Overall popularity of tennis is also increasing with 51% of Canadians indicating that they are either 'somewhat' or 'very interested' in the sport, compared to 38% in 2012<sup>14</sup>. The study also indicates that participation among children ages 6 to 11 years has increased, and that most new interest in the sport is from this younger demographic.

Pickleball is widely recognized as one of the fastest growing sport in North America. There are an estimated 60,000 pickleball players in Canada having grown from 6,000 players in 2011<sup>15</sup>. Within Canada, the highest number of players and courts are found in British Columbia and Ontario. Pickleball Canada has experienced a significant increase in membership since 2009 with 247 members, to present with 10,375 members. Based

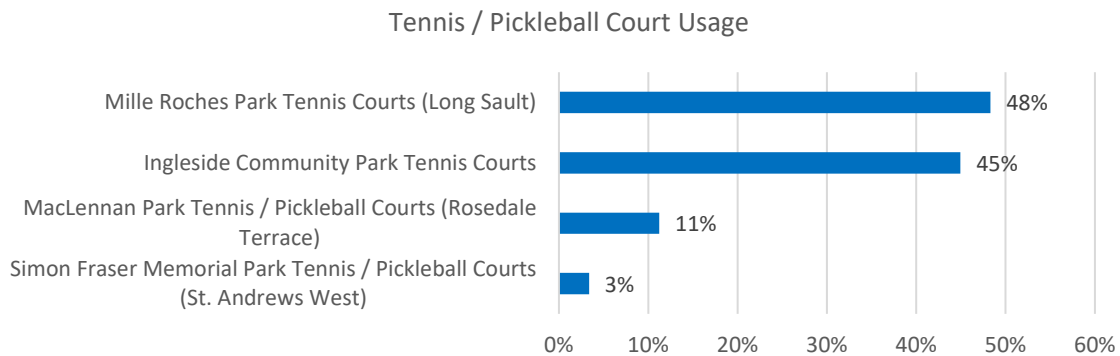
<sup>14</sup> Tennis Canada. News Release, September 7, 2014. Tennis in Canada Continues Remarkable Growth in Participation and Popularity, Recent Study Shows. Retrieved from <http://tenniscanada.com>

<sup>15</sup> Pickleball Canada Newsletter, Pickleball Canada, April 2018.

on 2018 data from Pickleball Canada, British Columbia, Alberta and Quebec are gaining the most members<sup>16</sup>.

**What we Heard**

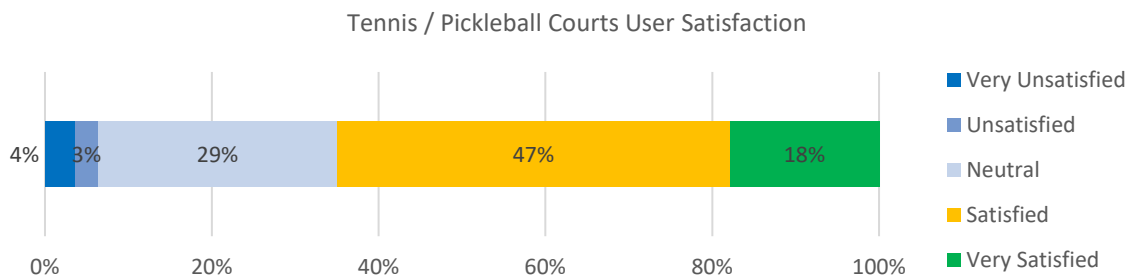
According to public survey results the Milles Roches Park tennis courts and the Ingleside Community Park tennis courts are the most used.



65% of tennis / pickleball court users were ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’ with the facilities. Specific improvements to tennis / pickleball facilities identified by respondents included:

- Tennis court resurfacing and repairs are needed at Mille Roches Park (Long Sault);
- The court door at MacLennan Park (Rosedale) needs repairs; and
- Would like to see courts with lighting to enable extended play times.

Locations for additional tennis / pickleball courts included along the waterfront to take advantage of the views, and within the Forest Hill Subdivision.



<sup>16</sup> Ibid.

#### 5.4.4 Playgrounds

There are 14 municipal parks with playgrounds in the Township. Major playgrounds (with larger and/or more than one structure) are provided within the three Community Parks in Ingleside, Long Sault and St. Andrews West. The 11 other playgrounds are smaller, neighbourhood-scaled playgrounds, and typically located within a reasonable walking distance of major residential areas (500-800m).

The municipal supply of playgrounds is complemented by four (4) additional playgrounds offered at school properties. However, it is important to note that these facilities are not accessible to the public during school hours.

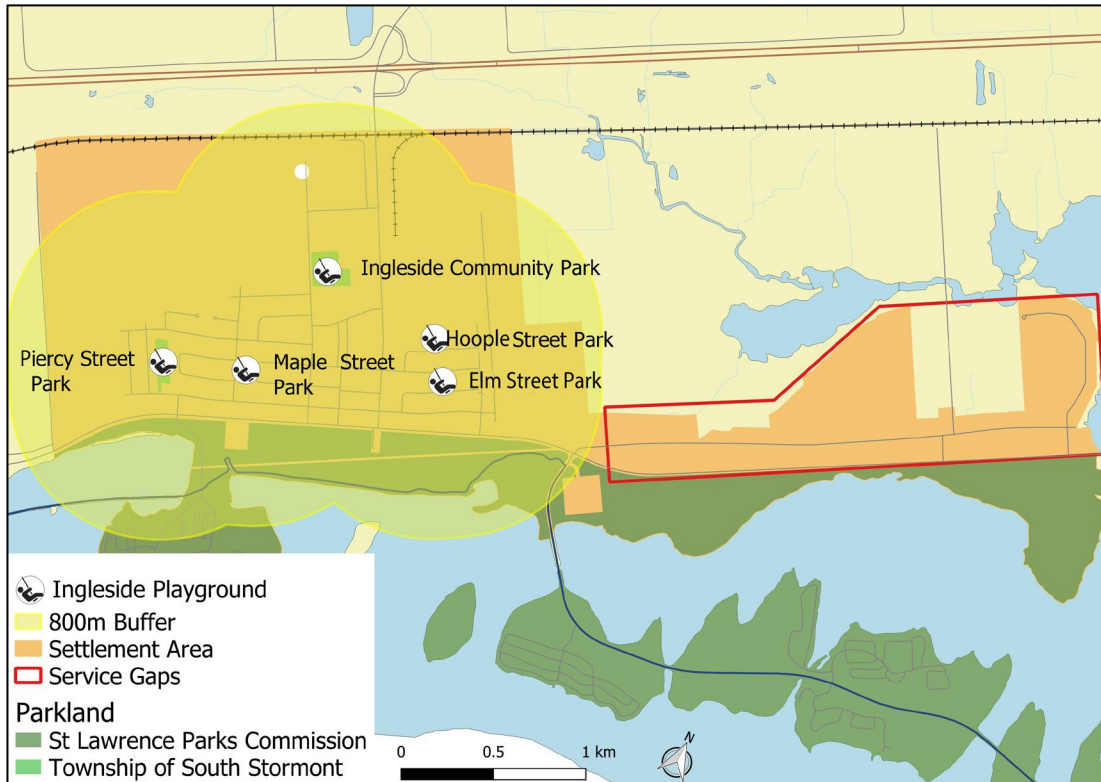
##### **Service Areas**

An industry standard for target service levels for playgrounds is typically one playground within 800 metres (10-minute walk) of major residential areas without major barriers impeding access.

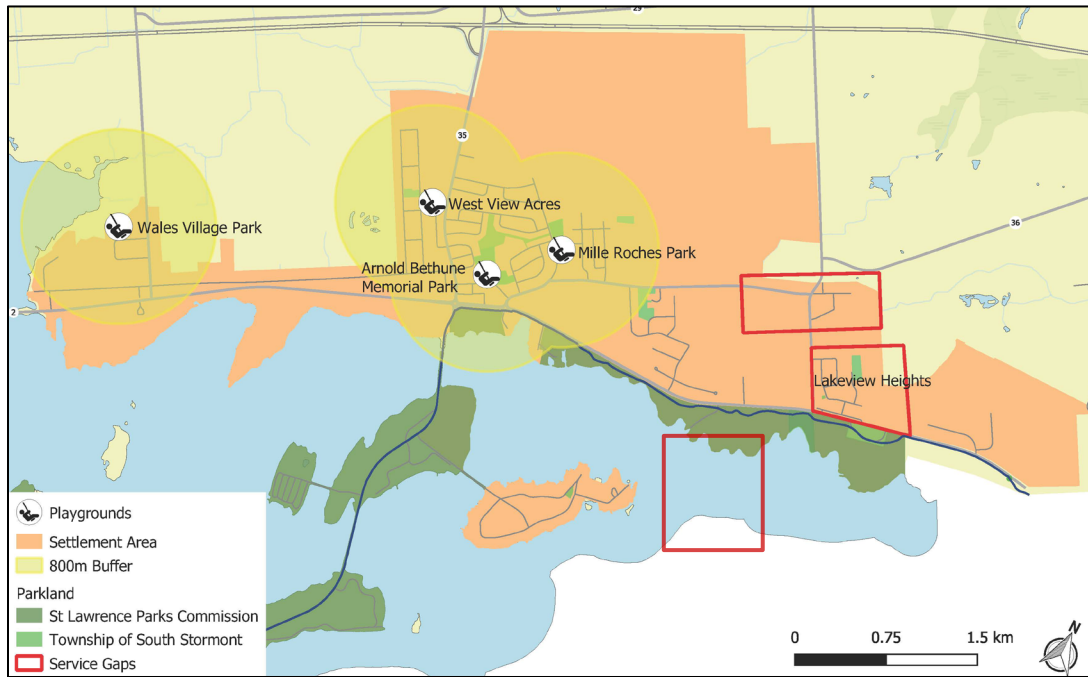
Ingleside's playgrounds adequately service the central area. There is a service gap in the residential areas to the east along County Road 2 as there are no playgrounds within walking distance along this stretch, however, this is beyond the central core and does not necessitate the need for additional playground structures (more rural in nature).

Long Sault is also well-serviced by playgrounds except for two residential areas to the east. These gaps also reflect responses from the public survey that indicated a need for a playground in Lakeview Heights Park. The addition of a playground at this location is likely warranted.

**Exhibit 34: Ingleside Playgrounds with 800m Service Area**

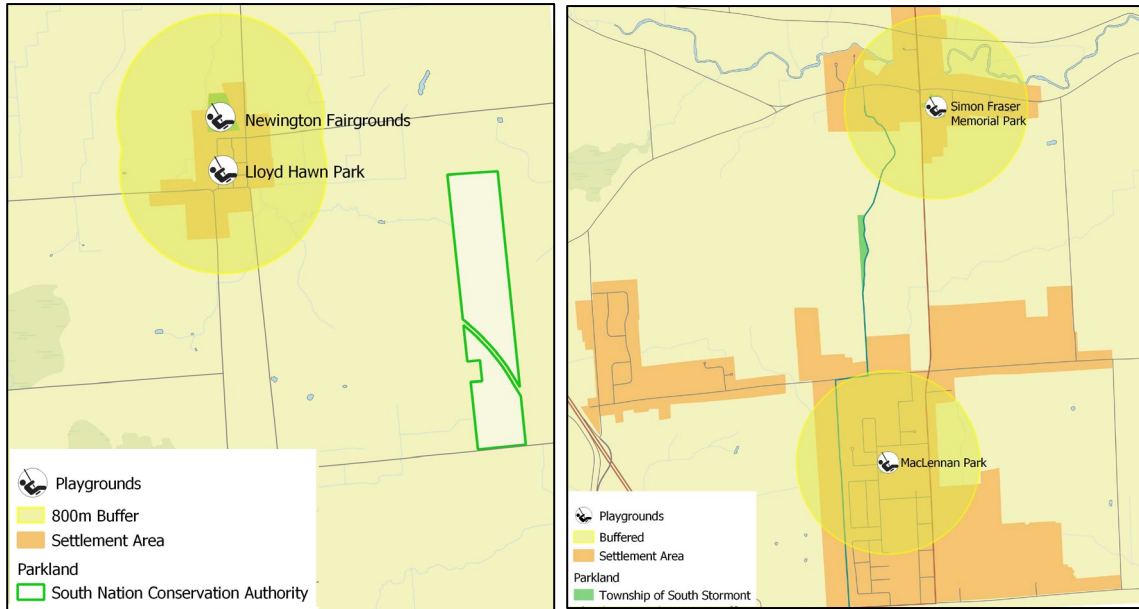


**Exhibit 35: Long Sault Playgrounds with 800m Service Area**



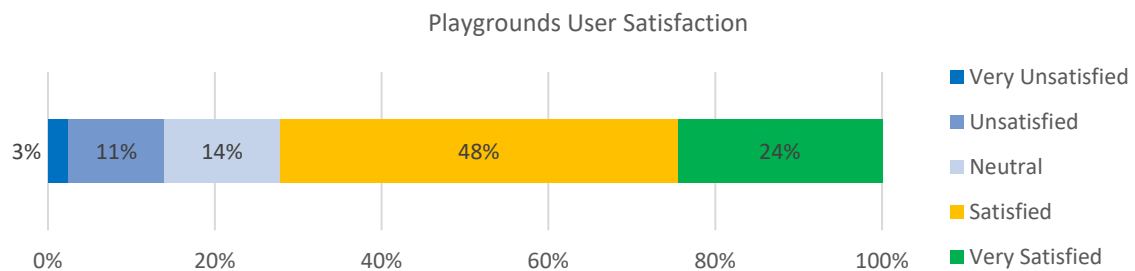
The hamlets of Newington, Rosedale Terrace and St. Andrews West are generally well served by playgrounds, with at least one playground in each rural hamlet.

**Exhibit 36: Newington, St. Andrews West, and Rosedale Terrace Playgrounds with 800m Service Area**



**What we Heard**

Users of playgrounds in South Stormont are generally satisfied, as 72% of public survey respondents indicated they were ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’ with the playground facilities.



Playgrounds were the second highest priority for investment in outdoor recreation facilities indicated by public survey respondents. In general, respondents indicated that a greater variety of equipment is needed across the township (so that the same facilities

are not repeated in each village). Specific suggestions from respondents regarding playgrounds include:

- Playground equipment in Arnold Bethune Memorial Park, Mille Roches Park (Long Sault), Hoople Park, MacLennan Park, Lloyd Hawn Park, Maple Street Park, Elm Street Park, and Moulinette Island Park is in need of replacement, upgrading and additional structures. More specific comments include:
- Play structures at MacLennan park are rusty and can be dangerous;
- Arnold Bethune Memorial Park needs cleaning to remove broken glass from naturalized play elements, an upgrade to the jungle gym and additional washrooms;
- Mille Roches Park and Arnold Bethune Memorial Park playgrounds need to be enlarged;
- Play structure needed in Moulinette Park and along the waterfront;
- Elm Street Park play structure is in need of maintenance;
- Lloyd Hawn Park Playground needs to be upgraded and improved to accommodate all age ranges;
- Maple Street Park Playground needs safety upgrades;
- Hoople Park needs additional or upgraded play structures;
- Clearer 'Children at Play' road signage at Mille Roches Park and an additional entrance for children off of Mille Roches Road;
- Shade trees or gazebos are needed near playgrounds;
- Need for a play structure, benches and washroom in Lakeview Heights Park (Long Sault);
- More variety in play structures across the Township; and
- Additions needed to play structures to accommodate toddlers.



### 5.4.5 Outdoor Pool & Splash Pads

The Township operates the following outdoor pool and splash pads:

- **1 outdoor pool in St. Andrews West:** 20 metre, 5 lane pool.
- **2 splash pads** – 1 in Ingleside and 1 in Long Sault (situated adjacent to the wading pool in Arnold Bethune Memorial Park, built in 2013).

The wading pool in Long Sault, a small (11 metres long) and shallow facility was closed after the 2019 season due to decreasing registrations and use. Some of the analysis below includes statistics from the Long Sault Wading Pool, as it was open at the time of initial analysis.

#### Condition

While condition assessments have not been performed on these assets, the St. Andrews West Pool can likely be considered to be in fair condition as the following repairs and upgrades have recently been undertaken:

- 2006: New pool heater installed.
- 2013: Pool retrofit (pumps, filters, washrooms, deck, etc.).
- 2016: Spectator bleachers installed at pool.

#### Operating Performance

When considered together, the Long Sault Wading Pool and St. Andrews West Pool typically operate at a deficit of around \$60,000. This is generally in line with the operating deficits of outdoor pools observed in comparable communities.

**Exhibit 37: Outdoor Aquatics (Combined) Operating Performance**

	2016	2017	2018	Average
Revenues	\$ 28,123	\$ 29,562	\$ 35,433	\$ 31,039
Expenses	\$ 93,533	\$ 90,273	\$ 94,472	\$ 92,759
<b>NOI</b>	<b>(\$65,410)</b>	<b>(\$60,711)</b>	<b>(\$59,039)</b>	<b>(\$61,720)</b>
<b>Cost Recovery</b>	30%	33%	38%	<b>33%</b>

Source: SPM based on Township 2019 Parks and Recreation Program and Facilities Overview.

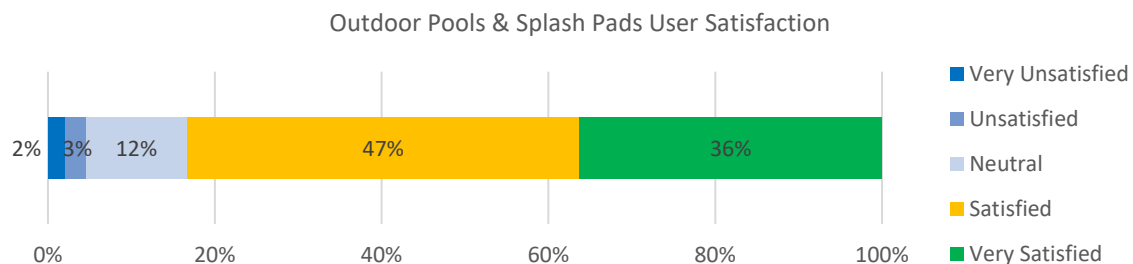
## Participation Trends

On both a national and provincial scale, participation in swimming, whether competitive or otherwise, is increasing. According to Swimming Canada, total registrations have increased significantly in both Ontario and Canada-wide over the past 11 years, by 106% and 66% respectively.

This trend is echoed locally – the Township has experienced a steady increase in total registrations in swimming lesson over the past five years (at the St. Andrews Outdoor Pool).

## What we Heard

83% of users of outdoor pools and splash pads from the public survey indicated that they were ‘satisfied’ or ‘very satisfied’ with the facilities.



Outdoor pools were the third highest priority for investment indicated by public survey respondents. Respondents suggested the need for an additional full-size outdoor pool in Ingleside and Long Sault that can accommodate adult lane swimming. Suggested locations for additional splash pads include Rosedale Terrace, along the Parkway, Newington, and Bonville. Additional comments from survey respondents include:

- More shade trees are needed next to splash pads and pools;
- New toys and flutter boards at Long Sault Wading Pool and new life jackets at St. Andrews West Pool are needed; and
- More public / open swim times are needed.

It is important to note that while an indoor pool was identified as an important priority through public engagement, similar-sized communities to that of South Stormont typically do not build new municipal indoor pools as they are major capital investments and an expensive asset to operate. While it varies, it is not uncommon for a typical municipal scale indoor aquatics facility to run a significant deficit relative to the provision of indoor ice for example (e.g. anywhere between \$300,000 and \$500,000

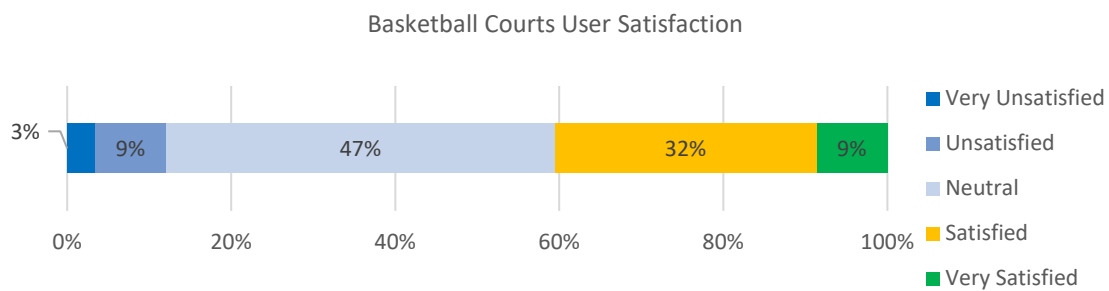
annual deficit for pools). Municipal Class A indoor pool facilities are currently provided in Cornwall and service the regional population surrounding the city, including the Township of South Stormont. It is also important to note that when the Cornwall Aquatics Centre was being developed, South Stormont contributed \$125,000 towards the capital cost of the facility, enabling its residents to access the pool at the same rate as residents of Cornwall.

#### 5.4.6 Basketball Courts

The Township provides three basketball courts within its supply, one at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park in Long Sault, one at McLennan Park in Rosedale Terrace, and one in Newington. These municipal facilities are supplemented by two full-size basketball courts and one half-court at local school properties in Ingleside, Long Sault, and St. Andrews West.

##### What we Heard

Public survey respondents indicated that Arnold Bethune Memorial Park is the most used basketball court. Respondents were less satisfied with their experience with basketball courts compared to other outdoor facilities with 47% indicating they were 'neutral' about their experience.



Specific comments in regard to basketball courts include:

- Municipal basketball court is needed in Ingleside;
- Resurfacing of basketball court in Long Sault to prevent water pooling; and
- More courts with lighting to enable extended play times.

### 5.4.7 Outdoor Rinks

There are seven (7) outdoor skating rinks within the Township's supply, located within the following parks:

- Arnold Bethune Memorial Park (Long Sault);
- Lakeview Heights Outdoor Rink (Long Sault);
- Moulinette Island Park (Long Sault);
- Hoople Street Park (Ingleside);
- Lloyd Hawn Park (Newington);
- McLennan Park (Rosedale Terrace); and
- St. Andrews West Outdoor Rink & Sports Fields.

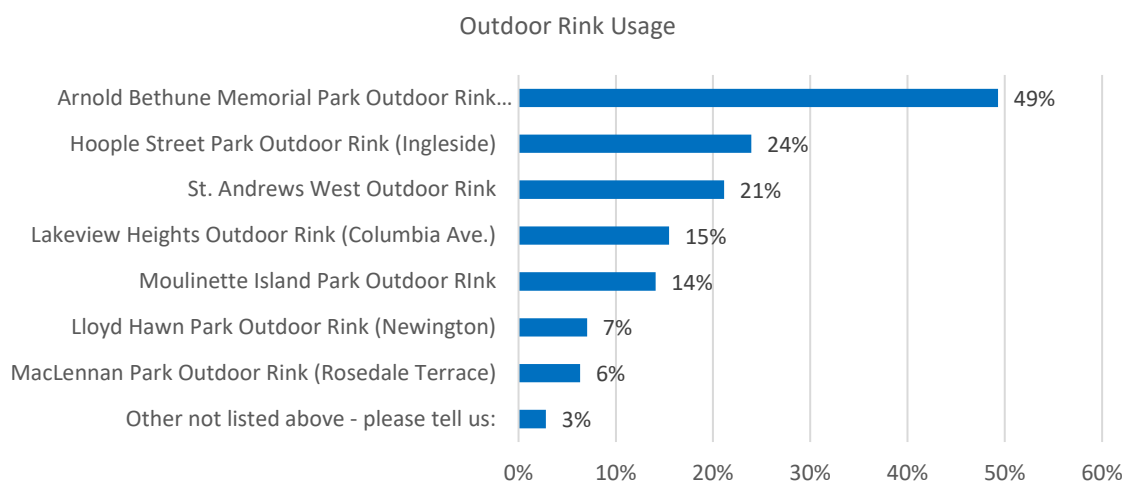
These facilities are maintained by the Township and through partnerships with community volunteers.

The outdoor skating rinks in St. Andrews West and Newington are complemented by heated rink houses that offer washrooms facilities for skaters.

#### What we Heard

Public survey respondents indicated that Arnold Bethune Memorial Park Outdoor Rink is the most used outdoor rink in the Township by a margin of 25%.

The outdoor ice rink at Lloyd Hawn Park was identified by survey respondents as in need of paving / improved base to enable a more even ice surface. The rink boards were also identified as a place where local children could display murals. Improvements to the rink building, in general, was also identified through the survey.



In terms of additional outdoor facilities, respondents suggested an outdoor covered rink and a skating only rink.

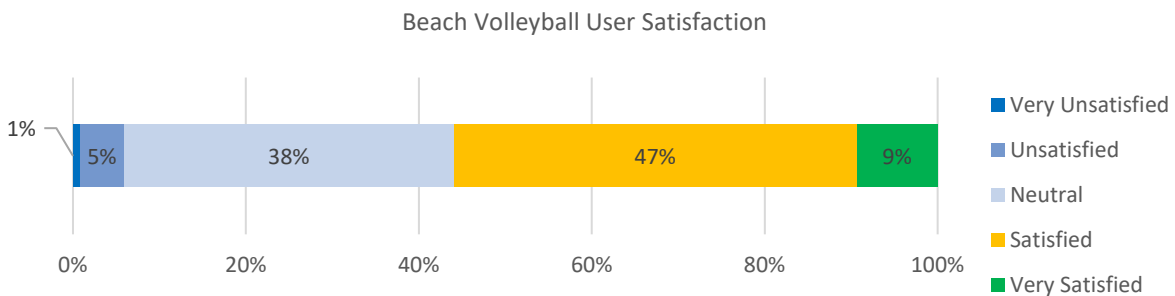
#### 5.4.8 Beach Volleyball Courts

The Township maintains and operates four (4) beach volleyball courts, two of which are located at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park (Long Sault, built in 2016) and two at Ingleside Community Park. These facilities are generally well-used by local adult sports leagues. Booked hours have increased to 144 hours per year in 2019 from 122 hours in 2017 and 2018.

##### What we Heard

Public Survey respondents were generally satisfied or neutral with their beach volleyball court experiences, with 56% selecting 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' and 38% indicating 'neutral'.

A need for more general/regular maintenance on the nets, lines, and play area was identified by respondents.



#### 5.4.9 Waterfront Amenities

Under the existing lease agreement, the Township manages Lakeview Park, which provides a beach and picnic area. The Township also owns Ault Park, while not on the water's edge, it has views to the water across lands owned by SLPC.

##### What we Heard

In general, 57% of respondents to the public survey were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with the waterfront amenities provided by the Township. Specific suggestions regarding waterfront amenities and trails include:

- More BBQ areas, picnic tables, and accessible walking paths at Ault Park;

- Accessibility to washrooms in Lakeview Park;
- More picnic tables, park benches and viewing areas along the waterfront in general; and
- More boat ramps and access to waterways.

Respondents also noted that low water levels make enjoyment of the beach and launching boats difficult.

#### 5.4.10 Skateboard Park

There is currently no skateboard park within the Township's existing supply of outdoor amenities. However, as part of the development of the Ingleside Community Park, a skateboard / BMX park is included in the design plan for full-build out. The timing for implementation of the skateboard park is yet to be determined.

#### 5.4.11 Off-Leash Dog Park

The Township does not currently have an off-leash dog park within its supply, however, the addition of a dog park in South Stormont was one of the top 5 priorities for investment in outdoor facilities indicated by public survey respondents. Potential locations suggested by respondents include in Long Sault at Arnold Bethune Park or Ault Park, Ingleside, along the waterfront, Lakeview Beach, and Forest Hills subdivision.

## 5.5 Cultural Facilities

In addition to recreation facilities and amenities, parks and trails, the Parks and Recreation Department oversees the cultural assets within the Township, including the Lost Villages Museum, located in Ault Park just east of Long Sault, and the Raisin River Heritage Centre located in St. Andrews West.

### 5.5.1 The Lost Villages Museum

The site contains ten heritage buildings, which commemorate the inundation of lands to the south in 1958. The buildings were moved to Ault Park and restored from The Lost Villages and surrounding townships which formerly existing along the St. Lawrence River.

As identified in Section 4.2.3, the Lost Villages Museum is operated by the Lost Villages Historical Society (LVHS), an incorporated non-profit charitable organization. The Township is currently in negotiations with the Lost Villages Historical Society (LVHS) to draft a new agreement for the operation of the Lost Villages Museum with the

opportunity for the LVHS to continue operating the museum programs and community events, with the Township assuming the responsibility for the overall repairs and capital investments to the buildings and grounds.

### Condition

To gain a complete understanding of the required repairs and capital investments, the Township commissioned a Building Condition Assessment for the structures located on site. This technical analysis was completed in August 2020 by EVB Engineering. It is evident from the report that there are many unknown costs, and that the list of deficiencies suggest that an on-going annual capital investment will be required if the Township wants to ensure the long-term sustainability of these buildings.

Some of the deficiencies that need to be addressed immediately include:

- Small repairs of wood rot and painting of Sandtown Church.
- Roof replacement and chimney capping on McLeod House.
- Roof replacement on School House.
- Reconstruction of Blacksmith Shop on a poured concrete slab.
- Mould investigation and subsequent repair in Barber Shop.

A complete listing of deficiencies and associated costs is provided in the Lost Villages Building Condition Assessment Report.

### Activities & Events

The Historical Society hosts several activities and events throughout the 6-month tourist season (Spring to Fall), including meetings, museum activities, bus tours, history and genealogy research, and fundraising activities. The LVHS has indicated that visits to the museum, participation in organized bus trips and the genealogical research components are growing in popularity, and they are planning to add new program centered on the Civil War Memorial, in addition to expanding the existing plaque program.

#### 5.5.2 Raisin River Heritage Centre

The Raisin River Heritage Centre is a municipally owned building, sited on a parcel that is landlocked by the surrounding property, owned by the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario (CDSBEO). Access to the building is provided via an easement from the street. The extent of the Township owned parcel extends 5-feet around the perimeter of the building.

The building was constructed in 1906 and used as a convent until the late 1970's. When the convent was no longer active, the building was slated for demolition. The Cornwall Township Historical Society (CTHS) was then formed and worked with the Township to purchase the building. From this time, the building had been used as the headquarters and museum for the CTHS, a community hall, and an SDG library branch.

### Condition

In 2016, the Township commissioned a Designated Substance Report for the building, which identified the presence of asbestos, mercury, lead, silica and mould within the building.

A 2017 Building Condition Report identified 36 areas of the building that were found to be in poor condition, as well as issues around barrier free accessibility, emergency exit regulations, among others. The report listed the estimated cost to reinstate the facility for public use on the first floor only at over \$540,000, without any consideration for accessibility, emergency exiting requirements or other upgrades identified. In response to this report, staff closed the facility to occupation and erected a fence around the building to restrict public access to potentially dangerous areas.

### Potential Options Under Review

Council and staff are currently reviewing potential options for the future of the Raisin Region Heritage Centre, which include:

1. **Sell the Building / Property:** The Township has canvassed the CDSBEO to purchase the site or to provide them with more access to the site (through Township purchase of school board land), however they expressed no interest.
2. **Renovate the Building:** As per the recommendations of the Designated Substance Report and the Building Condition Report, however, no realistic options for the future use of the building have been identified at this time.
3. **Demolish the Building:** All things considered, demolition of the building has been quoted at nearly \$700,000, not including the removal of tanks, hydro, air testing, permitting, removal of contaminated soil, etc.



### 5.5.3 Inactive Cemeteries

The Township, and specifically the Parks and Recreation Department, has recently taken over the maintenance responsibility for five (5) cemetery properties within its jurisdictional boundaries (as per the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002).

These cemeteries are all inactive and total just over one (1) hectare in area, detailed as follows:

**Exhibit 38: Cemetery Inventory Under Municipal Responsibility**

Cemetery	Location	Size (ha)
Lunenburg United Cemetery (Waterdown)	Lunenburg	0.42
Willis United Church/North Lunenburg Road Cemetery	Lunenburg	0.42
Stata Cemetery	Lunenburg	0.06
Hawn Cemetery	Lunenburg	0.06
Northfield United Church Cemetery	Lunenburg	0.10

Source: SPM based on Township of South Stormont Cemetery Master Plan, 2017.

Additional information on each cemetery is provided in Appendix B.

The South Stormont Cemetery Master Plan was developed in 2017, with the objective to support local Cemeteries and to ensure the Township is prepared for the responsibility of the Cemeteries in the future - this may include maintenance, repair, administrative duties and archival recording and storage. The intention is to ensure that these properties meet health and safety standards for workers, contractors, and visitors.

#### Condition

Some of the 5 inactive cemeteries are in very poor condition and will require significant financial resources and planning to coordinate repairs. These repairs will require that adequate training courses be provided to Parks and Recreation Operators in order to provide the proper inspections and work with contractors performing any repairs to markers.

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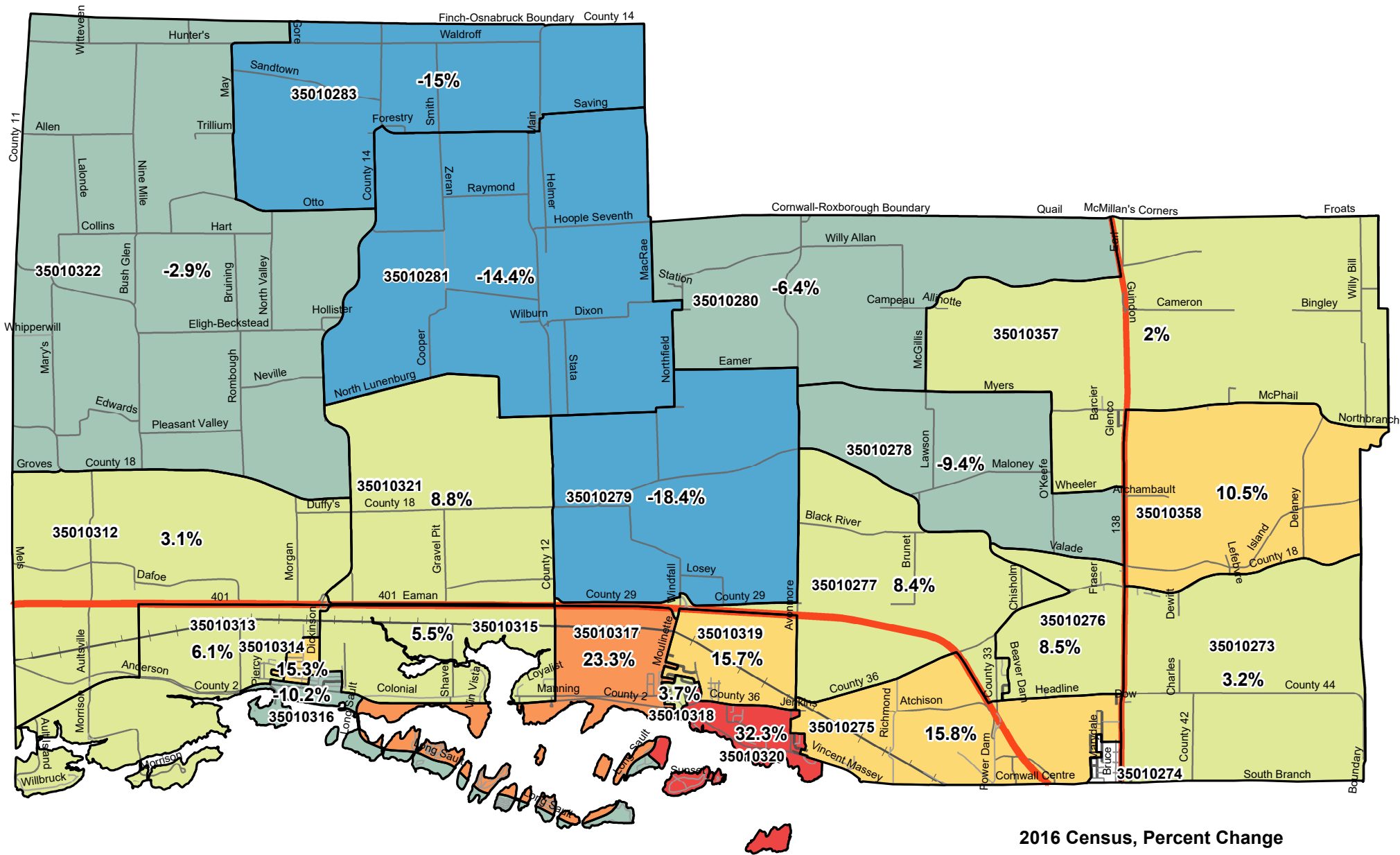
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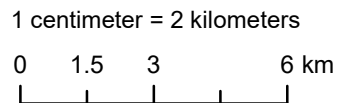
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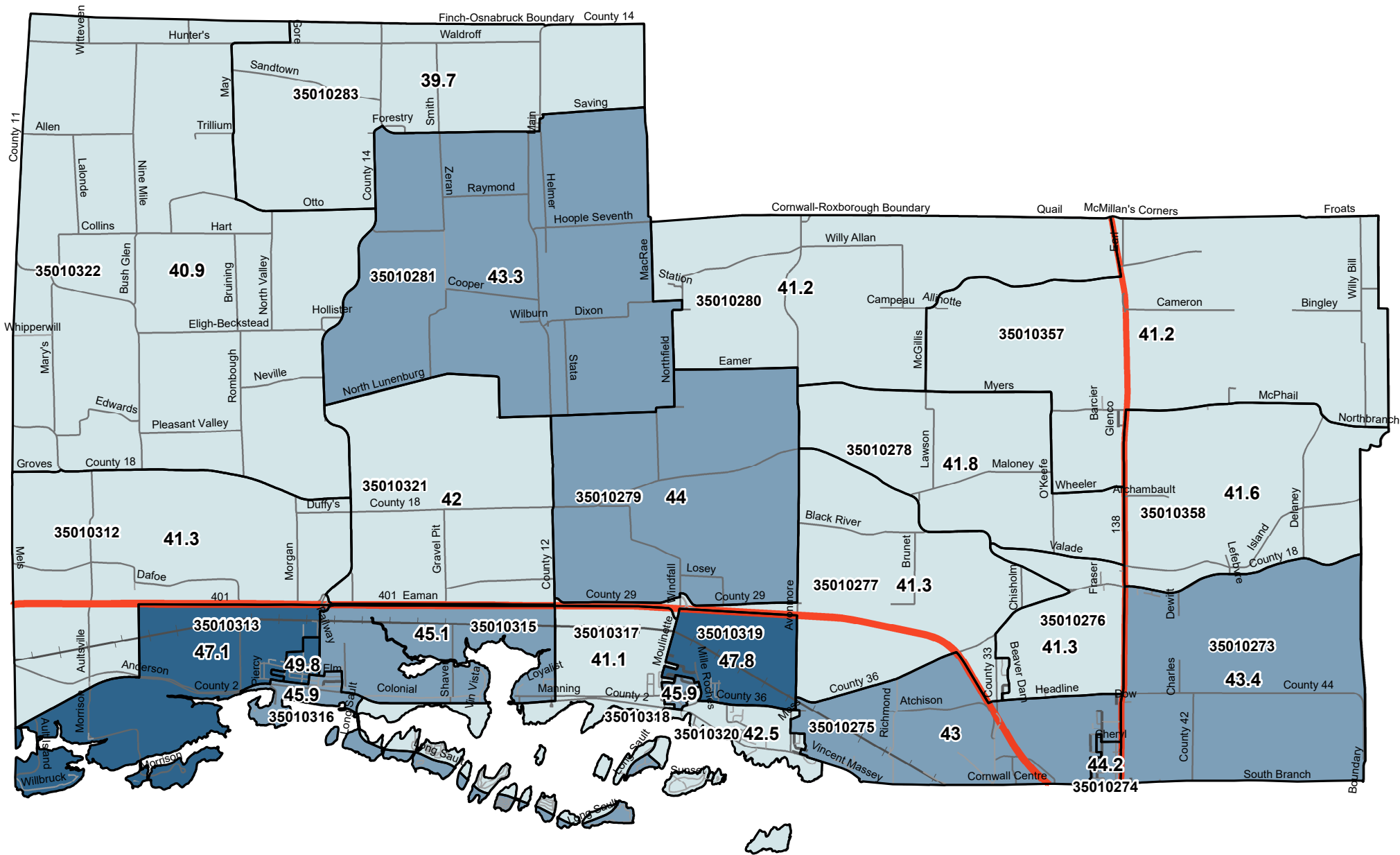
# Township of South Stormont

## Population change 2006-2016



### Legend

- Dissemination Area
- Township Boundary
- 20% - -11%
- 10% - 0%
- 1% - 10%
- 11% - 20%
- 21% - 30%
- 31% - 40%
- No change



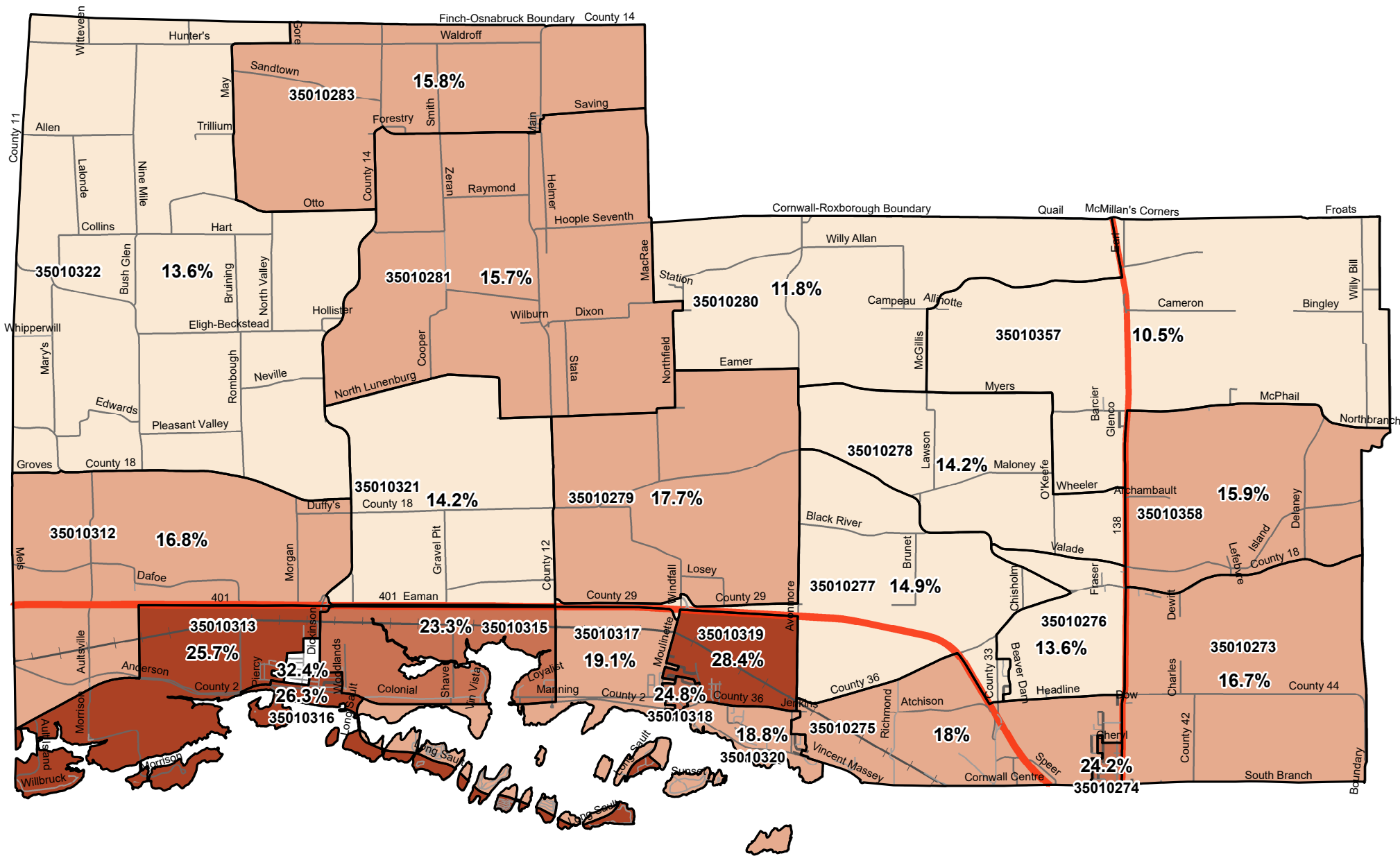
**Township of South Stormont**  
**Average Age, 2016**

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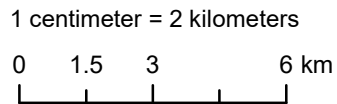
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- Dissemination Area
  - Township Boundary

- 2016 Census, Average Age**
- 40 - 43
  - 44 - 46
  - 47 - 50

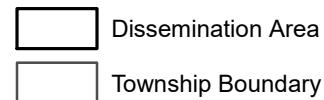


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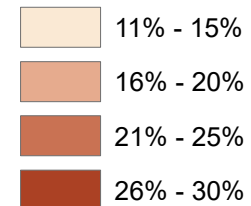
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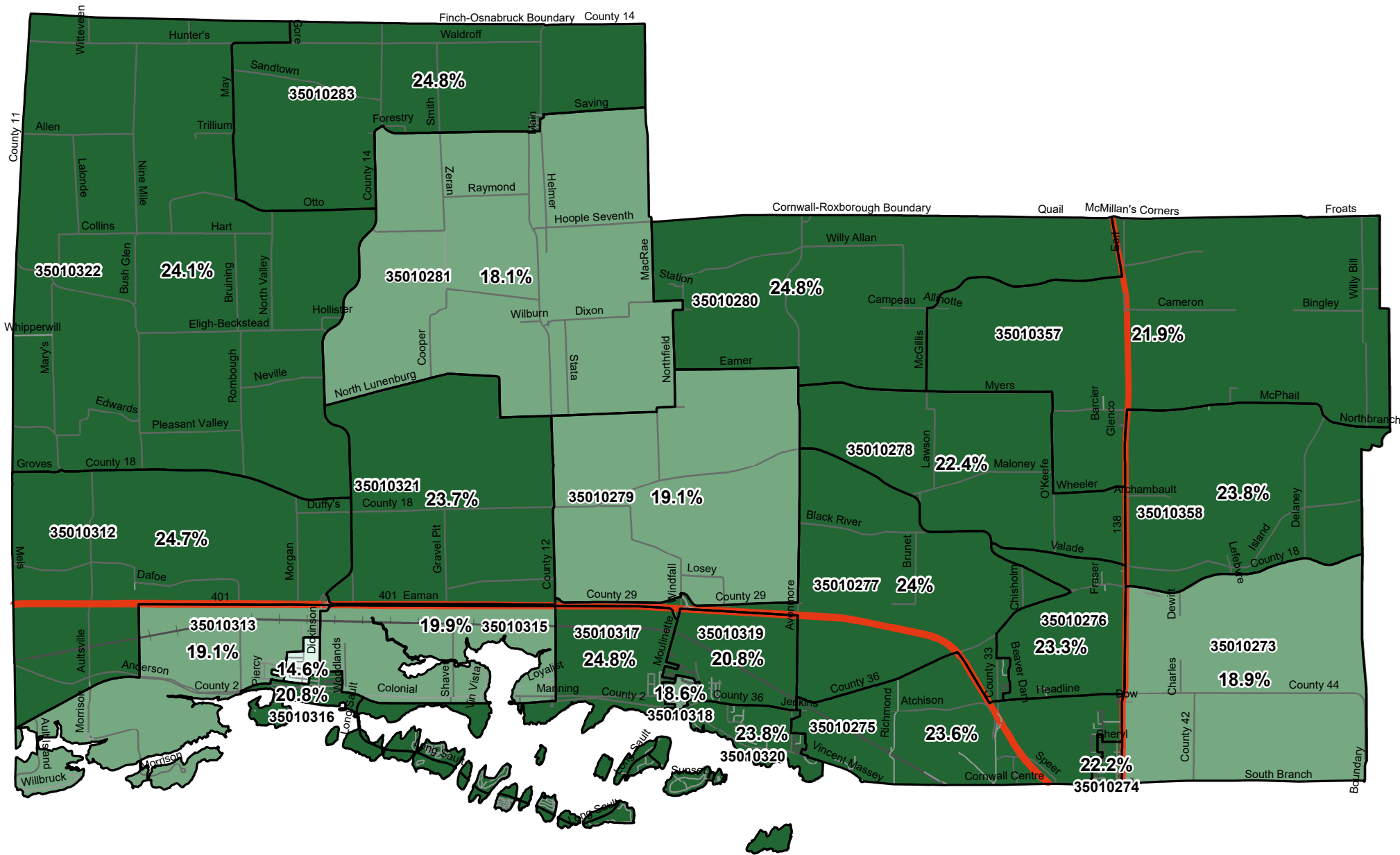


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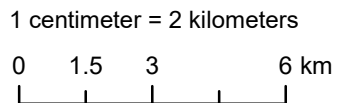
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



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


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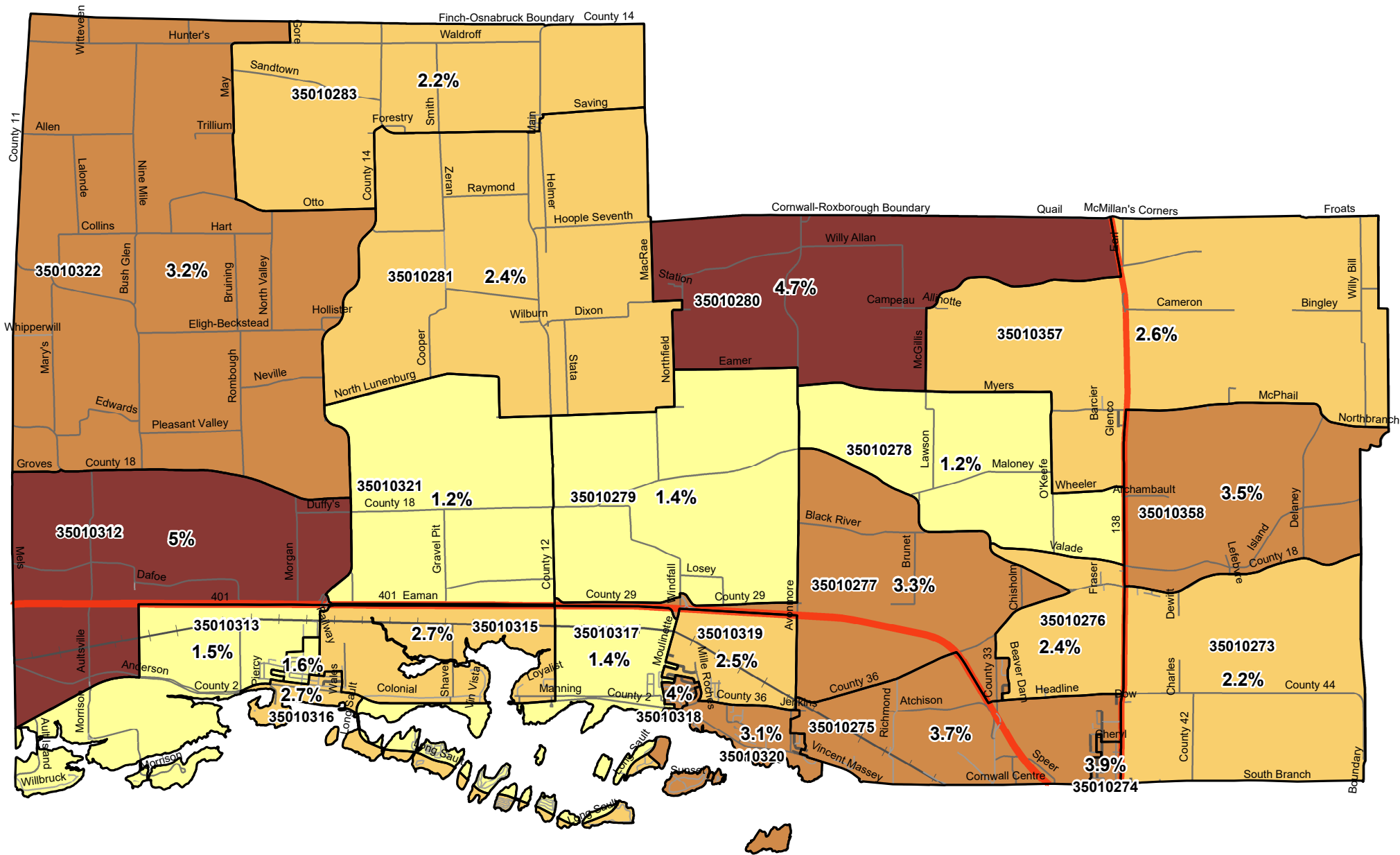


#### Legend

-  Dissemination Area
-  Township Boundary

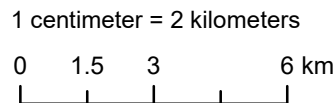
#### Population Under 19 Age 0-19 / Population 2016

-  11-15%
-  16% - 20%
-  21% - 25%



**Township of South Stormont**

**Low-income Cut-offs, After Tax  
LICO-AT, Percent, 2016**



**Legend**

- Dissemination Area
- Township Boundary

**2016 Census, LICO-AT (%)**

- 1.1% - 2%
- 2.1% - 3%
- 3.1% - 4%
- 4.1% - 5%





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## Appendix B: Detailed Inventory Sheets

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## Township of South Stormont: Facility Inventory

### Facility Name: Long Sault Arena

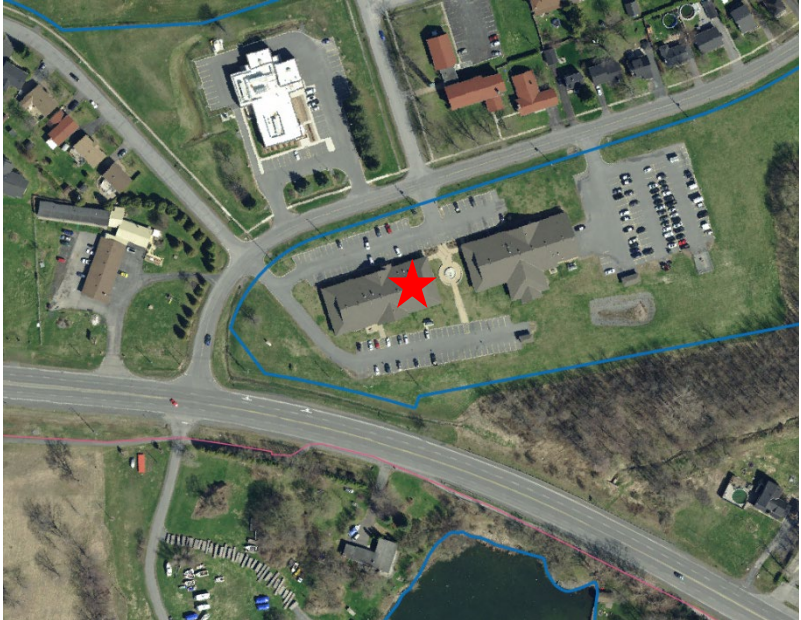
<b>Address</b>	60 Mille Roches Road, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	1.06 ha
<b>Map</b>	
	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1994 (25 years) - Some of Lobby and dressing structure dates back to the original centennial arena construction of 1967.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township of South Stormont
<b>Amenities</b>	Change rooms (6), referee room, music room, John Cleary meeting room, canteen, Operators office, Parks and Recreation Department Offices, storage rooms, ice resurfacer room, Class B Refrigeration Plant Room.
<b>Main Users</b>	South Stormont Minor Hockey Assoc., Long Sault Skating Club, Own the Ice Power Skating and Skills, adult rental groups, Township program users (i.e. minor ball hockey, summer programs, senior shuffleboard)
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	September to April: hockey, public skating, figure skating June to mid-August: ball hockey, roller hockey, community events
<b>General Condition (Observed)</b>	Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<p>2013 – General improvements undertaken (arena floor lighting, lobby roof, entrance doors, dehumidifiers, etc.) (\$325,396)</p> <p>2014 – New seasonal controller for compressors installed (\$25,100);</p> <p>2015 – New puck boards for arena floor installed (\$4,000);</p> <p>2016 – Chiller replacement for refrigeration plant (\$88,565), new edger for ice maintenance (\$5,600);</p> <p>2017 – Flooring upgraded in lobby, hallways, washrooms and meeting room, accessible washroom fully renovated.</p> <p>2019 - Flooring for all changerooms, refs room, north section of arena player entrance, and canteen. (\$60K)</p>

## Township of South Stormont: Facility Inventory

	2019- New tile walls and ceiling, faucets, plumbing, and electrical for dressing room showers in rooms #1/#2 and #3/#4
<b><i>Future Upgrades Planned</i></b>	2020 Budget - New ice resurfacer Future (TBD) brine pump, motor, headers, compressors (?), roof over arena (?),
<b><i>2020 Building Replacement Value</i></b>	\$4,496,076
<b><i>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</i></b>	Adjacent to Mille Roches Park, SDG Library, and South Stormont Fire Station 1
<b><i>Additional Notes/Comments</i></b>	


## Township of South Stormont: Facility Inventory

### Facility Name: South Stormont Community Hall

<b>Address</b>	2 Mille Roches Road, Long Sault
<b>Size</b>	3,000 sq. ft.
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	2010
<b>Ownership</b>	Township of South Stormont
<b>Amenities</b>	Fully serviced kitchen, coat check room, stage, sound system.
<b>Main Users</b>	Community groups, individuals
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Community events, bridal / baby showers, employee training, family gatherings, fitness instruction, wedding functions, etc.
<b>General Condition</b>	Fair / Good
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2015 – New furniture in Community Hall (\$6,000). 2016 – Accessible door opener installed (main entrance).
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Township Municipal Offices, OPP Headquarters, Mille Roches Park, Long Sault Arena, Waterfront
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	

## Township of South Stormont: Facility Inventory

### Facility Name: Station 1 Meeting Room

<b>Address</b>	50 Mille Roche Road, Long Sault
<b>Size</b>	Capacity of 50 people
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1980
<b>Ownership</b>	Township of South Stormont
<b>Amenities</b>	10 tables, 60 chairs, projector
<b>Main Users</b>	Community groups
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	
<b>General Condition</b>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Adjacent to Long Sault Branch (SDG Library), Long Sault Arena, Mille Roches Park.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	Building is not wheelchair accessible.


## Township of South Stormont: Facility Inventory

### Facility Name: Station 3 Meeting Room

<b>Address</b>	3931 County Road 12, Newington
<b>Size</b>	Capacity of 25 people
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1970
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	5 tables, 15 chairs, full size kitchen, accessible washroom
<b>Main Users</b>	
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	
<b>General Condition</b>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2005 – Renovation to make facility accessible.
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$507,522 (combined with Fire Hall)
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	

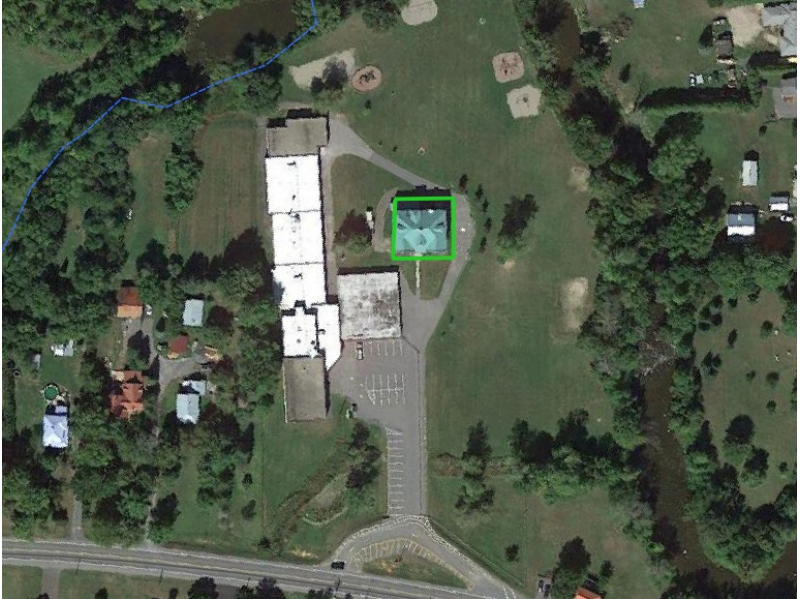
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### Facility Name: Station 4 Meeting Room

<b>Address</b>	5205 Highway 138, St. Andrews West
<b>Size</b>	Capacity of 50 people
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	2017
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	12 tables, 50 chairs, full size kitchen, projector, accessible washrooms
<b>Main Users</b>	
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	
<b>General Condition</b>	Good
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2017 – New fire hall constructed (AODA compliant).
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$1,946,880 (combined with Fire Hall)
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	St. Andrews West Sports Fields, Simon Fraser Memorial Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	

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### Facility Name: Raisin River Heritage Centre

<b>Address</b>	17283 County Road 18, St. Andrews
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.049 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1908
<b>Ownership</b>	Township. Acquired in 1980 from SDG County Roman Catholic Separate School Board.
<b>Amenities</b>	N/A
<b>Main Users</b>	N/A
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Very poor
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2013 – Furnace upgrades (\$9,600)
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$1,380,830
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	Facility in a state of disrepair - unusable. Lack of access to facility, landlocked by school board property.



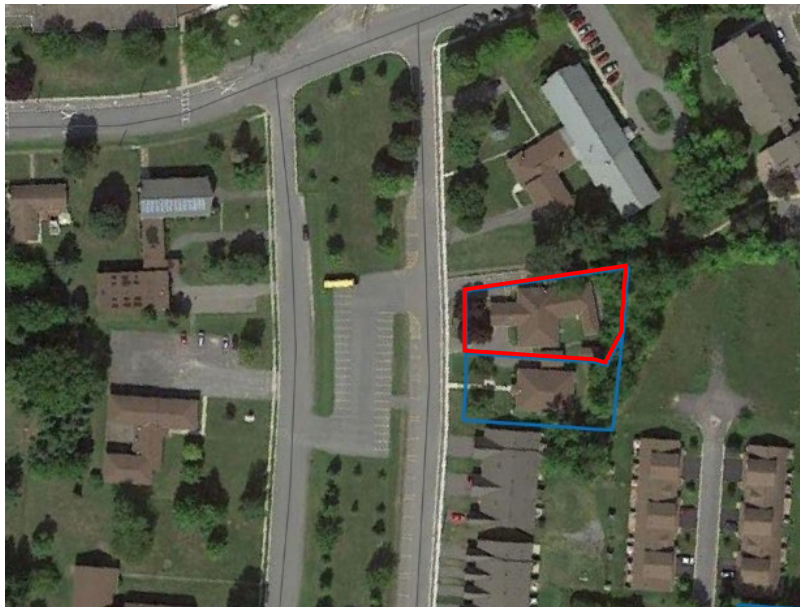

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### Facility Name: Lancer Community Centre

<b>Address</b>	1 College Street, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	5.72 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1960
<b>Ownership</b>	Upper Canada District School Board; rental agreement with Township
<b>Amenities</b>	Multi-use double gymnasium
<b>Main Users</b>	Lancer Basketball School, Upper Canada Ice U14 Girls Basketball, Sport for Life
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Adjacent to Ingleside Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	N/A


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### Facility Name: South Stormont Seniors Support Centre

<b>Address</b>	34 Memorial Square, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.14 ha
<b>Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1991
<b>Ownership</b>	Township, rental agreement with Carefor
<b>Amenities</b>	N/A
<b>Main Users</b>	Carefor Health and Community Services
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Adult Day Program, Foot Care Clinic, Social Recreation
<b>General Condition (observed)</b>	Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2016 – Courtyard upgrades (\$30,000)
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$608,157
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Adjacent to Ingleside Branch (SDG Library)
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	N/A


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### Facility Name: SDG Library Ingleside Branch

<b>Address</b>	10 Memorial Square, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.12 ha; building approximately 2,551 sq. ft.
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1967
<b>Ownership</b>	Township, agreement with Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SDG) County Library Board
<b>Amenities</b>	Meeting room (15 seating capacity)
<b>Main Users</b>	Individual community members
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Weekly programming includes Table Tuesdays, Family Literacy Storytime, and Maker Space Fun.
<b>General Condition</b>	Good
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2012 – Complete facility renovation. 2016 – Automatic entrance doors installed. 2018 – Pathway connections for emergency exits to connect with the Senior Support Centre.
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	- 2020 Operations budget includes replacement of an air conditioning unit
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$184,415
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Senior Support Centre, Ingleside Community Park, Lancer Centre, Memorial Square
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	- General maintenance and repairs are performed as needed and at the request of the SDG County Library staff.




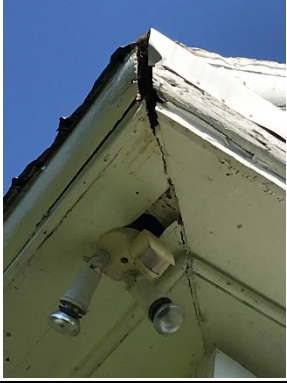
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### Facility Name: SDG Library Long Sault Branch

<b>Address</b>	50 Mille Roches Road, Long Sault
<b>Size of Building</b>	1,631 sq. ft.
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1980
<b>Ownership</b>	Township, agreement with Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SDG) County Library Board
<b>Amenities</b>	Meeting room (30 seating capacity)
<b>Main Users</b>	Individual community members
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Weekly programming includes Book Club, Writer's Guild, Ancestry Club and Partners in Care.
<b>General Condition</b>	Poor/Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2016 – Automatic entrance doors installed.
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	- 2020 Operations budget includes replacement of the heating units.
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$1,205,558 (combined with Fire Hall)
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Long Sault Arena, Mille Roches Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General maintenance and repairs are performed as needed and at the request of the SDG County Library staff.</li> <li>- It is anticipated that the roof will need to be repair/replaced over the library within the next 5 to 10 years. The section above the Fire Hall was replaced in 2018.</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: Stuart Home, Lost Villages Museum




<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	1,115 sq. ft (building footprint)
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Circa 1810; relocated in 1957 to north end of family property; donated to museum in 2004.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Main floor, second floor and part of basement have displays (open to the public).</li> <li>- Part of basement is a workshop (not open to public).</li> </ul>
<b>General Condition</b>	 
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$390,357
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Furnace, dehumidifier, sump pump and back up pump in basement.</li> <li>- Alarm system and electrical connections</li> <li>- There is evidence that bats and possibly other small rodents have been found their way inside.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The building exterior needs some minor repairs to close small gaps and eliminate entry of any rodents.</li><li>- Other minor repairs to the cladding and roof are required.</li></ul> <p>The Lost Villages Historical Society was formed around the kitchen table in the Stuart House.</p>
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### Facility Name: Forbes Memorial Reading Room, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	1,200 sq. ft. (building footprint)
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1901, relocated to museum in 2000
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	- Lost Village Archives
<b>General Condition</b>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$232,585
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One of most historic buildings in the Township, constructed as a public institution (Public Library in Osnabruck Township).</li> <li>- Alarm system and electrical connections (feeds to panel in basement of Stewart House).</li> <li>- Accessibility and health and safety concerns with regards to ramps and entrance to the facility that needs to be addressed.</li> <li>- Electricity supplied via pole to east of building (across road).</li> <li>- Gas furnace, sump pump, backup pump and dehumidifier located in basement.</li> <li>- Central air conditioning for humidity control.</li> <li>- Fridge and freezer in basement.</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: Schoolhouse, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	675 sq. ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Built in 1869
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rotting wood at exterior windowsills/frames.</li> <li>- Damaged concrete at entrance stairs.</li> </ul>  
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	- Roof is scheduled to be replaced as part of the 2020 Capital Budget.
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$197,121
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Served residents in school section #17 (in Township of North Dundas) until 1950.</li> <li>- Alarm system and electrical connections (electricity supplied via log house).</li> </ul>






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### Facility Name: Sandtown Advent Christian Church, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	950 sq. ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Circa 1860; Relocated to museum in 2000.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Organ, exterior church bell, woodstove</li> <li>- Used for weddings (mid-May to mid-October), and for annual Christmas Advent services hosted by the Lost Villages Historical Society.</li> </ul>
<b>General Condition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Foot bellows of organ damaged by vermin.</li> <li>- Church bell currently out of service (stuck upside down).</li> <li>- Exterior paint peeling.</li> </ul>  
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$185,843
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Electricity (supplied via log house).</li> <li>- Alarm system.</li> </ul>




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### Facility Name: McLeod Log House, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	450 sq. ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Circa 1840; Relocated to museum in 1984; opened to public in 1992.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bridge display, including a model of the Roosevelt Bridge, Cornwall's first international bridge.</li> <li>- Used as interpretive centre for visiting school children and other groups.</li> </ul>
<b>General Condition</b>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Roof is scheduled to be replaced as part of the 2020 capital budget.</li> </ul>
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$99,250
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alarm system.</li> <li>- Electrical panel and telephone connection located in north-east corner of building. Panel supplies power to the school and church buildings via pole to the northwest of the building.</li> </ul>



## Township of South Stormont: Facility Inventory

### Facility Name: General Store, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	375 sq. ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Circa 1920; Relocated to museum in 1998.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Historical general store setup.</li> <li>- Small gift shop / convenience items for sale.</li> </ul>
<b>General Condition</b>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$140,102 (combined with barber shop)
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alarm system.</li> <li>- Electrical distribution panel located in cupboard on north wall supplies store, adjoining barber shop, and exterior lighting poles (not currently in operation).</li> <li>- Small repairs to exterior of building</li> <li>- Air conditioning supplied by small window unit.</li> <li>- Building used as the main greeting location for visitors</li> <li>- Accessibility and health and safety concerns regarding ramps and the entrance to the facility.</li> </ul>



## Township of South Stormont: Facility Inventory

### Facility Name: Zina Hill Barbershop, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	240 sq. ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	1928; Relocated to museum in 1997.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Historical barber shop setup including Zina's original barber chair and "tools of the trade".</li> <li>- Displays.</li> <li>- Local tourism information rack.</li> </ul>
<b>General Condition</b>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$140,102 (combined with general store)
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Originally attached to the home of Zina Hill in Moulinette.</li> <li>- Restoration of building occurred in 1997.</li> <li>- Alarm system.</li> <li>- Electricity supplied via general store.</li> <li>- Accessibility and health and safety concerns regarding ramps and the entrance to the facility. Specifically, proper handrails.</li> </ul>




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### Facility Name: Moulinette Train Station, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON	
<b>Size of Building</b>	200 sq. ft.	
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>		
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Circa 1910; relocated to museum in 1995.	
<b>Ownership</b>	Township	
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	- Displays	
<b>General Condition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Damaged wood at base of building.</li> </ul>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A	
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$31,204	
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No alarm system or electricity.</li> <li>- Minor maintenance to the exterior wood cladding.</li> </ul>	



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### Facility Name: Ernie McDonald Blacksmith Shop, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON	
<b>Size of Building</b>	185 sq. ft.	
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 	
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Circa 1850; Relocated to museum in 1998.	
<b>Ownership</b>	Township	
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	N/A	
<b>General Condition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Building currently not usable due to a rotted front sill plate.</li> </ul>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Repairs and maintenance of this facility has been included as part of the 2020 operation budget.	
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$31,579	
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Restoration occurred in 1998.</li> <li>- No alarm system or electricity.</li> </ul>	



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### Facility Name: Corn Crib, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	225 sq. ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Circa 1860; Relocated to museum in 1997.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	- evidence that small rodents are gaining access to this exterior storage building.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$24,386
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Restoration occurred in 1998.</li> <li>- Interior of building is not open to the public.</li> <li>- No alarm system or electricity.</li> <li>- Used as storage area of barbeques, folding tables, drinks for store, assorted junk, etc.</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: Driveshed, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	850 sq. Ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	Unknown; rebuilt (at a smaller scale) at museum in 2001.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	- Displays / artifacts.
<b>General Condition</b>	
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$32,582
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	- No alarm system or electricity.




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### Facility Name: Washroom Building, Lost Villages Museum

<b>Address</b>	16361 Fran Laflamme Dr., Long Sault, ON
<b>Size of Building</b>	235 sq. Ft.
<b>Photo &amp; Map</b>	 
<b>Age of Facility/Year Built</b>	2000
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities / Uses</b>	Washrooms
<b>General Condition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Damaged wood at base of exterior walls.</li> <li>- Damaged exterior light fixture cover.</li> </ul>  
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Grant application pending through a provincial accessibility fund. This would provide the resources to replace both metal doors and have them equipped with automatic door openers.
<b>2020 Building Replacement Value</b>	\$22,055
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Seasonal use only (not open in winter months).</li> <li>- Small repairs and maintenance to be performed as part of 2020 budget.</li> </ul>


## Township of South Stormont: Park Inventory

### Facility Name: Maple Street Park

<b>Address</b>	Maple Street, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.67 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario in 1969 as a result of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 play structure, Swing sets, Climbing Structure, Benches
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	General park use
<b>General Condition</b>	Structure poor with pea stone base, climber poor, swing set fair, bench poor
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Removal of dead trees
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Replace pea stone safety surfacing to meet accessibility standards for both, replacement of play structure
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	New Ingleside Community Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	- Play Structure, climber, and swing set failed inspection in 2020 and subsequently were removed for health and safety concerns. Removal was unplanned replacement options will be considered as part of 2021 budget.


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### Facility Name: Elm Street Park

<b>Address</b>	Elm Street, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	1.02 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario in 1969 as a result of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 play structure, Swing set, Climbing Structure, Benches, small soccer goal frames
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	General park uses, occasional outdoor fitness program
<b>General Condition</b>	Structure poor with pea stone base, climber poor, swing set fair, bench poor
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Removal of old backstop, Replace pea stone safety surfacing to meet accessibility standards for both, replacement of play structure
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	New Ingleside Community Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Play Structure and climber failed inspection in 2020 and subsequently were removed for health and safety concerns. Removal was unplanned and replacement options will be considered as part of 2021 budget.</li> </ul>


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### Facility Name: Hoople Street Park

<b>Address</b>	Hoople Street, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	1.09 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario in 1969 as a result of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	Outdoor ice rink (seasonal rink boards), 1 play structure
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Good
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Play structure is in good condition for the foreseeable future, park does not have a swing set.
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	New Ingleside Community Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not sure if we continue to operate an outdoor rink at this location once the basketball court/ outdoor rink facility is built at the Community Park in 2021.</li> <li>- Play structure is in relatively good shape for its age. Minor repairs will likely extend any replacement for another 7 to 10 years</li> </ul>

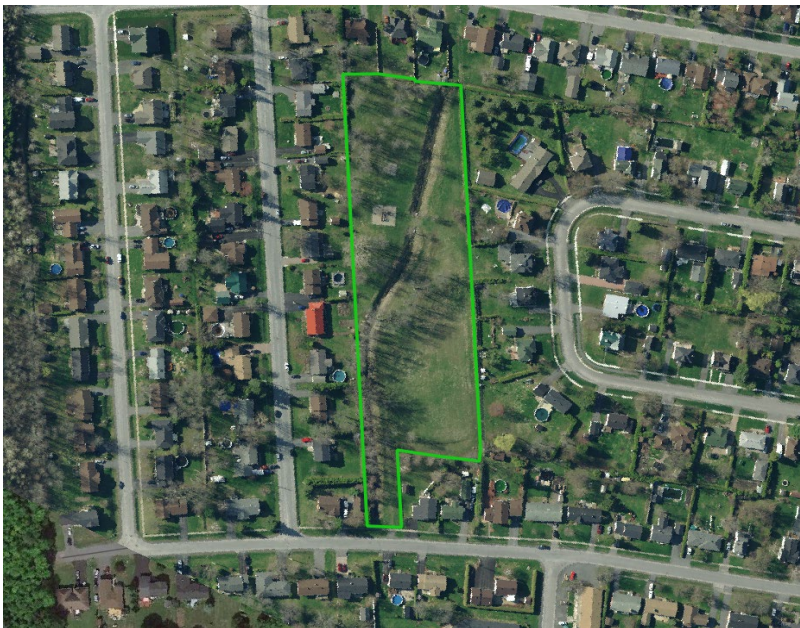
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### Facility Name: Ingleside Community Park

<b>Address</b>	60 Farran Drive, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	3.28 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Ontario Hydro in 1984 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 play structure (2018)</li> <li>- 2 tennis courts (2018)</li> <li>- 1 ball diamond (c. 1990s)</li> <li>- 1 splash pad (2019)</li> <li>- 2 beach volleyball courts (2018)</li> <li>- Washrooms (2016)</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Community-wide
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	General park uses, ball and volleyball tournaments, community events
<b>General Condition</b>	Great, all play equipment in good shape, replacement will not be required in next 10 years.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	See list of amenities
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Removal of old storage shed and upgrade of electrical panel (2020 budget).</li> <li>- Construction of outdoor rink and basketball court (grant received for 12.5K and agreement to have it built by 2021)</li> <li>- Construction of Pavilion (applied through 2019 ICIP Grant for 2021 construction).</li> <li>- Replace bleachers for baseball field (2020 budget).</li> <li>- Park naming and signage for roadway and wayfinding (2020/21)?</li> <li>- LED lighting upgrade for ball diamond lights.</li> </ul>


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### Facility Name: Piercy Street Park

<b>Address</b>	Piercy Street, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	1.76 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Ontario Hydro in 1979 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 play structure, 1 swing set
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Play structure is in relatively good shape for its age. Minor repairs will likely extend any replacement for another 7 to 10 years. Swing set is still in good shape.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Removal of dead trees and ditching
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Resident on Hickory Street would like to see Township place a fence to indicate the entrance of the park, so it separates his property from people accessing the park.</li> <li>- Need to continue evaluating the health of some of these large trees and remove as needed</li> </ul>
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Ingleside Community Park and Maple Street Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Poor access and visibility (no road frontage). Property is land locked by residential homes and the park and play structure is not well-know or used. Some people use it to play fetch with their dogs.</li> </ul>


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### Facility Name: Wales Village Park

<b>Address</b>	Loyalist Crescent, Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.44 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired property from Ontario Hydro in 1985.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 play structure, swing set
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	1 neighbourhood event per year
<b>General Condition</b>	Play structure is in relatively good shape for its age. Minor repairs will likely extend any replacement for another 7 to 10 years. Swing set is still in good shape.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Tree trimming
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Bench could be removed and replaced with new picnic table or bench.
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Very poor access and visibility (no road frontage). Could be better signage to indicate the entrance to the park, although users of this area are all neighbourhood residents who are aware of the location.</li> <li>- Suggestion made by one individual that the Township purchase land that was for sale to the North of the park and make walking trails.</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: Memorial Square Park

<b>Sector:</b>	Ingleside
<b>Address</b>	Memorial Square (between College St. and Maple St.), Ingleside
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.77 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Unknown
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	Cenotaph, parking, open space
<b>Main Users</b>	Community groups
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Remembrance Day Ceremonies
<b>General Condition</b>	Unknown
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Lancer Centre, SDG Library Ingleside Branch, Seniors Centre
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	-



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### Facility Name: Arnold Bethune Memorial Park


<b>Address</b>	75 Simcoe Street, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	8.89 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Ontario Hydro in 1977 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 9 soccer fields</li> <li>- 1 ball diamond</li> <li>- 1 play structure</li> <li>- 2 beach volleyball courts</li> <li>- 1 basketball court / rink</li> <li>- Washrooms</li> <li>- 1 Splash pad</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Community groups, tourists, local residents
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Community events, large picnics, adult rec tournaments, leagues
<b>General Condition</b>	Good
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<p>2013 – New soccer goal frames (\$6,500), electrical / lighting installation at outdoor rink (\$11,500), splash pad installed, washroom renovation and lighting upgrades (\$210,000);</p> <p>2015 – swing sets installed at splash pad (donated, \$5,000), Resurface outdoor rink – asphalt (\$8,200);</p> <p>2016 – beach volleyball courts installed (\$5,200).</p>
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Possible installation of new pathway (\$30,000+).</li> <li>- Updates to the parking lot</li> <li>- Construction of Pavilion (applied through 2019 ICIP Grant for 2021 construction) and Play Structure (2020)</li> <li>- LED lighting upgrade for baseball diamond lights</li> <li>- 2020 budget includes the replacement of the storage units and upgrade to the electrical panel at the ball diamond.</li> </ul>

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<b><i>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</i></b>	Neighbourhood parks
<b><i>Additional Notes/Comments</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There are also small path entrances to this park to allow for walking and cycling access from St. Laurent, Bethune, Frost, etc.</li> <li>- As part of the 2020 budget, Council reviewed the statistics and annual expenses associated with the operation of the Long Sault Wading Pool. It has been approved that the Township will close this facility and move forward with removal of the fencing and cement pool in 2020 or 2021. It was noted that the location would be ideal for the construction of the proposed pavilion.</li> <li>- Construction of Pavilion (applied through 2019 ICIP Grant for 2021 construction). This could be a partnership with the Lost Villages Lions Club who have expressed interest in fundraising for such a facility at this location.</li> <li>- Play structure is aging and has components that fails inspection including the main slide, the bridge, and the steps. Structure is one of the busiest in the Township due to the nature of the community park and the programs that takes place at this location. Grant application for replacement of this structure was submitted in 2019 with anticipation of replacement in 2021.</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: Ault Park (The Lost Villages Museum)


<b>Address</b>	16355 Fran Laflamme Drive, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	3.95 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Regional Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario in 1968 as a result of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township of South Stormont
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lost Villages Historical Society Museum buildings (refer to Facility Inventory Sheets for details)</li> <li>- Cenotaph and War Monument</li> <li>- Picnic area</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Local residents, historical society, tourists
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Canada Day events, historical society functions, weddings, community events, bike rallies, bus tours, etc.
<b>General Condition</b>	Buildings are a combination of poor and fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<p>2005 – accessible pathways to building installed;</p> <p>2014 – New adjustable flagpole installed;</p> <p>2017 – National War Monument, accessible landscaping, walkways and benches installed.</p> <p>2019 – Tree removal, installation of bird feeder</p>
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2020 budget includes replacement of roof on the School House, Log Cabin, and the Washroom,</li> <li>- 2020 budget includes \$30K of additional facility maintenance to fix some deficiencies and health and safety concerns with a number of buildings (stonework, structure, and unsafe paths).</li> <li>- Applied for 2020 Accessibility grant to upgrade the washroom facility with automatic door openers, push buttons, and signage.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Construction of Pavilion (applied through 2019 ICIP Grant for 2021 construction). This could be a partnership with the historical society who has been fundraising for construction of such a facility for their events.</li> </ul>
<b><i>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lakeview Heights Picnic and Beach Area</li> <li>- Great Lakes Waterfront Trail</li> </ul>
<b><i>Additional Notes/Comments</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In order to properly address the conditions of the buildings and reduce the liability to the Township, we are currently negotiating a new lease agreement with the historical society (lease has been expired since 2017). It is anticipated that this agreement will be presented to Council for approval in February 2020. The agreement will likely state that moving forward the historical society will only be responsible for the programming relating to the museum, the Township will assume all building renovations and maintenance, and both sides will work together for the direction and supervision of the seasonal student employees but ultimately the Township will be responsible for any final direction, discipline, and administration of such students.</li> <li>- There are some concerns regarding the Township taking a larger role in the operation of the museum buildings and grounds. More staff time will be required to properly address the renovations and day-to-day operations, and the added annual expenses to the budget in order to maintain these facilities. The other concern is that the truly active members of the historical society are aging and the Township wants to ensure that there are plans to properly train and organize material in a manor that would allow for future generations to have the knowledge of telling the stories of the lost villages.</li> <li>- Accessibility concerns have been raised concerning buildings, walkways, signage, etc..</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: Lakeview Park


<b>Address</b>	Avonmore Road, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	3.77 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Waterfront Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario in 1961 as a result of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project.
<b>Ownership</b>	St. Lawrence Parks Commission, leased to Township
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Beach</li> <li>- Picnic area</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Residents, tourists, dog owners, rowing club
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Wedding ceremonies, community picnics, swimmers
<b>General Condition</b>	Good
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Tree removal
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussion with SLPC to have the old brick washroom building removed. This is an abandoned building that was used as a park washroom and sustained a fire 20+ years ago. The electrical service is no longer working, and the well is dried up. Township has previously examined the cost of bringing new electrical, water, and waste services to this facility and the cost was too prohibitive. The building is a health and safety concerns and is often vandalized.</li> <li>- Some parking lot improvements and signage to direct parking would help.</li> </ul>

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<p><b><i>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lost Villages Museum</li> <li>- Great Lakes Waterfront Trail</li> <li>- Stormont Yacht Club</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Additional Notes/Comments</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There was a lease from the Upper Canada Rowing Club to have a large shipping container in the parking lot so their club could store boats. This agreement has expired, and Township has not had contact with the club in the past two years. They no longer appear to be using the boats at this location, but container is still there. Township needs to investigate further.</li> <li>- This is a leased property from the SLPC and is known to be an open green space for picnics and other passive recreational opportunities. Some do use it as a beach area to swim, however it is not maintained to the standard of a beach. The water is tested by the Eastern Ontario Health Unit on a weekly basis during summer months and signage is posted according to their directions.</li> <li>- Many use it as a park to take their dogs off-leash, signage is displayed that leashes are to be used but this is often ignored and has caused some issues for by-law enforcement officers.</li> </ul>

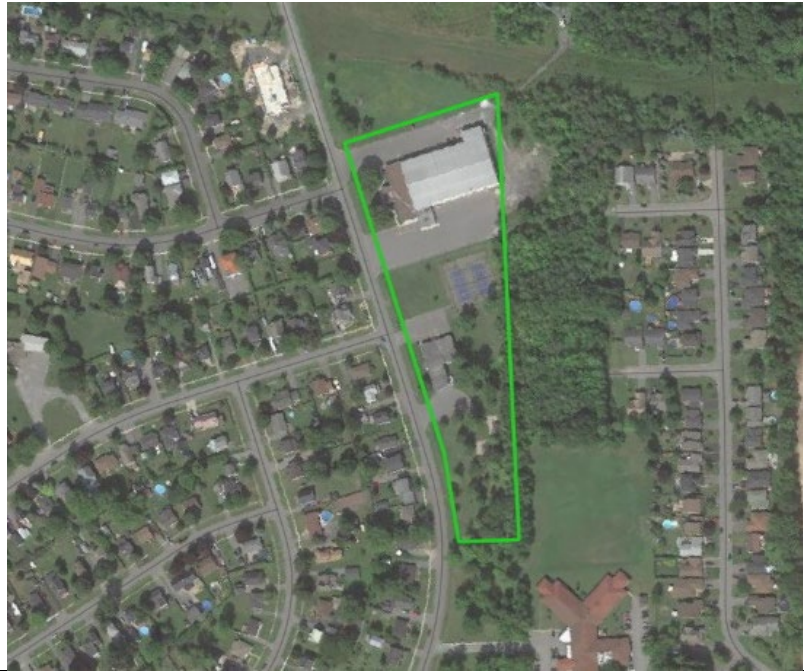
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### Facility Name: Lakeview Heights Outdoor Rink

<b>Address</b>	Columbia Avenue, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.06 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Unknown
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	Outdoor ice rink
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Skating, soccer
<b>General Condition</b>	Good
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The main posts, fencing, and boards were replaced in 2012 (??) and general tree trimming, board replacement, and maintenance to the light timers has occurred since.</li> <li>- In 2018 the Township replaced the old water connection and installed a new yard hydrant to provide better water service for the ice rink volunteers.</li> </ul>
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<p><i>[See Notes/Comments below]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Resident requested in 2019 that the park be named after her father who originally constructed the rink at this location. Council is aware of the request, but a decision will not be made until a new Township Facility Naming Policy is approved.</li> </ul>
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Potential to move the outdoor rink to Primrose Lane Park and turn the current outdoor rink location on Columbia to a park with small play structure. It is the opinion of staff that this would be more appealing than the current location of the rink, however the primrose location is not developed for a park and would need to be further investigated.</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: Mille Roches Park

<b>Address</b>	Mille Roches Road, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	Total parcel: 2.39 ha (includes Arena). Park only: 1.32 ha (includes Fire Hall/Library).
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario in 1964 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	2 tennis courts, Swing Set, 1 play structure
<b>Main Users</b>	Local residents, users of the arena and library, tennis players
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Neighbourhood use, library programs
<b>General Condition</b>	Structure is in fair condition, swings are poor, tennis courts needs to be resurfaced (crack filled and painted). Court repairs approved as part of 2020 projects.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Minor repairs to the structure (replaced both slides)
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Replacement of swing set
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Arena, Library, Fire Hall
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Some residents have requested that the tennis courts be provided with proper lighting on timers.</li> <li>- The two structure slides failed inspection and have been replaced in 2018 and 2020, it is anticipated to reach its useful life expectancy within the next 5 to 7 years. The swing set is aging and could be replaced at any time.</li> </ul>




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### Facility Name: Moulinette Island Park

<b>Address</b>	15955 Lakeside Drive, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.36 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario in 1968 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 outdoor rink, Swing set
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Good, Swing Set – Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Residents and Township cleared some of the treed area and a small mulch walking path was installed behind the swing set.</li> <li>- Tree removal.</li> <li>- New yard hydrant installed in 2018 to provide better water access for ice rink volunteers.</li> </ul>
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Install play structure
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	SLPC beach and campgrounds.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outdoor rink boards are installed by volunteers on annual basis and picked up in the Spring by Public Works.</li> <li>- Request from neighbourhood association for installation of a play structure and that they would be willing to donate approx. \$7K.</li> <li>- Swing set specifications no longer meet the code.</li> </ul>


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### Facility Name: Henry de Rooy Memorial Park

<b>Address</b>	County Road 18, Lunenburg
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.2 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	1989
<b>Ownership</b>	Lucinda Jean de Rooy, leased to Township
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 play structure</li> <li>- Swing set</li> <li>- Picnic area</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Play structure and swings are in fair condition.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	There was a very small paved area with a basketball net, but the post is rotten and the backboard for the basketball is no longer good. Both need to be removed or replaced as per facility inspections.
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lease for the park is expired. Township to consider purchase.</li> <li>- Minor components of the play structure failed inspection in 2016 and were replaced. Structure is in relatively good shape and will likely need to be looked at for replacement in the next 7 to 10 years.</li> <li>- Basketball post and net were removed for health and safety reasons in 2020 and the swing set is aging.</li> </ul>


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### Facility Name: Westview Acres Park

<b>Address</b>	Abigail Crescent, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.26 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	2015
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 play structure
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	All equipment is in good shape, replacement will not be required in next 10 years.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Park area was constructed in 2015
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Place culvert in ditch and create path to Parkway Estates
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Arnold Bethune Memorial Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	This park was built with the intention of a walking path and corridor connecting the Parkway Estates subdivision.


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### Facility Name: Lloyd Hawn Park

<b>Address</b>	4 Fairground Drive, Newington
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.3 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired from private landowners in 1964 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 outdoor rink / basketball court, 1 play structure / swing set, Washrooms / rink house
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Newington Free Store – once per month
<b>General Condition</b>	Good, Play structure - Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Replacement of all rink boards, fencing, and support post.</li> <li>- Repair the interior of the rink house and created additional storage for volunteers</li> <li>- Replaced metal roof</li> <li>- Installed new swing set</li> <li>- Re-adjusted the play structure platforms to meet code</li> <li>- Installed new fencing between park and neighbours property</li> </ul>
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	New slides and slide hoods should be ordered for the structure
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Stormont County Fairgrounds
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Some accessibility concerns raised about the building.</li> <li>- There were some suggestions from a community group to fundraise to install new play equipment such as a spring toy or totter but that never came to fruition.</li> <li>- The play structure is aging. The bridge failed inspection in 2017 but was repaired. It is anticipated that the structure will reach its useful life expectancy within the next 5 years.</li> </ul>

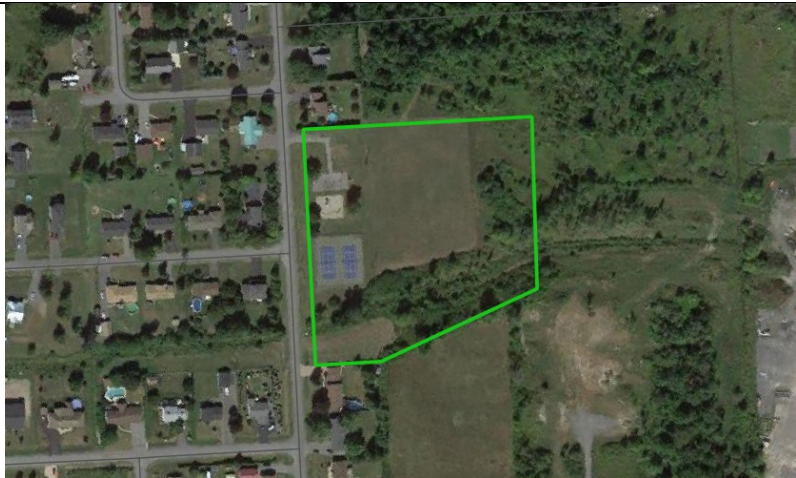
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### Facility Name: Northfield Park

<b>Address</b>	16130 Northfield Road, Northfield Station
<b>Size of Property</b>	1.05 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired in 1979 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	1 play structure
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Play structure needs to be re-set and leveled properly but structure itself is in relatively good shape. Likely need to be replaced in 7 to 10 years.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Cleaning the play structure
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Trees need to be trimmed
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	This park is not well utilized by the public - the only known users is the family that lives to the east of the park. Township currently mows the entire area.


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### Facility Name: MacLennan Park

<b>Address</b>	3529 Marydale Avenue, Rosedale Terrace
<b>Size of Property</b>	2.34 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Acquired in 1977 for park purposes.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2 tennis courts (with lines for 2 pickleball courts)</li> <li>- 1 play structure with additional equipment</li> <li>- 1 outdoor rink / basketball court</li> <li>- 1 pavilion (20'x40')</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Local residents
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Annual Neighbourhood BBQ
<b>General Condition</b>	Pavilion is new, play structure is poor, tennis court is fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	Construction of the Pavilion (2019)
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tennis courts fence and surface repairs (2020 budget)</li> <li>- Replacement of play structure, swing set, safety surface mulch (applied through 2019 ICIP Grant for 2020)</li> </ul>
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Main play structure and swing set failed inspection in 2019 and was approved for replacement in the 2020 budget. Replacement postponed to 2021 to take advantage of potential grant.</li> <li>- New volunteers for the outdoor rink started in 2017 and usage of the park has increased since this time.</li> <li>- Rosedale Recreation Association is a volunteer group of neighbours that has fundraised in the past for equipment and installation of benches. They would like to be involved in future development of the park.</li> <li>- Pavilion was constructed in 2019 following a survey of residents</li> </ul>

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### Facility Name: St. Andrews West Outdoor Rink and Sports Fields

<b>Address</b>	5200 Highway 138, St. Andrews West
<b>Size of Property</b>	Total parcel: 4.65 ha; Parkland only: 4.16 ha (approx.)
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Unknown
<b>Ownership</b>	Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation (St. Andrews Parish), leased to Township for recreation purposes
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 soccer field</li> <li>- 1 ball diamond (unusable)</li> <li>- 1 outdoor rink and rink house (washrooms)</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Community groups
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	Community events, tournaments, residents
<b>General Condition</b>	Ball diamond unusable – low lying area with drainage issues.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<p>2015 – New soccer goal frames and bleachers (\$4,000), electrical upgrades at outdoor rink (\$3,000);</p> <p>2016 – soccer field surface treatment (\$4,500), outdoor rink boards/ structure reconstruction (\$9,000), retrofit exterior lighting at rink and parking lot (\$8,500).</p> <p>2019 – ditching, general outdoor rink house repairs</p>
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Replace the furnace in the rink house</li> <li>- Replace the metal roof on the rink house</li> <li>- Tile-drain the parkland to eliminate the drainage issues</li> </ul>


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<b><i>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</i></b>	Simon Fraser Community Park, Fire Hall
<b><i>Additional Notes/Comments</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Corrections were made to the ditching between the outdoor rink and the sports fields in 2019. The next step to fix the drainage issues is to tile drain sections of the sports fields. Due to the drainage issues the soccer field has only been used by teams for practices, the adult league stopped scheduling games at this location in 2018.</li> <li>- New outdoor rink volunteers started in 2017 and have rejuvenated the outdoor rink maintenance and the supervision of the rink house. The number of users has increased, and they have organized hockey tournaments and ball hockey tournaments.</li> <li>- Lease was renewed for this property by the Township from the Catholic Church in 2019.</li> </ul>



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### Facility Name: Simon Fraser Memorial Park


<b>Address</b>	5201 Highway 138, St. Andrews West
<b>Size of Property</b>	Total parcel: 2.29 ha (includes Fire Station). Park only: 0.67 ha (approximately)
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Community Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Unknown
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2 tennis courts (with lines for 2 pickleball courts)</li> <li>- 1 play structure</li> <li>- 1 outdoor pool</li> <li>- Washrooms / pool house</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Community groups, local residents
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Good, Play Structure - Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	<p>2006 - new pool heater installed;</p> <p>2013 – pool retrofit (pumps, filters, washrooms, deck, etc.) (\$112,000);</p> <p>2014 – Washroom renovation (AODA) completed (\$7,500);</p> <p>2016 – Spectator bleachers installed at pool (\$4,500).</p> <p>2018- Relocation of play structure equipment and upgrade to slides and safety surface mulch (AODA).</p>
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tennis courts surface repairs and painting (2020 budget)</li> <li>- New road-side park sign (cost split with fire dept for 2020 budget)</li> <li>- Construction of Pavilion (applied through 2019 ICIP Grant for 2021 construction).</li> </ul>
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Catholic Church Sports Fields / Rink

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<b><i>Additional Notes/Comments</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The pool facility continues to be well used and swimming lessons have increased every year. Program hours have been adjusted to provide more time for private pool rentals and fitness programs for adults.</li><li>- Construction of a pavilion at this location would eliminate the complaints of lack of shade and provide an area for picnics, events, and guard training during summer months.</li><li>- The play structure was relocated in 2018 as part of the construction of the Fire Hall. The Structure is located closer to the pool and has new accessible mulch base and slides. It is anticipated that the structure will reach its useful life expectancy within the next 5 to 7 years</li></ul>
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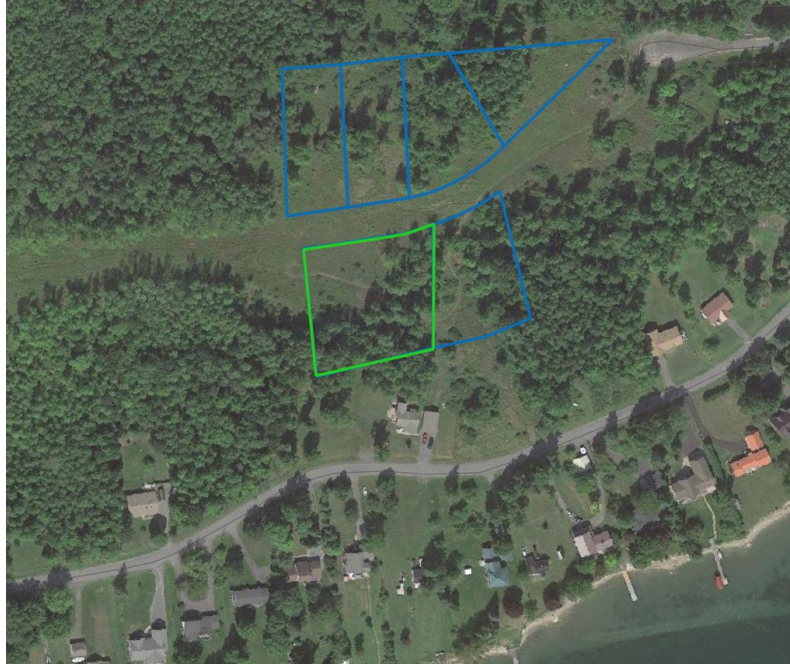
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### Facility Name: Undeveloped Parkland (Arrowhead Estates)

<b>Address</b>	Conner Crescent, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	2.18 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Future Park? Green Space? – not yet defined.
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities (Proposed)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Developer seems to indicate to those purchasing properties that the Township will be developing the park and adding play structure and swing sets. However, this has not yet been discussed or approved.</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Local residents
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Undeveloped
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There has been request for a dog park at this location, other residents were quick to express that they would not want a dog park.</li> <li>- The land in this area is rough and uneven. Makes it very hard to mow the grass to any proper standards. In previous years the road-side mower was knocking long grass and weeds down twice per season and residents complained and asked that it be done once per month, we included this in the mowing contract for 2019 and received no more complaints.</li> <li>- Potential for naturalized parkland with trails, seating areas, and open grass areas. To be explored by Township.</li> </ul>

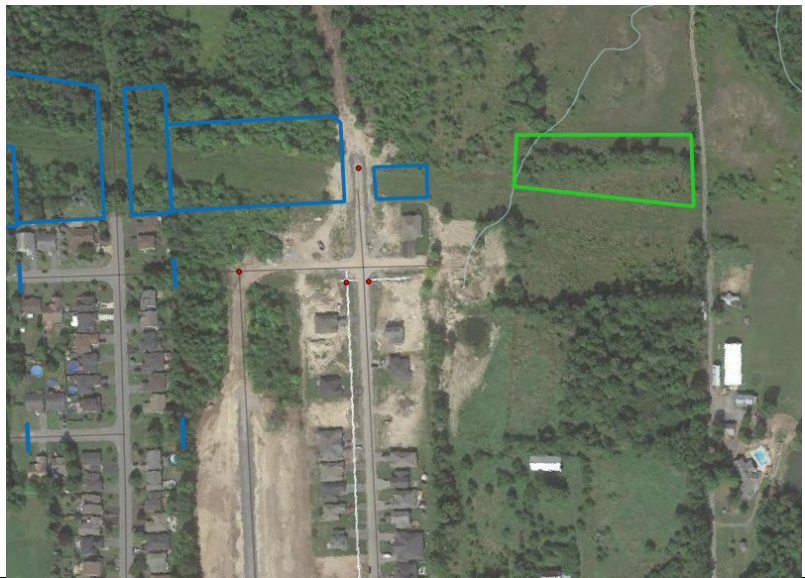
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### Facility Name: Undeveloped Parkland (Ault Island Park)

<b>Address</b>	North of Willowbruck Drive, Ault Island
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.49 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Undeveloped
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities (Proposed)</b>	None proposed at present.
<b>Main Users</b>	N/A
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Low lying / Provincially Significant Wetland in part of site, no street frontage - not ideal for development of usable parkland.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Potential to explore options for the development of Ault Island Park to be situated in an alternative / preferred location in the local neighbourhood (based on a review of site conditions, future development, and park classification system). This could include a property on main Willowbruck Drive, OPG boat launch land (buy/lease), or trade for conservation lands.</li> </ul>


## Township of South Stormont: Park Inventory

### Facility Name: Undeveloped Parkland (Chase Meadows)

<b>Address</b>	Northeast of Barry Street and Jim Brownell Boulevard
<b>Size of Property</b>	0.60 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Future Park
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities (Proposed)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Play structure</li> <li>- Swing set</li> </ul>
<b>Main Users</b>	Local residents
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Undeveloped
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	N/A

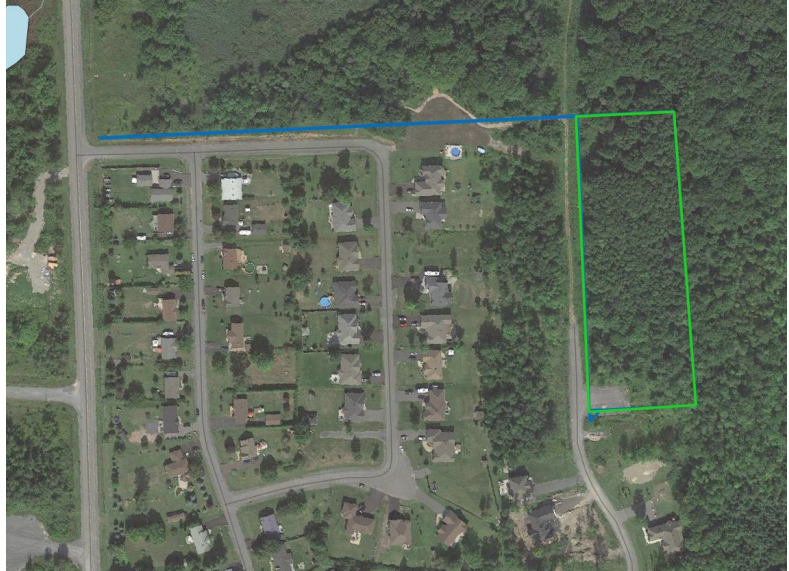
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### Facility Name: Undeveloped Parkland (Parkway Estates)

<b>Address</b>	North of Moak Street, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	Total 1.24 ha (2 parcels: 0.60 ha and 0.64 ha)
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Undeveloped
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities (Proposed)</b>	None proposed at present.
<b>Main Users</b>	N/A
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	N/A
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	Place culvert in ditch and create path to Westview Acres Park
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	- -Westview Acres Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	- Westview Acres Park was built with the intention to connect with the Parkway Estates subdivision via a walking path.

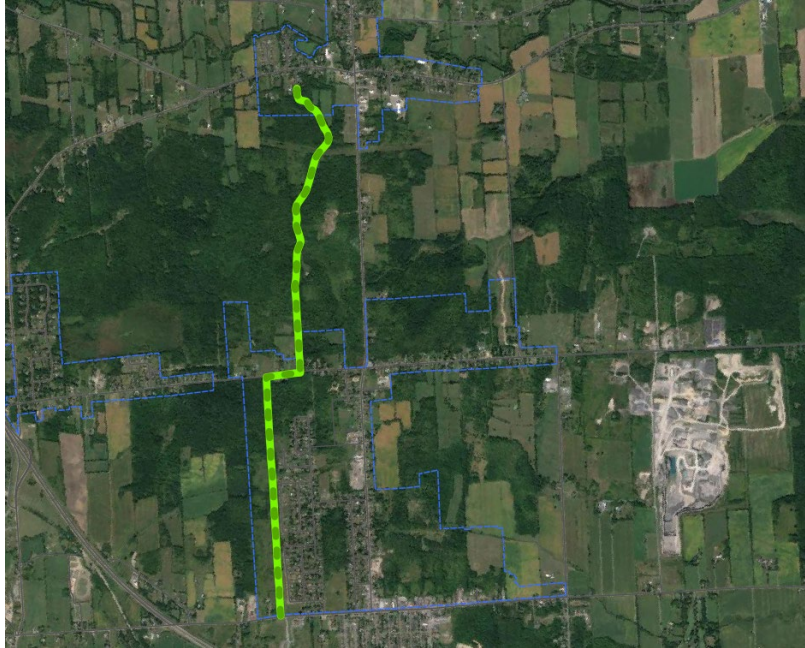
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### Facility Name: Undeveloped Parkland (Primrose Lane Park)

<b>Address</b>	Primrose Lane, Long Sault
<b>Size of Property</b>	1.31 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Neighbourhood Park
<b>Year Built</b>	Undeveloped
<b>Ownership</b>	Township
<b>Amenities (Proposed)</b>	None proposed at present.
<b>Main Users</b>	N/A
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	N/A
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lakeview Heights Outdoor Rink</li> <li>- Lakeview Park</li> </ul>
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Potential to be a preferred location for the outdoor rink at Lakeview Heights. It is the opinion of staff that this would be more appealing than the current location of the rink, however this location is not developed for a park and would need to be further investigated.</li> <li>- There is a wood chip pathway that was constructed from Penny lane to the dead-end of Primrose at the request of one resident back in 2015. It has not been maintained and never appeared to be used by residents.</li> </ul>

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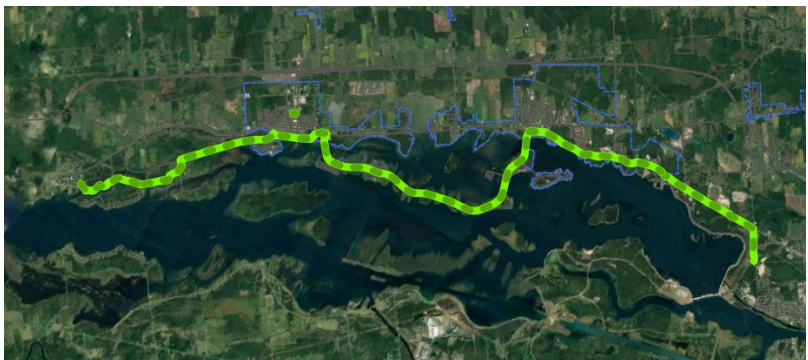
### Facility Name: South Stormont Recreation Trail

<b>Address</b>	Access points at Cornwall Centre Road, Headline Road and MacIntosh Road
<b>Approx. Trail Length</b>	5 km (St. Andrews West to Rosedale Terrace)
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Trail
<b>Year Built</b>	Unknown
<b>Ownership</b>	Portion owned by Township; portion owned by private owners (under lease agreement expiring 2024)
<b>Amenities</b>	Multi-use pathway for non-motorized users
<b>Main Users</b>	Individual Trail Users
<b>General Condition</b>	Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2015 – Develop resting spots along trail, purchase of land (\$13,000). 2017- Signage upgrades at each entrance
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wayfinding signage added to each entrance sign</li> <li>- Repairs to asphalt where needed</li> <li>- Better connections and increased mowing along path</li> </ul>
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	N/A
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tried to get MTO to incorporate a path from the new commuter parking on Cornwall Centre Road to the trail but did not materialize.</li> <li>- People continue to park on Cornwall Centre Road to access trail.</li> </ul>




## Township of South Stormont: Park Inventory

### Facility Name: The Great Lakes Waterfront Trail

<b>Address</b>	Along southern boundary of Township, at water's edge
<b>Approx. Trail Length</b>	24 km
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Trail
<b>Year Built</b>	Land acquired from Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario on 1961 as a result of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project.
<b>Ownership</b>	St. Lawrence Parks Commission
<b>Amenities</b>	Multi-Use Pathway
<b>Main Users</b>	Cyclists, pedestrians
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Fair
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	2018 – Paving of trail between Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary and Upper Canada Village (joint partnership).
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Waterfront lands owned by SLPC.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	N/A

## Township of South Stormont: Park Inventory

### Facility Name: OPG and Township Owned Corridors

<b>Sector:</b>	Long Sault
<b>Address</b>	North of Arnold Bethune Memorial Park
<b>Size of Property</b>	3.07 ha combined (Township owned: 1.37 ha, OPG owned: 1.70 ha)
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Park Classification</b>	Open Space / Trails
<b>Year Built</b>	Future Open Space
<b>Ownership</b>	Township (green); OPG (red) – to be dedicated to Township
<b>Amenities</b>	N/A
<b>Main Users</b>	Local neighbourhood
<b>Types of Events Held</b>	N/A
<b>General Condition</b>	Undeveloped
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	N/A
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	N/A
<b>Other Nearby Facilities/Services</b>	Westview Acres Park, Arnold Bethune Memorial Park, Long Sault Arena, Mille Roches Park
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Obtaining ownership of the OPG property and further development of pathways on Township properties could create multi-use paths throughout the villages. The possibilities of such connections and corridors should be further considered as part of an update to the Recreation Master Plan.</li> </ul>

## Township of South Stormont: Cemetery Inventory

### Facility Name: Lunenburg United Cemetery (Waterdown)

<b>Address</b>	County Road 18, Lunenburg (West of 15765 County Road 18)
<b>Approx. Size</b>	0.42 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Year Built</b>	1876
<b>Ownership</b>	
<b>Oldest Marker</b>	Dated 1846
<b>No. Buried</b>	Unknown
<b>Governance</b>	Inactive Cemetery, no by-laws or regulating documents required
<b>General Condition</b>	The age and inactivity of the cemetery has led to poor conditions of the grounds, stones, and fencing.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	The small cemetery board does not have funds to commence the repair of the stones or to address some of the health and safety concerns for those working or visiting this location. The Township is currently working with the board members to develop a maintenance plan for this site, with hopes of hiring a contractor in 2020 to repair some of the stones.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Township assumed responsibility for the grass mowing within the past decade and this will continue moving forward.</li> <li>- The Township will be more involved in providing assistance for the general maintenance and repairs to the site starting in 2020, pending a final agreement with the board.</li> </ul>


## Township of South Stormont: Cemetery Inventory

### Facility Name: Willis United Church/North Lunenburg Road Cemetery

<b>Address</b>	Lunenburg Road East and County Road 12, Lunenburg (West of 15595 North Lunenburg Road East)
<b>Approx. Size</b>	0.42 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Year Built</b>	circa 1831
<b>Ownership</b>	
<b>Oldest Marker</b>	Dated 1831
<b>No. Buried</b>	<p>Approximately 260 burials.</p> <p>Several stones were moved from the neighbouring farm into the Cemetery indicating the possibility that others were buried, with or without Markers, in the surrounding area.</p>
<b>Governance</b>	Inactive Cemetery, no by-laws or regulating documents required.
<b>General Condition</b>	The age and inactivity of the cemetery has led to poor conditions of the grounds, and stones.
<b>Major Repairs</b>	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	It is anticipated to be a phased approach for the repair and maintenance of the stones. This commenced in 2020 and will continue on an annual basis until all health and safety concerns have been addressed.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Township has recently taken over the maintenance responsibilities of this property.</li> <li>- The Township assumed responsibility for the grass mowing within the past decade and this will continue moving forward.</li> </ul>


## Township of South Stormont: Cemetery Inventory

### Facility Name: Stata Cemetery

<b>Address</b>	Stata Road, Lunenburg (across from 4515 Stata Road)
<b>Approx. Size</b>	0.06 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Year Built</b>	Unknown
<b>Ownership</b>	
<b>Oldest Marker</b>	Dated 1829
<b>No. Buried</b>	Approximately 24 burials. May be others unmarked given the age of Cemetery.
<b>Governance</b>	Inactive Cemetery, no by-laws or regulating documents required.
<b>General Condition</b>	The age and inactivity of the cemetery has led to poor conditions of the grounds, and stones.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	It is anticipated to be a phased approach for the repair and maintenance of the stones. This commenced in 2020 and will continue on an annual basis until all health and safety concerns have been addressed.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Township has recently taken over the maintenance responsibilities of this property.</li> <li>- The Township assumed responsibility for the grass mowing within the past decade and this will continue moving forward.</li> </ul>


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### Facility Name: Hawn Cemetery

<b>Address</b>	Cooper Road, Lunenburg (across from 15402 Cooper Road)
<b>Approx. Size</b>	0.06 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Year Built</b>	circa 1870s
<b>Ownership</b>	
<b>Oldest Marker</b>	Dated 1877
<b>No. Buried</b>	Approximately 20 burials. May be others unmarked given the age of Cemetery.
<b>Governance</b>	Inactive Cemetery, no by-laws or regulating documents required.
<b>General Condition</b>	The age and inactivity of the cemetery has led to poor conditions of the grounds, and stones.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	It is anticipated to be a phased approach for the repair and maintenance of the stones. This commenced in 2020 and will continue on an annual basis until all health and safety concerns have been addressed.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Township has recently taken over the maintenance responsibilities of this property.</li> <li>- The Township assumed responsibility for the grass mowing within the past decade and this will continue moving forward.</li> </ul>

## Township of South Stormont: Cemetery Inventory

### Facility Name: Northfield United Church Cemetery

<b>Address</b>	Northfield Road, Lunenburg (West of 16141 Northfield Road)
<b>Approx. Size</b>	0.10 ha
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Year Built</b>	1871
<b>Ownership</b>	
<b>Oldest Marker</b>	Dated 1872
<b>No. Buried</b>	22 buried, 9 headstones. May be others unmarked given the age of Cemetery.
<b>Governance</b>	Inactive Cemetery, no by-laws or regulating documents required.
<b>General Condition</b>	The age and inactivity of the cemetery has led to poor conditions of the grounds, and stones.
<b>Major Repairs Undertaken in Recent Years</b>	
<b>Future Upgrades Planned</b>	It is anticipated to be a phased approach for the repair and maintenance of the stones. This commenced in 2020 and will continue on an annual basis until all health and safety concerns have been addressed.
<b>Additional Notes/Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Township has recently taken over the maintenance responsibilities of this property.</li> <li>- The Township assumed responsibility for the grass mowing within the past decade and this will continue moving forward.</li> </ul>



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