

Parks & Recreation Plan

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF EDENWOLD NO. 158

PARKS & RECREATION PLAN

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INTRODUCTION

The RM of Edenwold is a diverse, complete, and connected rural municipality focused on continual growth and promoting a thriving and sustainable way of life.

In early 2021, the RM adopted its first Strategic Plan. This document put forward objectives and goals for the municipality over the next five years (until 2026). The Strategic Plan outlines four goals; with each goal further reinforced by strategies and indicators that support the goal. These goals include:

1. Collaborative Community-Building & Regional Partner

2. Economic Diversity and Prosperity

3. Livable Community

4. Municipal Leadership

Of note, the Livable Community goal has the supporting strategy of developing a Parks & Recreation Plan.

This Parks & Recreation Plan will guide recreation development, programming, and infrastructure over the next ten years. This Plan accounts for the numerous recreation opportunities located within the municipality focused around the Community of Emerald Park and the broader region. Figure 1.0 on the next page illustrates the Plan Area.

The Framework for Recreation in Canada¹ defines recreation as the experience that results from freely chosen participation in physical, social, intellectual, creative, or spiritual pursuits that enhance individual and community well-being. Recreation has several well-documented benefits, including improving mood, mobility and flexibility, and sleep quality. Recreation also bolsters community health and quality of life.



Despite these benefits, Canadians rarely participate in physical recreation. ParticipACTION, a national non-profit organization that encourages Canadians to make physical activity a part of their everyday life, considers 150 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity per week the minimum required to improve or maintain health². Based on this value, Canadian children receive an overall grade of D+ in physical activity in 2020.3 Further studies suggest that only 39% of kids and teens meet this physical minimum and that boys are twice as likely as girls to meet physical activity minimums.3 Similarly, Canadian adults receive a grade of C for overall moderate-to-vigourous physical activity. Statistics show that only 49% of adults participate in 150 minutes or more of moderate-tovigorous physical activity each week.4

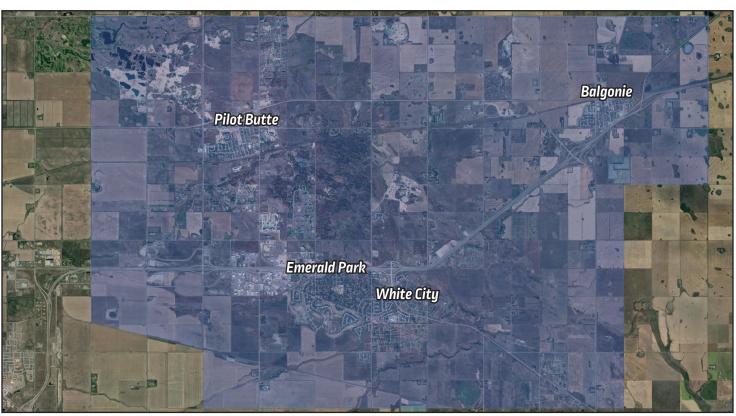
This document strives to improve recreation in the community by taking a comprehensive approach to parks and recreation. The Plan includes a community profile, a list of current municipal assets, and objectives and actions to improve parks and recreation in the area. Further, in drafting this Plan, the RM distributed a survey to the public for approximately two weeks to gather feedback from the community and conducted interviews with businesses. The public engagement results are reflected in the four goals of this Plan.



- 2 ParticipAction (2021). Benefits & Guidelines. https://tinyurl.com/2ma9pb6k
- 3 ParticipAction (2020). Report Card on Physical Activity for Children and Youth. Toronto.
- 4 ParticipAction (2021). Report Card on Physical Activity for Adults. Toronto.

Figure 1.0: Plan Area

(includes the communities of Emerald Park and surrounding residential subdivisions)



COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

Landscape

The Rural Municipality of Edenwold No. 158 is located in southeast Saskatchewan along the Trans-Canada Highway (Highway 1). It covers approximately 849.04 km2 and is situated almost directly adjacent to the eastern border of the City of Regina. The RM is located in Treaty 4, the territories of the nêhiyawak, Anihšināpēk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda, and the homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation. Adjacent lands are owned by several First Nations, including Cowessess, Muscowpetung, Ocean Man, Ochapawace, Sakimay, and Piapot. The Towns of Balgonie, Pilot Butte, and White City, and the Village of Edenwold are located within the boundaries of the muncipality, in addition to the White Butte Trails Recreation Site, a 432-hectare naturalized area featuring 12.7km of allseason hiking and cross-country skiing trails.

Geographically, the RM is situated on the transitional border between the Moist Mixed Grassland ecoregion and the Aspen Parkland ecoregion. Both ecoregions are characterized by intermittent sloughs and ponds, productive agricultural soils, grasslands, and non-arable pastureland. An extensive and variable system of wetlands and run-off networks flow through the region. The northern portion of the RM is situated in the Qu'Appelle River Basin, an important source of water, aquatic life, industry, agriculture, and recreation.

Community Profile

The RM of Edenwold is a lively and diverse community located east of Regina. According to the 2021 Census, the RM's population is 4,466.⁵ The RM's population density, as of 2016, was 5.3 people per km2 and is indicative of the municipality's unique development pattern: suburban-style residential density and sparsely populated agricultural land.⁶ Approximately 1,700 of the municipality's residents live in Emerald Park, the area with the highest residential density

in the RM. The RM of Edenwold is the second largest rural municipality in the province and the 19th largest municipality in the province overall.

The average age of an RM resident is 37.6, and approximately 69% of the population is between the ages of 15 and 64.6 The young average age is indicative of the high number of families living in the region. As of 2016, there are 440 individuals over the age of 65, 80 of whom live alone. Two seniors care homes operate in the area, together serving between 100 and 140 residents.

As of 2016, the total number of private dwellings within the RM was 1,546, with the dominant housing type being single-family detached dwellings (91%).6 The other substantive form of housing is mobile homes (6%). According to the 2016 Census, approximately 96% of the available housing stock is owned, and the remaining 4% is rented. The average RM household size is 2.9 people per household, slightly above the provincial average of 2.4 people per household. Approximately 550 couples with children live in the RM, families with children having an average family size of 3.1. These numbers reinforce the mandate of the RM to provide a variety of family-oriented amenities including daycares, parks, recreation facilities, and safe pedestrian routes, in addition to advocating to the Ministry of Education for additional schools located within the region.

Based on 2016 data, the average total household income (before tax) in the RM of Edenwold was \$171,031.6 This is substantially above the provincial average of \$93,942.

5 Statistics Canada (2021). Census Profile, 2021 Census of Population Edenwold No. 158, Rural Municipality. https://tinyurl.com/2p8mxr6

6 Statistics Canada (2016). Census Profile, 2016 Census Edenwold No. 158, Rural Municipality. https://tinyurl.com/2td9a424



PARKS & RECREATION PLAN PROCESS

Parks & Recreation Inventory

There are plenty of diverse recreation opportunities located in the Plan Area. The majority of recreation opportunities available to the public are organic recreation, meaning those opportunities that individuals can partake in at any time (i.e., walking, snowshoeing, pickleball). There are also a select number of organized recreation opportunities in the RM. Organized recreation are opportunities that have set times, locations, and usually have an associated user cost.

A detailed Parks and Recreation Inventory is included in Appendix A of this Plan. The inventory list includes a description of municipal, provincial, private, and regional assets. Additionally, the municipal assets include comprehensive details on the age of infrastructure, amenities located nearby, the overall quality of the inventory item, and the amount of maintenance required to improve the item. This information was collected from online resources, interviews with local residents and RM staff, and site visits.

Municipal Assets	Owned and Operated by the Municipality
Provincial Assets	Owned and Operated by the Province within the Plan Area
Private Assets	Privately Owned and/ or Operated within the jurisdiction of the Municipality
Regional Assets	Within the jurisdictions of neighbouring municipalities (i.e. Town of Balgonie, Town of Pilot Butte, and Town of White City) and within the Plan Area





Public Engagement

To achieve the goal of *Livable Community* outlined in the Strategic Plan, RM staff deferred to residents to guide priorities and the direction of parks and recreation programming and infrastructure in the community. The RM of Edenwold designed a 26-question survey and distributed it to residents via social media and the RM website. The survey was available for two weeks, from October 18th, 2021 to November 1st, 2021. The RM also promoted the survey through three social media releases drafted to encourage participation. Thirty-seven residents participated in the survey.

Of survey respondents, the majority were female (62.2%) and between the ages of 31 to 50 years old (59.5%). Most lived in Emerald Park (56.8%) and had children under the age of 18 years old living in their household (54.1%).

The survey questions were a mix of open-ended (i.e., participants were allowed to submit sentence or note-style comments) and closed questions (participants were allowed to choose from a limited number of answers). Survey questions focused on themes like demographics, the current state of recreation in the area, and the community's desire for recreation in the future.

Concurrent with the survey, the RM also interviewed private businesses that offered recreation services or facilities in the plan area. RM staff organized these conversations to obtain more detailed information from recreation providers, to collect demographic data about attendees, and to gather feedback on how the RM can better support recreational businesses. Participating businesses also had the opportunity to share what they thought was important to include in the plan.

Survey and Interview Responses

Residents of the RM provided insightful feedback on the strengths of existing recreation infrastructure and areas for improvement. Participant feedback is included in Appendix B of this plan. Note: Some information was redacted or modified for privacy and ease of understanding.

Overall, survey responses indicate that residents engage with recreation in the plan area fairly frequently. Ninety-five percent (95%) of respondents say that either themselves or members of their household partake in recreation in the area. This strongly indicates that the current recreation inventory serves the community moderately well. Potential reasons for the other 5% being unable to participate in recreation are mobility issues, lack of age-appropriate infrastructure or programming, or lack of infrastructure or programming of interest.

Residents have indicated that most participate in recreation at least once a week (45.9%). Frequent participation is likely due to the proximity of residents to recreation infrastructure and low user cost.

Approximately 25% of participants suggested that they engage in recreation once a month or less. Low participation is likely due to a lack of age-appropriate opportunities or opportunities of interest. Fortunately, the majority (78.4%) have indicated that they would participate more if they could. The most common reason for not engaging in recreation more frequently is a lack of inexpensive and easily accessible recreation opportunities in the plan area.





Recreation interests amongst residents vary widely. The most common activities that individuals engage in are walking/running/hiking, camping, gardening, cycling, and picnicking. Figure 2.0 illustrates activity counts and percentages of survey responses. Reviewing existing recreation infrastructure, residents use the walking paths, White Butte Trails, and golf courses the most. Comparing recreational interests and the use of existing infrastructure, survey respondents have considerable interest in organic recreation opportunities. This feedback is beneficial in highlighting programming or infrastructure that the community would most appreciate. Some programs that survey data supports include walking clubs, swimming lessons, and fitness classes.

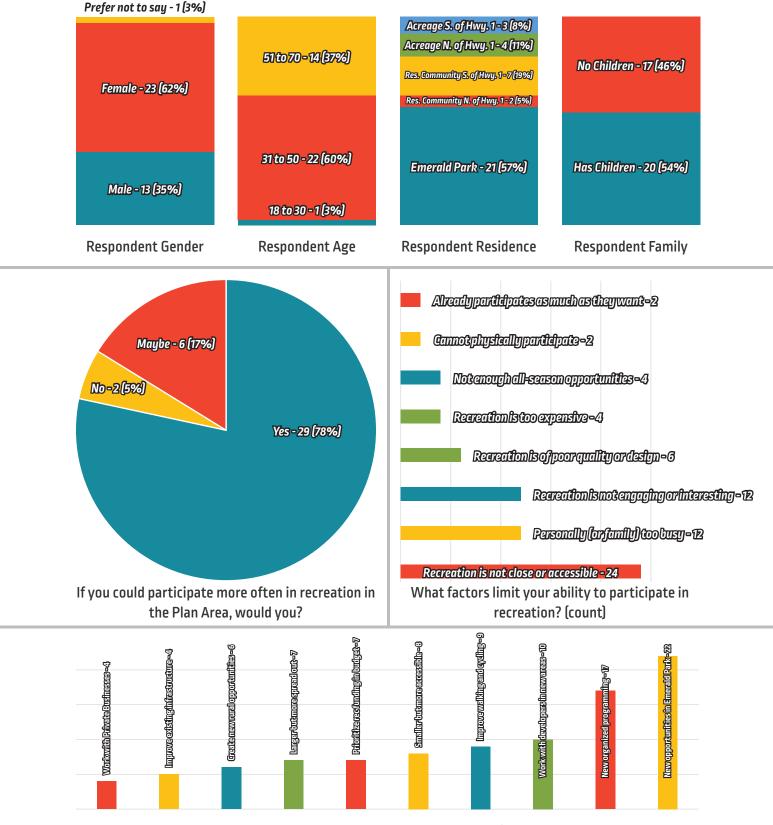
A prevalent theme present throughout the survey responses was improving recreation opportunities in the Plan Area. When asked if there were enough opportunities for all-season recreation, residents indicated that there were not. Further, many pointed to the desire to have an indoor recreation facility so they could stay active throughout the winter. When asked about developing a new piece of infrastructure, most indicated a similar desire for an indoor recreation facility. This feedback indicates a strong desire for new types of recreational infrastructure, including an indoor recreation facility. Residents have also noted a desire for more recreation programming and have emphasized that relatively inexpensive programming is needed and should be located nearby.







Figure 2.0: Survey Highlights



What themes should the Parks & Recreation Plan prioritize? (count)

GOALS & ACTION PLAN

Based on survey responses and best practice research, RM staff have developed several goals that encourage a *Livable Community* through recreation. These goals have associated objectives and actions that promote the goal itself.

Goals	Objectives
1. Become an All-Season Recreation Community	1.1 Develop an All-Season Recreation Strategy
	1.2 Work with Local Businesses and Regional Partners to Support Outdoor All-Season Recreation Opportunities
2. Develop & Promote Recreation Programming across the RM	2.1 Enhance Parks, Recreation, and Culture Coordination among RM Staff
	2.2 Better Utilization of Existing Recreation Programming
	2.3 Establish Programming Opportunities for All Ages and Abilities
3. Maintain & Increase Recreation Asset Inventory	3.1 Improve Existing Parks and Recreation Infrastructure
	3.2 Explore Indoor Recreation Opportunities
4. Encourage a Regional Recreation Approach	4.1 Promote Regional Cooperation through Recreation

Goal #1: Become an All-Season Recreation Community

An emerging trend in many northern communities is the establishment of a Winter Community Recreation Strategy. These strategies encourage recreation year-round by encouraging winter, fall, and spring activities. This ensures better use of recreation infrastructure and promotes physical and mental health during the non-summer months.

The COVID-19 pandemic provides further support for all-season outdoor recreation. Socially-distanced outdoor activities allow residents to socialize in a safe and healthy way. This desire for outdoor recreation has influenced neighbouring communities. For example, provincial parks hosted expanded activities at their locations, including a skiing and skating loop at Echo Valley Provincial Park.

The survey also indicated a desire for outdoor recreation that uses existing infrastructure. By making the municipality an all-season recreation community, existing infrastructure can be used and maintained year-round to benefit resident and visitor health and quality of life. The objectives under this goal include developing an all-season recreation strategy and working more closely with local partners to support year-round recreation.

Objective 1.1: Develop an All-Season Recreation Strategy

- a. Review All-Season and Winter City Strategies from other communities to understand feasibility.
- b. Research successful, Saskatchewan-specific, organic all-season recreation activities and events.
- c. Identify potential accessible locations for all-season activities or events across the RM.
- d. Run a social media campaign to promote all-season recreation to residents and visitors.
- e. Plan and execute an annual winter recreation event.
- f. Track the All-Season Recreation Strategy as a separate Project Plan. Evaluate and report findings annually.

Objective 1.2: Work with Local Businesses and Regional Partners to support Outdoor All-Season Recreation Opportunities

- a. Promote regional all-season activities using different forms of media.
- b. Work with the Ministry of Parks, Culture & Sport and Regina Ski Club to create additional winter-specific tracks and paths at White Butte Trails Recreation Site.
- c. Explore partnership with local golf courses to groom cross-country ski trails or snowshoeing paths during the winter months.
- d. Incentivize local businesses to provide all-season recreation services by prioritizing permit processing.
- e. Sponsor no or low-cost 'Family Fun Days' with local businesses that offer all-season recreation.

Goal #2: Develop & Promote Recreation Programming Across the Municipality

Alongside organic recreation, organized recreation programming has many benefits, including encouraging social interaction, reducing stress, and improving self-esteem. Survey respondents indicated a significant gap in organized recreational programming in the Plan Area.

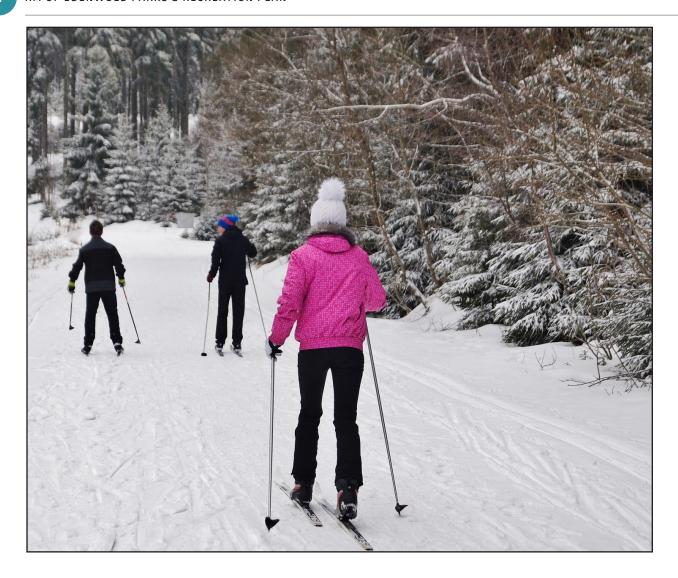
This goal emphasizes costs and operational capacity associated with recreation programming. By understanding these benefits, the municipality will be better prepared to develop and promote recreation programming opportunities in the area. The objectives supporting this goal include enhancing parks, recreation, and culture coordination, organizing and promoting existing recreational programming, and establishing organized recreation programming for all ages and abilities.

Objective 2.1: Enhance Parks, Recreation, & Culture Coordination among RM Staff

- a. Prepare a business case study to determine the feasibility of hiring a Parks, Recreation, and Culture Coordinator.
- b. Secure a budget to carry out the actions in this Parks & Recreation Plan.
- c. Prepare an assessment on regional municipal recreation employees and associated workload.
- d. Establish a pay structure for casual (summer student) recreation employees.
- e. Prepare a business case study for purchasing recreation equipment and renting the equipment to local recreation partners.
- f. Identify and apply for funding opportunities to aid with the capital costs of parks and recreationprojects (local and regional).

Objective 2.2: Better Utilization of Existing Recreation Programming

- a. Compile a list of recreation programming resources and include them on the website.
- b. Run a quarterly social media campaign promoting family wellness and recreation programming.
- c. Encourage private recreation businesses to offer classes in parks or public spaces to allow irregular participants through municipal advertising.
- d. Coordinate no- or low-cost organized recreation classes in parks and open spaces.
- e. Sponsor "Come Try" events with local sports groups and organizations to offer no- or low-cost classes.
- f. Work with Prairie Valley School Division to gain permission to access facilities to host recreation programs.
- g. Explore the feasibility of using Council Chambers to host recreation programs.



Objective 2.3: Establish Programming Opportunities for All Ages and Abilities

- a. Identify locations and programs to provide programming for young children (≤4 years old).
- b. Identify locations and programs to provide daytime programming for older adults.
- c. Support local businesses and non-profit organizations in establishing 'toddler time' events.
- d. Work with local businesses to support safe and gender-inclusive recreation programming for adolescents.
- e. Identify a location for drop-in recreation opportunities after school or in the evening for youth.
- f. Establish and publish a quarterly calendar highlighting an activity on social media.
- g. Explore collaboration opportunities with Forever in Motion.
- h. Track participation in different programs to understand where resources should be directed.

Goal #3: Maintain & Increase Recreation Asset Inventory

The RM of Edenwold is fortunate to have an inventory of recreation infrastructure in the Plan Area. This includes a mix of natural features, including White Butte Trails Recreation Site and Kuzmicz Commemorative Park, and artificial features centered around Emerald Park, including the neighbourhood parks, the tennis/pickleball court, and walking paths. Residents have indicated that these assets are desirable because of their accessibility, proximity, and low user cost. On the other hand, survey participants have suggested that some infrastructure is old, poorly maintained, and only usable during specific seasons.

Residents have also indicated a need for an indoor recreation facility that could accommodate a variety of recreation opportunities. These activities could include running (through an indoor track), field sports (through an indoor fieldhouse), and swimming (through an indoor swimming pool). The objectives supporting this goal are influenced by survey responses and include improving existing parks and recreation infrastructure through maintenance, identifying parks and recreation opportunities, and exploring the feasibility of developing an indoor recreation facility.

Objective 3.1: Improve Existing Parks and Recreation Infrastructure

- a. Require all new playgrounds include aspects of accessible design.
- b. Increase accessibility on existing walking paths through maintenance and repairs.
- c. Explore the feasibility of installing bike lanes along major thoroughfares or making other improvements for cyclists within the Plan Area.
- d. Identify locations to expand the Trans-Canada Trail in the Plan Area.
- e. Prepare a Parks Maintenance Plan and Schedule, which would include reviewing the safety, cost, and durability of playground surfacing and playground maintenance.
- f. Work with Country Residential residents to identify opportunities for parks and recreation infrastructure closer to rural subdivisions.

Objective 3.2: Explore Indoor Recreation Opportunities

- a. Work with the community to identify priorities and development phases.
- b. Identify locations for an indoor recreation facility within the plan area.
- c. Prepare a business case study for an indoor recreational facility, including construction and operating costs.
- d. Acquire support and funding from federal, provincial, regional, and/or private partners for an indoor recreation facility.

Goal #4: Encourage a Regional Recreation Approach

In addition to the recreation opportunities within the Plan Area, there are several recreational opportunities in the Towns of Balgonie, Pilot Butte, and White City. These recreational opportunities serve local populations and community needs and offer seasonal programming. To make the best use of these services and avoid duplication, the municipality shall take a regional approach to recreation. This comprehensive approach will allow all residents in the area to thrive. Objectives supporting this goal include promoting regional cooperation through recreation.

Objective 4.1: Promote Regional Cooperation through Recreation

- a. Map existing recreation opportunities in the region, including in Balgonie, Emerald Park, Pilot Butte, and White Citv.
- b. Coordinate a social media campaign with regional partners to promote regional recreation.
- c. Establish a Regional Recreation Committee to meet quarterly to share resources and expertise for the betterment of the region.
- d. Review successful regional recreation frameworks in Canada.
- e. Work with regional partners to offer lessons across recreation facilities to the region.
- f. Work with regional partners to sponsor no-cost recreation programs.
- g. Fund a portion of new recreation facilities or improvements to existing recreation facilities that aid regional recreation.
- h. Cost-share or rent out recreation equipment to municipalities in the region.



NEXT STEPS

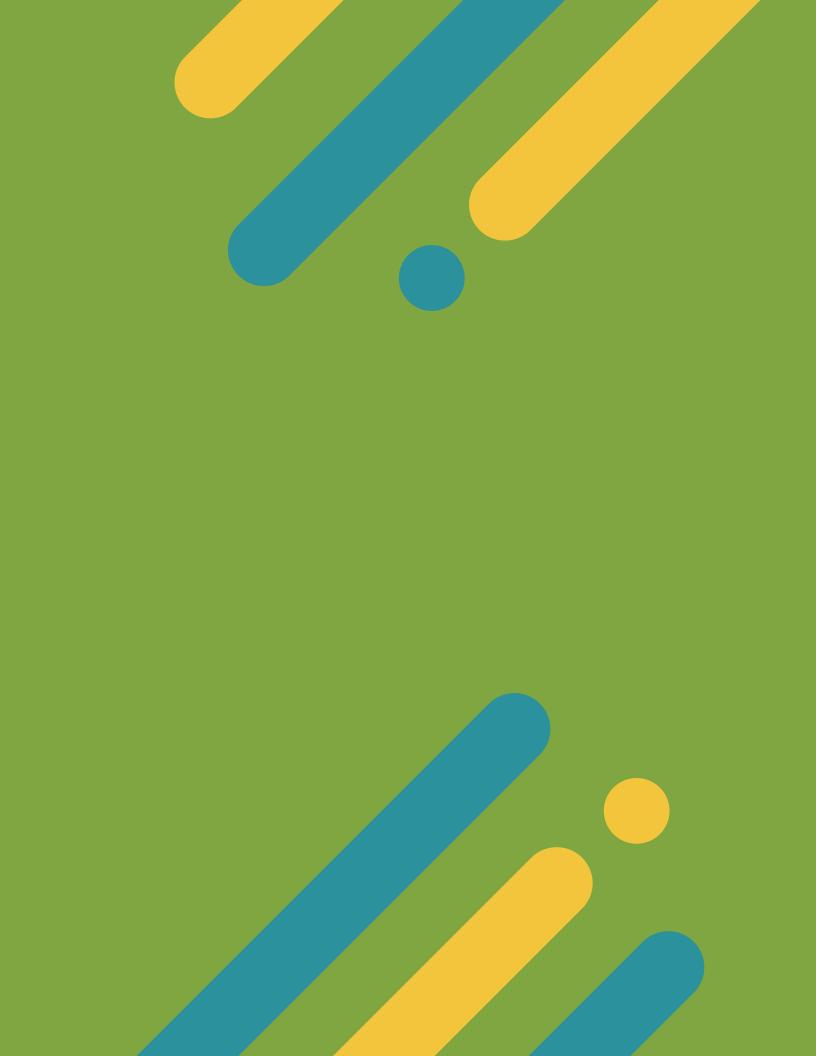
The importance of recreation cannot be understated. There are immense personal and social benefits to participating in recreation at all ages and ability levels. Fortunately, the plan area has several recreation opportunities that residents and visitors can use. As the plan area develops and grows in its recreational focus, the municipality should tailor the recreation inventory to the community's needs. Potential avenues to support recreation and resident quality of life are detailed in this plan.

There are further steps that the municipality can take to expand on the details of the report. This includes identifying priority goals, objectives, and strategies, creating timelines for implementation, and collecting quotes and costs associated with the plan's deliverables. Another beneficial step would be to gather feedback from private and municipal recreation service providers in the area. While staff contacted service providers during the public engagement phase, their participation was limited. Of the collected responses, however, private businesses identified ways the municipality could support and expand private recreation in the plan area.

The Parks & Recreation Plan plan will be reviewed and updated every 5 years. RM staff will provide a report on the status of the objectives and actions outlined in this document bi-annualy to Council and the public.

The goals outlined in this plan reflect community desires in late 2021/early 2022 and consider the implications and effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Looking into the future, public health, economic resilience, and diversity and inclusion should remain at the forefront when considering recreation. By taking practical steps to incorporate recreation during all-four seasons, providing recreational programming, investing in the recreation inventory, and working regionally to promote cooperation, the municipality can improve quality of life for residents and visitors and develop a *Livable Community* that benefits all.





APPENDIX A: ASSET INVENTORY

Municipal Assets

Beach Volleyball Court	
Description	The beach volleyball court is within Kuzmicz Commemorative Park, adjacent to the washroom facility and the indoor and outdoor pavilion. The court has a sand surface and a volleyball net for public use.
Location	Kuzmicz Commemorative Park, Emerald Park
Amenities	Washroom facilities; walking paths; playground; indoor and outdoor pavilion; garbage receptacles; on-site parking
Maintenance	Regular raking of the sand; repair or replace any pieces of equipment that are in disrepair
Season	Spring; summer; fall
Age	2018
Overall Rating (out of 10)	6 - Regular raking is needed to keep the sand soft and absorbent; debris (such as old netting) should be discarded as required; underutilized by the community

Emerald Park Dogsville (Dog Park)	
Description	A new addition to the community, this 855m2 off-leash dog park features a double gate system, doggy bag dispensers, an internal pathway, and waste receptacles. Phase 2 of the project includes benches and landscaping. Phase 3 of the project includes water fountains, dog play equipment, and shade structures.
Location	100 Hutchence Road, Emerald Park
Amenities	Located in proximity to the walking path system; proximity to washroom facilities (Municipal Office); waste receptacles; solar light post; on-site parking; pet-friendly; family-friendly
Maintenance	Seasonal mowing; watering; spraying for mosquitoes; future phases of the project will include additional maintenance items not listed
Season	Spring; summer; fall
Age	2022
Overall Rating (out of 10)	8 — Well-used and enjoyed by the community; signage and gate system ensure safe use of the park; ongoing maintenance is the central challenge; the RM should improve accessibility to the site

Emerald Park Soccer/Football Field	
Description	A sports field with dual-purpose goal posts and painted lines for soccer and football. There are two sets of bleachers on-site that face the field.
Location	Kuzmicz Commemorative Park, Emerald Park
Amenities	Washroom facilities; bleacher seating; walking paths; playground; indoor and outdoor pavilion; garbage receptacles; on-site parking
Maintenance	Mowing; watering; line painting; garbage collection
Season	Spring; summer; fall
Age	Phased; Park late 1980s
Overall Rating (out of 10)	8 — Great greenspace that promotes a mix of physical recreation activities; regularly used and maintained; accessible washrooms facilities

	Little Free Libraries	
Description	There are two Little Free Libraries located within Emerald Park. The libraries are made of wood to resemble a birdhouse and are used to store donated books from the community. There are monthly giveaways that the RM enters to add to the library of books.	
Location	#1 – Along Emerald Park Road (across from Prairieview Park), Emerald Park #2 – Kuzmicz Commemorative Park, Emerald Park	
Amenities	Walking paths; bleacher/bench seating; pedestrian-friendly; family-friendly; on-site or nearby parking	
Maintenance	Community replenishes book supply; municipality enters Little Free Library giveaways; repairs to the library structures as needed	
Season	All-seasons	
Age	2018	
Overall Rating (out of 10)	6 – Promotes literacy in the community; a strong group of enthusiasts ensures the libraries are used; repair or replace boxes as needed	

Park, Copper Sands (and Playground)	
Description	This park offers green space and a playground in a rural residential neighbourhood. The playground is multi-coloured with pea gravel surfacing and includes swings, a slide, monkey bars and other play structures.
Location	Crystal Drive, Copper Sands (LSD 5 25-17-18-W2 Ext 38)
Amenities	Playground; greenspace; bench seating; picnic table; family-friendly; relatively pet-friendly; relatively accessible
Maintenance	Seasonal mowing; watering; tilling the pea gravel; tree trimming
Season	All-seasons
Age	Pre-2009; Rebuilt in 2021
Overall Rating (out of 10)	7 - Great greenspace that promotes a mix of physical recreation activities; visibility and accessibility from the street; the pea gravel of the playground should be raked/rototilled regularly; supports physical activity in children and families

Park, Ed Ruecker (and Playground)	
Description	This Municipal Reserve land features a park and playground at the center of Woods Crescent. The playground is coloured in earth tones with pea gravel surfacing and includes a slide, climbing structures, and puzzles.
Location	Along Woods Crescent, Emerald Park
Amenities	Playground; bench seating; bike rack; garbage receptacle; solar light; family-friendly; relatively pet-friendly; relatively accessible
Maintenance	Seasonal mowing; watering; waste collection; poles of the playground have epoxy applied when needed; tilling the pea gravel; tree trimming
Season	All-seasons
Age	Late 1990s
Overall Rating (out of 10)	8 - The park is well maintained; two easy-to-access entrance points; supports physical activity in children and families; the pea gravel of the playground should be raked/rototilled regularly; inaccessible from outside Woods Crescent

	Park, Fairway (and Playground)	
Description	This Municipal Reserve land features a park and playground in a newer neighbourhood. The playground is coloured in earth tones with pea gravel surfacing and includes slides, swings, and climbing structures.	
Location	Along Emerald Park Road and Fairway Road, Emerald Park	
Amenities	Playground; greenspace; bench seating; waste receptacle; family-friendly; relatively pet-friendly; relatively accessible	
Maintenance	Seasonal mowing; watering; waste collection; poles of the playground have epoxy applied when needed; tilling the pea gravel; tree trimming	
Season	All-seasons	
Age	Early 1990s	
Overall Rating (out of 10)	5 - The park is relatively small with limited visibility from the street; the entrance to the park is not intuitive; a low-lying area in the park causes water to pool with no culvert to drain the excess water; the pea gravel of the playground should be raked/rototilled regularly; supports physical activity in children and families	

Park, Kuzmicz Commemorative (and Playground)	
Description	This park offers green space that can host many activities and tree-lined walking paths connecting to the walking path system across Emerald Park. It features a 10-piece bodyweight exercise equipment circuit, combined soccer and football field, beach volleyball court, washroom facility, pergola, and playground. Users can rent the space for events. Since 2021, it has been the location of the Emerald Park Farmers Market.
Location	Along Great Plains Road, Emerald Park
Amenities	Washroom facilities; outdoor barbecues and dining areas; soccer field with dual-purpose goal posts (soccer and football); beach volleyball court; pergola; playground; bodyweight exercise equipment; walking paths; indoor and outdoor pavilion; bleacher seating; waste receptacles; on-site parking; family-friendly; relatively pet-friendly; Little Free Library; nearby local restaurants
Maintenance	Seasonal mowing, sweeping, and snow blowing; watering; cleaning of bathrooms; garbage collection; poles of the playground have epoxy applied when needed; tilling the pea gravel; tree trimming
Season	All-seasons; some elements may have limited access in the winter
Age	Phased; Park late 1980s; Playground late 1990s; Building 2017
Overall Rating (out of 10)	6 — Multiuse greenspace with numerous gathering areas; connection to other pathways; accessible washroom facilities; however, no sidewalk connection to the main road; pea gravel of the playground needs to be tilled regularly; dead trees to be cleaned up; the gravel parking lot is messy when wet; waste collection could be timelier; circuit equipment is rusting

Park, Palmer (and Playground)	
Description	This Municipal Reserve land features a small park and playground in an established residential neighbourhood. The playground is brightly coloured with pea-gravel surfacing and includes slides, climbing structures, a swing bridge, and a tire swing.
Location	Along Palmer Crescent, Emerald Park
Amenities	Playground; greenspace; picnic table seating; waste receptacle; family-friendly; relatively pet-friendly; relatively accessible
Maintenance	Seasonal mowing; watering; waste collection; poles of the playground have epoxy applied when needed; tilling the pea gravel; tree trimming
Season	All-seasons
Age	Mid-1990s
Overall Rating (out of 10)	7 - The park is well maintained; the playground is colourful and attractive; extensive site frontage provides great accessibility; supports physical activity in children and families; the pea gravel of the playground should be raked/rototilled regularly; RM could upgrade the swing bridge railings

Park, Prairieview	
Description	This Municipal Reserve land features green space that supports several recreational activities. Prairieview Park connects to the walking path system featured throughout Emerald Park and the region. It features a flowerbed, tennis/pickleball courts, solar lights, waste receptacles, and benches.
Location	Along Emerald Park Road, Emerald Park
Amenities	Walking paths; bench seating; flowerbed; waste receptacles; on-site parking; family-friendly; relatively pet-friendly; nearby Little Free Library
Maintenance	Seasonal mowing, sweeping, and snow blowing; watering of the park and flowerbed; garbage collection; tree trimming
Season	All-seasons
Age	Mid-1990s
Overall Rating (out of 10)	6 - Multiuse greenspace; solar light-posts do not emit much light when dark; located along the walking path system; however, future pathway connections could be implemented; underutilized by the community

	Tennis/Pickleball Courts	
Description	A chain-link enclosed area in Prairieview Park features an asphalt top (resurfaced in 2022). The courts are dual-purpose, with lines painted for two pickleball courts or one tennis court. The RM purchased new nets in 2022. These nets stay up during the spring, summer, and fall months.	
Location	Prairieview Park, Emerald Park	
Amenities	Walking paths; on-site parking; family-friendly; nearby Little Free Library	
Maintenance	Seasonal sweeping; crack sealing; new nets when necessary	
Season	Spring; summer; fall	
Age	Mid-1990s; resurfaced courts in 2022; new nets purchased in 2022	
Overall Rating (out of 10)	8 — Accessible, central location within the community; located along the walking path system; park furnishings and waste receptacle; RM recently resurfaced courts with asphalt and purchased new nets in 2022; a strong group of enthusiasts ensures the courts are frequently used	

	Walking Paths	
Description	Numerous interconnected asphalt walking pathways spread across Emerald Park and the region. In non-park areas, these pathways act as sidewalks, with some being setback from the roadway.	
Location	Emerald Park	
Amenities	Pedestrian crossings; washroom facilities; bench seating; solar light posts; wheelchair friendly; family-friendly; pet-friendly. *Amenities vary by location	
Maintenance	Pedestrian crossings; washroom facilities; bench seating; solar light posts; wheelchair friendly; family-friendly; pet-friendly. *Amenities vary by location	
Season	All-seasons	
Age	Phased	
Overall Rating (out of 10)	6 - Great infrastructure in the community; some cracks in the asphalt; close to three tee boxes of the golf course; lack of shade in some areas detracts from the experience; not accessible to those with mobility issues due to the rolling terrain; drainage issues along walking paths are visible during heavy rainfalls; solar light-posts do not emit much light when dark; lack of pedestrian crossing signage at some intersections	

Provincial Assets

	White Butte Trails Recreation Site	
Description	The White Butte Trails Recreation Site is a natural park area in the RM available to the public at no cost. The Site is owned, managed, and maintained by the Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport and is frequently used by members of the Regina Ski Club (who also maintain the grounds). There are numerous trails that vary in length and difficulty allowing for year-round use and enjoyment. The trails support activities like hiking, cycling, dog-walking, snowshoeing, and skiing (groomed cross-country and skate skiing trails).	
Owner	Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport	
Location	Majority of 26-17-18-W2 and 35-17-18-W2	
Amenities	Washroom facility (pit-toilet (wheelchair accessible)); on-site parking; warm-up shelter; family-friendly; pet-friendly (specific trails)	
Maintenance	Maintenance is undertaken by the Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport, Regina Ski Club, and Regina Multisport Club	
Season	All-seasons	
Age	1982	
Overall Rating (out of 10)	8 — Expansive natural green space; numerous trails varying in difficulty and ability; accommodates a variety of activities; accessibility to the site to be upgraded with a parking lot expansion in 2022	

Private Assets

Archery Ranges	
Description	An archery range and pro-shop are located within the Plan Area. It offers an indoor archery shooting range with 2D and 3D targets.
Number	1
Location	610 North Service Road, Emerald Park
Season	All-seasons

	Campgrounds	
Description	Several campgrounds are located within the Plan Area, all near Highway 1. The campgrounds generally mix full-service and non-service sites, with electrical sites providing between 15 to 50 amps. All three campgrounds in the Plan Area have washroom and shower facilities, while some have laundry service, ice/wood sales, concessions, and Wi-Fi. Noteworthy is Campground #2, which has an outdoor swimming pool and fenced pet park.	
Number	3	
Location	#1 — Along the North Service Road, Parcel AA in the NW 24-17-18-W2 #2 — Along Range Road 2180, Parcel A in the NW 19-17-18-W2 #3 — Along the South Service Road, Parcel C in the SE 20-17-18-W2	
Season	Spring; summer; fall; all-season storage varies	

Cricket Pitches	
Description	A family-owned cricket pitch ground on 5 acres offers practice space for the Cavaliers Sports and Social Club and occasionally organized lessons.
Number	1
Location	SW 1-17-17-W2 Ext 1
Season	Spring; summer; fall

Dance Studios	
Description	There are several dance studios within the Plan Area. These studios offer a mix of jazz, tap, ballet, hip hop, contemporary, and barre classes to all ages.
Number	3
Location	#1 - 28 Great Plains Road, Emerald Park #2 - South Bay #209-28 Great Plains Road, Emerald Park #3 - Park Meadows Estates, RM of Edenwold
Season	All-seasons

Equestrian Facilities/Stables	
Description	There are two equestrian facilities/stables in the Plan Area. They offer indoor and outdoor riding lessons to all ages and stabling. The indoor riding halls feature sand floors and obstacles, while the outdoor riding halls have additional arena fencing.
Number	2
Location	#1 – Armadale Stables (location unknown, and visitors are by appointment only) #2 – Bridlewood Farms, Bridlewood Estates, RM of Edenwold
Season	Spring; summer; fall; winter (limited)

Golf Courses	
Description	There are several golf courses located within the Plan Area that offer 9-hole and 18-hole games. The golf courses share many of the same features, such as grass greens, water features, and tree-lined holes. Noteworthy is the golf course that loops through Emerald Park and White City, which has a clubhouse and recreation room ("Rec Room") with golf simulators and arcade games.
Number	3
Location	#1 – 310 Emerald Park Road (Throughout Emerald Park) #2 – 100 South, Ladysmith Road #3 – Part of NW 7-17-18-W2
Season	Spring; summer; fall

Gyms	
Description	The indoor gym offers personal and group training, workshops, nutrition services, and youth training. Membership is required for most organized classes. Currently offers off-site classes, Fitness in the Park, and online classes.
Number	1
Location	34 Great Plains Road, Emerald Park
Season	All-seasons

	Indoor Skating Rinks	
Description	The sole indoor skating rink and recreational facility in Emerald Park are owned and operated by Communiskate Inc. According to the website, the ice surface is NHL-sized, left in year-round, and the building can seat approximately 400 fans. A pro-shop on-site sells equipment for ringette and hockey and offers skate-sharpening services. For members, there are open skating times available.	
Number	1	
Location	201 Great Plains Road, Emerald Park	
Season	All-seasons	

Regina Wildlife Federation Recreation Centre	
Description	The Regina Wildlife Federation is a non-profit organization with a Recreation Centre located within the Plan Area. The Recreation Centre offers club meeting spaces and features indoor and outdoor firing ranges for archery and firearms. Other amenities include specialized ranges, competition ranges, a clubhouse, outdoor picnic tables, and a playground. Membership is required to access most services.
Number	1
Location	NW 26-17-18-W2 Ext 41
Season	All-seasons

Sattler Conservation Lands	
Description	These conservation lands are comprised of approximately 625 acres of natural wetland and habitat areas. This asset is important to the region because of its contributions to environmental, social, recreational, and educational opportunities.
Number	1
Location	S 18-17-17-W2 and N 7-17-17-W2
Season	All-seasons

Yoga Studios	
Description	A 3-room yoga studio offering classes at varying levels of difficulty for all ages. The organized classes provide various forms of yoga, including vinyasa, Hatha, and guided meditation. In addition to the regular organized classes, they offer workshops, Yoga in the Park, and yoga teacher training. Currently, online and in-studio courses are provided to the public.
Number	1
Location	South Bay #211-28 Great Plains Road, Emerald Park
Season	All-seasons

Regional Assets

Ball Diamonds	
Description	There are several outdoor ball diamonds available for baseball, softball, slow pitch, and tee ball in the region. Most ball diamond complexes include multiple ball diamonds, change rooms, a canteen, and bleachers. Several smaller ball diamonds are located throughout the region with backstops meant for tee ball and learning baseball. Some are fenced.
Number	4
Location	#1 – Serbu Park, White City #2 – Inland Park, Pilot Butte #3 – Balgonie Sports Grounds, Balgonie #4 – Pilot Butte School, Pilot Butte
Season	Spring; summer; fall

Basketball Courts	
Description	There are several outdoor basketball courts in the region. All courts are located on school properties and are accessible during the warm months. Students primarily use the courts for recess, but they are also available for public use.
Number	4
Location	#1 – Emerald Ridge Elementary School, White City
	#2 – Ecole White City School, White City
	#3 — Greenall High School, Balgonie
	#4 – Pilot Butte School, Pilot Butte
Season	All-seasons

Curling Rinks	
Description	A typical small-town curling rink, the Balgonie Curling Club, manages the curling club and leagues in the region. The leagues comprise a variety of ages and abilities, from junior learn to curl programs, to family-fun leagues and seniors' leagues.
Number	1
Location	14 King Street, Balgonie
Season	Fall; winter; spring

Dance Studios	
Description	There are two dance studios within the region. The studios offer a mix of jazz, tap, ballet, hip hop, contemporary, and acrobatics classes. The Pilot Butte studio also features musical theatre, creative movement, conditioning, and toddler, teen, and adult classes. The studios offer movement for all ages, abilities, and interests.
Number	2
Location	#1 – Meadowview Crescent, Pilot Butte #2 – Balgonie Multiplex, Balgonie
Season	All-seasons

Dog Parks	
Description	A new addition to the community, the off-leash dog park in Balgonie opened in October 2021. It features a fenced area, nearby parking, and an area for small dogs.
Number	1
Location	Balgonie Sports Ground, Balgonie
Season	Spring; summer; fall

Indoor Gymnasiums	
Description	There are several indoor gymnasiums in the region. All gymnasiums are located on school properties and are primarily used by students for physical education. They could be used for public use in collaboration with the schools.
Number	4
Location	#1 – Emerald Ridge Elementary School, White City
	#2 – Ecole White City School, White City
	#3 — Greenall High School, Balgonie
	#4 – Pilot Butte School, Pilot Butte
Season	All-seasons

Indoor Skating Rinks	
Description	Balgonie's indoor ice-skating rink and recreation facility provide programs such as public skating, stick and puck, ice rentals, moms and tots, and indoor walking. The facility has a digital scoreboard, home and away team benches, a penalty box, and ample seating for fans. The Pilot Butte Arena, located within the Pilot Butte Recreation Centre, is an indoor ice-skating rink with home and away team benches, a penalty box, seating, and a concession stand. The rink is used for ringette, in-line skating, and social events in the summer months.
Number	2
Location	#1 - Along Highway 364, Balgonie #2 – 222 Diamond Place, Pilot Butte
Season	All-seasons

	Libraries	
Description	There are three branches of the Southeast Regional Library within the region; one in White City, one in Balgonie, and another in Pilot Butte. All branches feature a children's reading area and provide several services and e-resources to region residents. The libraries are open six days a week (schedules vary).	
Number	3	
Location	#1 – 12 Ramm Avenue, White City #2 – 129 Railway Street, Balgonie #3 – 222 Diamond Place, Pilot Butte	
Season	All-seasons	

Outdoor Skating Rinks	
Description	There are four outdoor ice-skating rinks located within the Plan Area. Two rinks are situated in White City and are open to the public until 10 p.m. when the outdoor lighting turns off. These facilities can be rented out, including the pavilion at one of the facilities. The outdoor rink in Balgonie offers ice flooding once a week and lighting from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. to encourage evening use. Another regional outdoor rink is in Inland Park, Pilot Butte. This rink features a warm-up shack and lighting.
Number	4
Location	#1 – École White City School Sports Field, White City #2 – Double K Outdoor Rink, White City #3 – Balgonie Elementary School, Balgonie #4 – Inland Park, Pilot Butte
Season	Winter

Playgrounds	
Description	There are several playground in parks located within the region. These parks often include slides, swing sets, and climbing structures. The playgrounds are designed for different ages and are located in parks closely connected to neighbouring walking path networks and green spaces. The Balgonie Elementary School's Ninja FunScape Course is noteworthy as it was constructed in 2022 and features parkour-style play structures.
Number	14+
Location	#1 – Serbu Park, White City #2 – Ridgedale Park, White City #3 – Splash Park, White City #4 – Fernwood Park, White City #5 – Churchill Park, White City #6 – Emerald Ridge Elementary School, White City #7 – Ecole White City School, White City #8 – Inland Park, Pilot Butte #9 – Hillside Park, Pilot Butte #10 – 2nd Ave, Pilot Butte #11 – Balgonie Elementary #12 – Pleasant Park, Balgonie #13 – Balgonie Elementary School, Balgonie #14 - Pilot Butte School, Pilot Butte
Season	All-seasons

Rodeo Grounds		
Description	The rodeo grounds are home to the Annual Pilot Butte Rodeo every Father's Day weekend. The grounds have plenty of bleachers for seating and a new canteen. It is home to a riding club as well as a gymkhana club.	
Number	1	
Location	Along Highway 46, Pilot Butte	
Season	Spring; summer; fall	

Running Tracks		
Description	There are several running tracks within the region. All tracks are located on school properties and are accessible during the warm months. Students primarily use the tracks for track and field activities, but they are also available for public use.	
Number	4	
Location	#1 – Ecole White City School, White City	
	#2 – Emerald Ridge Elementary School, White City	
	#3 — Greenall High School, Balgonie	
	#4 – Pilot Butte School, Pilot Butte	
Season	Spring; summer; fall	

Skate Parks		
Description	There are two skate parks in the region. The skate park in Serbu Park, White City, features a mini half pipe, quarter pipes, ramps, rails, banks, and benches. The skate park in Inland Park, Pilot Butte, features quarter pipes, ramps, rails, and grind boxes. Both skate parks in the region are accessible to many different users (e.g., skateboard, bicycle, scooter, roller blades, etc.) and abilities.	
Number	2	
Location	#1 – Serbu Park, White City #2 – Inland Park, Pilot Butte	
Season	Spring; summer; fall	

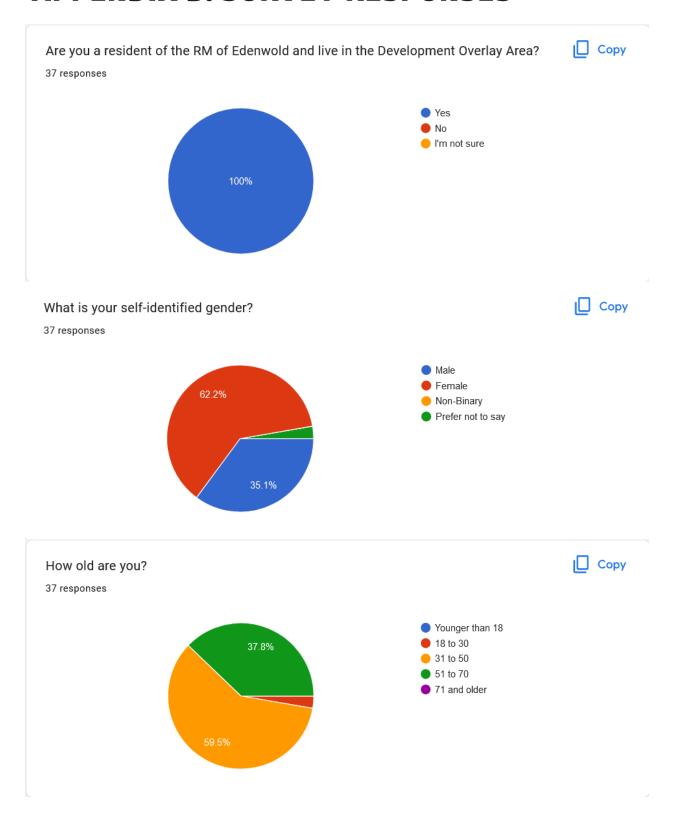
Soccer/Football Fields		
Description	There are many soccer and football fields in the region. Most have dual-purpose soccer and football goalposts with bleachers and surrounding greenspace for alternative recreational activities.	
Number	8	
Location	#1 – Wheatland Park, White City	
	#2 – Inland Park, Pilot Butte	
	#3 – Balgonie Sports Grounds, Balgonie	
	#4 - Pilot Butte School, Pilot Butte	
	#5 — Balgonie Elementary School, Balgonie	
	#6 — Greenall High School, Balgonie	
	#7 — Ecole White City School, White City	
	#8 – Emerald Ridge Elementary School, White City	
Season	All-seasons	

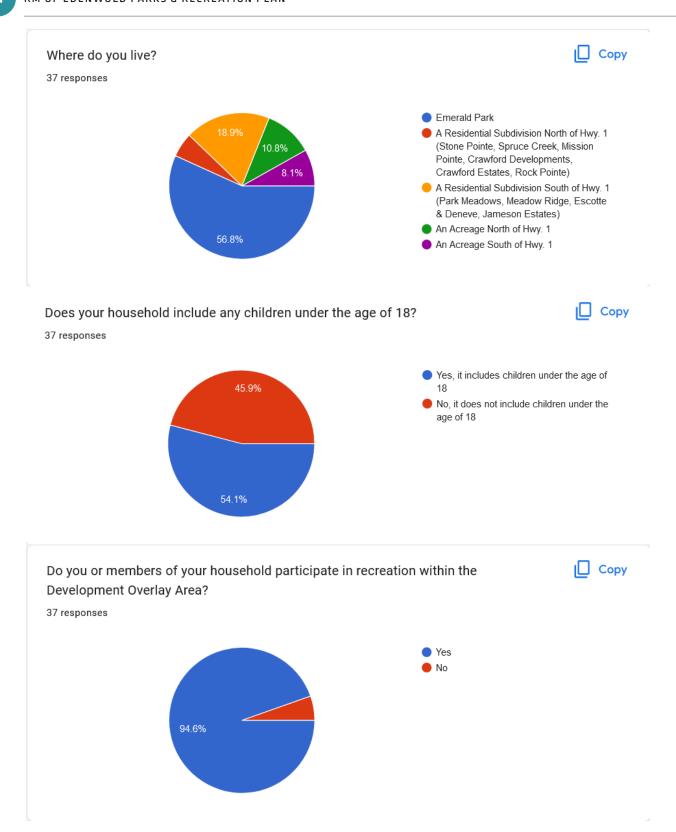
Splash Parks		
Description	There are two splash parks in the region. The White City Splash Park is 1.4 acres in size and has colourful splash and spray structures with a paved surface. The splash park was renovated in 2022 with accessibility upgrades. The Pilot Butte Spray Park was constructed in 2022. It is colourful, rural-themed, and features dining areas, a playground, splash and spray structures, and puzzles.	
Number	2	
Location	#1 – Poplar Park, White City #2 – Along Butte Street/3rd Avenue, Pilot Butte	
Season	Summer; fall (limited)	

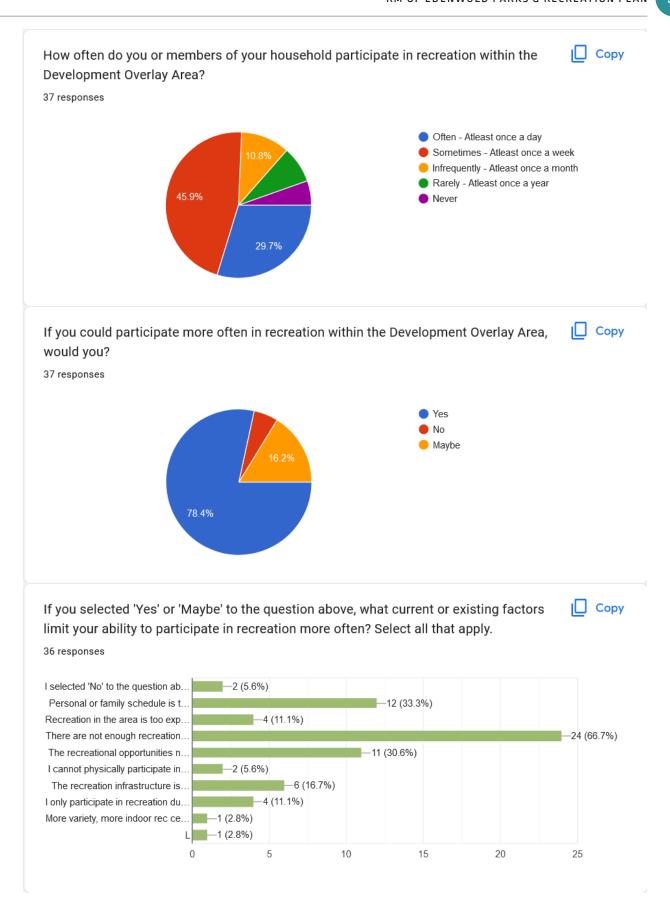
Tennis/Pickleball Courts		
Description	White City has one full-sized tennis court and two full-sized pickleball courts. All three courts are fenced. The surrounding park has a colourful playground and is connected by the other White City pathways. The Pilot Butte courts offer one full-size tennis/volleyball court and two full-size pickleball courts; both are fenced. Lastly, Balgonie has a court that can host tennis, pickleball, and basketball.	
Number	3	
Location	#1 – Fernwood Park, White City #2 – Pilot Butte School, Pilot Butte #3 – Greenall High School, Balgonie	
Season	Spring; summer; fall	

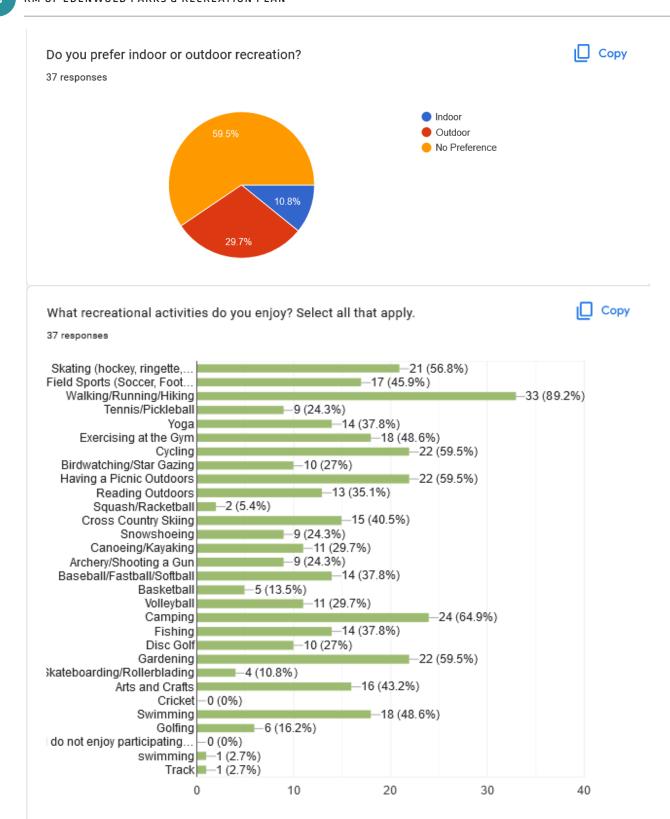
White Butte Eco-Museum		
Description	The White City Museum offers nature-based education and recreation through interpretive trails in the White Butte Ecoregion, audio recordings, and other programs and online resources.	
Number	1	
Location	White City Museum Website (https://whitecitymuseum.com)	
Season	All-seasons	

APPENDIX B: SURVEY RESPONSES





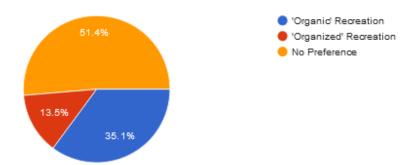




Do you prefer 'organic' recreation (like walking, snowshoing, or participating in public ice skating), or 'organized' recreation (like taking a yoga or exercise class or participating in a guided hike)?

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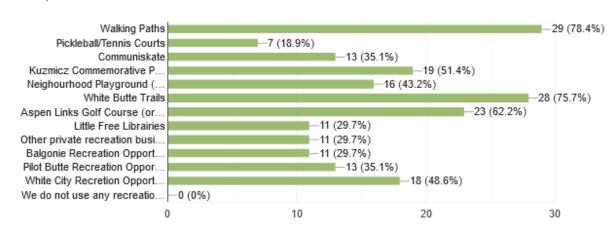
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What recreational opportunities do you or members of your household use in the Development Overlay Area? Select all that apply.

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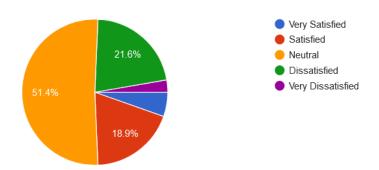
For opportunities that you use, what qualities make them appealing?		
Well maintained	Close proximity to home, no cost	Close proximity to home
Not extremely busy	Lot of outdoor activities to do	Close proximity
Price, accessibility	Condition of the walking paths	They are close to home
Near to us. Enjoy the gold and walking on trails	Close proximity, family friendly, can do with friends, keeps kids busy, provides exercise	Love all the walking trails around the community as well as the playgrounds for my grandchildren to enjoy
Not too busy, close by	Parks and spray parks swimming pools	Close proximity
Ease of access	Close convenience	They're the only options available
I enjoy the quiet and being out in nature	Availability	Activities for small children
Local	It's easily accessible for us	Getting out in nature
Close at hand. Reasonable cost.	Something to do	

For opportunities that you do not use, what qualities make them unappealing?			
None	Older infrastructure	They're old and not diverse enough. Not enough indoor activities	
Cost	No swings in the playground in Woods Crescent playground	Don't interest me	
No benches in Park Meadows/Meadow Ridge Estates area for older walkers to take a break	Just not interested at this time to use, kids not old enough, not close proximity	Targeted for organized groups	
Golf course is a disgrace and unappealing	Not interested	I prefer adult only activities (sports, classes, etc.)	
No interest	Distance/cost	Just not a current interest	
Cost	Further away	We aren't into dance and yoga	
Quality, not enough marketing, availability	Don't know enough about them. 50+ and retired so daytime activities work better - less people	We live on the golf course but do not use it because of the absolutely terrible condition	
Don't have the equipment			

Overall, how do you feel about the current number and quality of recreation opportunities in the Development Overlay Area?

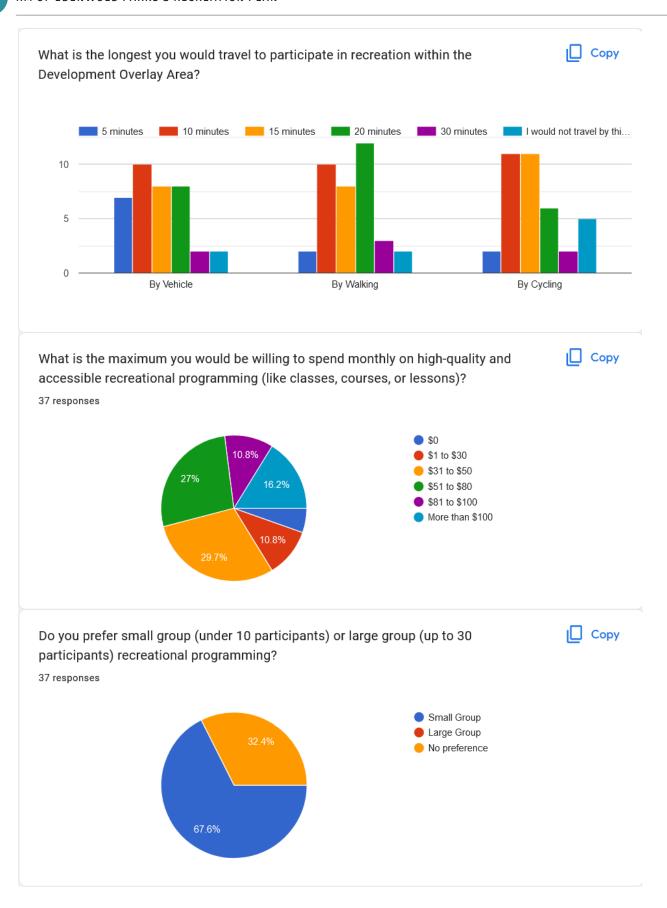
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Do you believe there are enough recreational opportunities for each season (winter, summer, spring, fall)? If not, what activities would you like to see in the community, and for what seasons?

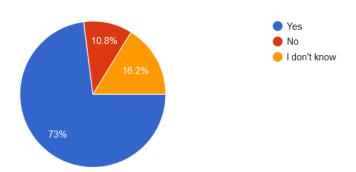
activities would you like to see in the community, and for what seasons?			
No	Yes enough		
I would like to see an outdoor pool developed to give the residence something to do in the summer.	There isn't much for arts and crafts at any time of the year. Definitely missing an all season swimming pool. Kids swimming lessons are pretty much impossible to get into.		
No. Not enough indoor space like a fitness gym, gym for indoor sports	It's all there if you look for it. Maybe an outdoor pool for summer activities would be good.		
Yes	Outdoor hockey rinks, fitness classes, swimming pool		
Would like more playgrounds, indoor pool, bike paths, indoor play structure for the winter months. Need a few more indoor activities for the winter months so the littles can get moving and the parents can stay warm!	An indoor swimming pool for local residents to use, a curling rink, more cross country ski trails within town. Bike trails.		
Not need groomed x country ski trails in town, on golf course	No, swimming		
Winter have skating, indoor yoga, art classes. Summer have adult workout classes	Nothing for cold months like zumba classes for women/ small kids programs		
More indoor options(swimming, curling, indoor track)	Enough		
Not enough available for winter.	No more walking/running paths		
I'd like to see a walking path out to Bridlewood estates.	Indoor walking/running and swimming for winter		
More toddler options. A swimming facility (all year round).	I think there is. We'd like to learn to play pickle ball.		
We need a recreation complex with opportunities like swimming for children in the winter. We need more parks for children that we do not have to walk 20 minutes to access.	Indoor track and football/soccer like a fieldhouse. Indoor pool.		



Would you be willing to rent recreation equipment for a reasonable price? (i.e. snowshoes, cross-country skis, tennis rackets, skates, sports balls, arts and craft kits, etc)



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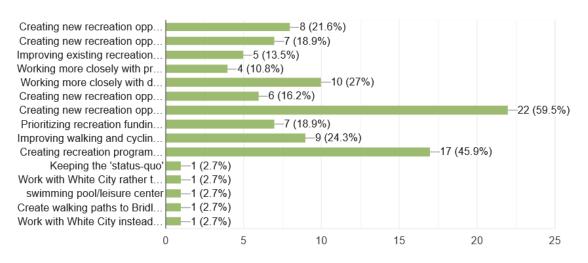
If you could build an entirely new piece of recreation infrastructure, what would you build?			
Pool	Toboggan hill	Outdoor pool	
Swimming pool and indoor walking track	Swing sets in Woods crescent playground for little and bigger children	A gymnasium with a fitness gym, court for things like volleyball, basketball, and other indoor sports	
Swimming pool and gym amd rink	Indoor swimming pool, new rinks	A indoor swimming Pool	
Outdoor pool and Disc golf indoor soccer facility or sports plex. No indoor pool.	multi purpose building with classrooms and a gym with exercise equipment	Year round Rex center with gym, pool, rinks library etc. like north battleford.	
indoor swimming pool and rec facility	Groomed in town x country ski trails	Walking or running path	
Swimming pool, indoor track, gym, sauna	Walking / snowshoe paths (white butte caters to CC sking	Tough question ideally a indoor rec centre with play structures and pool!	
Combination indoor facility that includes swimming pool, curling rink, hockey rink, track/soccer	Community building with pool / gym / zumba classes / some programs for kids	Multi purpose field housesoccer, running track, exercise/gym area, skating/curling facilitiesswimming pool would be nice but is too costly to run.	
Indoor pool, indoor play park	Indoor Walkin/running, turf, gym and pool	An indoor swimming facility and curling rink	
Indoor pickleball court	A outdoor pool would be nice	Field house/pool.	
Indoor swimming	Not sure. Maybe an indoor skating rink for those who don't want to be on the ice with pucks and sticks.	An indoor swimming pool, indoor play structure, etc.	
Indoor swimming pool	A facility that holds a swimming pool, skating rink and gym		

If you could improve or develop an existing piece of recreation infrastructure, what would you improve?		
Adding anything to the spruce creek area.	Open pathway from EP/WC to White Butte trails	Swimming pool
Baseball diamonds	Pilot butte skating rink	Splash park
More pickleball/tennis courts	Parks/playgrounds	Communiskate
I'd at least get lights that work on the running paths.	Enforcement of off leash dog rules (I can't even run anymore there are so many dogs chasing me)	Improve white butte trails for the winter and have additional paths or areas for people who snow shoe
Nothing	Unsure	Walking paths
Wood Crescent Playground landscaping and play equipment.	The White City fire hall so you don't need to waste our money on your own and can subsequently actually afford the stuff you're discussing here.	The beach volleyball court maybe upgraded. Have someone organize and advertise a league where people can join as individuals.
Develop some unused green spaces into parks for children.	Swing set in the Woods Crescent playground	

In your opinion, what aspects of recreation should the RM prioritize through this Master Plan? Please select a maximum of 3.

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Do you have any other thoughts you would like the RM to consider when writing this Recreation & Parks Master Plan?	
Discussions with the local schools on what they would like.	Need a facility that can accommodate multiple activities and multiple group so it is used and sustainable
Ensure that all sports facilities follow rules, laws and guidelines with Labour Laws, SLGA, and have proper training, certification and safe environments.	Make good choices.
Winters are long, so anything to help get out of the house and be with friends in winter would be great!	No
Please keep facilities within larger communities (Emerald park). Acreage people bought land outside the city to get away from the lights, traffic and business of the city	Finding a balance between up and coming young families and retirees is a difficult one. However, the average age in the area seems to be dropping. Recreational facilities and programs that aren't offered in the RM area facilities are become increasingly more difficult to get children involved in as they have a local first priority. From swimming lessons to skating lessons, these services are not offered on a regular basis here. By leaving the city and moving to the smaller center, some of these opportunities may have been acceptable sacrifices. But with a new, larger young generation being raised in Emerald Park/White City/Pilot Butte/Balgonie, our kids need to have more activities available to keep them occupied.
Think of all of the young families who will raise their kids here as well as keeping the elderly active	Work with the town. Not against them.
To stop having childish fights with White City and work together to make the community better.	If there is an increase in my taxes just to create a program that already exists to say it is from the RM I would not support it.