

To: David Creery, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Colleen Collins, Manager, Marketing and Communications
Brian Connors, Director, Parks and Recreation
Re: North Woodstock Recreation Facility – Community Engagement Update

AIM

To receive City Council direction concerning the results of the public feedback undertaken for the North Woodstock Recreation Facility Study.

BACKGROUND

At the November 7, 2024, meeting, staff and the project consultants provided an update to Council on the North Woodstock Recreation Facility Study. The proposed community centre is one of the recommendations coming out of the 2021 Recreation Facility Needs Study and is intended to meet the growing demand for indoor recreational facilities in our community.

The 2024 study recommends a twin pad arena, indoor pool, gymnasium and two community rooms with an estimated cost of \$85.4 million. The optional components that this study also evaluated is a curling facility and additional childcare space, with an estimated additional cost of \$15.6 million.

At the November 7, 2024, meeting, Council directed staff to obtain public feedback on the proposed facility to help inform the next stages of planning.

COMMENTS

As part of the development of the Recreation Facility Needs Assessment Study and the North Woodstock Recreation Facility Study, engagement with user groups, staff and members of Council was conducted to understand the types of amenities to be included in the facility.

To build on that earlier engagement, staff designed an engagement process, guided by International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) best practices, to:

- Share information about the project to ensure all those interested in the project have the same / up-to-date information.
- Provide a form for public comment with costs of amenities clearly outlined
- Get feedback on the community centre itself and the proposed amenities to be included.
- Get input from the public and user groups on the phasing of the implementation.

A survey was open to the public to provide input between February 10 and March 7, 2025. The survey was promoted through posters in City facilities, What's on Woodstock, local

media articles, the Recreation and Leisure Fair and social media. We received 1,697 responses. The results of the survey can be found in the attached presentation.

The project is identified in the 2029 Capital Budget Forecast, with \$85 million to come from debenture (long term debt). Through the annual budget process, Council can choose to consider alternative timing or funding.

ATTACHMENTS

Presentation outlining a summary of the survey results as well as all of the responses to the open-ended questions.

RECOMMENDATION

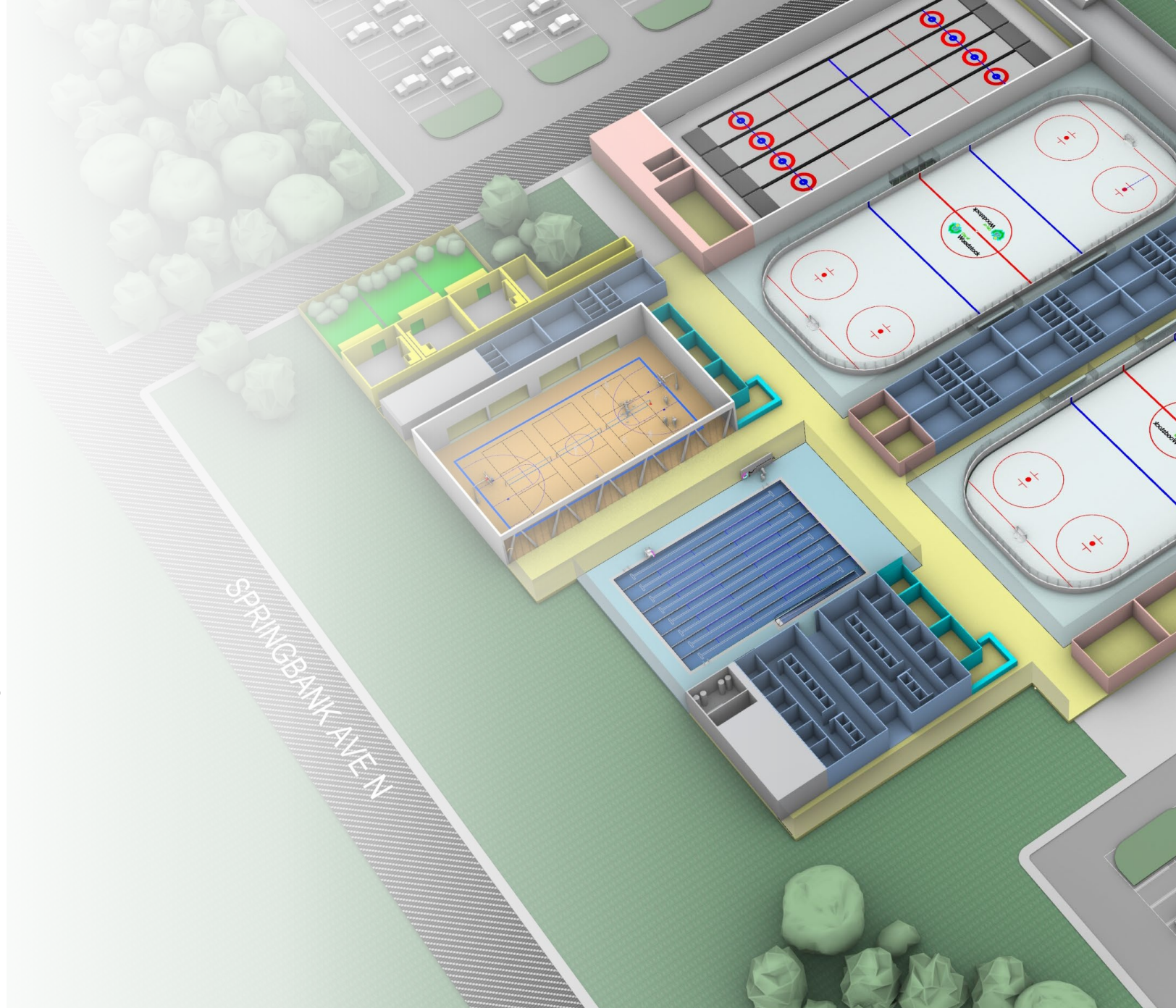
That Woodstock City Council receive the results of the public feedback as information.

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North Woodstock Recreation Facility Survey Results



Overview

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This builds on previous engagement undertaken through Recreation Facilities Needs Assessment Study and supplementary studies

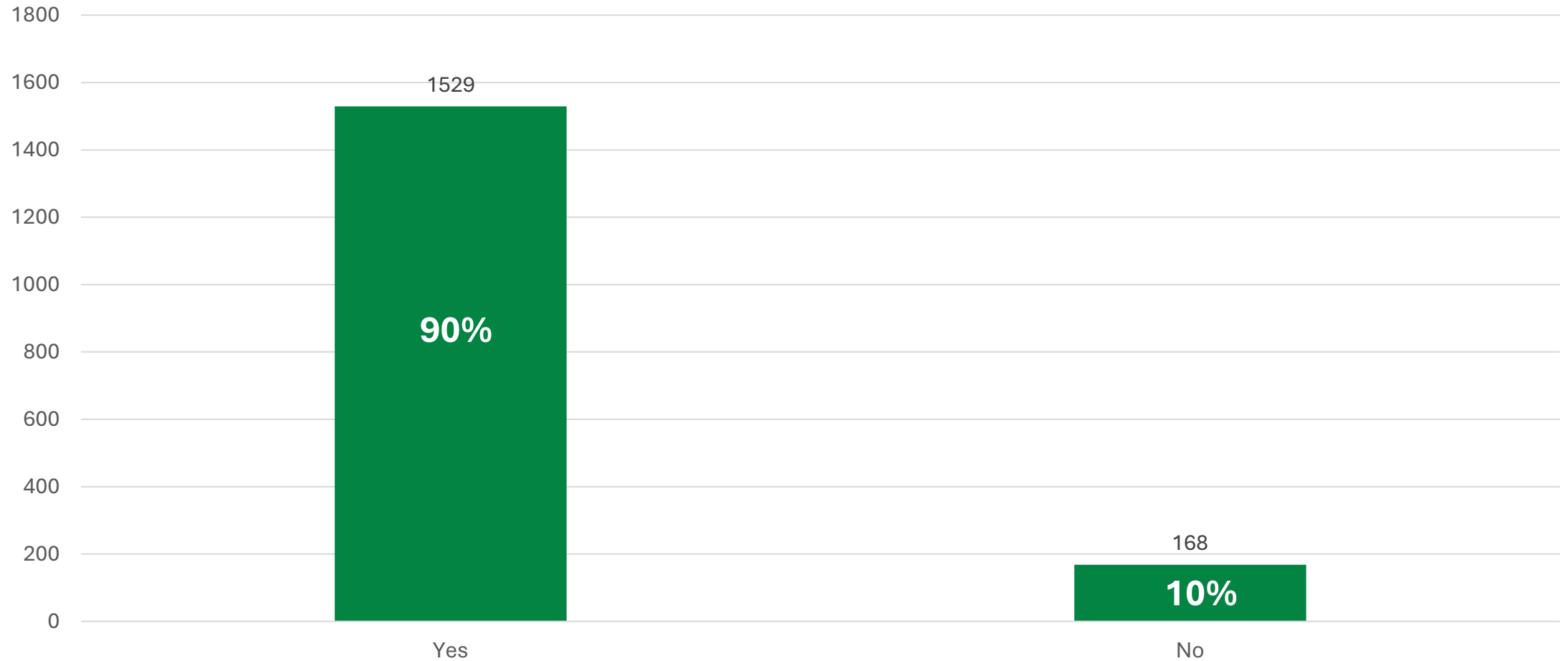
The survey:

- Was guided by International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) best practices
- Open from Feb. 10 – March 7
- Total responses: 1,697
- Advertised through posters in City facilities, What's on Woodstock, news articles, postcards at Rec and Leisure Fair and social media

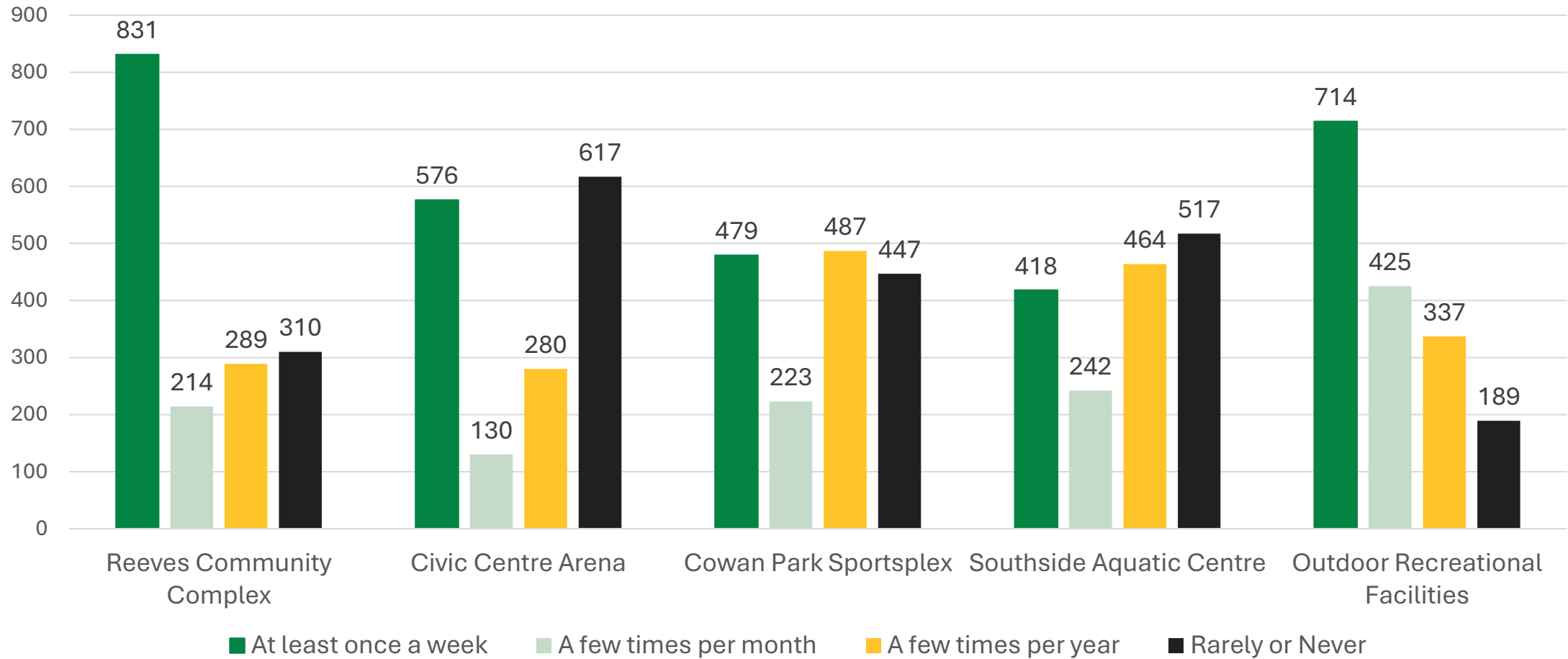
Notes

- Staff analyzed submissions for duplicates – identified approximately 20 – 30 duplicates or potential duplicates
- Based on responses, 86% submissions indicated they live in Woodstock.
- There were 279 invalid postal codes submitted. Of the 1,418 postal codes mapped on slides 18 & 19, staff confirmed that 95% were Woodstock postal codes.
- There are a few postal codes that do overlap with our borders.
- When comparing the population distribution against the respondents' distribution, there was generally a correlation between the number of responses and the areas of the city with greater population density

Q1. Do you currently use indoor recreational facilities in Woodstock?



Q2. How often do you use the City's current recreation facilities ?



Q3. What do you like about our current facilities?

- **Accessibility and Location** – like that many facilities are close to home, number of facilities we do have, inclusive for people with disabilities
- **Variety of Programs and Facilities** – people appreciate the availability and variety of programs offered
- **Quality and Maintenance** – many facilities are clean and well maintained, that staff are friendly
- **Affordability and Availability** – comments on reasonably priced programs and free public skating
- **Specific Facilities and Amenities** – specifically mention quality of the diamonds, ice surface at Civic, indoor and outdoor soccer and splashpads

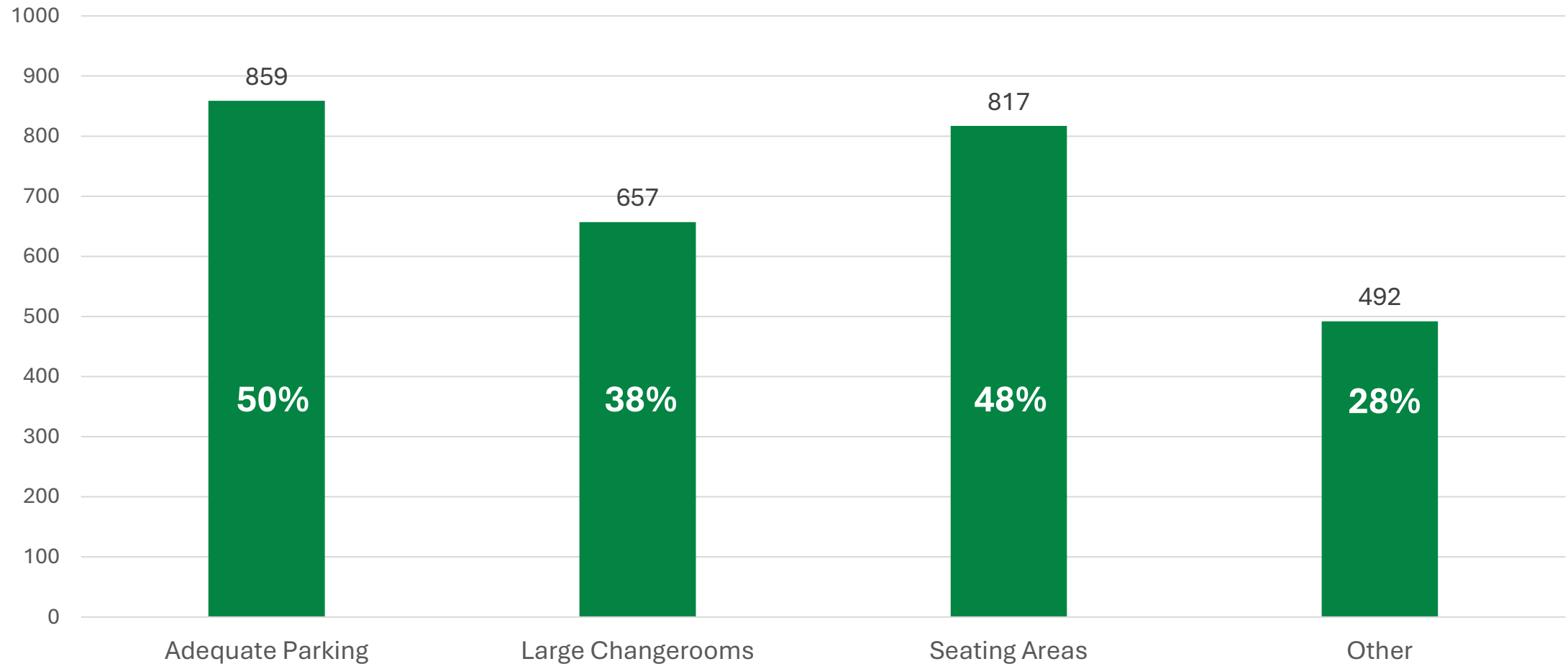
Q4. What do you not like about our current facilities?

- **Lack of availability** – specifically ice time and swimming lessons, comments that boy's hockey takes priority over girl's hockey and other ice sports
- **Aging, outdated facilities** – old, not keeping up with current standards
- **Lack of amenities** – want amenities not offered including outdoor pool, warm therapy pool, more pickleball courts
- **Accessibility** – poorly laid out facilities, stairs, narrow hallways, lack of family changerooms
- **Parking and Location** – parking issues at Southside Aquatic Centre, easier access to other rec facilities (difficulties due to limited budgets or lack of Sunday transit)
- **Recreation Program Availability** – capacity issues and lack of variety outside of traditional sports
- **Condition and Maintenance** – specifically Civic Arena and changerooms at all facilities

Other comments:

- complaints about paying for use of indoor walking track
- limited and inconvenient seating for spectators
- desire for curling to be included,
- desire for safe places and programs for youth

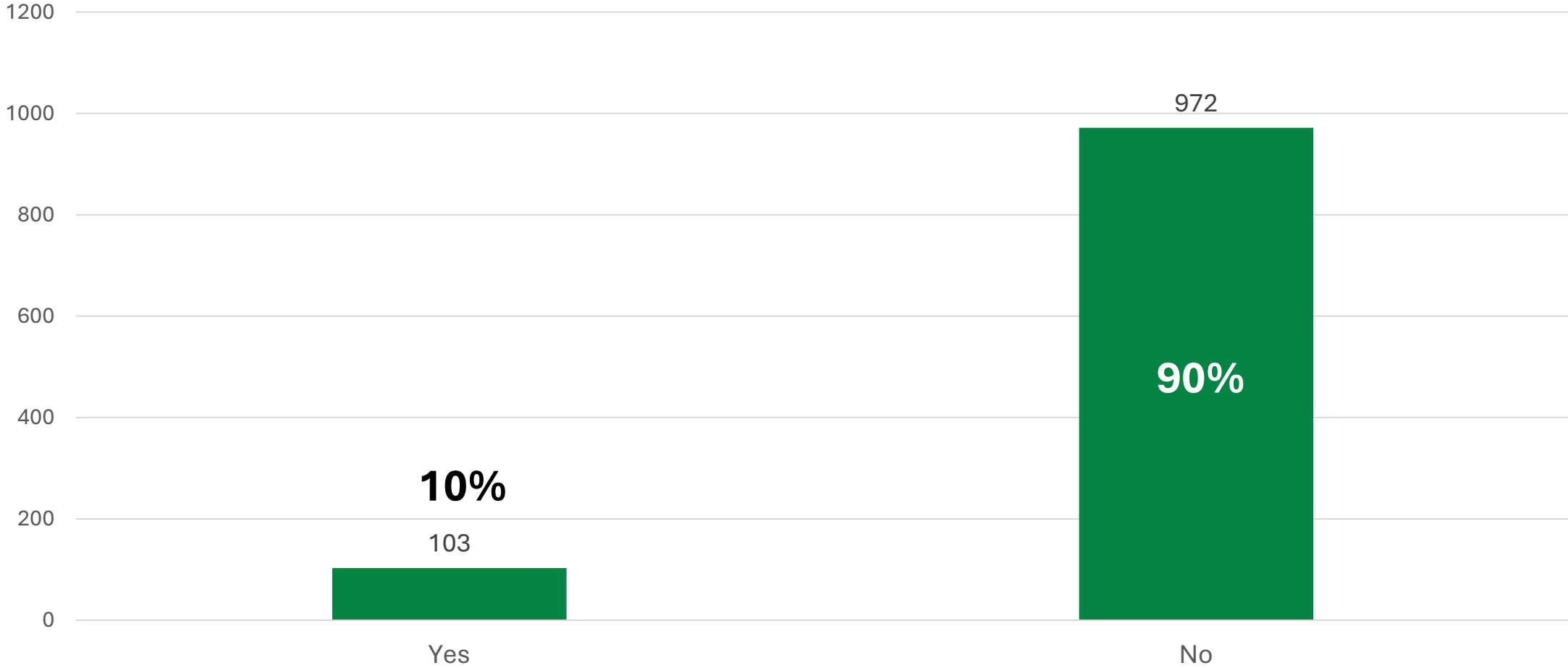
Q5. What types of features or amenities are important to provide a positive experience in our recreational facilities?



Q5. What features or amenities are important to provide a positive experience – Other responses:

- **Accessibility & Inclusivity** - Affordable pricing/free programs, accessible facilities for people with disabilities, accessible parking
- **Variety of Facilities & Programs** - Multi-purpose sports areas (basketball, soccer, swimming pool, fitness rooms), Community gathering spaces (lounges, meeting rooms, outdoor spaces), Classes & activities for all ages and interests
- **Safety & Cleanliness** - Well-maintained, clean and safe spaces
- **Specific Facility Features and Needs** - Additional ice pads, swimming pools, walking tracks, food and beverage (healthy options and support socialization), Childcare options and family-friendly facilities
- **User Comfort & Convenience** - Warm viewing areas, comfortable seating, clean facilities
- **Efficiency and Adaptability** - Multi-use spaces for different sports and community events, flexible spaces to accommodate changing needs
- **Community Engagement** – partner with local businesses, non-profit organizations, community hub / space, volunteering and youth leadership programs

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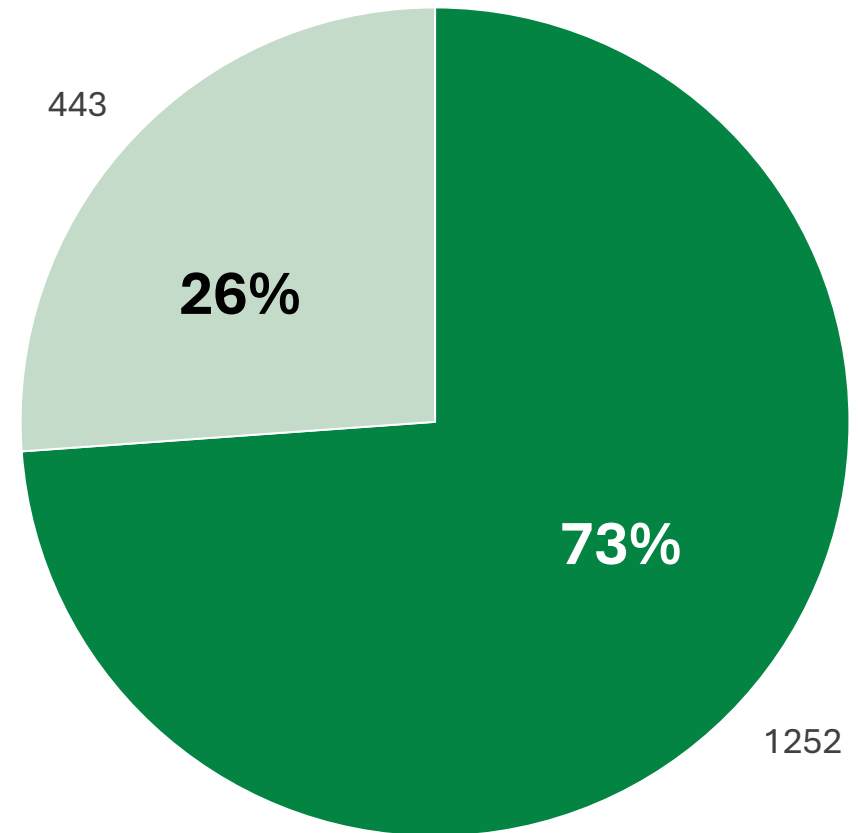
- 1. Expand Recreational Facilities** - desire for diverse sports facilities including lacrosse, cycling tracks, and squash/racquetball, additional facilities for less common sports (e.g., trampoline parks, climbing walls), improved and new curling facilities
- 2. Aquatic recreation** - demand for outdoor and indoor swimming pools and water parks, interest in aquatic fitness and competitive swim program
- 3. Variety of fitness opportunities that are also inclusive and accessible** - accessibility-focused designs for seniors and individuals with disabilities, low-cost/free options for fitness and exercise, variety of classes including Pilates, yoga, Zumba, and fitness for different age groups
- 4. Less common sport opportunities and leagues** – would like organized / community leagues and teams (e.g., volleyball, youth soccer, and basketball), badminton, pickleball, and boxing and family-focused programming
- 5. Community and cultural opportunities** - calls for classes and workshops (e.g., cooking, arts and crafts), interest in more cultural programs and community-focused events, demand for facilities that cater to both recreational and social gatherings
- 6. Youth programs** - increased demand for youth engagement activities and safe social spaces, sports and leisure programs tailored for children and teens, facilities aimed at youth fitness and development
- 7. Outdoor activities and amenities** - Interest in outdoor sports (e.g., beach volleyball, outdoor hockey rinks), need for benches, shaded areas, and environment-friendly design in parks
- 8. Multipurpose and innovative facilities** - facilities designed to cater to multiple activities at the same time, desire for innovative, energy-efficient designs and sustainability

Q7. How soon would you like to see work begin to build this facility?



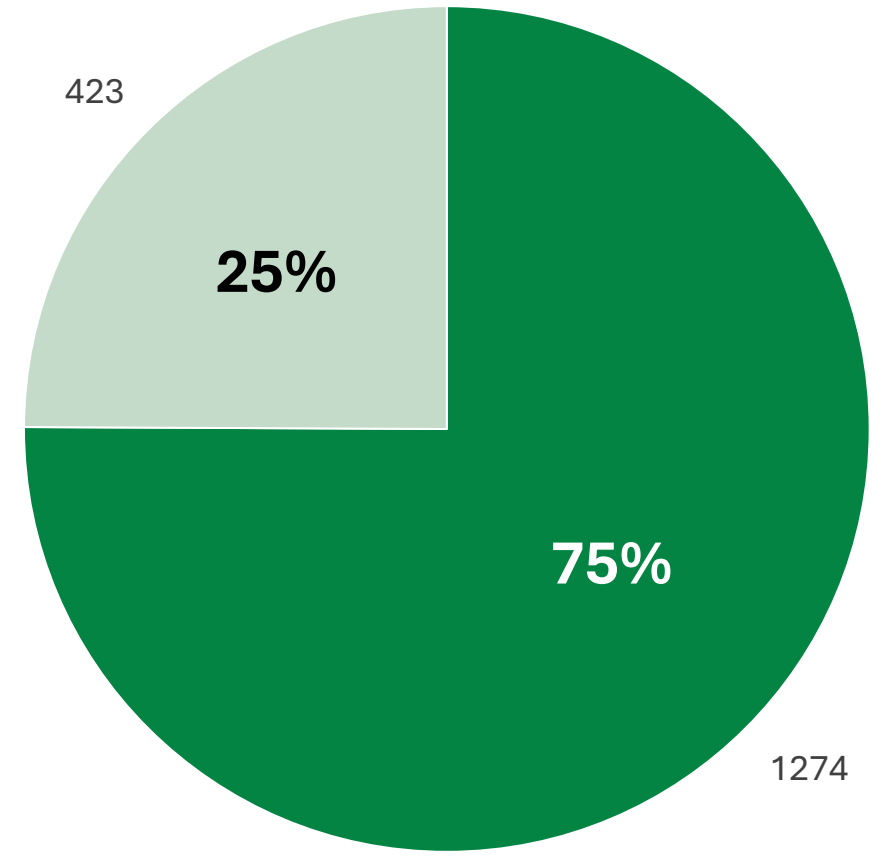
Q8. Would you rather:

- Build sooner with borrowed money
- Wait to build while building up savings



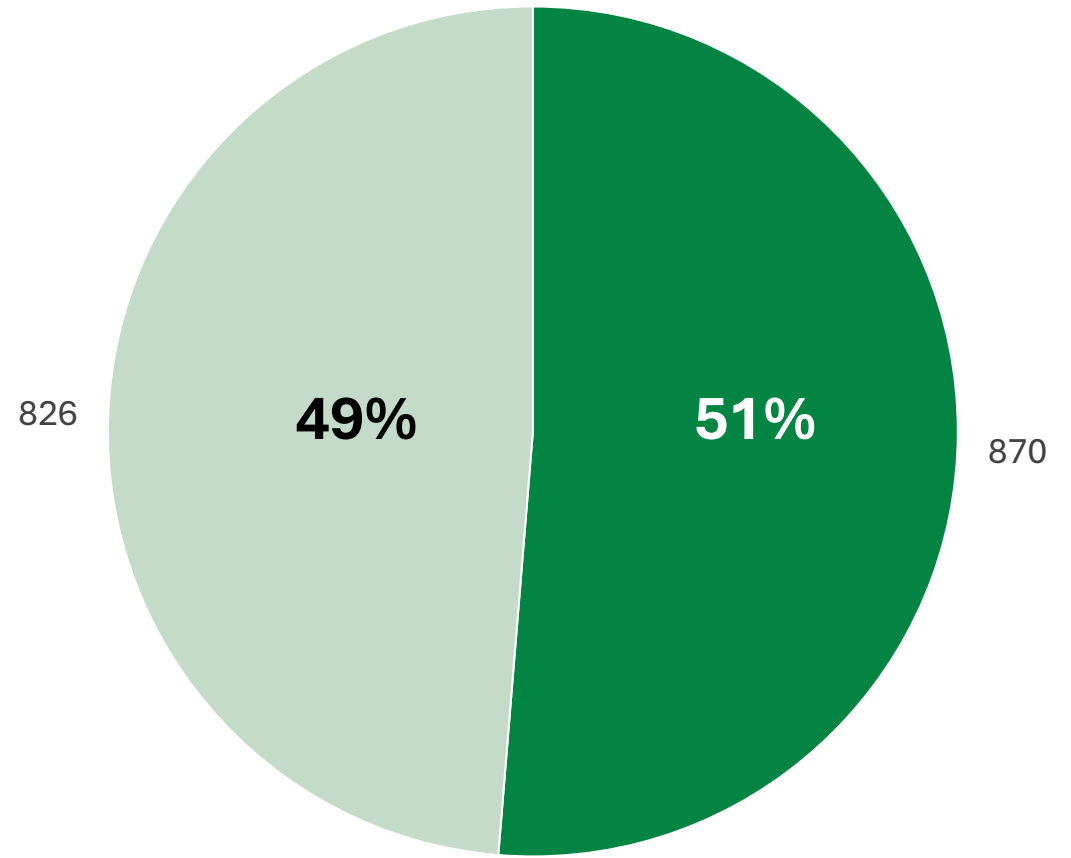
Q9. Would you rather:

- Build everything at once
- Prioritize the amenities and add on over time



Q10. Would you rather:

- Build a top end tournament facility
- Build a functional facility to serve the community



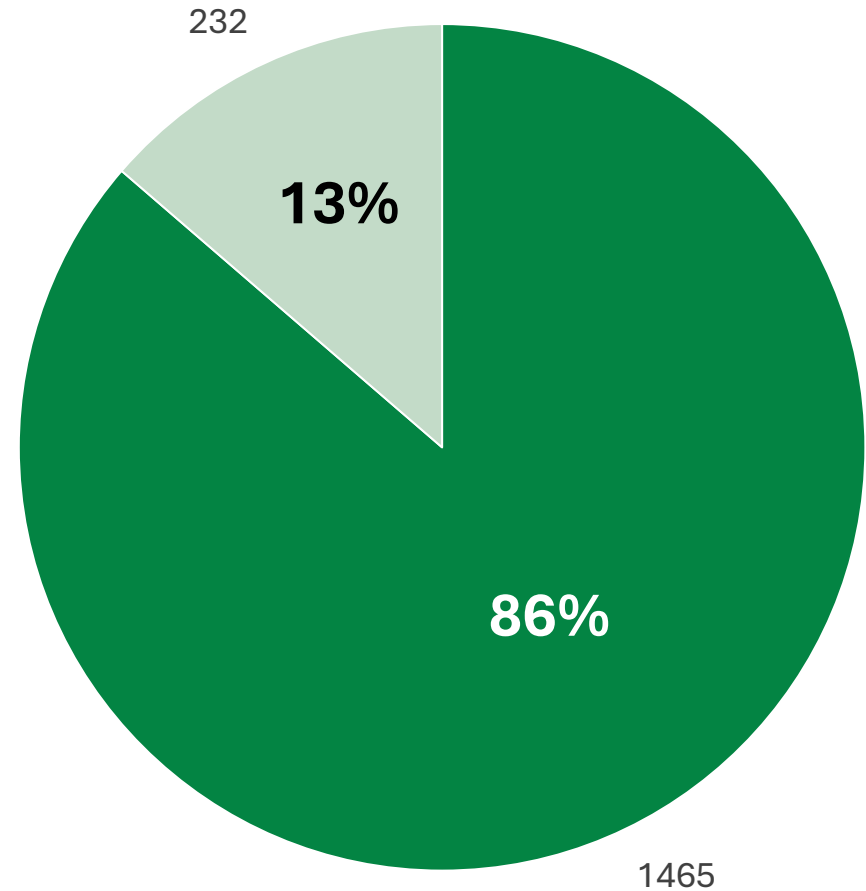
Q11. Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

- **Need for multi-purpose recreation facilities** – references to facilities in other communities, able to accommodate a variety of sports
- **Need to increase capacity** – highlighting lack of availability of swim times, pool features and ice (specifically for some user groups)
- **Costs** – comments about rising costs if push development off into the future, concerns about increase to already high taxes, suggestions to look for sponsors and fundraising
- **Balancing priorities** – comments about addressing homelessness first, some comments that money should have been spent on facility instead of downtown streetscape
- **Not just sports** – comments about the importance of social, cultural and artistic programs and amenities
- **Importance of community hubs** - that promote healthy lifestyles and social interaction and are inclusive, accessible and affordable for all
- **Look at best practices** – again, reference successes and failures of other communities

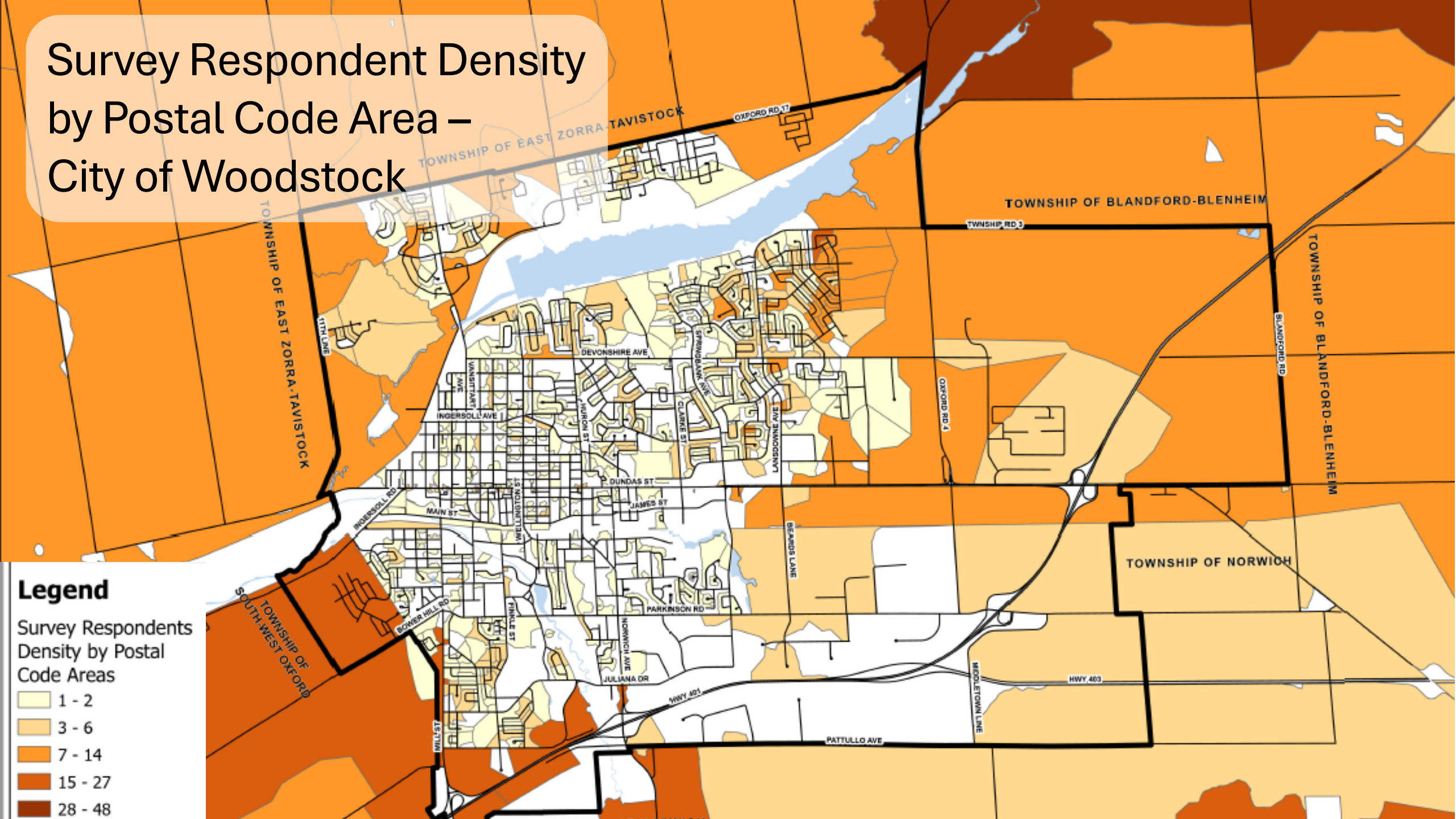
Q12. Do you live in Woodstock

■ Yes ■ No

Note: When comparing postal codes submitted with Canada Post list of Woodstock postal codes, there are 450 responses from non-Woodstock postal code.



Survey Respondent Density by Postal Code Area – City of Woodstock

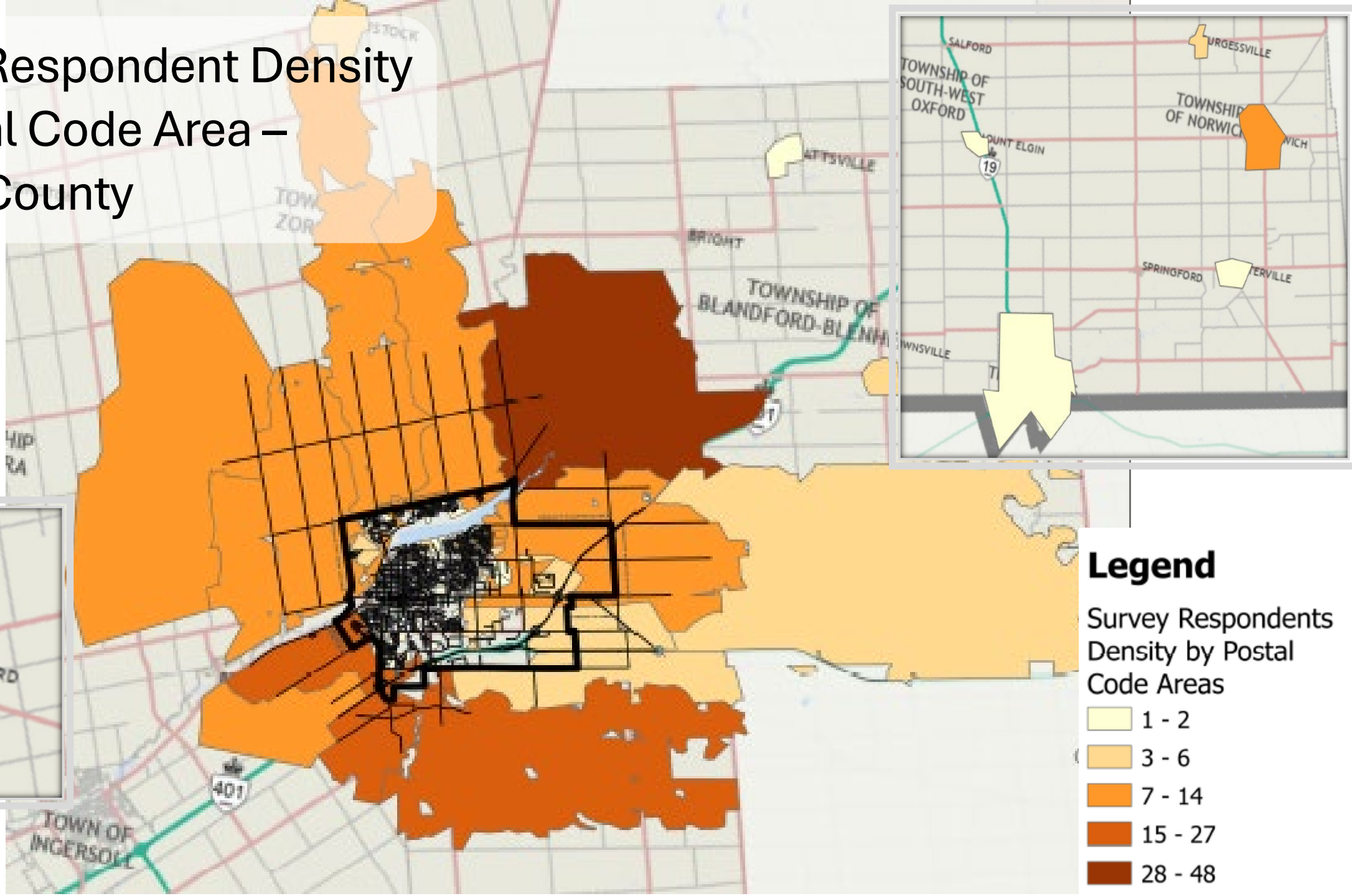


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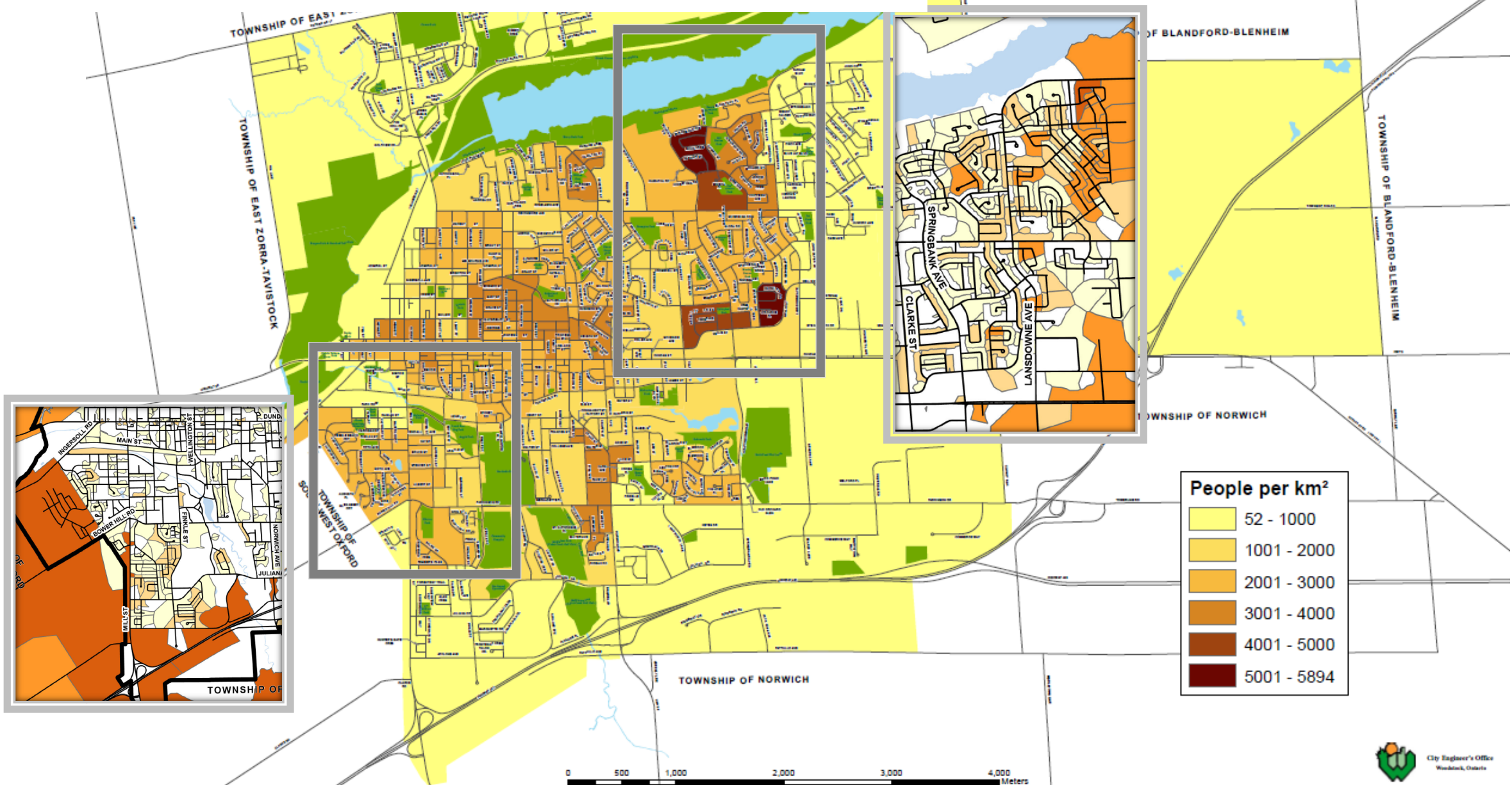
Survey Respondents
Density by Postal
Code Areas

- 1 - 2
- 3 - 6
- 7 - 14
- 15 - 27
- 28 - 48

Survey Respondent Density by Postal Code Area – Oxford County



Woodstock Population Density Compared to Respondent Postal Codes



People per km²

Lightest Yellow	52 - 1000
Yellow	1001 - 2000
Orange	2001 - 3000
Dark Orange	3001 - 4000
Brown	4001 - 5000
Darkest Brown	5001 - 5894

Questions?



North Woodstock Recreation Facility Survey Results - Open Ended Questions

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

2 ice pads

A good variety

A lot of parks.

Access to different programming

Access to recreation, sense of community

Accessibility

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Accessibility (except for availability). They are generally free or low cost, and most have plenty of parking.

Accessibility and cleanliness.

Accessibility and most open 7 days a week

Accessibility in the city where ever you are.

Accessibility, affordability, options of activities to stay active.

Accessibility, locations throughout the city.

Accessibility, programs offered

Accessibility. Variety of options.

Accessibility. Cleanliness.

Accessible locations clean and organized

Accessible, clean.

Activities for kids

Adequate parkinb

aesthetically, meh. theyre fine. but they dont look nice inside or out. cold and meh. they get the job done, and are functional.

Affordable entrance fees

Affordable swimming lessons Indoor/outdoor soccer

Affordable, family friendly

Affordable, good parking.

All facilities my family is looking for are available in Woodstock

All very clean and popular.

Allows socialization for adults

Always busy and lots of kids but also adults using them.

Always clean

Always clean

Always clean. usually maintained

Always well maintained

Amazing trail system. Good walking track at Cowan park

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Amenities at Cowan fields and indoor.

Ample parking, easy access.

Another indoor pool Lions pool closed do only one

Aqua fit

Aquafit class, yoga, uke class, battery recycle, soccer fields

AquaFit programs are excellent, doctor recommended & very well attended, sometimes too many people

Arena has two pads

Arenas, pool

At least the arena on Finkle has 2 pads but we need 2 more.

Availability

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Availability for free public skating. Very reasonably priced public swim program.

Available for those in rural Oxford county without facilities. Southside has unique outdoor and indoor facilities that are needed. Gymnastics program is incredible and one of best in southwestern ontario

Ball diamond well improved. Red pad nice venue for junior c games. Gymnastics club

Ball diamonds and bleachers are in good condition. BUT need porta potty at every diamond

Ball diamonds are beautiful. Indoor soccer is great facility.

Ball diamonds are beautiful. Need more rinks!!!

Ball diamonds are great we just need more. Civic centre is on its last legs and needs to be replaced immediately it's really an embarrassment to the city.

Ball diamonds are immaculately maintained! Arenas are clean and always run on time, good staff!

Ball diamonds are top notch

ball diamonds are upset very well

Ball diamonds are well kept

Ball diamonds well cared for. Walking track open a lot so easy walk regularly.

Ball parks are gorgeous, the best in Southern Ontario

Baseball diamonds and out four parks have really improved.

Baseball diamonds are extremely well maintained.

Baseball diamonds are in good shape & maintained well.

Baseball diamonds are in good shape. Janice and Rob are amazing to deal with at the complex

Baseball diamonds are kept in impeccable shape and are known and respected by other communities/larger centres. Arenas (complex) are kept clean and ice times are kept on schedule.

Baseball diamonds are some of the best diamonds around

Baseball parks in Woodstock are excellent. Very well kept

Beautiful, clean, well maintained and friendly staff

Being able to come to a safe place to play and watch sports for our kids, parking, clean facilities

Being able to offer multiple swim programs at the same time to allow my children of varying ages to attend at the same time.

Being able to take children to indoor pool and splash pads in the summer. Love cowan sportsplex with the indoor turf for children to run with fitness activities

Better pool. Southside ac is way too small. Needs updating.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Big rink

Both my girls play hockey and the complex is a great facility. It has ample parking and is in a convenient location. Southside swimming pool is also a great facility, but can be crowded. Now that the YMCA Nikki get has a pool, another community pool is needed.

Brings the community together & it's always growing

Broad range of programs, most facilities are accessible. Pricing of programs is generally reasonable.

Care of the facilities is great the staff are friendly. Lots of options for various sports.

Care of them. The trails are extremely well cared for.

Catered to young children Variety of activities

Central, in good repair, accessible

Civic Center has the best ice

Civic is dated and the complex isn't functional

Civic needs updating. Other facilities are adequate

Civic tends to have good ice for hockey.

Clean

Clean

Clean

Clean

Clean

Clean

Clean

clean - easy to access

Clean Double rink

Clean , friendly environment.

Clean , lots to do

Clean , lots to do

Clean , staff friendly. Reeves has pickleball court .

Clean and efficiently run

Clean and kept in good shape

Clean and maintained

Clean and organized

Clean and organized

Clean and plenty of parking

Clean and tidy Trails are great

Clean and well maintained

Clean and well staffed.

Clean and well-maintained

Clean and well-maintained. Not crowded and easy to register for a program with lots of spaces, for the most part.

Clean free ...watching my grandchildren

Clean, available,

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Clean, family friendly

Clean, good parking, great seating on red pad, good size change rooms, great staff, skate sharpening on site at complex

clean, in good shape

Clean, lots of options for programs

Clean, lots of parking and seating in most facilities

Clean, multi activities in one place

Clean, nice looking.

Clean, online booking, great staff.

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Clean, open, good ice

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Clean, safe, lots of options

Clean, updated lots of activities options.

Clean, variety

Clean, variety offered

Clean, well kept

Clean, well kept Friendly staff

Clean, well kept facilities.

Clean, well kept, convenient

Clean, well maintained.

Cleanliness

Cleanliness

Cleanliness

Cleanliness accessibility

Cleanliness and price is attainable for my family

Cleanliness, location

Cleanliness.

Close

Close by, lots of parking.

Close n convenient

Close proximity

Close proximity Great pool staff

Close proximity to my home

Close to home.

Close to home. Nice size indoor pool.

Close to home. Staff always helpful.

Close to town centre

combo spaces at Reeves, Cowan park with sports, trails and various facilities in one space

Community complex has a decent amount to offer

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Community Complex has a great large pad, washrooms and change rooms. Cowan Park has great soccer fields.
Community Complex is large and convenient
Community complex is multi functional and well kept .
Community engagement and activities
Complex - we like multiple purposes facilities. And it clean. 2 ice spaces that coloud be used all summer long.
Complex and ball diamonds very clean and well kept. Civic ice is the best!
Complex feels modern and well kept
Complex has pickleball, large hall . Arena is also good BUT we need more ice pads.
Complex is a decent facility
Complex is a nice facility , Civic Center is old and needs renovation, Southside Pool needs repair
Complex is convenient with having two pads. The okypics size rink is nice to play on.
Complex is fine aside from green pad not having enough or high stands to sit in.
Complex is good on the red pad side but not so good on the green pad side.
Complex is great, Civic needs upgrading
Complex is great. Seating is good for hockey
Complex with twin pads. Indoor soccer facilities. It seems that there are a lot of soccer fields and ball diamonds.
Convenience and common areas
Convenience, cleanliness
Convenience, fun for all of us. My whole family uses facilities 3x a week. We LOVED the wading pool.
Convenient
Convenient access. Part of good/competitive sports programs.
Convenient due to where I live
Convenient location, free parking
Convenient, people very friendly and activities that are available
Cost
Cowan indoor is good!
Cowan is a functional space. One additional gym (basketball, volleyball space) would be ideal. The turf and walking track are well maintained. At the complex, the arena is clean, warm and there is adequate seating at the red pad.
Cowan is a wonderful, newer facility.
Cowan park- clean, well designed Cowan fields- walking track, space for party rentals, indoor activities for small children Southside- the wading pool/ splash pad
Cowan park has a great space and with many options in one location Reeves complex great space and twin pads.
Cowan park has excellent parking as well as seating and change rooms
Cowan park is a nice facility.
Cowan park is close to my house, swimming lessons at Southside.
Cowan park is great, Reeves complex is great, the rest are dated
Cowan Park is well maintained

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Cowan park sportsplex summer camps and daily activities

Cowan Park Walking Track and Pickleball

Cowan parks multi purpose complex. (Walking track plus soccer fields plus gym)

Cowan sportsplex and reeves center are great facilities.

Cowan Sportsplex is a great indoor facility with lots of essential features. The track, however, is small. Reeves, which our family with young kids, is decent. It is much preferred when we are playing out of town at arenas that offer a walking track, a proper warm up space for teams, and a bar/restaurant for parents and families to enjoy during/between/after games and practices.

-Cowan sportsplex running track provides parents/families the ability to be active while present for birthday parties or soccer events -Reeves has adequate parking -Easy access to public skating

Cowen sportplex is amazing and the outdoor spaces are great/ well taken care of.

Cowen sportplex is such a huge asset to our community and I love how well fields and parks are taken care of. Southside splash pad is amazing.

Crowded

Current amenities are located in all areas of the city so everyone has equal access opportunities

Daily lane swim opportunities Enjoyed opportunities to play pick up hockey during the years that I could physically do so

Decent amount of parking. Staff do a great job to maintain the facilities within the current limitation and age of buildings.

Decent amount of trails, having an indoor pool

Decent hours

Decent soccer facility, with many fields.

Decent up keep,

Decently maintained

Deep water aquafit

Double ice pads

Double pads at Reeves Community Complex

Dressing rooms are good sizes at reeves

Drop in classes and programs for young kids

Drop in programming, fun ways for kids to be active

Drop in programs for toddlers Paid programs - skating, gymnastics, swimming lessons

Drop in sessions at Cowan, splash pads.

Each has its own style, they aren't all the same.

Ease of access Clean

Ease of access, cost

Ease of accessibility

Ease of use

Ease to get to.

Easily accessible from where I live in Woodstock. Reasonably priced to access.

easy access

Easy access Lots of parking Good maintenance

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Easy access and easy parking

Easy distance

Easy to access, affordable

Easy to access, good/ample parking for bigger vehicles and many vehicles, clean, offer various/multiple programs/facilities at most sites.

Easy to get to

Easy to navigate

Easy, free parking. Washroom facilities, clean parks

Employees are kind

Enjoy walking track at Cowan park.

Everything except for the Civic is modern, well managed, first class facilities

Everything is at one place

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Everything is local .

Everything is well taken care of except for southside swimming pool and civic arena.

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Excellent for young families

Expansive. Outdoor parka and trails in every neighborhood. They are accessible.

Facilities are looked after and well used.

Facilities are well maintained.

Fairly new/well maintained for the most part

Family fun

Family oriented, provides recreational opportunities for all, clean, staff work hard to maintain facilities

Fantastic

Feeling of community

Flexible times, cost

Focus on rejuvenating our current facilities, as well as adding an indoor pool, noting that our population growth is significant this is greatly needed. Smaller communities have somehow managed to have facilities that far surpass ours.

Free public skating making it a great active outing for families with cost of living going up. Love the splash pads for kids to keep cool

Free skating

Free splash pad options

Free use, well maintained, quality construction

free, clean

Friendly but, We currently need MORE!

Friendly staff

Friendly staff

Friendly staff

Friendly staff

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Friendly staff and well maintained
Friendly staff that keep things clean
Friendly staff, The new and improved baseball fields within our community.
Friendly staff, a lot of activities for the family.
Friendly staff, ease of access to programs
Friendly staff, great operational hours
Friendly staff, programming
Friendly staff.
General cleanliness
Generally good facilities for residents to participate in any activity they want.
Generally in good condition for all. Ball diamonds especially look great. They feel accessible as well.
Generally kept clean. Fit for purpose.
Generally Well Maintained. Southside park ball diamonds are excellent.
Getting the kids out and being active.
Gives my son something to do
Gives the kids something to do thats affordable
Gives us activities to take part in as a family with small children.
Giving kids the opportunity to be busy and active.
Glad to have an indoor pool...even though it is showing its age and needs major repairs.
Good , free parking (Reeves) Variety of programs
Good amount of parking. Buildings are kept clean. Available spectator viewing seats of arena ice are in the warm section.
Good atmosphere
Good but need updating
Good facilities and good programs
Good hard ice in arenas.
Good hockey and skating programs for both boys and girls. Free public skating.
Good locations
Good locations throughout the City Good summer camp programs for kids
Good organized competitive sports, convenient location.
Good parking, easy access. Clean
Good programs
Good size Dressing rooms
Good staff. Adequate facilities.
Good stuff and decent quality
Good variety
Good variety of facilities. Facilities well maintained.
Great access and staff at Southside
Great ball diamonds. Complex ice is good - large surface particularly
Great baseball diamonds

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Great baseball diamonds

Great facilities and staff

Great facilities offer good amount of recreational activities but we are growing and need more in this town to offer!!

Great facilities only one I use is splash pad at southside park for my child

Great facilities, just need more to support the demand here.

Great for everyone to have access

Great for keeping our children busy. Reeves is great.

Great for my baby and to get out with family and friends

Great hours, affordable

Great job on the ball diamonds, they are great for adult rec leagues.

Great outdoor sports fields in that get kept in great condition. Indoor facilities are also kept in good shape

Great park and trail options!

Great seating

Great staff

Great staff at Southside Aquatic Centre.

Great staff, clean, welcoming, fairly good hours

Great trail system, a variety of sporting activities for youth and adults.

Great trails, lots of outdoor space.

Great variety

Green pad at reeves and civic are a good size and the ice is usually good Outdoor ball diamonds are decent. Walking trails are nice

Gymnastics room, observation area

Happy that we have services available and with reasonable price points.(Would love more pickle ball and lane swim times though) Love the Sauna at Southside!! Please don't take it away!!

Having close accessible resources for my kids.

Having proper allocated space is very important which most facilities have, I would exclude the Civic centre in regards to space however. Cleanliness is always exceptional in all facilities.

Having something is better than nothing

Heaters at the civic. View of Reeves Red pad. Cowan Park indoor soccer field is beautiful.

Hours of operation and that fact that we even have 1 pool.

How clean they are kept

How close they are to my house.

how large they are, yall keep them maintained well too

How well they are upkeep and maintained.

I am a regular cutlery and would like a curling area to be included.

I am thankful that we have them. I have four kids that all take swimming lessons, play hockey, play rep baseball, indoor soccer during the winter and I run on the walking track.

I can swim year around since mobility issues leave me limited to what exercise I can do

I don't like our facilities ! Look at what other cities have and Woodstock is pathetic

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

I dont like my tax dollars spent in things I'll never use. Such as the money used from the sale of the local puc that belonged to the citizens of woodstock and was stolen and used for projects like this

I enjoy the clean friendly environment of our current facilities and all the activities the city provides for children.

I enjoy the trail systems.

I enjoy the walking trails.

I enjoy watching skating/hockey. I used to love that the gym club was there too. I really like facilities that have. Multitude of activities for the whole family (arenas, off ice areas to stretch and warmup, gymnastics, pools, walking tracks, sports store, gym for pickle ball/basketball/off ice training, fitness area).

I go to the pool 5 times a week very enjoyable.

I have spent the most time at Reeves Community Complex - the red pad is a beautiful pad with comfortable seating and a lot of capacity.

I like being able to give my kids the opportunity to try new sports and other programs

I like having twin pads at Reeves Community complex.

I like how the one has an indoor walking track great for winter months and nice as a mom to have it stroller friendly!

I like swimming programs for all ages. I like the trails. Soccer and baseball.

I like that Cowan Park has 4 pickleball courts I enjoy the walking track I enjoy the family skating that is offered at Reeves Enjoy taking grandkids to splash parks

I like that I can have my children enrolled in separate activities within the same building (Reeves).

I like that it gives are youth a place to play sports and hangout with their peers.

I like that some still exist but they seem to be dwindling with no replacements planned/in sight for the foreseeable future which is very unfortunate.

I like that the arena has more than one pad, more would be better. Cowan sports complex is well maintained

I like that the facilities are available to the public, and I especially like sponsored public skating for free for my family.

I like that the new Cowan Fields is a multi-purpose area: baseball, walking paths, splash pad, picnic area etc - even more in that one area would be great. It's nice to see different ages/races/genders all coming together to use the space differently etc. Cowan Park is similarly multi-purpose but indoor - again, nice to see different groups all using one space for different purposes (soccer, walking, kids turf time volleyball etc).

I like that the Reeves complex has two pads.

I like that there are diverse recreational opportunities available for youth.

I like that there is ample parking and facilities are easy to get to in different areas of the city.

I like that there is two pads at the reeves arena

I like that they are trying to have something for everyone.

I like that they exist, and that we at least have some options available. I enjoy taking my kids to the parent tot turf time at Cowan park. I like that swimming lessons are available, and adult aquafit. I take my kids to the parent tot free skates occasionally, which is fun.

I like that they offer something for all of my family members. We use the rinks for skating and hockey. We wish we used the pool more, it's just not convenient and with both of us parents working it can make it hard.

I like that they're available and affordable. They leave a lot to be desired though.

I like that they're available. My wife and kids use them.

I like that we have 3 ice pads , but feel we need more.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

I like that we have 3 ice pads, though we need more

I like that we have a softer floor at Cowan to play volleyball on. I like that the civic isn't overly crowded so it's a good place to have men's league and pick up hockey.

I like that we have an indoor walking trek and free family skating

I like that we have them!

I like that we have these great facilities in our community. They are clean and well taken care of. I also like that if needed there is always staff around to help.

I like that Woodstock offers a wide variety of activities and facilities that are kept clean and functional for youth and families in our community.

I like that's it's close to home .

I like the atmosphere of Southside but it needs updates. Love the parks in the neighborhood. We recently purchased a home so don't have a full years experience here yet.

I like the complex big pad. The city cheaped out on the other pad.

I like the fact that the existing facilities are already paid for.

I like the indoor space at Cowan Sportsplex including the gymnasium and turf.

I like the layout of the complex and how easy it is to get to the ice, less stair would be nice. I like south side park with the amount of ball diamonds and things to do.

I like the opportunity to teach our four daughters the importance of being active and the many positive skills that come with playing team sports (hockey and baseball)

I like the options, there usually always something to do.

I like the pool access, one pool is not enough, I do miss the outdoor pool I use the curling rink 3 times a week-not mentioned above but am adding as a source of recreation that is very popular in our city

I like the reeves centre and would like to see additional hockey arena done this way

I like the seating in the red pad at Reeves Community Complex

I like the size of the arena pads at Reeves community complex . The Civic Centre arena has good ice for hockey but the facility is very poor, run down, small and poorly designed. Embarrassing as the host team for games.

I like the splash pads as well as the reeves hockey arena

I like the swimming lessons offered at Southside, the walking track and turf time offered at Cowan Sportsplex and the ice rinks at the Community Complex.

I like the usability of Reeves.

I like the variety of facilities for different sports.

I like the variety of things each one can offer

I like the walking track, the pool staff, trails are always lovely as well as the parks and splash pads in the summer are always well maintained.

I like the walking track, we love swimming lessons, we really appreciate the outdoor and indoor hockey rinks. They're all conveniently located and with the exception of Southside, have good parking. I love that Goff/Reeves is a multi use facility.

I like them could use more

I like what they have to offer

I like when they are assessable to all/ inclusive

I liked Southside spray and play.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

I liked that they are all pretty updated and they have really nice staff.

I love Cowen sportplex and the outdoor parks.

I love reeves complex. It's very clean, ample parking, lots of pickleball times. Free skating for public and adults.

I love south side pool. Wish there were others

I love that reeves complex is a huge community hub that also economically contributes to the community. (Tournaments bring tons of people to hotels, vendors, recreational businesses, food places).

I love the aquatic Centre and their splash pad in the summer. A pool is necessary for our kids and we need more than just small little splash pads that end up getting used by the homeless as showers.

I love the bright airiness of most city facilities that I use. Parking is great also.

I love the community complex

I love the indoor pool Miss an outdoor pool

I love the outdoor wave pool at the Southside aquatic center for kids. My family from all over come to our town with their kids to visit and use it.

I love the sense of community the trail system, ball diamonds and park areas help foster. Would be nice for the city to have more amenities.

I love the southside splash pad. The life guards are amazing, and it did wonders for teaching my kids to swim. It is also in a convenient location. I also like the parking lot entrance avoiding the use of changerooms and encouraging wearing your suit to the park. The depth of the water around the castle is the perfect depth. Also since it has been free it is such a good way to cool off on a hot day.

I love the splash pad at Cowan and my son and I like to go to the open turf time during the week. We've gone skating at Reeves community centre.

I only have used Southside Pool and sometimes Cowan walking track

I really like reeves community complex

I really only use the trails for walking. They used to have more milkweed lining them but that seems to have been removed. I only go to give blood or attend the volunteer/Rec & Leisure fairs at the Complex.

I think existing recreation facilities offer a lot of great benefits! They provide a space for people to get active, socialize, and unwind. Many have diverse offerings, from sports fields and gyms to walking tracks and community rooms, so there's something for everyone. They also often serve as hubs for events and programs that build a sense of community.

I think having more indoor walking places and maybe even running as well! A place that is more separated and catered to both the "elder" and the young moms with stroller. I also think that more arenas and abilities to have more public skating at decent hours. Another great attraction would be more of an indoor water park feel! Have a pool and splash pad or something inside so the kids can do more than just swim!

I think they are located very far from my house in Old West Woodstock. It's hard to sign up for activities because the website does not always work.

I use Woodstock Badminton Club. Good hours, lots of different levels of play. Bike trails including Hickson Trail, Silver Trail and Roth Park

I used all facilities when my children were younger. I appreciated easy access, cleanliness, hours, and staff. But hockey ice was not equitable between boys and girls teams-- should have been allocated by rep/level, not gender

I would use them more but all my kids are adults now. When they were younger we utilized all of them. Liked everything about them

Ice is in great condition. arena staff are helpful

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Ice rinks, courts to play pickle ball would love more ice rinks and courts similar to Brantford

Ice surfaces, pickle ball courts, ball diamonds are beautiful

Icetime

Indoor at Cowan is a great facility. Also football field at Cowan is awesome.

Indoor basketball court

Indoor facilities are well maintained and accessible, outdoors also well maintained including washrooms and ball diamonds. Very little little in outdoor rec spaces

Indoor facilities is very important. Extra rooms that can be used for other events or can be rented by citizens

Indoor Pickleball courts are good quality and inexpensive

Indoor play area for kids in Cowan park Only swimming pool southside

Indoor pool

Indoor pool Southside but would be nice to have indoor track this side of town

Indoor pool, indoor walking track.

Indoor pool, walking rack, indoor soccer pitch

Indoor pools are great

Indoor swimming at Southfield aquatic. Trail at Cowan fields. Would love to have another indoor pool at Cowan fields. And tennis courts.

Indoor swimming pool with 25 meter lanes and a deep end. Sauna is a great Feature.

-indoor tracks -memberships -more then one option in one facility -reasonable parking

Indoor turf - warm, clean

Indoor turf for winter training sessions.

Indoor turf is nice Pool

Indoor Walking track

Indoor walking track, Cowan is kept reasonably clean

Integrated into community programming

It gives both children and adults something to do, and encourages community togetherness.

It gives people the opportunity to be active

It has water

It offers an indoor alternative for the community (especially during the winter months)

It's the only pool we have.

It's well maintained

Kept clean

Kid friendly, affordable or free to use

Large change rooms at both arenas.

Large sports field are nice? They are Well maintained.

Like 2 pads at Complex

Like indoor play options for young kids. Like the multiple trail options.

Like reeves cc... easy to use and accessible for all Cowan park is a great facility with variety of options for all Ball diamonds are awesome as well

Like the options as a new resident to woodstock

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Like the public times such as free skates, public swims turf time etc

Limited for the population

located within the city

Location

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Location Easy to get in and out (reeves) Well maintained fields (soccer and baseball fields)

location across the whole of Woodstock

Location and cleanliness.

Location of reeves

Location, clean, hours

Location, cleanliness

Location, how well they are kept up and the variety.

Location, the lions pool is perfectly located within a residential area. I like the community connection.

Locations

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Locations are fairly central

Locations are good. Parking is good.

Locations are well thought out

Looking at the growth of the city and her surroundings population wise, it doesn't provide enough opportunities

Lots of drop in programming for kids

Lots of history. Council should open their eyes and reevaluate their decisions to close lions pool. Parking was never an issue. The closing of lions pool was clearly motivated by some councillors own self-serving interests. Any excuse they could find was used to close lions pool and funnel the money into down town - which no one wants or uses - except for councillors who have businesses in the down town core.

Lots of hockey rinks.

Lots of kids programming and also adult programming. I like the walking track at Cowan park.

Lots of options

Lots of options, and free activities (swimming, skating, etc)

Lots of parking

Lots of parking & some what convenient to get to. Complex centre has lots of amenities, booth, skate sharpening, vending machines, lots of seating

Lots of parking at Reeves Complex. Trails are beautiful.

Lots of parking at Reeves for most events

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Lots of parking, spacious hockey change rooms, warmer seating for people watching

Lots of recreation options for children, youth, and their families.

Lots of seating for big venues,

Lots of trail options

Lots of trails are great. Arena upgrade is a necessity.

Love Cowan, wish there were more options, especially for swimming or skating.

Love our trails and all of our facilities,

LOVE the ball diamonds, space and seating

Love the multiple locations, I.e ice rink, my husband uses both locations each week, splash pads, the kids like to try new ones so we cycle through in the summer

Love the splash pad at Cowen fields and the walking trails. Also love the water park connected with south side aquatic centre

Love the splash pad behind Southside pool. It's the best in the region. Love walking track at Cowan Park.

Love the trails

Love the trails could always use more trails

Love the trails!

Love the Woodstock trail system!

Love the work that has been put into the ball diamonds at Southside. It's beautiful

Love using the trails for walks with the dog and kids especially roth park feels well kept and safe clean and easy to use

Low cost, generally accessible, gymnastics club, special features like the SAC Spray & Play with awesome slide (that has sadly now been cancelled)

Majority of our facilities are located in accessible areas.

Many are well maintained in working order

Many different sporting options

Many locations

Meeting some needs but we need a pool and jobs for youth and summer students.

Mist of the staff

Modern facilities and well kept, clean

Modern, clean, well kept.

More space need for student sports like more seats

Most are in good shape

Most are well kept and clean and user friendly

Most facilities are clean, location for parents to sit to watch their kids play, parking, location to fill up water bottles, walking track at the Cowan.

Most facilities are newer and up to date

Most facilities are well kept and provide the services to the best of their ability

Most of the facilities have good availability with times that suit our needs. Most facilities are well kept.

Mostly well maintained

Multi functional, relatively clean plus friendly staff

Multi use

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Multiple ice pads at one site, multiple diamonds at one site, multiple soccer fields at one site. Clean bathrooms.
Multi-purpose, lots of parking, clean. Staff are great!
My family and I enjoy the trails around the city and my children love the splash pads.
My favourite is the beautiful trails the city has. We have an abundance of really good ones.
My grandchildren enjoy visiting the free splash pads in town when they visit. We book the covered pavillion by the splash pad at Cowan each year for our family picnic as well.
My kids love swimming. It keeps them active
N/A
n/a
N/A
NA
NA
Near by
Neat and clean.
Need a new Double Pad Arena. Need an updated pool complex with a much better viewing area.
Need an all in one. 4 ice pads. Pool, courts etc
Need at least two more hockey rinks.
Need more arenas
Need more arenas
Need more ice pad(s) Better rental system and fees Advertising
Need more pickle ball courts
Need more spaces. Gymnastics club needs better viewing.
Need updating and cleaning - Southside Pool facility is very dirty
New ones are nice
New, updated, ample parking
Newer, up to date, friendly and inviting
Nice and clean
Nice ball diamonds but too bad pavillion not open
nice outdoor facilities. cowan park sportsplex is nice.
Nicely maintained, spread out through out the city.
No indoor tennis and the pickleball rules, times and courts are bad I used the badminton clubs instead.
Not a lot, I tried to call about pickle ball and no one got back to me. The public service is really lacking and fees just to walk around the track is disappointing. I pay enough taxes for Woodstock to support a proper recreational facility
Not a whole lot to be honest
Not a whole lot. Civic centre add aquatic centre very outdated
Not big enough
Not much
not much
Not much

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Not much

Not much pretty run down these days

Not much too out dated.

Not much.

Not much. If you had a look around at other cities you would quickly realize our sporting facilities are light years behind. Maybe not ball diamonds. Seems like that's all this city cares about. Dumping boat loads of money into diamonds. But we have the worse arenas around. Both are a joke.

Not much. Will sorely miss the spray and play wading pool.

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing

Nothing not used

Nothing they all are severely lacking.

Nothing they do not have what is needed in them. There is too many of them scattered throughout the city

Nothing, need an out door pool

Nothing, someone with no knowledge of hockey designed Reeves CC

Nothing. One rink is falling apart and the other should never have been built with Olympic size ice.

Nothing. Outdated. Embarrassing to be host team at. Run down. Layouts are awful

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Nothing. Outdated. Small

Nothing. They are outdated compared to other smaller cities.

Nothing. They keep closing. The YMCA lost their pool the Lions pool which was historical is being shut down. Everything we have in Woodstock is meant for little kids nothing for teenagers.

Nothing. We need something that has something for ALL AGES. we need a gym in the north side of town for all the people living in this area. An outdoor track would be great. Cowan park is so easy for everyone to access it can be such a great facility for so many people.

Nothing. We use the pool because it's the only one and it's not great - the water is ice cold and the free swim hours are inconvenient.

Open space in pool lane slot times

Open space. Lots of parking. Lots of bathrooms

Options to do things in our city Trails , diamonds , soccer fields and indoor field are great for our community

Organized and clean

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Original intent behind the facilities was great, but meant for a community that was 25,000 - 40,000 when they were built.

Other centers constantly tell us how amazing how our diamonds are. Top notch! Well done!

Our ball diamonds are some of the best in SW Ontario.

Our baseball diamonds are amazing. The clay diamonds are always kept in great shape. The complex is also excellent.

Our family most often utilize baseball diamonds and basketball courts, which are usually outdoors as the games are often in school facilities. For the most part the diamonds we use are good; Sutherland could use updating and the Complex (back diamond specifically) is unsafe with the sun in the face of fielders.

Outdoor ball diamonds are well maintained

Outdoor facilities are great, spacious

Outdoor splash pads especially southside wading pool. Cowan park, parking at southside pool

Parking

Parking

Parking at complex is great, facilities are generally well staffed and have friendly people.

Parking at the arenas.

Parking is adequate for most of the facilities. The ball facilities are amazing. Some of the best in the region I've seen.

Parking is good.

Parking is more than adequate but that's about it. Skate shop at the complex is about the only good thing there.

Parking is nice and it's nice to see it's always being used.

Parks and trails

Parks are excellent. Variety, well maintained.

Parks are great. Well maintained and many options. Ball diamonds are being upgraded and get great use. Fields get use as well.

Paved trails

Pay-per-use is reasonably priced. Nice facilities. Friendly staff.

Pickleball

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Pickleball

Pickleball courts

Pickleball courts at park row park.

Pickleball, well maintained trails

Playgrounds/ outdoor facilities

Pleasant staff

Plenty of activities for kids

Plenty of seating on the red ice pad for hockey. Civic offers a great ball hockey experience. Having a small store for drinks and snacks on-site at the arena is nice. Walking track above the indoor soccer fields and having tot time is great.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Pool
Pool
Pool and arenas
Pool is nice, but could use of tlc
Pool, ball diamonds
Pools Accessibility
Poor maintenance, never enough room or seating at the aquatic centre and never enough change rooms at the aquatic centre sence swim lessons always over lap so you have people trying to come and people are going and it's very hectic
Pretty clean and easily accessible
Price
Price and location
Programming is fantastic
Programming, drop in for younger kids, cleaniness
Provides entertainment and exercise for children
Provides our children will sport opportunities.
Proximity to home
Proximity to my house. Parking
Proximity to our home
Quality is second to none in terms of ball diamonds and southwood red pad.
Rarely crowded. Most facilities are still adequate for their intended purposes.
Reasonable costs
Red pad at the complex is a great facility for Woodstock
Reeves - I like that there are multiple facilities in one place. Twin pads makes it possible for more events to happen. The small kiosks are a great addition. Especially for skate sharpening. Civic - all the old team banners and a place for the wildcats to call home. Excellent parking space
Reeves and Civic is terrible! Change rooms are terrible. Viewing is terrible on the green pad. Concession is terrible. We should do better! Woodstock has a sleeping giant in its hockey that could bring lots of people and money to the city!!
Reeves and Cowan are both nice, clean indoor facilities that offer a lot of activities and rental spaces for both sports and parties/events. Cowan's indoor walking track is great for aging population, exercise during the winter and warm up options for the sports teams.
Reeves and Cowan Sportsplex are nice facilities. Reeves has good sized change rooms and good seating for spectators.
Reeves arena is a nice building that does the job well of being the main hockey arena in Woodstock. Represents the city well. Is generally clean and ice is decent.
Reeves community centre is amazing and spacious. And cowen soccer fields are great and well taken care of.
Reeves community centre is large and well planned out
Reeves Community Complex and all the baseball diamonds are top facilities when compared to other city centres
Reeves community complex is a multi sport and multi use facility.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Reeves Community complex is a nice facility.

Reeves community complex, offers a few different recreation options, New splash pad looks nice good location, ball diamonds seem fairly well maintained

Reeves community has great ice surfaces but the small rink needs more seating.

Reeves complex has a great functional layout with lots of parking and change room facilities

Reeves complex is a solid facility Civic has good ice

Reeves Complex is fantastic but hard to book ice time in non prime hours over Christmas

Reeves complex is good, ball diamonds in town are good as well. Love all the trails as well

Reeves complex is great.

Reeves complex red pad and lobby are spacious. Cowan park is a quality space and great to have the track use while kids have practice.

Reeves has great ice surfaces.

Reeves is a great facility with lots of parking and dressing rooms

Reeves is a nice Arena, especially for hockey families. The sportsplex walking track is nice.

Reeves is a nice newer facility

Reeves is alright, red pad is obviously preferred over green. The lighting upgrades on both pads was long overdue. Southside pool is alright

Reeves is great, Cowan Sportsplex is great, Civic is terribly outdated and cold as hell but better than not having it.

Reeves is nice. Needs a bar.

Reeves is the only good one.

Safe walking track

Seating at the arenas

Seating at the arenas

Seem to be well maintained, other than civic centre and lions pool. Safe. Good options available. Great trails.

Seems like there is a lot of variety for citizens of Woodstock.

Sense of community

Sentimental

Setup

Soccer fields and ball diamonds well taken care of

Soccer fields indoor and out, pool, outdoor and indoor track

Soccer is not getting the respect it deserves. We should have several outdoor turf fields. Shameful we don't have them by now

Soccer park indoor turf walking track

Some are accessible to public transport. I see it is also clean from afar.

Some are free which is nice for everyone, the prices for the ones that aren't free are not terribly priced

Some are visually appealing.

some of them are well kept

Something for everyone... budget friendly... variety of options... all ages... family friendly

Something for the kids to do!

Something is better than nothing

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

South side pool Needs a lot Of work. Another descent indoor pool would be great. Outdoor would Be better.

Southside is great! It is modern with several indoor activity options. Cowan sportsplex is great and offers options for all ages, birthdays, seniors.

Southside park is amazing for our toddler to play at, most other parks do not have the stuff for the smaller kids. Makes them not usable right now. Outside soccer fields are also good in the summer.

Southside Pool USED to be great. The ball diamonds look great but I do not use them. My husband plays volleyball at Cowan Park and he likes playing there. Nice addition for the court-dividing nets. He also plays hockey at Reeves and enjoys it. I thought it was a well-designed building! Walking track is a good feature at Cowan too. Is there an ultimate frisbee league that plays there? If not, I can see that being a hit with the young adults in the community.

Southside splash and wading pool Arena Red pad - warmer, nice, ample seating

Southside splash pad is the best around. Fun for all ages.

Southwood arena is a great facility but does not have enough ice for the current needs

Southwood arena supports kods hockey well. Civic center very awkward design.

Southwood is warm.

Spacious, lots of parking

Spacious, lots of parking

Spacious, not overall crowded or busy at one time.

Specifically enjoy outdoor facilities.

Splash pad Pools Soccer field

Splash pad and open space

Splash pads - the one at Southside has been free the last year or two and it's been wonderful. The outdoor pool, when open, was also a family favourite. Opportunities for space rentals and birthday parties.

Splash pads and toddler turf time has been a god send.

Splash pads and water activities for kids during the summer.

Sponsored free skates, unique offerings like aqua spin, many trails, lots of offerings I haven't tried yet, good for all ages.

Sports/hockey

Spread out throughout the city and accessible off of main streets or nearby

staff

Staff are really good. Hard to say what I like as the complexes could be Soo much better

Staff at Reeves and Civic arena are friendly and helpful.

Staff at Southside Aquatic (swim instructors) are great!

Staff our pleasant and helpful. Parks are well maintained.

Staff trying to do the best with what they have.

Starting to offer more, but there is not enough time slots or members allowed to join.

Strategically placed throughout the city so easily accessed.

Sufficient

Swimming , the outdoor water park area with life guards, areas for family's during winter to do sports.

Swimming lessons and family swim

Swimming pool

Tennis courts are well maintained. Pool is a good size and offers lots of options for lessons, rec & lane swim.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

That children and teens have activities to engage in
That fact that we have them
That many are free to use, or have a small fee.
That there are many wonderful nature trails
That there are sports fields in every neighbourhood.
That there is ice rinks. Nice parks.
That there's an indoor track. Everything always seems clean.
That they are always full of hockey
That they are available for use.
That they are clean & well kept!
That they are close
That they are kept well
That they are spread out throughout the city for easy access.
That they exist and are easy to access
That they exist!
That they open and available for everyone to use
That they're available for use.
That we actually have something ! Woodstock programs are awesome and beneficial for the community especially the youth just needs upgrades
That we at least have them.
That we can go with friends and family and get exercise and the vets games and I'm able to play hockey here.
That we can use them
That we have a large turf surface available That there is a multi-sports complex...soccer, football, volleyball, basketball
That we have somewhere to take the kids to be active.
That we have them
That we have them available
That we have them to use.
That we have them, don't take down civic just because there is a new pad
That we have them. They're well maintained.
That we have them.
That we have these facilities to use.
That's they cater to different needs and sports.
The ability to get out and active
The above viewing area for the pool at Southside is great so you don't have to sit right in the hot pool area.
The accessibility and functionality of them.
The accessibility of the facilities anyone can use them, the cleanliness.
The accessibility, options of things to do and stay active. Friendly staff, safe environment.
The activities they provide for community members to do.
The aquatic centre staff are awesome!

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

The arena is nice with lots of space

The arenas are clean and appear to be well maintained.

The arenas are well maintained at The complex.

The availability

The availability

The availability for our young family

The availability of the splash pad and free access to it.

The ball diamonds are amazing. We need lions pool needs to be fixdd

The baseball diamonds are very well maintained All rec facilities are clean and well maintained

The baseball diamonds at Southside are very nice. We use the trails and splash pads a lot and the quality is good.

The big lobby and the indoor viewing window at the Reeves complex

The change rooms at the arenas are a good size to fit a team (and parents as well) for the younger age groups.

The city has very nice ball diamonds.

The cleanliness of the Southwood arena, size of facilities.

The community and the parking

The Community complex is well situated and large. The different sizes ice pads are a bonus. Cowan Park though we personally use infrequently now is a wonderful indoor multi use space.

The Complex has adequate parking which is beneficial

The complex has multiple arenas, it's warm. The splash pads are great for the kids - although I wish there was more shade. The indoor walking path in the Cowan is great for our elder citizens.

The complex is a fair community hall and is accessible for everyone. The civic is NOT!!

The complex is accessible to bring my father. It is comfortable to watch a game and bathrooms are modern.

The complex is good because it has lots of space and enough dressing rooms for big events. It also has two ice pads so you get double the ice time. The Civic centre is terrible.

The complex is nice but did not need to be so big and fancy. I'm sure the city spent way more on the complex than they needed to. Especially all the seats at the Red pad that Never get used.

The covered areas to have family gathering I.e. picnics, lunch, small get together.

The different amenities available to the public. Lots of parking at Cowan Park.

The early morning length swims at Southside Aquatic Centre!

The ease of activities available in any weather.

The existing facilities provide a good variety of activities

The extensive outdoor trail system and the ability to walk the indoor track in winter.

The fact our ball diamonds and Reeves centre brings in high end tournaments which helps our hospitality facilities.

The fact that they exist.

The fact the civic might be out of comision

-the good viewing at the civic and red pad @ complex -available parking

The great staff

The ice at the civic is the best in town

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

The ice is good

The indoor facilities are well managed and clean. The trails at Pittock are great and we use them regularly.

The indoor fields at Cowan park and gym are amazing.

The indoor pitch is great for kids to stay active. Building seems to get good use.

The indoor track is nice, but it should be free Trails are nice, but the homeless ruin them with the garbage
Ball diamonds are well looked after

The indoor walking track and the pool.

The indoor walking track for winter

The indoor walking track is amazing

The largest and most used facilities are well maintained.

The locations are easy to get to. Clean facilities Staff super pleasant

The locations are easy to get to. There's always a lot of parking and they are generally pretty clean.

The maintenance on outdoor facilities is great. People from other cities always comment

The meet my general needs

The new ball Dimond are nice and the tennis courts

The new booking system is much better than the old one.

The newer facilities are in good shape, and well maintained. Most staff members at the facilities are helpful.

The newer facilities are in great shape.

The newer facilities are nice and spacious. The older facilities although small and much older provide that nostalgic feeling.

The number of activity options available

The open gym times, walking pad, pickleball courts

The operating times, drop-in programs and affordability.

The option of using the indoor track during the winter.

The option to view hockey from outside the rink at the Reeves Centre and the heaters for spectators at the Civic Centre. The new ball Diamonds and splash pad are lovely as well. I like that there are concession stands at Southside park and the Cowan sports field. It would be nice to have them both operational during peak summer hours.

The options of activities I can do with my family.

The parks and trails are beautiful

The paths and playground areas around the Southside and Cowan Sports Park. Many beautiful trails in and around the Woodstock area.

The pool is nice walking track is wonderful

The pool meets our needs for a family with little ones. The playgrounds are soread out well across the city

The pool provides a place to safely exercise at 70 with Multiple Sclerosis. A facility that would encompass pools for length swimming, aqua fit, diving, water polo etc. and population growth would be great. Think Brantford Wayne Gretsky centre. Gym, walking track, ice rinks, pickle ball etc.

The premier soccer field is the best pitch in a 50 km diameter. Please continue to take care of it and do not make it turf. We need a turf field but please convert any of the other pitches.

The price and what is offered

The program that it offered.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

The programs & fields are great. Well maintained

The programs involved (gym mastics, sports, dance)

The programs offered to the kids. Walking while my Child plays soccer

The proximity to our home

The quality of the ball diamonds at Cowan fields is great for slo pitch.

The quality of the sports fields is amazing. The envy of all visiting teams.

The red pad can hold many people

The reeves complex and Cowen sportplex are huge community hubs that gather large groups of families and adults to. It improves everyone's physical health and mental health being in these spaces. These are safe spaces for our kids.

The reeves complex is a good size and well maintained. Cowan sportplex is also well maintained and I really like the indoor running track.

The Reeves complex is a multi-use facility with a wide variety of activities (easy to go from one to the other and to take several kids to different activities at once), it has good seating and is bright and welcoming, also becomes familiar which helps kids feel more comfortable trying a new activity or camp there, and has good parking. Cowan Field and Cowan Park give a good amount of space for outdoor sports and Cowan Field has the park right there and good washroom/pavilion facilities, Southside Park also has a great park, washrooms and pavilions. Southside pool has family changerooms with separated stalls

The rinks at the Reeves center are great, and the gymnastics club is amazing

The sauna for after swimming

The seating at the red pad is better then the green pad

The soccer club is sufficient in size and quality.

The splash pad is nice

The splashparks are clean

The staff

The staff are friendly

The staff are pleasant

The staff are wonderful

The staff, community driven.

The swimming pool is a great place for kids to learn to swim. A very important skill.

The tennis courts are nice, but we could use four more courts

The track

The trail system

The trails and ball diamonds are kept in good shape. The complex ice is decent.

The trails are great and well mapped out. We love using the pool and splash pad.

The trails are nice.

The trails are well taken care of. The arena holds what we need.

The twin Pad at Reeves Community complex we use all the time as my daughter plays for Woodstock wildcats. It's great having everything at one facility and can see how another on the other side of time will be beneficial.

The updated ones work well and are visually appealing

The variety

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

The variety of different facilities!

The variety of facilities

The variety of spaces available- pools, walking track, feilds, ect.

The walking track at the Cowan complex is great

The walking track is great! Southside pool is nice and so are the outdoor splash pads

The walking track is in good condition

The walking track is useful for winter.

The water bucket splash pad an wading pool is the best thing this city has to offer

The water tastes good.

There are a lot of options for everyone.

There are a selection of available facilities.

There are different areas. The community complex has ice rinks and gymnastics. Cowan park has soccer. there are baseball diamonds. etc. I like that there are options

there are limited facilities with limited spots and high fee with reduction in number of classes for soccer , swimming in Woodstock also library do not have enough space or programs

There are usually good free skate and public swim activity times. I like the raised walking path at Cowan Park.

There good

There in good shape.

There is a good variety of recreation options and facilities.

There is ice, that's about it. Civic and complex both have accessibility issues.

There is something for everyone who is interested in sports and exercise

There is variety for everyone. We used to use them more often but age of our children and our own age has reduced our dependency on current facilities.

There safe, offer great sports for all ages. Our kids make new friends and develop skills through some of the sport programs.

There's a few different options.

There's lots for the kids to do, gymnastics, swimming, free skates and indoor soccer

There's some good structure to programs.

There's a lot of variety.

They appear nice

They are acceptable

They are adequate

They are affordable.

They are always fairly well maintained and clean

They are available

They are available for citizens

They are clean

They are clean

They are clean

They are clean

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

They are clean and tons of trails to choose from.

They are clean and well kept

They are clean! and the workers are so nice and greet everyone.

They are clean, well kept and easy to use once you are there.

They are clean.

They are dated and need updates to accommodate teams ect. Tournaments bring money to the area and for local businesses plus restaurants and accommodations.

They are easily accessible

They are easy to access clean well maintained offer a variety of activities and sports

They are easy to get to

They are fine as is.

They are fine for the city when we were 15,000 people smaller. I haven't used the pool since my kid was little but it was great and I liked it was easy to watch lessons.

They are good but we need more ice surfaces

They are good but we need more. The staff are nice, facilities are clean. Just need more facilities.

They are good enough for now

They are good quality and well maintained

They are great.

They are in good shape and well taken care of

They are kept pretty clean

They are lacking and poorly distributed to serve the entire city

They are located in-town and easily accessible by most residents. Staff working at recreation facilities are excellent. Reeves Community Complex is in good condition and continues to be a good facility for residents. I watched some children from Good Beginnings daycare come watch a hockey game at the Red pad yesterday - what a great community centre where the daycare and recreation facilities come together like that. Outdoor recreation facilities are good and we have enough, in my opinion, for what the city needs.

they are low cost, easily accessible though out the community, and they are well maintained.

They are maintained well

They are maintained well.

They are mostly very clean and easy to access

They are predominately free, well maintained accessible and a great outlet for kids to go to as there aren't very many options our resources for our youth in woodstock

They are spread across the city

They are super well maintained, and great facilities, we simply just need more!

They are typically pretty clean.

They are usually well maintained and open during evenings and weekends. The exception being the turf which used to offer family turf time on weekends and now does not.

They are well kept

They are well kept

They are well maintained

They are well maintained

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

They are well maintained

They are well maintained and clean.

They are well staffed and well maintained

They are available most of the time

They currently offer a few different active living options at each. There is lots of parking at each facility too.

They exist

They exist

They exist.

They exist.

They exist?

They function

They have been there forever and allow my children to do all their sports

They have good options for young kids

They have great staff and the ones we go to are well kept and have good programs.

They have ice rinks

They let my kids do what they love

They offer a good variety of activities.

They provide a place for my kids to learn and grow!

They provide a wide variety of services.

They seem modern

They serve everyone well

They suffice

they ultimately let me do the sports i need

They upkeep

They're all different which is nice for the kids. All our recreation facilities are nice and well maintained.

They're available for all to use

They're clean and staff is friendly

They're clean and well maintained

They're fine

They're fine

They're generally quite clean, and the staff are fantastic. The costs are not outrageous either.

Tip O'Neil is outstanding. The diamonds at Southside are sufficient for younger baseball.

Tip O'Neil field is beautiful, and has come a long way!

Trail system is great. Access to outdoor and indoor options.

Trails

Trails and outdoor spaces are typically well maintained and feel safe. Many of the new parks, could use some more shade, but I know it takes time for trees to grow.

Trails are excellent. Tennis court resurfacing was really needed and turned out great.

Trails are in good repair and offer a great way to keep healthy and beautify the city

Trails are in great shape and pretty well connected. Splash pads are great fun for all ages.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Trails, outdoor rinks, indoor turf
Tube pad at complex
Twin pad at reeves is good, but the red pad is too large.
Twin pads for tournaments
Twin pads for tournaments
Two pads under one roof, hall has always been great for special occasions, sales, etc.
Upkeep is great
Upkept, fun for the family to enjoy
Using indoor walking track. Facilities are generally well maintained and clean. We have amazing baseball facilities. We are the talk and envy of the sport. We should lead the way in other sports as well. Kudos to the city.
Usually clean and organized
Usually in good condition. It was way past due for the tennis courts @ Brompton to be refurbished.
Variation
Varied assortment of activities
Variety and affordable
Variety of activities
Variety of activities to attend to, clean
Variety of areas to do things around town
Variety of different locations and can stay within woodstock.
Variety of options
Variety of options, lots of park choices
Variety of spaces for various activities my kids and I participate in from swimming, skating, hockey, baseball, soccer and walking on the indoor track
Variety, trails are great
Various sport options. Ample parking. Clean and bright. Facilities have ability to be used for various activities
Very clean
Very clean and organized
Very clean, easy to get to and lots of parking
Very pleased that the city has been working on building better ball diamonds and outdoor splash pads and basketball courts.
Very well kept.
Viewing areas for the pool not on the pool deck.
Walk, swim
Walking track
Walking track
Walking track
Walking track
Walking track Two ice pads. Friendly staff. Clean facilities
Walking track Accessibility - various communities can walk, bike to local spots Located on bus routes
walking track at cowan park is a great way to get added benefit from an existing building/facility.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Walking track at indoor facility Walking trails at outdoor facility

Walking track is good for winter. Good seating and viewing on Red pad at community centre. Well kept baseball fields.

Walking track, indoor soccer fields

Walking track, indoor soccer pitch

Walking track, pool

Warm in the winter and bathrooms available.

Water aerobics

Water refill station

We do have facilities in various locations which provides for our community

We enjoy the trails, their variety and maintenance.

We generally only use the complex ice surfaces and they are still viable but there's not enough available ice

We have a nice supply of sports and recreational activities available for patrons to participate in.

We have beautiful parks and our community complex is a great facility.

We have good infrastructure for Summers.

We have great facilities but we need more for our growing city.

We have quite a few options

We have them

We like it .its benefits for kids and family

We like the indoor turf time and swimming lessons for our children

We love access and upkeep on Burgess Trail. We use the trail all year. We like the variety of facilities-pool, arenas, fields, track, etc.

We love being at the rink all year long. We also love the opportunities at Cowan.

We love having a place to play hockey!

We love Reeves community complex and Cowen sportsplex!

We need a new arena!

We need an outdoor pool

We need another indoor pool

We need another indoor pool.

We need more

We need new pools.. especially an outdoor pool!

We need one closer to where we live

We use the Woodstock gymnastics club. It's in a city space. It has phenomenal potential. Beautiful club. Unfortunately it's very poorly managed. If the city took over, there would be better input for use.

We used to go to lots of hockey games, but the kids are older now and they only play once a week in beer league. I like the ease of getting to the current facilities, civic centre is def dated, but the community complex is great

We will still need these to support all the youth, teens, and adults who wish to partake in recreational sports. We need as much space as possible for this growing city.

Well kept

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Well kept

Well kept and maintained

Well kept good employees

Well kept!

Well located and seem to be in good shape.

Well maintained

Well maintained

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Well maintained

Well Maintained and a good example of city dedication to youth sports

Well maintained and nice inexpensive options for kids sports and activities

Well maintained at Cowan sports plex.

Well maintained fields at the Cowan complex.

Well maintained for the most part

Well maintained, easy to access.

Well maintained, localized, complex nice as it incorporates multiple options

well maintained, safe

Well maintained, staff is friendly

Well maintained, top quality ball diamonds at Southside for example.

Well maintained, well placed.

Well maintained. Adequate parking

Well maintained. Friendly staff. Spread around the city.

Well run, nice staff

Well run, very close to home

Well suited for community

When my children were young, we used the ball fields, soccer pitches, pool at SAC and Lion's as well as the gymnastics facility and the arenas. These are all vital for young families and I'm grateful that we have so many options in Woodstock.

Winter indoor opportunities for families are awesome.

Wonderful outdoor and indoor spaces, well maintained, heavily used. I love the walking track and the

Woodstock Complex is great, but not enough!

Woodstock facilities are well maintained and always kept clean!

Woodstock has a great selection of current facilities, although some are really showing their age. The newer Cowan Park Sportsplex is a great facility as well as the Reeves Community Complex. Civic and the Aquatic Centre are just too dated now and don't provide enough space and accessibility.

Q3. What do you like about our existing recreation facilities

Woodstock should make the new recreational facility in North end havelock corners area. Especially near the new turtle island school. It will be easy accessible to kids in school and more new are coming there. It's like they are paying the most taxes to build facilities for the other end of city. These people already commute 15 mintues atleast for groceries, hospitals and restaurants.so get the land opposite to havelock corners subdivision on Oxford road 17 area

Youth recreation programs, outdoor facilities (bathrooms, picnic areas) at parks. Updated, safe playgrounds for kids.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

1. The city programs 2. people are charged to walk indoors? 3. There is a pavilion built at Cowan ball fields that is never used. Sometimes there are 800+people at the park on a week night.... Have students from high schools fill their volunteer hours by having the pavilion open. Selling pop/chips/etc. and the money going back to the school(s) or other local charities.

1. Soccer - the facilities for spectators kind of suck 2. Same for the green pad at the complex - it's a terrible set up for parents to watch. 3. Civic - half the heaters are broken 4. Not enough ice time; given the popularity of hockey in this town we need at least one if not two more ice pads. 5. Southside is dated. I'm happy to see Lions Pool gone but we need a second pool in town. Maybe something like the Wilmington facility in New Hamburg. 6. The Southside Splash Pad is great; it's good for older kids and younger kids, whereas many of the newer splash pads really only appeal to small children.

1.Over crowded 2.Fees

A few of the facilities are lacking the amenities and maintenance to make them fit for general use. Re Civic centre

A lot are old and falling apart. Especially the civic arena

A lot of hockey and baseball. Not enough for other activities like basketball, volleyball, track & field

Access to washroom facilities. Most times not all washroom facilities are open and as a parent with young children to have to go halfway across building is difficult and a few times very close to a accident occurring

Accessibility

Accessibility for wheelchair users, one pool

aesthetically, meh. theyre fine. but they dont look nice inside or out. cold and meh. they get the job done, and are functional.

Age and condition

Age of facility.

Aged equipment - ie pickleball nets, need to phone in to cancel a booking instead of online, pickleball court lines at Cowan and Reeves are messy due to original lines. Sunlight in Reeves gym is dangerous. So difficult to get a pickleball court or spot at drop in.

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Aging

Aging facilities. Indoor pool and community facilities are outdated compared to smaller communities such as Wilmot, Tillsonburg, Owen Sound etc. Need a real splash pad and free indoor walking track like Brantford, Dorchester, Wilmot. Not enough trails especially paved biking trails that are long enough to enough.

Aging, poor accessibility, not large enough for growing community. Limited in terms of hosting provincial, national, international events That support tourism.

All facilities except the red pad at the complex lack adequate seating for spectators.

All is good

Although the curling rink isn't part of the city's recreational facilities, it's time has past and it would be nice to have a city run curling facility

Always booked, hard to get ice/field times. Civic is out dated and can't hold ice through the summer.

Always crowded

Always full

Aquatic center is too small and hard to get into many activities

Aquatic center needs bigger changes rooms! Need more ice rinks

Aquatic centre needs to be wayyyyyyyyy bigger

Aquatic Centre: Pool is too crowded. Although changeroom congestion has been improved with staggered swim start times it is very crowded still. Everything feels dirty at Southside. The pool is not big enough, there are so many lessons crowded into small areas, making it quite loud and overstimulating. Splash pads: I have a toddler. The splash pad at Cowan Fields lacks shade around it (pavilion is quite a distance away). My son absolutely loved the spray and play pool last summer including the slide, and I am really disappointed

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

there isn't a similar replacement facility. The new splash pad and playground near the aquatic centre is wonderful but not a replacement.

Aquatics centre - limited parking, crowded and inadequate dressing areas - not enough time between group lessons Ice rinks - more ice needs to be available to offer more options for teams so that they don't have to book elsewhere

Arena set up is a diasater, not enough room at Reeves, cowan needs outdoor turf with lights

Arena time was allocated by gender and not rep level

Arenas are built backwards. Civic centre has backwards entrance, southwood complex mezzanine faces wrong ice pad. The viewing for spectators at the indoor soccer club, gymnastics club, and green ice pad are terrible.

Arenas are not set up for viewing games well.

Arenas are outdated

Arenas are outdated and provided limited options for families. We need to streamline what is available at the community Centers/ Woodstock has grown beyond the 3 rinks and one pool we have.

Arenas are outdated in comparison with others. Set up of washroom facilities and seating. Green pad not ideal for viewing games with the seating.

Arenas are tired. Dressing rooms are dirty, smell, washrooms and showers rarely cleaned if at all. Staff are dismissive to issues regarding cleanliness. Green pad is not accessible and has poor seating. Dressing room 8,9,10,11 can be damp and saturated. Red pad dressing rooms are sometimes left with urine all over the toilets. Front lobby of complex, no seating, not inviting. Smoking at entrance is super classy. Imagine people visiting for a game and walking through the 2nd hand smoke and butts left on the ground and no cleaning. The Woodstock way I guess. Complex needs a complete overhaul and redo. Better layout and entrance.

Arenas do not have enough ice times available during week/weekend

Arenas- not very efficient use of space for current needs.

As a user of the Aquatic Centre - the change rooms are too small especially during peak times. They are way too cold in the winter with the open door design. Not enough ventilation. Shower pressure is very bad to nonexistent in the pool deck shower and the showers in the change rooms.

As a wildcats family who is frequently at the civic arena its very out of date. Freezing cold. Offers no amenities besides ice. There's no room to get through 2 way walking traffic especially carrying a hockey bag. The seating is cold and uncomfortable.

Aside from the occasional mold outbreak on the greenpad, our cities biggest downfall is lack of ice. Our hockey programs are suffering from it. Other ice activities can not even exist because of it (deaf hockey, sledge hockey, more figure skating, ringette)

At Southside Aquatic I know they are planning on new changerooms but I sure it will not be happening in the near future. Would you please fix the toilet and get the water temp regulated.

At the kingston rec centre they have a mini stick rink. Often rec centres are places younger and older siblings congregate during their siblings sports. Would love to see this incorporated into the next rec centre development. I've never seen such active cohort of waiting siblings than I have at Kingston rec centre. Incredible.

At times the walking track feels small when there are too many people walking at the same time.

At times they can be busy

Availability

Availability

Availability of ice time, availability of swimming lessons

Available times

Bad costumer services. Outdated. Barely attractive programs. Expensive. Old buildings.

Bad seating on the green pad.

Ball diamond maintenance is inconsistent in timing and by diamonds. Southside seems to be priority over Cowan fields. Garbage's are not emptied enough. Often overflowing at some smaller diamonds.

Ball diamonds could use better benches, seating is very limited. WE NEED MORE ICE! With so many skating

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

clubs, hockey teams etc we need more ice!

Ball diamonds get priority for maintenance

ball parks facing wrong direction Not enough tennis/pickleball Not enough ice time

Basketball court has limited seating at Cowan, The seating at Southside pool is also limited and crowded when sitting deck side (very hot). It would be nice to have more seating above to look on and not have to go on deck to watch. Soccer fields were not lined for U13 Rep soccer home field at Cowan last summer, there were no retreat lines put on.

Being outgrown. The city and county are growing rapidly

Better Layouts

Better viewing experience inside green pad. Civic center needs updating. Not enough ice for teams. Swimming pool too small.

Big pool but change rooms are small

Booking times. Need more ice, need more ball diamonds in area

Busy

Busy especially the pool. Not enough space to get changed

Can be challenging to get pool time during popular or free swims

Can be hard to get to and maybe doesn't offer things like public swim and public skate as often as we would like.

Can people who can't afford the fees still access these facilities-Hope so.

Challenges with accessibility For city size and the degree of population growth, the city will need additional facilities to meet recreational needs of the community.

Change room space at the pool is too small and always over crowded before or after swim classes. Having to pay for the walking track when I've paid hundreds for my child's activities in the same building already.

Change rooms are cold at Southside Aquatic, and there's not much parking - Seating/viewing is awkward for gymnastics at the community centre

Change rooms are tiny, and there are not enough private stalls. Parking can be an issue at the aquatic center

Change rooms are too small for hockey, showers are too close together - you are almost touching the next guy while showering. The water temperature for the showers is crap - the water in the showers at civic is often cold.

Change rooms at aquatic centre need work.

Change rooms at south side pool, lack of accessible options

Change rooms at southside

Change rooms at Southside too small. Lessons jammed packed.

Change rooms at southside,

Change rooms at the pool - need some major help! A pool that is more catered to children - sloped entrance, warmer degree of water Not enough ice time - or poor ice times Activities all spread out across the city - would be nice to have more options in one place - hockey pad plus walking track, or pool plus gym

Change rooms could be bigger

Change rooms don't have individual stalls in women and men's change rooms. Family change room always packed.

Change rooms in Southside are freezing in winter due to how air moves through the facility

City doesn't cover off enough of a variety of sports. Hockey seems to be a priority like most municipalities in Canada it's always hockey that gets the most attention, but sports that all ages participate in don't get the support.

Civic > tiny change rooms, terrible showers, cold seating area for viewers In general, barely any ice time left as there are now so many teams. When playoff and play downs come you basically have to go to other areas if there is even ice time available at them.

Civic and Reeves green pad are cold for watching my kids play hockey and the view is terrible at both also. The Reeves Red pad is perfect. Civic parking lot is terrible

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Civic arena needs a lot of work

Civic arena desperately needs a revamp, multi pad ice would be stellar. It doesn't need to be fancy like the complex, barn style multiple pad skating would be amazing for the growing interest in hockey. Not just in boys but in wildcats. Having opportunity to bring summer inline hockey and winter will be fantastic.

Civic arena is ancient and needs a lot of work. Aquatic centre is good but could be more updated and nice. Water is too cold.

Civic arena is dated, cold, and not sanitary. Seems like only girls hockey gets put at that arena.

Civic arena is embarrassing for the city

civic arena is in need of replacing or MAJOR updates the paint is falling off, concrete under the ice needs repair.

Civic arena is not wheelchair accessible The green pad at the complex is not wheelchair accessible for spectators unless you sit up top but it's more fun to sit where the "action" is and more inclusive. Ice times fill up very quickly There is only one pool so public swims can be congested and swimming lessons fill up really fast

Civic arena is outdated. Reeves bathrooms are wearing

Civic Arena is small & very cold with zero amenities for the players. Green pad at complex has very little viewing due to the green glass at the west end.

Civic Arena is so outdated, lots of parking, but the facility is so tight around the ice pad.

Civic arena is very old and has a poor design for the amount of people that attend. Southside aquatic center change rooms are small and out dated.

Civic arena needs serious repairs and upgrades, inside and out. It is also not wheelchair accessible. The change rooms are also very small. Reeves complex is starting to become worn, the green pad is not wheelchair accessible for viewing. With only one indoor pool and no outdoor pool, swimming lessons fill up very quickly.

Civic arena needs to be updated or replaced with a newer facility.

Civic arena needs upgrading!

Civic as much as it's a gem for memories is freezing, the space to walk around is not adequate teams waiting to get on the ice, spectators can't walk around, no concession. Green pad is freezing, the viewing areas at ice level are inadequate and you can't sit down and actually watch a game. There is not enough ice available in the city.

Civic center too small no large amount of seating for games etc

Civic Center has now gym or Dryland areas Arena is backwards, Southwood no gym facilities, no Dryland areas Arena, main pad is too big of ice surface and rink has no Atmosphere No walking track in building Green pad has limited viewing area

Civic Center is an embarrassing and we definitely need more arenas now, not 10 years from now

-civic center is falling apart and very very cold. Heaters don't work, the plastic door flaps scratch and hurt people and the width around the rink is very narrow/ inaccessible for wheelchairs and strollers during peak ice times. -Southside is gross and outdated. There is not enough change rooms that parents often take their kids home in wet swimsuits in the summer to avoid the lines to change. The water is cold and the pool is not big enough to offer enough swimming lessons. -the outdoor Southside splash pad is sooo cold that it gives you brain freeze and young kids hate it. Only older kids can handle it.

Civic Center is in need of better access to get to stands and dressing rooms. Extra rooms for figure skating, minor hockey referees

Civic center is old and has no concession. Not enough space around the rink itself for people to move and pass each other going in different directions.

Civic Center is outdated and an embarrassment to be the home ice surface of the Woodstock wildcats

Civic center needs to go, run down

Civic Centre - narrow hallways around the ice pad, no internet or live barn Reeves - no live barn, internet not consistent, under utilized for games and filling of the stands

Civic centre, bad layout, building falling apart

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Civic centre and south side pool require major updates
Civic centre arena is really old and need updates. The plastic stripz at the entrance way are not family friendly and hurt when slapped back as people enter.
Civic centre desperately needs upgrading.
Civic centre dressing rooms
Civic centre has a terrible layout and needs repair. Hallways too small and congested every time.
Civic Centre has not been well maintained. Poor hallways to walk, no separation from players benches to spectators, horribly congested when busy.
Civic Centre is all around shit. Best part is when the heaters are on in the bleachers. Reeves lacks a bar/restaurant and a walking track. There are way too many seats in the red pad and this space could have been used better. The mezzanine should 100% be converted into a proper bar/restaurant area that can overlook both pads.
Civic centre is falling apart and we have such a bigger population that there is not enough ice time for hockey. We grey by 20000 people and lost a swimming pool
Civic centre is falling apart but needed for the ice time it provides
Civic centre is hard to navigate through when teams are coming and going. Not enough room and hard to have a stroller to watch properly.
Civic centre is in desperate need of an overhaul There is inadequate swimming amenities with southside being the only one Reeves - more and better seating for the green rink would be great
Civic centre is in need of renovations, bathrooms smell horribly, very outdated building
Civic centre is incredibly dated
Civic centre is old and has limited use as there is only one pad and the seating is limited. There is limited ice availability for all facilities and especially in the summer months.
Civic Centre is old and too small of an ice surface. We need more ice surfaces, specifically for girls hockey.
Civic Centre is past its time but that is not news to anyone! I wish the walking track could be free or offer times of the day for free walking for those who need an indoor facility (seniors, those with limited or restricted mobility) who struggle to walk outdoors
Civic centre is terrible. Dressing rooms are awful and the entrance is embarrassing with those plastic strips.
Civic centre is terrible. It needs a better setup in terms of change rooms. There's never enough room to walk into the seating areas from the entrance. It's always freezing cold, only heaters on one end are turned on. The lighting is terrible, seating is terrible, and traffic flow through the facility is terrible. If there was ever a fire in that place it'd be a mass casualty event because you can't move to the exits easily from anywhere. Green pad at Reeves hasnt got enough spectator seating. The smell of the change room hallway on the north side of the building can't be good for your lungs. Southside was alright until they decided to remove the splash pad out back. That new thing they built at the complex isn't going to cover it. Sorry, but that was the only thing we had going right, since the lions pool was closed.
Civic centre isle ways are way to narrow and the front lobby is so small. Not enough ice for the amount of hockey there is.
Civic centre needs upgrading
Civic centre needs work
Civic Centre should be torn down! It is way past its best before date.
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Civic does not have enough change rooms, the heaters are rarely on. No concessions, home to the Wildcats vs Reeves.
Civic- hard to get around with equipment or kids and stroller. The temperature of the building in all seasons
Civic has no room to move around and get through to the stands and dressing rooms when there are games going on and the teams and spectators are coming in.
Civic is a dumpster fire trying to walk in there
Civic is aging, tough to get any ice and indoor field time - seems to book up.

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Civic is an old barn that is freezing and has no common area space that can hold all child/teams and parents slash spectators. Also there is no canteen that could be making profits for facilities. We need anew multi plex with a new pool. And new ice rinks to accommodate the huge amount of skaters we have for girls hockey!
Civic is crap. We need more hockey ice. You keep raising our hockey fees and we get less ice time every year! Take better care of brompton park.
Civic is difficult to enter or exit depending on how busy the arena is.
Civic is extremely crouded when teams are leaving and another team is waiting to get in.
Civic is falling apart and is only one ice pad, reeves is ok but ice scheduling is not done well and there is still not enough ice for all teams, my sons team was axed last year due to lack of ice available.
Civic is freezing
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Civic is not accessible to my father. The warm area doesn't really have viewing and the bathrooms are not adequate.
Civic is old and dilapidated. Reeves has the worst setup for an arena. You have 5 year old kids carrying their hockey gear down stairs to go to a dressing room. There is never any availability for ice rental during times I can actually try and rent it.
Civic is old and in need of updates. Southside doesn't have enough pools to accommodate the growing population of the city.
Civic is old and needs a renovation. Reeves is a silly design - you have to walk down stairs to get to the dressing room. Both locations do not have enough ice time. The walking track is a paid activity where in other cities it is free.
Civic is old and small, doesn't accommodate all the sports teams
Civic is old, cold, offers terrible access and space to move in and out. Lightning in the parking lot is dismal. Complex green has poor viewing options for spectators.
Civic is old, falling apart. Too small for spectators. Complex should have been regular size ice rink, green pad dressing rooms are always damp, musty.
Civic is old. Complex arena should have been bowl seating and stairs to the dressing rooms was a bad idea
Civic is outdated with not great seating, no seating around green pad, hard to get ice time due to shortage.
Civic is poorly laid out and not clean. Small dressing rooms. Southside too small, water and change rooms cold.
Civic is rough. Complex is quite far from new Woodstock areas
Civic is showing its age
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Civic is too old and cold, seating
Civic is too old. Not accessible for strollers or wheelchairs. Changerooms are too small. Bathrooms smell terrible. Ice can't keep up if temps are warm
Civic is way to small, seating area is awful to get around, it's not inviting
Civic looks and feels like it was built in the it's. Was also built backwards. When done in dressing rooms is nearly impossible to walk to door due to other people coming into dressing rooms. Extremely cold.
Civic needs renovating and is an embarrassment cincidering how successful the girls hockey program is.
Civic needs to be closed.... Small dressing rooms, terrible entrance, and very cold building. We see many arenas over the course of the year and when you think old it's Stratford or Cambridge which have character and the civic has none. It's just an old building with lots of great parking.
Civic needs to be replaced ASAP.
Civic needs upgrades
Civic out of date, tiny, aquatic centre small not enough swim lesson times
Civic Parking and flow is poor and not enough dressing rooms or standing area
Civic probably needs some updating but other than that I like them
Civic requires updates badly

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Civic to old and small . Love the ice but we need another double pad
Clean and well maintained.
Cleanliness
Cleanliness
Cleanliness is sometimes lacking
Closed on holidays
Closure of Lions Pool is wrong, and takes away opportunities for the northwest families and children. Do not appreciate homeless messes in the trails and parks.
Closure of Lions Pool. Allowing homeless in the parks.
Cold, stairs to go to each arena, the small area to get to the dressing rooms in the green pad, no walking tracks, no area for hockey players to warm up,
Complex green ice pad very cold! Civic arena needs updating
Complex has a poor design. Way too big With an upper seating section that is completely not necessary. Downstairs dressing rooms are not ideal. I don't think Olympic sized ice is necessary for our community
Complex main pad is 200 x 100, which is good only for the TimBits so you can get more skaters on the ice. Southside Pool was built for a 25,000 pop city and should have been larger basin with size of community to promote aquatics and meets.
Complex: -stairs to get to dressing rooms -terrible design for watching gymnastics -no need for Olympic size ice pad -seating for green pad is a terrible design -upper seating on red pad is a terrible design Civic: -entrance is terrible -should have more room behind end zones for people walking in with bags Cowan fields: -city makes it very difficult to rent out pavilion for events
condition of some of the facilities. ie. the civic arena is in need of major repairs if the new facility is delayed any more
Congestion at entrance in Winter (Narrow trail entrance, boots clog up entrance at indoor facilities)
Cost associated , not much opportunity to do activities like practice dace - oriented to sports Poor floors and surfaces for knees Emphasis on sports
Cost for using the walking track, the poor condition of the Civic Arena
Cost to taxpayers, high cost should be for clubs or sports using the facilities
Costs are too high for ice rental compared to other communities. Hard to book online. We need another indoor pool
Could have more drinking fountains around the city and at the splash pad. Southside pool is over cloranated.
Could have more variety spread throughout town such as an outdoor pool. There are plenty of splash pads but a pool or two would be better. Another undoor/outdoor badminton or volleyball court on the north end of town would be better.
Could use a new skating arena or pool
Could use better lighting
Could use more baseball diamonds. Some could use some work to improve to the level of the ones in southside
Cowan fields do not use concession stand during games
Cowan is decent
Cowan poor washrooms during after hours (porta pottys), there is no food or drink options at Cowan for those spending several hours there (would like to see a similar set us as BMO in london), the walking track should be free. Pools-the lack of pools for the size of our city is disappointing, particularly no outdoor pool.
Cowan Sports Complex is so far away. It would be nice to have another indoor walking track. We should also focus on something other than hockey, baseball & soccer. Those 3 sports all seem to have their own facilities.
Cowan sports plex is fields are locked off so not as accessible.
Cowan Sportsplex could use some work. Multiple roof leaks in the gym and washrooms, for example
Crowded and little parking at the pool
Crowded To far to walk to

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Crowded and rundown change rooms at Southside pool Times for parent and tot skate aren't convenient and there should be an option for slightly older kids that aren't ready for public skate
Crowded busy pool for swimming lessons
Crowded pool lots of participants
Crowded swimming pool
Crowded, ball diamonds are locked up and can't be used recreationally, you closed the only good splash pad,
Crowded, having one pool,
Crowded, no heaters in arenas
Crowded. Not adequate parking.
Currently I live south east of Woodstock so the walking trail indoors is a fair drive just for an indoor winter walk.
Dank dark and Dated, not modern.
Dated
Dated buildings and amenities
Dated Civic Centre. Complex could be more accessible. Walking track should be a no-charge.
Dated. Run down.
Dated. Not multi use, little availability
Dates, multiple problems, not enough space, limited opportunities
Definitely need a new pool to accommodate growing population.
-desperately need more swimming facilities (a new indoor pool AND a new outdoor pool suitable for summer swim team) -desperately need another arena. Knowing that Civic is reaching its end of life I would say we need the new arena to have 3 pads. Equal ice time For girls hockey and decent viewing / seating on all Pads
Difficult to move around Civic Centre with spectators and players during ice or dry pad sports
Dirty, always broken
Dirty, cold, small, poor layout.
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Doesn't matter there's homeless people everywhere. Doesn't matter how good the facilities are
Dog poop on premises and off leash dogs.
Don't like that the Cowan park sports plex is a glassed in area for spectators, Civic centre is old and unheated
dont like my tax dollars spent in things I'll never use. Such as the money used from the sale of the local puc that belonged to the citizens of woodstock and was stolen and used for projects like this
Dressing rooms are downstairs for hockey. Seating and viewing on the green ice pad is impossible unless you stand in a corner. Not enough ice times for all the teams in our fast growing community. The pool parking lot is lacking.
Dressing rooms on other side of rink for green pad
Driving to different locations across town for certain activities.. wish it was all closer or together so it's all in the same place! Plus kids need more activities to keep them away from the bad stuff happening in this town.
Elevator at Cowan is questionable
Equal ice time for girls hockey
Everything is good to me
Everything is over crowded, old and needs updated. There are not enough facilities for everyone to be able to enjoy. Having a very hard time with the two arenas we have and there being no ice time for anyone.
Expensive admission Lack in programs Trails are dirty, unkempt in some places and most are littered with garbage from the homeless population who live there.
Facilities are small in comparison to city growth. Not enough options Food canteen is WAY over priced at Reeves Civic is small and tight to get around No seating areas with tables at arenas Pool is small, pool needs wade in option
Facilities have not been maintained or kept to high cleanliness standards (just look at the water fountain at Southside pool as an example) or have run their useful life (eg. Civic Centre, Lions pool).

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Falling apart. Embarrassing for other to come to Woodstock . Green pad is horrible to watch a game. Red pad ice to big for minor hockey. Civic is falling apart

Far away from me

Far distance from our home, would be nice to have more facilities combined into one. We are at arena 6 out of 7 days of the week in the winter. If combined would give something to do for siblings and family members who are there so much

Fee to walk the track, wish the splash pad was still open at the aquatic centre, we don't have enough family friendly activities like water park, family farm activities live Clovermead or story book gardens, more options for city golfing, the city should have bought the meadows. Mini golf only one place. The city just doesn't offer enough family outdoor recreation. The walking tract should be 100% free for people over 65 and disabled as walking outdoors uneven surfaces or winter is difficult. We need more pools.

Fees to use walking track

Fees, especially for the indoor walking track.

Few space available for some games like soccer and basketball . Affordable soccer and other games

Food

Food choices.

For pickleball: not enough courts times for evening and weekends. Booking system is very challenging. For aquatics: Could use a good cleaning and some maintenance in the sauna,(love it but it could use some TLC) would love to see a new facility ASAP to accommodate more lane swimming and aquafit. Showers should be able to adjust temperature (sometimes it's way to hot to touch, and sometimes not warm enough) should be adjustable. Could use some TLC! I know we have hard water but its beyond water stains!

Freezing cold civic center

Functional ice times are not always available. Some can be very late, to the point they discourage use.

Girls hockey doesn't get fair ice time. We are always sent to the old arena

Grass cutting doesn't take priority enough for soccer athletes. Southwood arena is extremely poorly designed. le no spectator viewing for gym club, no bowl seating on red rink, lack of proper seating on green pad, distance between boards and wall on green pad only allows for 1 way traffic for kids with hockey bags, no restaurant in arenas to attract tournaments, bottom 2 rows of seating on green pad isn't high enough to see the game. Civic.... Everything.

Green ice pad has poor seating. Hockey arena might benefit from a bar. Window seating at Cowan Park is not sufficient, always cramped for games.

Green pad and civic center ice pads not enough seating Bring back the outdoor pool

Green pad is poorly designed, especially the change rooms, civic is run down, Woodstock has amenities but they're all in different parts of the city. A one stop shop so to speak would do wonders. Build a facility that can make money even when ice isn't rented.. ie/ community gym, basketball court that you can host dodgeball leagues, floor hockey leagues. Startech in London is a great example of an all in one facility.

Green pads seating is awful. Reeves has a bad layout. Concession at Reeves is super overpriced compared to most other arenas. Sound in both the green and red pads is awful. The Civic heaters are never on (look at facilities that have a button to turn the heaters on...this way it's not on when it's men's league and no one is watching or when not in use).

Hard to book times for working people for things like pickleball. Seems like there is lots of availability during the day but not after 5pm.

Hard to find available gyms and spaces

Hard to get ice times and are expensive, lights at ball diamonds turn off before games are done leaving players to change shoes and walk to their cars in pitch black

Hard to get into swimming lessons.

Having to walk on the roadway through park with people driving fast through, the indoor pool is cold small and and the change rooms are super small and freezing, more outdoor volleyball courts

Hockey (particularly girls) is exploding in Woodstock - with the lack of ice time availability, if we cannot accommodate the interest families will take their kids to other centres to ensure they get the quality

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programming their children deserve. Additionally the current rink that is mostly dedicated to girls hockey (the Civic centre) is not well laid out for supporting an audience for our games. The washrooms are not up to par, there are zero offerings in terms of snacks / drinks, the room to move between change rooms and bleachers is inefficient and quite frankly it doesn't reflect well on Woodstock when we host teams here for our games. Hockey and skating are truly Canadian activities and we in Oxford County are showing you how much we cherish these sports through the interest in hockey programming, Canskate registrations, extra development opportunities and attendance at public skating. Please show us some care back by investing in this super important past time!!!

Honestly I just hope you have the right people planning the new arena. The last one was obviously planned by a bunch of people that have never been to other arenas and that don't have kids in hockey. The new arena should have something like a bar or restaurant in it so that the city can generate income other than our high taxes.

Hours of availability, lack of space as they're over crowded

Hours of operation Does speak to community and together ness No shade at splash pads or new parks.

How busy the facilities usually are. It deters me from using them

How hard it is to learn about programs, and how quickly they fill up.

How hard it is to sign up for swim lessons as they get filled fast and I am not able to be online when registration opens because I am at work.

How limited their are. Other cities have incredible indoor pools with warm water pools for elderly and the young with jets, they have slides and diving boards for older kids. We need to expand our aquatic facilities.

How old and dated the Southside pool is, the family room is not large enough and could have a larger pool with more things to do and better swim times.

How old and small the pool is and the lack of ice time at arenas. I drive in from plattsville to use services and there is limited availability.

How they get prioritized over other important things in the city.

I currently don't use any of the facilities

I do not like how shallow the shallow end is at southside. I cannot do a flip turn in that end, because I will hit my head on the ground. Not being able to do flup turn significantly slows me down in races.

I do not like Southside Aquatic centre. Swimming lessons for my child are so busy and it's always loud. It feels very outdated.

I do not like that there is no outdoor pool. Also the indoor pool is too busy and hard to book in to class times because of the population growing.

I do not want the southside wade pool to be taken away. That is a major staple all summer for my kids and countless others. There is a huge difference between a splash pad and that wading pool/splash zone.

I don't like how far they are away from my home

I don't like our pools change rooms.

I don't like that the complex does not have a walking track. I don't like the limited amount of ice time in Woodstock. Woodstock teams should not have to rely on arenas outside of the city limits to find ice time. It is better to serve your community or they will go elsewhere. I don't like the lack of outdoor activities for young adults/teens, there should be a pump track. Walking trail should go all the way around pittock. Taxes are very high in Woodstock for what you get.

I don't like that there are so few pools with not enough parking, public skating and even paid hockey practices are often cancelled due to tournaments, that the spray and play and Lions Pool are closed/closing. We need more arenas and way more swimming facilities, better parking, and the splash pad on Van Ave really needs to be updated.

I don't like that there isn't a walking track above a hockey rink. Parents pay a lot of money to watch our kids and we should get the opportunity to be active while watching. Like the Wayne Gretzky centre.

I don't like the booking system for pickle ball courts and don't like how few outdoor ones there are. I also feel that there isn't enough awareness about the pool schedules and programs. I'd like to do some water fitness classes

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I don't like the that no membership such as a YMCA that you get access to pool weight room ice for public skates
I don't know much about them as I have just moved here
I don't like alot of things: There's no fun spot to take the kids swimming indoors during winter months here. But enough ice time for playing hockey. Civic center is always freezing cold. The Southside Poole just has no fun to it in the winter. No slides nothing ...
I don't like the online sign up system.
I feel like the price is going up for all the different activities.
I feel like we could have better access to a gym that isnt privatly owened and rhat we could use another aquatic facility with a bigger sauna
I feel like we need more ball diamonds while still keeping the same standard as our other diamonds.
I feel that faciliitiies really need more attention to detail when it comes to cleaning. Bathrooms are often on disrepair and are not always clean. I often notice outdoor garbage containers are filled to overflowing and not regularly emptied. There needs to be recycling containers at our facilities as well. I cannot believe the number of plastic recyclable containers that I see in our city garbage cans.
I feel that most of these facilities need a form of admission. In today's economy, there are hardly people who can afford it. This results in not enough people (children, youth and families) attending these places.
I hate that you have to pay to use the walking track at Cowan, and that we don't have a walking track in our arena. We don't have enough ice pads to meet the needs of all the kids who want to play hockey, and Tip O Neil ball diamond is being taken over by not a Woodstock minor ball team, taking time away from local ball teams to play on it
I really miss the outdoor pool. Our family use to use it weekly over the summer if not more.
I think it would be nice to see a social area in these facilities. Many families spend lots of time at these community facilities and it would be nice to sit and gather with other parents. I think it would be great when we get the arena that there be more than one rink. Along with an adequate area for hockey teams to warm up.
I think the city needs to really market that we are the dairy capital. I think we should have cow statues at every rec centre similar to the one in front of the hospital and it is missing a cool mural for pictures.
I think the track at Cowan should be free. There is no other indoor space that can be used to walk in the winter and the cost could prohibit some individuals especially seniors
I understand the Civic is old, but painting the inside in the Woodstock Wildcats colours would be a nice refresh while you decide what you're doing for additional rinks. It is a great old arena, but just make it a little more special for the girls.
I wish that the outdoor public pool would reopen.
I wish the concession stands were open more often and had more gluten free options
I wish the splash pad on Devonshire had more shade/trees. It also very hard to get a spot for swimming lessons. Is woodstock gymnastics run by the city? So much wasted potential with that facility, extremely limited hours is a huge barrier for us
I wish there was a place i could take my son that was indoors, and toddler friendly. There needs to be a local place we can take our Littles that is kid friendly and allows parents some freedom while the kids play. Currently, little have to be held at all times at the aquatic center. There is no where inside for toddler to explore themselves.
I wish there was another indoor walking track, feels like not enough premium (after school and weekend) time for ice.
I wish there were better skating lessons at Reeves. I take my son all the way to Brantford for skating lessons. Canskate is a waste of money in my opinion. I also don't like that there isn't a water fountain at Cowan sportsplex. If there is one, then I haven't found it yet and I take my son all the time to turf time and he's also had soccer lessons there too. I also hate the seating/viewing area for Cowan sportsplex. There's rarely any seats during indoor kids soccer so my son's grandparents had to stand to watch him.
I wish there were more locations for swimming.
I wish they were all in one area

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I wish we had a second pool and that there was still ice available when there are girls hockey tournaments.
I wish we had more than 1 swimming pool accessible, the times are lessons are crowded and I don't feel like my child gets the attention that she needs during the allotted time. More public swim times would be beneficial for my family.
I'm new here and have only used Reeves
I've noticed a lack of up keep at the complex, rest room counter falling apart, gum all over the side walks to the complex, interlocking brick going up to the complex heaving.
Ice pads are lacking compared to other cities
Ice time is getting harder to come by with the growing number of girls joining hockey. We are currently having to go out of town for practice ice and even that isn't comparable to the amount of ice available to girls hockey in other communities. Providing more rinks will help Woodstock become a more competitive hockey centre and help keep girls playing local versus going somewhere else to play more competitively.
I'd be beginner at a lot of things. I am middle aged and don't want to be made fun of by seniors when they say "you're younge" you should be able to do this. I am a person with an invisible physical disability so many things are challenging. My husband and I work weird shifts so signing up for a six week program is difficult when we can only make 2 sessions.
I'm scared to use the trails alone as a female, especially in the evenings/after dark. I live in the bird sanctuary and most of the programming is across town.
Impossible to ever book pickleball courts.
Improved pool hours. Earlier start times needed to accommodate working professionals like health care staff. Additional ice time needed for groups/clubs outside the large ones like WMHA/figure skating/wild cats etc
In a group is motivating
Inconsistent water temps, sauna temps and not enough changing stalls in the womens change room. No therapy pool!! When doing deep water exercise you have to go through all the swim lanes to get to the accessibility ramp
indoor facilities are too small, viewing area is not sufficient at Cowan Park
Indoor pool is too small not enough ice time for minor hockey
Indoor pool needs bigger change rooms. No outdoor pool or wadding pool for kids in the summer for camps or general use.
Indoor space is too crowded
It doesn't provide a safe no cost space for walkers and runners
It feels we are losing so many, spray and play, outdoor pool, etc and they are over crowded and busy
It is impossible to get ice time. Kids sports teams are travelling to Thamesford, Embro, Tavistock etc for ice. The demand for ice is substantial. For a community of our size and level of sports teams only 3 pads is not enough.
It would be great if the city would consider incorporating a curling rink into their facilities. It's an activity that is appropriate for children and adults and can be modified for varying levels of physical ability.
It would be nice not to charge for an indoor walking track, as most cities around Woodstock don't charge...we pay enough taxes and in the winter, sidewalks are icy and dangerous to walk on. We need an outdoor water park, Tillsonburg is a smaller city, and they have one. More people from Woodstock are having to go out of town to use these other facilities, because they aren't here.
It would be nice to have a walking track in the arenas. I would like to see in door walking tracks free.
It would be nice to have something available other than hockey and baseball.
It's always too crowded nowadays
It's often hard to book in to play pickleball Entry is so busy when hockey tournaments are on Too many kids running around and making messes
It's hard to book them.
James St tennis courts need parking, preferably in the park. James St is beyond busy with garbage trucks traveling to and from the city yard, VuTec trucks and buses. It's a miracle no one has been seriously injured.
Just need more of them

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Lack large indoor multi sport facility for basketball volleyball pickleball badminton
Lack of accessibility (ie carrying children and toddlers down stairs with hockey equipment), timing for toddler activities are not conducive to toddler schedules, more daytime options for parents that are home
Lack of accessibility and multipurpose uses (only an arena), only a pool, rather than a center for multiple activities. Lack of seating on green pad at reeves community complex
Lack of availability
Lack of availability
Lack of availability Hours of operation
lack of availability and costly. What you charge to rent the indoor soccer pitch is disgusting. You are slowly driving competitive teams/players away from using your facility. It's cheaper to drive to London to use their full sized pitch.
Lack of availability at times.
Lack of availability for open and family swims.
Lack of availability of time.
Lack of availability, outdated
Lack of availability. Poor window coverage during full sun events, At Goff - access door to bathroom often locks behind us.
Lack of available ice time for minor hockey teams Booking sites could be more efficient Viewing area at Cowan Park, hard to watch games being played on the soccer pitch
Lack of available ice time for the number of kids and adult hockey players
Lack of evening options for adults.
Lack of facilities, mostly being an arena. We desperately need 4 pads in Woodstock.
Lack of food options
-lack of good viewing at green pad (complex) and lack of heat
Lack of gymnasium time for basketball
Lack of Ice Seating in Cowan sportsplex and the ball diamonds isn't good
Lack of ice availability.
Lack of ice pads and ice times Poor change room facilities at the Southside pool. Pool not conducive to young infant and toddler swimmers - need areas where they can touch, beach entrance, separate smaller and warmer pool if possible. Need a racing pool with diving blocks.
Lack of Ice rink availability and lack of pool availability
Lack of ice surfaces in a community with large youth hockey programs and a growing population. Civic's ice surface is in awful condition and the arena itself is crumbling.
Lack of ice time and space
Lack of ice time availability, lack of amenities for fans (ie- restaurant or pub for attendees), crowded public areas.
Lack of ice time available
Lack of ice time for minor hockey. Disc golf course needs updating. Utrca has too much control over pittock north (disc golf course) with no winter parking, no night time use.
Lack of ice time for Woodstock minor hockey and Woodstock Wildcats. Existing teams have been cancelled due to lack of ice time. Woodstock teams have to practice at other communities arenas.
Lack of icetime available
Lack of indoor pools, walking track hours on weekends
Lack of indoor swimming Lack of indoor and outdoor pickle ball courts and bike and connected walking trails
Lack of outdoor facilities for swimming. SPLASH PADS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE SUBSTITUTES - especially for adults.
Lack of outdoor Pickelball courts for use during warmer months
Lack of outdoor pool, or secondary pool.

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Lack of outdoor recreation facilities. Most of what's offered needs to be rented, reserved
Lack of outdoor swimming in Woodstock with closure of lions pool and spray and Play Wading pool; lack of heated pool like in New Hamburg; lack of a pool to host competitive swim meets
Lack of parking at some facilities Lots of upgrades needed to Civic centre Larger change rooms Lack of shade at some slash pads No longer water slide area for older kids
Lack of parking or poorly designed parking layout in relation to access to facilities.
Lack of pickleball times
Lack of pools
Lack of pools and the one we have is always full
Lack of public basketball facilities, lack of seating/bleachers at one existing basketball facility, over-emphasis on soccer fields. Not enough swimming facilities, closure of Southside splash park (essential for those with disabilities) Please see Meridian Centre in Fonthill and RIM park in Waterloo for an example of a high quality community centre. It is embarrassing for sports teams to host tournaments and travel sports here when you compare facilities from different regions.
Lack of seating at cowan sportsplex indoor turf and basketball court. Southside pool water is very cold. New splash pad on Finkle is not good for "older" kids, getting rid of the slides and wading pool was a mistake. That choice meant a loss of lifeguard summer jobs and now "older" kiddos have lost that activity, as it was not replaced on Finkle.
Lack of second pool
Lack of smaller kid parks Age of pool facilities
Lack of space in the water at southside aquatic centre for swimming lessons, lack of public swims times
Lack of upgraded facility for Curling. Lack of facility for Squash.
Lack of warm room seating at the hockey rinks. Lack of restaurants/canteens overlooking ice.
Lack of waste management facilities including recycling, especially during the winter.
Lacking in "open" pool time. Most of the time is used up by swimming lessons that fill up too quickly or aquafit. Being about to take my child to a pool for the afternoon would be incredible. Really wish we had an outdoor facility like Otterville and Paris have where it is primary used as drop in open swim time and they do lessons in the evenings
Lacks AFFORDABLE recreation E.g. swimming, walking track, pool, badminton/racket sports
Lay out of the reeves complex. Alot of wasted space on the red rink stands not being used and no good seating or warm areas to watch either rink
Lights are not turned on at Cowan Fields in the evenings - limits ability to use the space especially in winter when it is dark at 430pm.
Limited access
Limited availability of pickleball
Limited bookable pickleball courts. Limited spaces for children for swimming lessons...only one pool for the community and so many families not able to sign up for lessons.
Limited change rooms (pool), encampments (trails)
Limited hours at times
Limited ice time
Limited ice time available; splash pad area at south side is small and reaches capacity often; the south side aquatic pool facility is old and change rooms including bathrooms are dirty and it's always extremely busy with many times lots for lessons reaching capacity; not every facility has a walking pad which has been great to get movement in while kids have their activities.
Limited ice times need more indoor families too
Limited options, hard to get in due to demand
Limited parking at aquatic center, crowded.
Limited pickleball courts, no curling rink
limited time for availability have to go to too many facilities to enjoy different activities website is too difficult to

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

navigate times not user friendly

Lions and civic are a bit long in the tooth and need an update

Little to no availability to book pickleball courts, especially for people who work during the day.

Location

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Location & Cost

Location across the bridge, pool is fine but could be much better

Locker size too small at pool

Main concern would be the civic centre if feel it could use a serious overhaul.

Maintenance at Southside is significantly worse. The facility is heavily used and often in need of repairs. Parking is often a problem

Many are old and outdated. The walking track is for paying patrons only, and there is a lack of Pickle ball and or Tennis courts in the NE end of town. The trails don't feel safe and as a runner-I no longer use them if I am alone. It would be nice if they were patrolled more frequently, especially during less busy times of day and lighting to ensure safety. A walking bridge to connect the other side of Piddock by Township Rd 3.

Many facilities are towards the south side of Woodstock. Pool and arenas are all getting pretty old. Number of facilities have not kept pace with population growth.

Miss an outdoor pool

Missing curling facilities.

More adult programming that is a lead with leaders/professionals rather than it being lead by a participant

More bathrooms needed, especially outdoor parks

More ice pads are necessary.

More of them, updated facilities

More seating/parent viewing area is needed at Cowan park. .. there's more parents than spots to sit Larger + more change rooms are needed at south side pool

More seats for students so community can grow more

More Shade needed

More shade trees

Most are in need of repair. The splash pads upkeep wasn't great. The civic center is in bad shape. Swim lessons fill up too fast, change rooms at south side are too congested during busy times

Most are on the North side of Woodstock That there is a fee for the indoor walking track

Most of the current facilities are not nice with small lobbies, they lack viewing area.

Much wasted space inside reeves complex. Olympic sized ice is ridiculous to play on and is not practical. Seating is also a complete waste. Would be better off to have lower bowl seating around the entire ice rink. Alcohol sales during vets games are in a ridiculous spot and not at all functional. No other arenas are set up like this for a reason. Green pad seating is also poor at best. Would be nice to have some softball diamonds and batting cages available

Multiple locations, indoor pool is small.

My daughter plays hockey with the Wildcats organization. It is well known that the Civic Arena is used primarily for girls hockey. This arena is clearly past its prime and the facilities are less than ideal. It is clear to me that the girls are made to feel less important or cared for than the boys' hockey program and being forced to primarily play and practice out of the civic arena is a significant factor in this. The Civic Centre also has a major accessibility issue. We have grandparents in our family with mobility issues and they are unable to climb the very high cement stairs in the seating stands at the Civic Arena. Because they cannot stand for significant length of time, they are unable to stand and watch the games. This means that none of my daughter's grandparents are able to come watch her games at the Civic Arena.

N/A

n/a

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

N/A
N/A
N/A
N/A
N/a
N/a. Newish to Woodstock so not much chance to actually use them.
NA
NA
Na
NA. I don't use them.
Need a better pool and more ice times
Need a community arts 🎨 (musical / dramatic) centre for practices, storage and concerts. This could be a part of a "sports" complex.
Need a free indoor walking track to increase good health.
Need a new arena for more ice times and more baseball diamonds
Need a new arena for more ice times and more baseball diamonds
Need another pool. South side is not enough. Need some pickleball locations
Need another swimming pool asap to accommodate more swimming lessons and public swims
Need existing places to be updates
Need for outdoor pool and wading pool now that southside is closed. Splash pads are not a replacement for these
Need modern amenities. More ice times
Need more arenas, not enough for girls and boys hockey to get in practices.
Need more available ice
Need more ice pads for hockey
Need more ice time and more pools
Need more ice time, in door gym space
Need more ice. So I am not running to Embro/Thamesford. If you close civic, you will need 3 more rinks... at the least.
Need more indoor options. Different sports areas. Food options as well
Need more lanes
Need more libraries in the City.
need more pickleball
Need more pool facilities, would be nice to have a large complex that has multiple uses (pool, gymnastics, hockey, and more).
Need more pools
Need more rinks and another pool
Need more rinks to support more teams . Hold more tournaments.
Need more rinks, don't have enough enough ice time for teams. Do not need all the seating at Reeves red pad.
Need more room in the hockey arenas The bathroom at the civic stinks like sewage
Need more updated ice rinks
Need more variety and class options. More recreation options that are not competitive for each age. It is a huge struggle getting a child in for classes or lessons because they sell out so quickly.
Need more!
Need up grades
Needs activities for younger ages
Needs an update

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Needs coaches lounge/room

Needs improved updates to infrastructure

Needs more swimming and children options

Needs to be another pool with better changes rooms More availability for swimming

Needs updating, located at multiple locations throughout the city

Never available Need more arena availability

New facility only over the bridge on north side. Need something in the north's side south of Devonshire.

Next to no parking at Southside, almost impossible to get into lessons unless you are available right at 10 AM when they open. Civic is extremely run down. But I'll take whatever we can get at this point.

No availability...always booked by organizations with no chance for anyone else to book it for personal use like we use to be able to do. (Birthday parties, family skates etc)

No bathrooms or porta potties at some local parks. Family outings are easier when bathroom facilities are available.

No complaints

No complaints

No complaints at this time but I do see a need for more facilities as the city continues to grow

No complaints.

No concession at ball diamonds

No concession stand at the civic. Everything about the aquatic centre.

No fencing around the parks for safety. You took away the water park that was our families favorite activity in the summer. No out door pool anymore. Nothing for teenagers to do. The splash pads don't have shade areas for getting out of the sun.

No free indoor walking track at arena. Pool is old and small. Not enough arenas for our kids to have a fair amount of ice time. No indoor basketball courts (aside from Cowan - but it's not intended for basketball). We have so many people in the town - we need a massive complex. Integrate the library and YMCA like in other communities!

No heated pool.

No heated therapy pool

No ice time available. Have to drive to Embro, Tillsonburg, etc for ice. Need a new arena to support all the leagues. Great opportunity for year round ball hockey league if we had an arena like civic to play in. The viewing area in the swimming complex would a brutal.

No indoor walking track around the rinks. Very poor viewing in green pad and at indoor soccer field, no pool where arenas are. All currently separate buildings for all different sports

No out door pool

No outdoor pool

No outdoor pool

No outdoor pool

No Outdoor Pool for young families. Vansittart Pool Closed. Civic Centre - poor design, awkward entering/exiting and it's very cold. Community Compkex raised prices on food and reduced serving size - overpriced food - should offer reasonable and healthy options. Families spend many hours here during hockey season.

No outdoor pool or splash park with wading pool.

No outdoor pool.

No outdoor pools

No outdoor pools. No outdoor skating.

No outdoor swimming pool

No outdoor work out equip. at no cost..no mirrors to ensure posture is aligned when doing yoga or swim ,,/aqua fit

No outside swimming options. Very limited time for open gym.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

No place at the facility to relax and meet people. Coffee shop, meeting hall, restaurant. A secure place to stow walking aids and wheelchairs. More unobstructed accessible toilets.
No pre-game warm up/stretching spot for the hockey players at either civic or Reeves.
No presence of staff while doing activities. They stay in their office
No room at civic for multiple people to get through
No shade, because theirs sooo many people that live in woodstock theirs always never enough room or space.
No walking track, gym/workout areas.
None of them are fenced in outside. As a mother of two boys with autism who run away any chance they get, it would be nice to not have to run after them multiple times and know they are safe
Not a ton of variety
Not able to attend due to over crowded classes and cost which should be covered with tax increases.
Not accesable for everyone,
Not accessible Out dated Constantly closed for repairs
Not alot of room at the civic
Not an outdoor pool. Facility/gym rentals way too expensive.
Not applicable - no issues
Not being updated over the years
Not big enough, not enough of them, no pool to use!
Not enough
Not enough
Not enough Need more aquatics and fitness
Not enough Old facilities
Not enough activities
Not enough adequate ice time availability year round
Not enough Adult Baseball Diamonds!!
Not enough aquatics, ice pads are old (Civic centre)
Not enough arena ice time for Wildcats.
Not enough arenas and ice time for hockey. Also need a new outdoor pool or bigger splash pad with pool to replace the Lions pool.
Not enough arenas for the amount of kids.
Not enough availability
Not enough availability
Not enough availability/space as so many people want to join
Not enough city resources, pool is over crowded, difficult to get swim lessons, not enough arenas, hockey teams were cancelled this year because there was not enough ice times. The city is growing and we need to ensure all kids have access to activities.
Not enough dressing rooms Green pad has terrible viewing for spectators Red pad has so much wasted space Hallways are narrow at civic arena and green pad No restaurant/bar inside arena...gretzky center is something you should look at to mimic.
Not enough evening or weekend ice time for local teams. Teams from.are going to different centers to acquire ice time which often involves pulling students from class early to use available ice time. There isn't alot of space for parents to wait for their children in warm areas of the arena. Seating in lobbies is very limited.
Not enough events or information about events to try them out
Not enough facilities
Not enough for growing population
Not enough for growth of town- with the outdoor spray and play at southside closed we are missing something like it- or lake lisgar in tillsonburg Also more gymnastic facilities
Not enough for the size the city has become. Would like more public access that isn't only during weekdays

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

when people are working. As an example, there are only 2 hrs a week on the weekend for public skating yet 6 hrs during the week which are all during working hours for the majority of people.
Not enough gym space or rinks.
Not enough high calibre soccer fields. Need a turf field in town. It's ridiculous that we don't have one already.
Not enough hockey pads and very little ice time
Not enough Ice availability
NOT ENOUGH ICE especially to accommodate girls hockey
not enough ice for the amount of hockey - having to go to outside centres for ice time - viewing on the green pad is horrible - entrance to the civic is horrible - 1 pool for all of Woodstock, classes full yo very fast
Not enough ice pads
Not enough ice pads for hockey. Need at least 4 ice pads
Not enough ice pads for how many teams we have in Woodstock.
Not enough ice pads for the community size. Differential access to ice between girls and boys hockey. Lack of a full service, multi-sport community complex similar to other comparable municipalities.
Not enough ice pads in Woodstock to run all the programs that could be run. I have 2 boys playing for Woodstock navy vets B level travel hockey. I'm told by Woodstock minor hockey that ice time is not available so in the future only every other age group will be available. Cutting teams to reduce numbers is taking the opportunity away from kids that want to travel and represent Woodstock in other communities. When there's a group in every age level that's wants to do that, it is sad to see Woodstock not give them that chance. And the reason is not enough ice pads I think. Woodstock growing fast and with only the 3 same rinks since 1996. Also last summer some times the grass or weed eating is not kept up with at Kintrea baseball field.
Not enough ice pads to support the existing and growing needs of the community. Pool facilities are becoming inadequate to support growth.
Not enough ice pads, outdated civic centre. Terrible spectator viewing at the green pad (reeves centre).
Not enough ice pads, poorly thought out seating on green pad
Not enough ice pads.
Not enough ice pads.
Not enough ice pads. Need more ice pads to manage the growing hockey and skating community. Arenas are now outdated.
Not enough ice pads. Poor design of the Complex. The green pad seems like an after thought with minimal seating/view of the ice. Red pad second level seating is useless. Poor design of stairs to get to dressing rooms on both red/green pads. Civic is extremely old with not enough dressing rooms and no proper entrance. Traffic areas of the Civic are extremely tight/congested. Southside aquatic center needs updating and is cold in winter.
Not enough ice rinks and ice times for sports - Need additional pool facilities
Not enough ice rinks for the demand. Civic Center is very old and other teams who come to play hockey at civic make negative comments about its condition.
Not enough ice rinks for the growing needs.
Not enough ice rinks to support all teams, individuals and public activities, limited ice availability, green pad terrible seating for games, more of a practice ice, only the complex has concession stand
not enough ice rinks, or tennis/pickleball courts,
Not enough ice surfaces available for hockey teams. not enough pools, not enough parking at the only pool we have. Some of the current facilities continue to have health and safety issues that are upsetting to family's and harmful to health i.e mild issues etc.
Not enough ice surfaces, Generally dated, pour design, bare bones design,
Not enough ice time
Not enough ice time
Not enough ice time
Not enough ice time and quality diamonds

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Not enough ice time available
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Not enough ice time available.
Not enough ice time available. Outdated.
Not enough ice time for both hockey and figure skating as well as private ice time for hockey and private skating programs.
Not enough ice time for existing hockey to continue (13/14+). Not enough evening time on pickleball courts. Not enough indoor or outdoor pickleball courts.
Not enough ice time for girls hockey
Not enough ice time for hockey teams. Proper managing of who gets priority over ice time. Old timers are getting ice time at 8 pm when that could be an ice time for a hockey team that is developing, which is one example over many that could be listed.
Not enough ice time for minor hockey or wildcats . No walking track . Civic is crowded when teams come and go. No booth !
Not enough ice time for teams
Not enough ice time in Woodstock. The city needs a multi pad arena to be able to host larger tournaments.
Not enough ice time lack of arenas
Not enough ice time, swimming lessons way to crowded and no public swimming after school on weekdays. No vending machines to get drinks from at cowanpark Sportsplex.
Not enough ice time.
Not enough ice times available
not enough ice times available for all the uses
Not enough ice times in town
Not enough ice to go around.
Not enough ice. Lacking accessible gym. Not enough options for swimming.
Not enough ice. Need more pads. A pool. A gym. City of Woodstock ia so far behind compared to other centres. As a mom of 3 hockey players I have seen many facilities and Woodstock is seriously lacking.
Not enough ice. No bar or restaurant like so many other arenas. Creates jobs and makes money
Not enough ice...having to drive my kids sometimes an hour away for hockey practice because there is no ice time in the city
Not enough icetime available
Not enough icetime for hockey
-Not enough indoor facilities. -Poorly maintained outdoor facilities (especially soccer fields). - Not enough facilities for familirs/adult/birthday parties etc -Inadequate pool facilities
Not enough indoor ice pads
Not enough indoor or outdoor pickelball courts. It's hard to book one
Not enough indoor Pickleball courts for the amount of people playing
Not enough indoor pickleball times, it would be great to have later evening pickleball for people who work til 5-7pm.
Not enough indoor pools, swim programs. Need a good track for running.
Not enough lane swim or public swim availability Pay for indoor walking track when it is free elsewhere Not enough parking at most facilities, other then the rinks as those lots are massive
Not enough of them
Not enough of them
Not enough of them
Not enough of them! Need more variety of activities/options!
Not enough of them.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Not enough open use time in facilities.
Not enough opportunities for lane swimming.
Not enough options for evening family swims during the week
Not enough options for swimming lessons or open swim
Not enough outdoor facilities (wading pools),
Not enough outdoor pickle ball courts
Not enough outdoor pickleball courts. Indoor courts are not always available due to demand
Not enough parking at Southside Pool
Not enough parking only one swimming pool
Not enough parking, no indoor/ outdoor pool, no gym, no childcare facility, no outdoor picnic area or shade offered, no water bottle refill station outside
Not enough parking, small change rooms
Not enough parking.
Not enough parking. Nowhere for small children to play while sibling is doing sports at indoor events
Not enough pickleball book a court time. Reeves is trying hard but I would like to see more times still. Cowan is a joke. No weekend or evening times. The outdoor court is in a sketchy area of town. Not enough ice time.
Not enough public skating times
Not enough pickleball court booking availability in evenings, for people who work 9-5. Need more outdoor pickleball courts. Not enough active options for people with accessibility issues, leagues that accomodate those individuals. More Curling availability, current facility is quite small and limits leagues
Not enough pickleball courts. Not enough turf time for families, even though there is plenty availability.... ie toddler time 930-11 could actually be all morning.
Not enough pool access, we need another pool The curling rink is aging and hoping for inclusion with the city recreation plans
Not enough pool space, no outdoor pool, no Gym space attached to any of the other facilities (would be great to have a work out space to use while kids are at a practice/lesson), would be good to have basketball/volleyball or squash courts in the same location as our facilities are very divided across the city, other cities/towns also have a better area in the pool for small children with a ramp to the shallow end of the regular pool, and have an attached steam room or hot tub.
Not enough pool time. Indoor pool only
Not enough pools for the population of the city along with not enough parking or change rooms
Not enough pools slots always fill up fast.
Not enough programming for younger kids. Not always accessible cost wise for all ages. Wish we had an outdoor pool for summer
Not enough programs, limited facility space.
Not enough rec space in the city
Not enough resources/time slots available to accommodate everyone.
Not enough rinks
Not enough rinks, class A ball diamonds and full size cricket pitches.
Not enough room for children to play safely. Sports or just play . Swimming is a nightmare . The poor staff tries their best to keep all safe.
Not enough room in the track area to stretch
Not enough seating for green pad. Stairs heading to change room not the greatest.
Not enough shade at existing parks for kiddos, especially in the summer. Southside pool is too crowded, very loud, very cold.
Not enough space
Not enough space - we use the pool 3-4 times a week and it's packed all day long. We need more pools! I also find the parking at Cowan Sportsplex bottlenecks on the way out.
Not enough space and over booked.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Not enough space/times/activities available for the growing population
Not enough spots and hard to get into programs. Some of the facilities need upgrading.
Not enough spots in programs
Not enough spots for pickleball. (Indoor courts)
Not enough swim options
Not enough swimming options both indoor and outdoor. Not conveniently located for north Woodstock residents.
Not enough swimming pools and it would be nice to have a gym to workout in.
Not enough swimming pools. Southside Pool is outdated. Showers don't work well. Changerooms are freezing during winter. Very crowded.
Not enough time allocated
Not enough to go around. In my experience it's been difficult for my son's teams to get enough ice time or baseball diamond time.
Not enough to service our population
Not enough up to date facilities to accommodate the size of Woodstocks growing population. The city should be encouraging the young to be more active but for example they have had to limit or cut certain age groups in various sports activities recently due to limited facilities. Specifically in soccer and hockey. Also, the current hockey facilities do not support hosting large tournaments that would in term generate money for the city.
Not enough variety, hours could be better. Pool isn't big enough for the programs
not enough washrooms or picnic tables
Not enough, too busy to get into
Not enough ice times available
Not great options for spectators, especially at Cowan park for basketball and volleyball. Would like a new rec facility to have better spectator seating. Also desperately need more basketball and volleyball courts,
Not likely that only one indoor pool available Outdoor Cowan fields could you tables benches throughout other than under the pavilion
Not many activities available for youth over 12.
Not much for young adults or working people. Need better class times to cater to working schedules Women and girls only classes
Not nearly enough available ice time. Especially during prime time. Only one during the summer. Stratford has 4 pads and Woodstock has only three. Could host more tournaments bring people to our city. Great area to host events. Need a new arena ASAP
Not nearly enough ice time available for all of the Hockey players in Woodstock.
Not sure what's offered for people without children
Not up to date or big enough for our expanding community.
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing downtown to help the local business'
Nothing in NE
Nothing in the north east end of town. Looking forward pickleball and badminton courts
Nothing not used, but paid for at least. Don't need another \$1000.00 increase a year 😡
Nothing really. They all have specific areas for specific needs. I would like to see warm pool for seniors that you can walk into like at Oxford Gardens but not available any longer.
Nothing they do their part.
Nothing. They keep closing. The YMCA lost their pool the Lions pool which was historical is being shut down.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Everything we have in Woodstock is meant for little kids nothing for teenagers.
Old and outdated. Terrible atmosphere. No bars attached. Whoever's in charge of this should seriously look around at other city's arenas and soccer complex. Ours are literally laughable
Old and outdated. The pool is too small! Civic arena is a eye sore, for other cities coming in and playing there!
Old building To crowd
Old dated pool, gross inside. Most facilities are across town
old dated unsuitable for older people no walking track like Waterloo sports complex. Zero fore thought, Doesn't utilize space for all ages and activities. Upper levels of all areas can have indoor walking tracks
Old outdated dirty needs to be bigger
Old, run down, not big enough
Older facilities that need updating. Need for a better layout and offering of more community programming
Older ones not being maintained, and closing down
One is the worst arena in Ontario and embarrassed for other teams to come to. Bathrooms at civic smell bad. The red pad is wrong size of ice. Green pad dressing room smell and it hard to watch a game on it. No washroom for the green pad
One swimming pool for Woodstock is not enough. Because of this the south side aquatic centre is very crowded. I also find it very dark and uninviting.
One thing I do not like at the Reeves Community Complex is how the locker rooms for the arena are located downstairs requiring you to take stairs to access them.
Only 1 indoor pool.
Only a single pool location with an inconveniently limited lesson schedule; big time cost for families with multiple skill levels to wait for hours at the SAC pool while individual members take consecutive instead of concurrent lessons. Also, parking and change rooms at SAC are both too small and insufficient for swimmer volume during lesson times. The change rooms at SAC have been much dirtier since COVID; previously, there was a staff member cleaning the floors etc. during lessons, but we haven't seen them actively cleaned through the day since re-opening, when ideally they would now be sanitized more frequently. Recreational facilities are spread out along Woodstock's very inefficient public transportation system, making access to the complexes (Reeves, SAC, Cowan Park) inefficient for local youth to use for fun, exercise or work. More frequent bus runs during all open hours to the recreation complexes would help my children get to lessons and work.
Only focused on sports like hockey and baseball. Things like the walking track should be free.
Only one pool for a growing city population.
Only one pool in city
Only one pool. No outdoor pool.
Other towns like Ingersoll and Tillsonburg have much more exciting facilities, and the Ingersoll pool is much cleaner, warmer and fun. My kids loved the outdoor waterslide park behind the pool and we will miss it greatly this summer. The existing splash pads are in direct sun with no shade and are often too hot in the middle of the day. Vansittart splash pad has shade but is not very exciting. We often travel to Drumbo for their splash pad because it is fun, has lots of shade and has picnic tables.
Our city has expanded and we don't have enough new facilities to accommodate how much the city has grown.
Our facilities are out dated and lacking amenities compared to any of the city around us. look at Wilmont, Elmira, Fergus. That's are smaller communities with better arenas, swimming pool, gym, not sure how our taxes we pay can't support this. The amount of kids that play hockey here and families involved in our community. But never any support for hockey Especially Girls hockey.
Our ice availability is very limited. Green pad has terrible viewing for spectators and is very challenging to view for people in wheelchairs.
Our outdoor pool does not exist... It could have been band aided some more until a new one was built
Our pool access is too limited. It is far too busy during lessons etc and I think a second option would help.
Our pool is too small and does not have a great shallow area for younger/smaller swimmers. There is also no warm/hot pool and change rooms are very drafty.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Out dated and not enough for our growing population

Out dated. Need new one badly.

Out of date and cold

Outdated civic centre arena and lions pool

Outdated civic centre. Not enough available ice time

Outdated especially Civic Centre

Outdated especially the change rooms at southside and not enough programs for kids available. I have 5 kids and we participate in 3 rep sports so having up to date facilities is super important to us so we don't have to leave town to play

Outdated facilities should have been replaced years ago

Outdated rinks.

Outdated, not enough pools, we should have indoor playground as there is not a lot for kids to do during the cold or extremely hot weather.

Outdated, some accessibility issues, not designed for major events.

Outdated.

Outdoor areas can have drug products left behind.

Over crowded, not enough venue for number of residents. Hard to book certain ice times or swim times. Also the turf is not available for open family activities it's all birthday parties and pre-booked activities.

Over crowded. Pool is looking beat up

Overcrowded in the warmer months

Overcrowded, not enough programming.

Parking , viewing green pad and gymnastics . We love the red pad

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Parking at southside aquatic centre can often be quite crowded and family change rooms sometimes have line ups when the pool is busy.

Parking can be an issue at Southside Ball Diamond Bathrooms sometimes not clean at Southside Ball Diamonds

Parking can be difficult- Cowan Park, Southside.

Parking could be a little better at certain diamonds and parks. Otherwise my complaint is in regards to upkeep of diamonds. there are often times where leagues get shafted from there booked diamonds and pushed to alternate diamonds because the city does not want to have to rush to re line the diamonds after a tournament is done and league to start. This is what we pay for! We should not be shipped to another diamond when there is time for us to be playing on our originally scheduled places.

Parking is a struggle and the flow coming in and out/ lack of change areas. Just not a good set up (southside) The change rooms are a bit tricky to get in and out and elevator is way too slow (reeves) The baseball diamond at Fanshawe was not set up right (sun in eyes while playing)- Fanshawe Lack of availability times for hockey and swimming

Parking looks to be an issue in some instances.

Paying for a walking track is absurd.

Paying for the use of a walking track. Most facilities in other towns and cities that have a walking track associated with the facility, do not charge to use it. The fact the dressing rooms in the Reeves complex can only be accessed via stairs. Civic arena is beyond its life expectancy and it's unfair to make girls hockey use it.

Paying to walk at indoor facility Not enough amenities

Paying too much rent out the turf

People can't LIVE IN THEM. We need housing desperately, why focus on sport facilities. We have 200 people living rough and addicted to hard drugs who can't be housed b/c we have nowhere to put them. We have young people who can't afford even the cheapest apartments and we have Indians renting rooms for ridiculous prices making same gender adults sleep together in the same bloody room charging twice for the rent. this is

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

nuts. FOCUS ON HOUSING!!!!

People who litter and don't respect others

Pickle and tennis indoor area.

Pickleball indoor and outdoor

Players should not have to go up and down stairs with hockey equipment. There is not proper ventilation in the change rooms for the green rink. The civic centre does not wide enough hallways, not enough change rooms or an adequate girls change room. There is not enough ice time. We need more ice pads to accommodate the demand for ice time.

Pool - Lack of space in changerooms. Pool is very crowded during Parent & Tot times.

Pool and Civic arena are getting old

Pool can get busy for lane swim. Dogs off leash on trails and no one to enforce the bylaw. Would be great to have cameras on trails too to see conditions, especially in winter.

Pool change room outdated, not enough room during lane swims, ball fields for adults are locked up nowhere to play or practice. Not enough pickle ball courts

pool is getting older and used by many age groups. Perhaps change rooms updated, and paint refresh. There should be a new curling club in a community of our size. Curling is a great sport that attracts all ages.

Pool is not big enough for the needs of the city. Bring back the splash pad at Southside Park!

Pool is not heated

Pool is old and small

Pool is overcrowded. And it is sometimes difficult to get a lesson at a time slot that works for you as there are guidelines (proper ones which should be in place) that limit participant numbers. Especially more difficult with younger children. We need more pools. Would love to see lions pool return but that seems like a long shot. Also, more activities during the week (or in general) at the sports complex. There are more sports to life than hockey and soccer.

Pool is small and dated. Look at pools in surrounding communities like Milton. They can host recreational and lane swims simultaneously in both pools. Recreational pool could be warmer as southside is very cold for small children. Lack of change room space and functionality. Arenas- lack of rink time available

Pool is too busy and overcrowded.

Pool is too busy- need more than 1

Pool is too small and change rooms are outdated and lack privacy

Pool is way too small for city of our size. I'm sad the splash pad closed as well. The little spray pads are no where near as good.

Pool needs major renovations, updates and repairs to meet present population levels. Not a legal pool re swim team.

Pool not good layout. Not good for blind competitive swimmers. Pool not functional for Competitive swimming. Need a 8 lane facility. Need to address the lack of pool facilities for Oxford and surrounding area. New Hamburg facility is amazing and built to allow all to use.

Pool parking

Pool water very cold and not enjoyable for young children. The large splash pad is really nice; I don't consider the ones with one water feature a true splash pad.

POOL: The pool is old and out of date (changerooms and bathrooms are terrible, doors don't open, pooling water, not enough space). Sauna is never operational. There is no warm pool or any fun features like many other pools. Civic Arena. Great old rink...but again changerooms are literally falling apart. Bathrooms rarely work, benches falling off of the wall (yes actually fell off of the wall when girls sat on it), holes in walls, not wheelchair accessible. Complex Arena: Green pad changerooms and hall smell like chemicals (or mould) all the time. I suspect air quality is very poor. Rinks/ice time: Not enough ice available. As such, Woodstock Wildcats use ice in Thamesford and Embro. Woodstock Minor Hockey is eliminating (yes eliminating) a number of hockey teams. These kids will all move to play in other centres. Indoor Cowan- great fields. However, we must be the only municipality that charges to use a walking track? I have been to a ton of arenas with tracks...never been charged for use (Brantford, Wilmot, Wellington, Waterloo). Seems absurd.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Poor accessibility. Not big enough. Don't support large eventsz

Poor ice quality

Porta potties at Cowan Park, no concession stand.

Price and availability.

Price and lack of evening availability

Programs in recreation facilities are outdated and need reform to reach out to youth of today.

Really hard to book ice time given the limited availability.

Really need another indoor pool !!! Southside is full and learning to swim is a life saver

Red pad at complex needs to have a restaurant between ice pad Civic needs an upgrade

Red pad is too big. No easy access to washrooms from the green pad. Poor viewing at the green pad and it's very cold.

Reeve campus has poor handicap accessible rinks

Reeves - parking can be a challenge when multiple events are scheduled together. Civic - the aisles/walkways are just too narrow. Hockey bags cannot pass each other to come or go from the rink. The dressing rooms don't have a decent space for stick especially with the partition wall. It's dangerous when the sticks fall (younger groups)

Reeves - terrible hvac control in dressing room area for green pad. No viewing allowed from mezzanine of green pad? All other centres allow viewing from all areas. Civic- entry/exit is in a terrible location, kids constantly need to navigate through spectators. Why can the arena not be accessed from fairgrounds side allowing a normal spectator flow and preventing congestion with the only entry point? New Devonshire ball diamonds are locked and not accessible to play on. Kids have few city wide options to play recreational baseball outside organized leagues. Overall based on the Woodstock city tax rates our local facilities fall far behind many comparative centre's which have much lower taxes and much more modern and accessible recreation facilities.

Reeves complex needs new entrance that doesn't require stairs to get to dressing rooms

Reeves complex wasted space

Reeves is a great facility however there should have been better bleachers put in on the Green pad. The civic as far as I'm concerned is a complete embarrassment to the girls hockey community.

Reeves makes me happy. Civic has free skating but it's such a dingy facility. Parking is terrible. Between both arenas we need more ice time Cowan is a joke. Limited parking. Filthy dirty and the hours are non existent. Why are we limited sat and sun night and all summer? 1 pickle ball court booking per day none on weekends. Walking track should be free. We need more outdoor courts

Reeves red pad should've been nhl size.

Rental costs are high.

Restricted times

Roth park path is in really rough shape and could use some proper biking trails.

Routine mtnce is reqd. Women's red pad washroom stall handles haven't been aligned in years

Run down, difficult to get kids in the desired times for swimming, limited recreational sports teams due to the limited fields, diamonds, courts.

Run down, not enough facilities for community members.

Rundown equipment - overcrowded south side pool due to lack of other pools in town - washroom facilities rarely that clean

Sad to see lions pool closed, arenas not enough for our growing population

Sadly, Civic center arena was built backwards 😞. The only thing good about it is the ice surface.

Same as above

Schedule changes at the last minute. An obvious preference to accommodate kids (pushing adults/lane swimming aside). There needs to be a late afternoon lane swim for adults/seniors ONLY. 18+

Scheduled time for hockey practice keeps getting earlier after school at 4 :30 getting harder on families to make these times

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Seating at civic

Seating at Cowan sports plex in the indoor basketball court doesn't have a lot of seating

Seating at green pad at reeves is awful Civic is cold as hell Seating at Cowan is awful , should be able to stand and view from up top Some of the outdoor soccer fields are not well maintained during the summer (across from hospital)

Seating at the green pad. Hard to see.

Seating for fans on green pad is horrible, no view of rink. Also no heat sources.

Seating in green pad

Seating in southwood green is very poor. Ice times are too hard to get. Civic needs an update.

Seating isn't fantastic at green pad rink

See 3, complex for kids to take their bags down is a pain, lobby is not big enough. Civic is outdated, not enough room to walk, not enough lobby space

See nr.3

Several need to be updated. They community need has grown and more space is needed to accommodate and update some of these spaces- Civic, YMCA, Southside

Shortage of pickleball availability

Should be opened for more time - seasonal and time (earlier to later)

Showing age

Shutting down the spray and play wading pool at southside.

Shutting down unique and/or popular outdoor facilities such as SAC Deluxe Spray N Play with slide and Lions' Pool with no equivalent replacement. Lack of large indoor playplace for young children and teen/tween leisure spaces.

Since my children are grown and no longer living in Woodstock, I don't use these facilities. We have our own pool and I never found the pool warm enough at Southside to ever want to swim in it outside of lessons with my kids when they were very young.

Since Woodstock is growing, we need more facilities to accommodate the growth. Physical activity is what kids need. Compared to other cities, we just don't have enough. We a couple more ice pads and swimming pool, another more accessible free indoor walking track.

Size

Skating lessons are frequently cancelled due to tournaments and things. Kids learning to skate and missing one or two weeks in a row sets them back

Small dressing rooms, no space for male coaches other than hallway benches. Tube Heaters in arena seating is limited to specific spots.

Small. Dirty. Outdated. Not functional

Smell of civic arena. Southside lanes don't allow for swim team diving. Not enough available ice for the growth a girls hockey.

Smelly, poor maintenance and not enough of them

So disappointed with the removal of the splash pad/spray pad unique to Woodstock. We need this replaced as well as our outdoor swimming pool. A natural playground would be amazing. It's ridiculous the turf is not available for families more often and for rentals. More pickleball always full. Later start time for youth turf times.

soccer fields are too small. Not many women's soccer teams accepted. Pay the same price as London/Kitchener leagues but you get less.

Some are extremely outdated and we do not have even close to enough of them

Some are getting old. Cowan Sports Complex is too far out of town. Southside pool is too small and crowded.

Some are old and less than ideal state

Some are old and outdated. There are not enough facilities for the size of our growing city

Some are outdated

Some are pretty old

Some are starting to look a little tired/outdated

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Some aren't completely age appropriate. Not much for kids 8plus outside

Some cities have walking tracks above ice rink and they do not charge.

Some could use more parking

Some facilities are dated or there is not enough availability for local leagues to grow based on demand for the sport.

some facilities may feel overcrowded or outdated, with equipment and amenities that need maintenance or upgrades to keep up with growing demand. Absolutely, adding more ice rinks would definitely help meet the growing demand for winter sports and activities! As more people get interested in these activities, it's crucial to have enough space to accommodate everyone.

Some of the layout can be hard.

Some of the older building are not as welcoming and not as clean. There also not enough space for various sports for a growing city.

Some of the outdoor soccer fields at Cowan Sportsplex are quite poorly maintained (eg. Irregular surfaces) and makes players prone to injury.

Some parks are not accessible for kids with disabilities. Such as Cowen park on Dundas and Landsdown park area.

Some tennis and pickleball courts are not up to standards

Sometimes garbage and other dangerous things that city workers don't clean up or get too in time

Sometimes lack of parking. It definitely needs some maintenance.

South side pool doesn't have a proper viewing area

South side pool is freezing and it looks old

Southside Aquatic Center is very cold and so is the water. We need more public pools. We have enough sports pads and fields.

Southside aquatic centre change rooms are older.

Southside Aquatic Centre is small and dated and needs an update. I wish there was outdoor beach volleyball courts. I also wish there was a better trail at Southside Park that was longer.

Southside aquatic centre old and needs an update. Civic centre very dated. Small change rooms. No warm up spaces for hockey players. Limited warmup space at reeves. Would be nice to have walking track available(at no extra cost) like many other centres have. (Eg. Rotary complex in Stratford) There are no enough ice surfaces to support the growing demands of the city/county. Wildcat hockey growing in popularity

Southside Aquatic Centre washrooms and change rooms in dire need of upgrading.

Southside Aquatics needs more parking/ building needs updated. Need more change rooms and offer more swimming lessons.

Southside changerooms are small and cramped and old and also lacking enough parking. Cowan Park (baseball) diamonds are nice but the ground gets incredibly hard in the summer and grass dries out a ton making it not very fun to play on in the summer.

Southside is old and needs a lot of work to bring it up to standard

Southside is outdated, its change rooms and parking are a nightmare and I now take my children out of town for swimming lessons. I wish we had more then one lousy option for swimming in this city.

Southside is over run as there are no other options

Southside is very busy- swim lessons and lane swims seem to be at max capacity.

Southside needs a serious upgrade; lacking aquatic facilities geared to seniors ie therapeutic pools

Southside parking is terrible. The green pad at complex is terrible for viewers

Southside pool

Southside pool is a filthy mess. You have grit on the seat of your swimsuit after sitting in the sauna. The women's change room is a disgrace. I know people who call the Southside pool the "cesspool "

Southside pool is always freezing. A heating system needs to be installed to heat the water and to heat the changing rooms.

Southside pool is always way too busy, we need more water facilities for recreation.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Southside pool is filthy. Had to get grandkids registered for lessons. We need another indoor pool
Southside pool is in good condition however change rooms are too small and rundown, very dirty
Southside pool is not big enough for what the community needs. There is not enough parking. The change rooms are too small and the pool is too crowded. We need another pool badly. We could also use another ice rink.
Southside pool is outdated and not enough change rooms. Wildcats cat offer enough programs to support my daughters due to insufficient ice times.
Southside pool is outdated and very small. It's very hard to swim lanes, as there is at most only 4 lanes and due to pool size classes are filled very quickly.
Southside pool is overused. Need another pool facility for a city of this size.
-Southside pool is small and outdated. There is not enough change rooms and they become a fire hazard during busy times because so many people get stuck in a line trying to get through. -civic arena is very cold and doesn't have a snack stand. -the splash pad is extremely cold and most young kids can't stay in long.
Southside pool is small for the only pool in Woodstock. No warm viewing at the civic or reeves Red and minimal on Green Pad (some family members cannot be in the cold to watch games due to health conditions). No concession stand at civic. Foot traffic flow at the civic is very crowded. Walking through the parking lot at Cowan Park is a little dangerous when accessing the small fields with young children. Limited viewing at Cowan Park indoor soccer field.
Southside pool is very cold for young children. We have gone to new hamburg and they have a family pool which is heated. I also think more public "family" swims" would be helpful Also, more arenas would maybe allow for more parent toddler/younger kids to learn to skate. Public skates are too busy for kids to build confidence.
Southside pool is way to busy/ change rooms Aren't big enough for how many people are going there. Need more pools
Southside pool so busy and needs updated change rooms
Southside swimming pool is disgusting and beyond outdated. It's embarrassing that this is the only swimming facility our growing city has. It's so inadequate that we can not provide enough swimming lessons for the youth in our community. This is a necessary life skill that all should have access to.
Southside swimming pool is too small for the growing community and the size doesn't allow them to offer a variety of programs or enough swimming lesson times. The change rooms are too busy that my kids have come home in wet swimsuits because the wait to change is too long. -civic arena doors smack you in the face and transfer germs with the big plastic door flaps. It is so narrow that it is not safe during busy times if there was ever an emergency. There is not enough ice times for demand and hockey tournaments are a big economy booster for our community.
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Space at the civic, the layout is terrible for coming and going
Space is limited, as are spots for organized lessons, etc.
Space- need more.
spaces are too small, ie changerooms, and public spaces. some location parking is an issue.
Spectator seating on the green pad.
Sports complex walking track and soccer fields
Spread out over the community
Spreadout all over.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Spred about to much nets need replacing at tge tennis courts pepole using them as leash free dog parks
Staff is generally not customer service orientated, often rude.
Stairs at Reeves accessibility isn't great.
Stairs at the complex down to dressing rooms. Tight walkway to green pad dressing rooms and civic dressing rooms.
Stairs going down to dressing rooms
stairs to dressing rooms, ice rink sizes, small dressing rooms, poor location, no proper fan seating in green pad, minimal warm viewing area, no restaurant/proper blueline room, no walking track
Sufficient
Swim lessons fill quickly due to high demand. Pool, viewing area and change rooms are always busy. There needs to be more family change rooms available. Few non-sport recreation activities. Would love more opportunities for my children to be active in open-gym type environments. Public swim and open ice times need to be offered more frequently.
Swimming hours are not a wide variety to the public, lacks family swim time.
Swimming pool
Swimming pool change rooms have poor drainage. Require more lanes for swimming as fills up quickly
Swimming pool is not big enough
Swimming pool is too small and we need a new one at Cowan Fields
Swimming pool is very cramped/busy and getting outdated.
Terrible viewing at Cowan for youth indoor soccer leagues.
That arena does not have a walking track. The hours we spend there in a week waiting for our kids to finish hockey practice would be well served walking a track. Dressing rooms at Reeves are downstairs - should be on a main floor or have a lower entrance for athletes if it has to be downstairs No bar area for big sporting events like vets games, tournaments. Focus more on functionality - multiple ice pads and proper seating (like 1,000 - 1,500 seats max for bigger pads) - like Gretzky Centre, Sixteen Mile Sportsplex Oakville More gym space
That for the population, there isn't enough times / space. Specifically for lane swim, it is often over crowded since lions shut down.
That the hall rentals disappeared. As someone who needs space for corporate events for adults and kids, we are very limited, wether it be for numbers or ceiling heights.
That the pool is on the south side of the city.
That the walking track at Cowan fields cost money. Most other town/city's do not charge for its use.
That there is limited capacity for hockey teams, soccer teams, baseball facilities. Space is limited therefor unfortunately for most
That there is no door on the pool change rooms to prevent cold outside air coming into the change room. Plus the possible prevention of stopping someone from coming into the wrong change room. It would also be nice to have a bathing suit spinner in a common space to help reduce extra water not needed to be carried around within our bag.
That there is no outdoor pool, and no consideration for one. Southside pool is aging and no plans to address that either is disheartening.
That there is not a change table in the men's washrooms. Especially at civic where there is not an option for a family washroom.
That there is nothing closer to the Eastwood side of wodstock.
That there is only one pool available for all of Woodstock to use.
That there isn't enough ice time to support our current population. That our pool cannot support a swim team.
That there isn't enough ice times for our children so their team folded.
That there's only one indoor track at the far north end. The Southside pool is cold.
That they are taking away the splash pad behind the pool. That the outdoor pool is out of commission. That we need updated change rooms at Southside pool.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

That they are there. We need more

That we don't have an upgraded space for the wildcats hockey team

That you need to pay to use the walking track at cowan

That you're getting rid of them

The absence of an outdoor pool and large water park . We are forced to drive to London, Kitchener and Tillsonburg for outdoor swimming.

The age of facilities ! Woodstock has not kept up

The amount of change rooms at the pool - it needs to be increased. Also I don't like that I have to pay for an indoor walking track, everywhere else with one it's free. I'd rather stay home.

The amount of time it takes for things to be repaired/replaced if broken or not functioning.

The aquatic center is far too small. No ability to have a proper lane swim as the pool is shared with other activities. It would also be nice to have a 50 m pool allowing for a swim club and swim meets which would generate revenue in the city

The aquatic center is ok but it is in need of major updating. The dressing rooms are too small and the showers are not always functioning properly

The aquatic centre gets really busy and crowded during the weekend swim lessons. To the point where you can't get a change room in the family area and you have to wait, dropping wet with 2 kids who are cold and wet.

The aquatic centre is far too busy for lessons, it's over crowded and cramped- not an ideal space for any child to learn. I'm frustrated that the older splash pad is now closed and we don't have something aside from an indoor pool or splash pads that are designed more for young children. I would love to see more options for indoor play during the year- especially on the weekend, for younger children.

The aquatic centre is old.. the change rooms are too tight. The colouring on the walls looks dirty. Need a bright open concept change room. Overall the area is small.. not a lot of seating at the pool side.

The are getting old out of date.

The arenas are leaking, crumbling, and poorly designed.

The arenas are very dated, and the civic is starting to fall into disrepair. The ice surface there is starting to become dangerous with a hole in the concrete below the surface that doesn't allow the ice to form and bond properly. Southside Aquatic Centre's change rooms look and feel gross. I change my child before they come to lessons so we have to spend as little time as possible in there. The pool is packed, and sectioned off during swimming lessons which is not ideal for swimming lessons.

The arenas don't have enough availability. There isn't enough after-school ice time available for teaching hockey skills (where kids are allowed on the ice with hockey equipment). Also, hockey, skating lessons and public skates are canceled far too often to accommodate tournaments. Availability of swimming lessons is not good because we haven't enough swimming pools. When I was a kid, the city was 30% smaller and had two two indoor pools and one outdoor. Now we're down to just one pool total. That isn't enough, and we're going to have a lot of kids growing to who cannot swim, and can't keep themselves safe at a lake or beach.

The arenas need some updating and there is not enough ice times for the demand in the area

The bench seating to watch soccer and change rooms at southside.

The booking system

The business and some are older

The change rooms at southside are just too small. There needs to be better ways to change babies.

The change rooms at the pool are not well created for families, not enough change table bads for toddlers/babies

The changerooms at the pool don't feel sufficient. It would be nice to have swimming lessons when the pool isn't so packed and perhaps having a viewing area off the pool deck for parents.

The City of Woodstock absolutely requires another 2 pad arena. There is a lack of available prime time ice that is worse than almost every other municipality within a 30 minute drive.

The Civic Arena has no accessibility for anyone that would be in a wheelchair. The change room rooms are old and small people crowd around the glass and then people can't get through to get out or to get in. It's too small

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and there needs to be a change

The civic arena is falling apart, it needs some major upgrades. The pool as well. The city is growing steadily and we don't have enough recreational centres to keep up with the demand.

The Civic arena is old and crammed. The gymnastics and swimming lessons are always filled up soon after registration opens. I don't even bother trying to sign the kids up for gymnastics or swimming because I know the chances are slim of getting in. That said, my daughter LOVES gymnastics...and is a great swimmer. I wish there was a swim team locally that she could join. I grew up playing waterpolo at my local pool - would be so great to have a greater breadth of sports. I also played competitive tennis - would be great to have better tennis facilities/training in Woodstock. I know a lot of the clubs around have wait lists - I bet there would be interest for an indoor/outdoor club in Woodstock. It would be great if Woodstock could leverage its population growth to have more recreation options for kids and adults.

The civic arena needs a huge Reno, or the new facility need to have 2 ice pads to accommodate the growing population.

The civic arena needs updates or we need a new arena. The girls hockey teams use it constantly, and it's an embarrassment. The heaters don't work, the change rooms are freezing. We are a huge hockey community and the civic isn't cutting it.

The civic arena set up, but also lack of ice available to all between all arenas

The civic can not sustain the amount of traffic that goes through there

The Civic center needs to be torn down. The rooms, the seating, and the ice are all terrible.

The civic centre arena is old and lacks the amenities provided at Reeves. Having a daughter in the Wildcats hockey program means we are at civic multiple times a week. Having a new arena would provide the girls in our city with the same experience and amenities the boys have.

The Civic Centre arena is very small. We do not have enough ice pads to support the population growth and the growth of girls hockey in particular. There are also not enough indoor facilities for sports that are not hockey or turf related sports (volleyball, basketball, dodgeball, etc), having to use local school gyms. The one pool we have is also not big enough to support our growing population.

The Civic Centre arena receives a poor rating from me. Run down, small, dirty, poorly designed building. Embarrassing as the host team for Wildcat games.

The civic centre arena, is a great location but needs to be updated. It's old and rundown

The civic centre has no room at all, only 4 dressing rooms no wheelchair ramp. The building is falling apart. We only have one pool in the city when we used to have 3.

The civic centre has small dressing rooms and is not ideal for spectators. Parking is limited now at Complex during hockey season. Along with baseball diamonds at complex/southside.

The civic centre is embarrassing

The civic centre is portrayed and needs a large overall to support our growing girls hockey league. We do not have enough indoor pools to accommodate our growing community.

The Civic centre is significantly outdated and is the worst arena I have been in regarding space and simply walking by others from the stands to entry/exiting doors. Whenever there are a handful of games in a row, there are 6 teams in the facility at one time (2 teams just played, 2 teams beginning a game, next 2 teams arriving in the facility). Simply using the facility for its dedicated intention and bringing other organizations in is almost embarrassing when people cant even walk beside each other to get to the stands. There is not option for standing room even to be out of the way of the traffic. This issue in its own laments the need for either a significant renovation and or a new facility with proper updates facilitating more space. As the Wildcats Organization continues to grow at an accelerated rate, the new for more ice pads is more relevant than ever. If a facility is being considered with a new ice pad, it would be more than a disappointment if a twin pad is not only considered but presented as one of the highest priorities to be considered.

The civic does not have enough change rooms , seems to be laid out backwards as far as parking and access , the walkway is far to narrow to navigate oncoming people while carrying anything

The civic has no space to move— teams waiting to go on the ice take up all the space so people coming in can't get the seats or dressing room— need a bigger arena

The civic. It's pathetic. Embarrassment to the city

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

The civic's ice is great, but the facility is extremely small and tough for people to navigate through with spectators and players with bags because of how narrow the walking lanes are around the rink. The main entrance isn't used at all because of the location. Because of ice restrictions and availability the association has to look for ice in Ingersoll & Thamesford.

The common ones are far from bus stops. From the outside, it is not recognizable as a recreational facility unless there are high visible signs (i.e. Cowan). It (recreational facilities) also lack social media presence (i.e. "marketing" videos to engage and invite Woodstock folks and neighboring counties).

The community really should have an area for squash. There was a thriving squash community that was privately run but Covid put the gym out of business. Every city centre we compete with offers squash. Ingersoll, Brantford, Stratford, London, Kitchener. More basketball options as Oxford attack leagues/teams are growing. The pickleball courts on Parkrow Could be rearranged to fit twice as many courts. This would not cost much, just requires better layout of the courts.

The condition of our facilities always kept clean and easily accessible. Staff are very pleasant and most accommodating.

The cost of using the pool. Not enough lanes for swimming

The cost to tax payers. At this point I am quite frustrated with the decisions to beautify downtown. with inflation, land tax increases coupled with the current cost of living the expectation on us tax payers isn't realistic.

The current facilities, such as our indoor southside, swimming pool needs significant renovation and rejuvenation, and a review of accessibility. Our outdoor facilities of ball diamond soccer fields are incredible and seem to have taken priority.

The diamonds at the complex are not well taken care of and were fairly dangerous this past summer. We do not currently have enough ice time available to facilitate minor hockey and adult hockey with our growing population.

The distance you need to travel to each one. We also are in desperate need of another hockey rink!

The dressing rooms for the Reeves center are down a long set of stairs and many kids can't carry their bag down those stairs. The girls are mainly scheduled at the civic center which feels like we don't think they deserve to play at the "nice" arena. All practices should be at civic and games should be scheduled for Reeves. For both genders. Civic has not been updated since I was a child in the 80s doing figure skating there. It is cold and dreary. And the plastic curtain at the entrance needs to go. It's gross.

The extreme lack of municipal gymnasiums for basketball, volleyball and other court sports. Lack of ice availability to run sufficient hockey programs for both males and females. In need of another full sized baseball diamond for teens/adults. Tip is great but need another.

The facilities are not well maintained. We need more ice pads and we need them year round without a two week shut down.

The facilities should be combined for easier access, the walking track is so far away from the pool.

The fact that the girls hockey gets the old broken arena that is mouldy. We need a new one. That is equally shared. We don't have enough room at our aquatic centre to facilitate our population. A fight to sign up for lessons.

The fact that they charge so much for rental of the concession facilities

The fact we have no outdoor pool for families. Size of this city and the money we pay in taxes it's a huge disappointment

The floor, times and rules about who can play pickleball at cowan are no good so i go elsewhere

The green pad at the complex does not have a good viewing area and it has too much wasted space. The Civic is old and not very appealing.

The hockey arenas (which I use the most) are outdated and poorly designed. Going down stairs to get to dressing rooms is a terrible design especially for kids with hockey bags. The complex design is awful, Olympic ice is brutal and unnecessary especially for kids, seating is way too large on the red pad and creates zero atmosphere. They could have made the two ice surfaces standard size, put bowl seating in with a walking track on the main side and elevated seating on the other and saved thousands in energy bills. The green pad is worse with no space for spectators and terrible sight lines. The mezzanine area is completely useless and no warm area for observation for the red pad for seniors and small children. They could have also made the

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mezzanine bigger and had a small bar or restaurant. The civic centre should have been bulldozed 25 years ago and they built it facing the wrong direction. No one even uses the front entrance.
The horse race track could be better used as a major entertainment facilities like the kitchener auditorium. Plan for a future where woodstock is double the population it is now
The hours at Cowan aren't the best and there isn't a ton of children's programming.
The hours it is open needs to be longer.
The hours need to be improved
The indoor swimming pool at south side aquatics gets very busy between 6 to 7:30am and not enough space to swim.
The lack of a proper swimming pool facility and availability of ice time etc.
The lack of availability to the ball diamonds because they are locked up and not be able to use.
The limited availability of ice time, public swims, variety of sports
The limited availability of times offered
The limited pool options
The needs to be more arena ice time a
The new ones and everything new is going north. With only 2 roads across Pittock it makes it difficult to get out there without driving through town.
The old pool is outdated and the building is gross. I wish there were more swimming facilities in Woodstock outdoor and indoor options.
The older facilities are dated. Often having to be closed for issues. Not enough ice surfaces for the community. Not centrally located (at either ends of the city).
The Olympic size ice at the complex. The management at the complex. The design of the complex itself doesn't hit many marks. The flow of people in and out of the building is bad. The atmosphere during games is weak because of the size of the red pad. Upper stands rarely used. Just a poor design overall. The windows to view the gym club are poor with many sight lines blocked.
The only pool gets full fast and lessons are incredibly hard to get into, there's never enough parking and it's the only one in town now.
The outdoor facilities are lacking after loosing the water park and outdoor pool. Would be nice to swim at the lake one day.
The parking
The pool at the aquatic centre is so cold that my baby would be shivering and blue to the point that we no longer enroll our kids there for swimming lessons. You need more splash pads, the one on Vansittart is small and parking in that area is challenging. Parks also need a shade area for young kids. And changing areas/bathrooms near the outdoor splash pads would be really helpful. Porta potties or bathroom areas near burgess trail park is needed.
The pool can't hold swim races, it's small and boring!!!
The pool change rooms are not big enough, the pool is crowded, there is not a proper track at cowan fields if you are a runner it is just not big enough and the curves are not standard.
The pool could be warmer and better ventilation
The pool is dated and needs some repair. The civic centre needs to be replaced. The splash pad should have been rebuilt - not replaced.
The pool is freezing cold water
The pool is old and the facility has not been kept up
The pool is over crowded with no part shallow enough for smaller kids
The pool is run down, showers are horrible with mould and cold showers. The sauna doesn't work properly never warm enough.
The pool is small and change space is inadequate. Civic Arena (although rarely visited), being used as a regular ice pad is embarrassing.
The pool is small and cold for little kids, change rooms are tiny, you got rid of the outdoor wade pool in favour

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of a splash pad which sucks because the wading pool was super fun for kids, there's no shade at the devonshire Ave splash pad

The pool is SO busy. Also, not located in my area of town.

The pool is so small and outdated

The pool is tiny and poorly shaped. Not enough change room space for family change room

The pool is too crowded.

The pool is too small and cannot meet community needs.

The pool is too small for our population. We need another bigger pool. We need a community weight room or gym similar to the one at Tillsonburg Community Centre.

The pool isn't big enough for the amount of people we have. Sad to see the splash pad go.

The pool seems like it's getting old and a bit damaged. It is unfortunate that it is the only pool in Woodstock. The civic centre is getting old and there is not a lot of space in the halls and dressing rooms.

The public swims are so busy which discourage more frequent attendance.

The Reeves Complex has issues with the multiple levels and access. Civic Centre was never designed properly and has poor flow and layout. (Was designed backwards) Southside Aquatic is a nice facility but is old and need a thorough renovation.

The Reeves complex should have adequate seating on the green pad. There is often hockey games going on and accessibility is atrocious for viewing a hockey game. I assume the green pad was built for practice only or figure skating but anytime after 6 PM. There are hockey games going on at both arenas and there needs to be adequate seating for viewing. Very unusual to upstairs going down to the dressing rooms. Often Arena's use long ramps. Not enough lobby space at the reeves arena.

The seating area for fans during home games

The shuttering of Lion's Pool /lack of outdoor central swim facility

The size of the red ice pad is too big it needs to be NHL size max. The Civic Centre is embarrassing and needs to be burned to the ground. The seating in the green pad is a joke. The washrooms are disgusting in the arenas.

The smoking at the ball diamonds and butts left in and around benches. Pool is old and tired.

The soccer fields are in terrible shape. And there isn't enough ice pads available in the city

The soccer fields are not properly maintained Not enough ice pads Terrible seating on the green pad at reeves and in the flip side the red pad has an excessive amount of seats of which the upper section never gets used Neither facility can properly host tournaments Cowan park is not well enough maintained to host tournaments for outdoor soccer and the indoor soccer is terrible for both viewing and field size for playing indoor.

The South Side Aquatic center needs suit spinner to dry suits and more time for family or fun swim in the evening during the week.

The southside aquatic center is far to small for how much the city has grown. The number of classes being offered at one time in the pool on any given night is VERY chaotic and loud. For new swimmers it is extremely intimidating and overwhelming. Lessons can be hard to get signed up for if you are not able to log in right on the day registration opens.

The splash pad was not ideal for a working family the hours were not ideal. The outdoor splash pads that we do have at Devonshire and vansitart are great! I think that just incorporating MORE of what we do have would be great!

the staff are friendly and helpful

THE STAIRS AT THE COMPLEX!!! Stairs with a giant hockey bag???? I am too old for that now and it scared me as a kid when I had to carry my bag down.

The swimming pool is cold so perhaps increase the water temp so it more bareable for kids swim lessons

The temperature of water at Southside Pool, not little kid friendly.

The tight space to move around rinks to get to dressing rooms, congested at times when traffic is higher due to games ending and people getting out of the arenas

The trails are very poorly/rarely maintained.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

<p>The tread pad at reeves seasting you can't see the use. Also we need more ice pads in woodstocks. The girls are always at civic arena</p>
<p>The walking track hours do not accommodate people who like to exercise before work in the morning. With the amount of money we pay, we should be given access to use the walking track before 8:45. Staff at this facility get very lax about supervising the walking track to prevent non paying soccer league spectators from disrupting the paid users.</p>
<p>The walking track is to expensive to use on a regular basis. Unfortunately this is not affordable for your average class working family due to the costs.</p>
<p>The walls at the sportslex is silly, can't see half the field with large beams in the way and not allowed to watch from above track. No close shade at the splash pad on Devonshire, civic arena needs a big upgrade, looks old</p>
<p>The washrooms in the red pad at the Reeves Centre look gross, unwelcoming and are very cold. The water refill stations need to be replaced. It would be nice to have an outdoor pool like Stratford or Paris have. Those are both very lovely concepts.</p>
<p>The website for Cowan Park (pickleball) was not user friendly. There is NO "drop-in" pickleball and yet those words were very visible on the website. The need to book 3 - 4 days in advance of when you want to play makes it impossible for me (and others have agreed with me on this) to use the facility. The change rooms were terrible at the Southside Pool the last time I was there. (Since being there I did learn that renovation work is scheduled so the terrible condition is understandable.) The bike lane lines painted on the streets was a failed project in my opinion. (I am an avid adult biker.). The Reeves hockey arena has two broken water stations apparently. Can a school program be developed to provide swimming lessons and life-saving rescue lessons (free?) to all the applicable local schools? (My childhood swimming lessons and boat safety lessons that I took as a child have helped me save numerous at least 8) lives...including my own!!!).</p>
<p>The Woodstock wildcats need a new home ice surface for games and tournaments. Two ice pads are needed to facilitate the growing demand of girls hockey in Woodstock.</p>
<p>Their age and not being able to provide accessibility and functionality to the public.</p>
<p>There are ample arenas, however not enough pools in this city. The sport of swimming is undervalued given Woodstocks response to resurfacing and/or adding another pool to this community. We don't need more ball diamonds, or soccer fields, or arenas. ANOTHER POOL IS NEEDED! Residents are accessing swimming in neighbouring communities because Woodstock is profoundly lacking in this regard.</p>
<p>There are currently no outdoor pools in Woodstock. There needs to be enough offerings to support the massive population growth.</p>
<p>There are no snacks at Cowan Soccer. No vending machines or anything for the athletes</p>
<p>There are not enough ice pads for all the players to use and having to leave the community to practice on other ice pads</p>
<p>There are not enough ice rinks and I don't like that some ball diamonds are closed off to the public.</p>
<p>There are not enough ice time available for our growing community. Because we do not have enough ice available some devisions can no longer play.</p>
<p>There are not enough ice time available on our current rinks to meet demand.</p>
<p>There are not enough of them to support how quickly Woodstock has grown.</p>
<p>There are not enough of them.</p>
<p>There are not enough outdoor pickleball courts (eg Goderich has great outdoor drop in facilities)</p>
<p>There are not enough pools. Getting swimming lessons and lane swims at convenient times is hard. There is also not enough field time for indoor soccer.</p>
<p>There are not enough weekday public swims in the summer time. We leave woodstock to goto other nearby cities which have weekday swims. I don't feel comfortable using the trail systems to walk alone anymore. Since encampments and crime have been happening in the trails. In the mornings in the winter there is no time to rent a pickleball court. In the summer there are not enough outdoor courts.</p>
<p>There aren't enough to go around. More and more sports group want more time and there just aren't enough resources for the current demand.</p>
<p>There doesn't seem to be enough available ice times in Woodstock to accommodate all of the hockey teams.</p>

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

<p>There is a lack of all recreation facilities in Woodstock. We know the link between physical activity and mental health. Please start building and getting all ages up and moving.</p>
<p>There is a lack of ice time in Woodstock with the current 3 ice pads. It appears boys and girls (especially girls hockey) appears to have grown drastically so it is almost impossible to get ice team at a decent time. The area/stairs at the Reeves Complex and the area/space at the Civic Arena are not great. It makes it tough for players to access dressing rooms easily and spectators to move around and watch their families' games. The Complex has lots of wasted space in the entrance/lobby and limited seats on the Green Pad. The elevator and ramps are not very convent or accessible for people with disables. The Civic has a decent amount of seats but everything is so narrow it's tough to move around without being in every one's personal space. Also, near impossible for someone in a wheelchair to move around without just sitting just inside the entrance.</p>
<p>There is extremely limited space in the aquatic centre. I'm particular, the family change rooms are VERY small and the layout makes it challenging to navigate the room when waiting for a change room to open up</p>
<p>There is goose poop all over the splash pads. The trails are not very accessible, many are difficult to get to because of slope and trenches in the paths. The pool is overcrowded during public swim and lessons are difficult with children failing again and again because they are too distracted to swim and listen. The Cowan sports complex was great for young kids but the cityvcharges too much to use the walking path. We enjoyed soccer and gymnastics as well as swimming lessons, public skating and swimming but there is never enough space to get in when you try to sign up, you have to be ready first thing in the day or you risk no spot and public free/day use is too crowded. The bathrooms in the Reeves Complex are filthy. There is too much poison ivy at Cowan Fields.</p>
<p>There is inadequate ice time for the needs of children in the city. Girls associations compete for ice time with other associations and in the end, someone is missing out on opportunities to be active. Civic centre arena is extremely old and I am concerned that it will stop being functional before a new arena is built which will further the ice time issue. Southside Aquatic centre is also extremely inadequate. It is not large enough to allow for competitive swimming in the city of Woodstock and residents have to travel to Wilmot to race.</p>
<p>There is insufficient indoor aquatic space and aquatic fitness opportunities.</p>
<p>There is little availability for ice time and swimming lesson registration fills up so quickly. It would be good to have more nights of the week for soccer.</p>
<p>There is never enough ice time.</p>
<p>There is no restaurant or bar at the complex and a walking track would be nice at an arena facility</p>
<p>There is no walking track, there is not enough ice time for girls and boys hockey, we need a facility that encompasses a couple ice pads, sport courts, walking track, gym, pool - it is embarrassing that we travel other communities that are smaller and they have all in one facilities and we host them in the Civic center.</p>
<p>There is not a no charge for a walking track for seniors to use and no warm water pool for seniors.</p>
<p>There is not enough ice rinks to facilitate the demands</p>
<p>There is not enough ice time available for youth sports</p>
<p>There is not enough ice time or swimming availability to provide then necessary services to the community and youth especially. We need another 2 areas and a large scale pool that is heated. We need a childcare space more than ever and putting one in the administration office area of the building in some way is urgently needed. Southside pool is soo cold and the changes are way too small. There is not enough room for children to learn how to properly swim or to even get lessons. You have a better chance at winning the lottery.</p>
<p>There is not enough ice time to sustain the growing population of minor hockey and figure skating clubs.</p>
<p>There is not enough of them</p>
<p>There is not enough of them in our city</p>
<p>There is not enough of them! Limited times for activities</p>
<p>There is not enough of them. Also the Sutherland ball diamond gets less attention than other diamonds. That should change.</p>
<p>There is not enough park space, Southside park expansion needs to be a priority!</p>
<p>There is only one indoor swimming pool that is available to use. As such it is always busy. More options would be nice.</p>

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

There is something about the concept of the YMCA that is great for a community: having an all around Centre (one stop shop) basketball gym, library, rink, fitness centre with affordable memberships.
There isn't enough availability for the growing demand in Woodstock. Swimming lessons fill up too quickly and the change rooms are so full. Woodstock definitely needs another swimming pool, rec center, gym etc.
There isn't enough ice time available with only three ice pads available in Woodstock for the growing population and people playing hockey of all ages. Continuation of sport throughout life and maintaining an active lifestyle for kids, teens and adults is important for a healthy society. It is also very important for mental health. We need at least an additional two ice pads at the proposed facility because currently there is not enough ice time available on evenings and weekends that teams are being sent out of town for practices.
There isn't anything I dislike about our current facilities.
There isn't enough availability. Seating is terrible for basketball at Cowan Park
There isn't enough ice pads, nor time slots
there just isn't enough for the growth/growing of our city. Can't get into lessons for swimming, gymnastics, ice time.....
There needs to be another rink so we can be a AAA center, more activities like ball hockey baseball, basketball etc.
There not enough. One swimming pool for a population this size is RIDICULOUS
There's isn't enough , need better pool
There's not enough space to accommodate everyone at the facilities, there isn't a time for just a casual/relaxing swim for those that don't want to do lane or aqua fit. There should be a skating pad that offers more time for adults in the evening to offer those that work during the day can enjoy an evening skate to help encourage staying active.
They are all okay
They are all outdated. The showers don't work in the pool. The pool is too small for the population of Woodstock.
They are becoming outdated esp. SAC. We greatly lack sufficient indoor athletic space for our young families.
They are busy (well-used) and it feels like we need more as the population grows.
They are dated and always too busy
They are dated, overbooked.
They are dated.
They are extremely overcrowded, way too many people, especially at Southside pool.
They are getting old. We need a new one location committee centre. We also need a indoor practice area for ball
they are locked up...it's like look at what we built just look you can't use it for it intended use
They are not all in one location
They are not being policed, drug use in them and all the encampments.
They are not big enough for the public. It is always cramped because there is only one big splash pad or indoor pool.
They are not big enough to offer programming to everyone who would like to participate (thinking specifically of swimming).
They are not completely accessible
They are not sufficient for our city needs. Soccer needs more space with the growing population. The ability to offer year round programming is great, but our population is growing. Swimming facility is very outdated. Does not offer tournament standards. Only one aquatic facility for a city of this size is pathetic. Getting into the lessons that work best for our family is extremely difficult. Our change rooms are a headache to deal with.
They are old
They are old, out dated and not enough ice time. There is no walking track or gym to work out. Some have libraries and it's an experience to visit.
They are older and run down needing a lot of repairs. There's not enough seating space or change room space

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

at Southside for swimming lessons with all the lessons that go on at once, and proper field sizing (indoor and outdoor) for soccer to go with the divisions offered. There's also not enough indoor turf space to accommodate the needs of indoor house league AND our competitive teams

They are pretty old. Maintaining them should be more often so when things are fixed or updated the cost is spread out rather than a huge amount all at once

They are spread all over the place. Many facilities outside of woodstock combine walking tracks, swimming, drinks, gyms

They are thinly spread over our population Parking is inadequate at Southside pool We need more varied facilities for sports that have become popular like pickleball. Also we need a city operated curling facility that is affordable for all. The private club is great but not financially affordable for families. Curling is a very fast growing sport in popularity in Canada. Woodstock should be tapping into this interest.

They are too busy, swim lessons sell out quickly and if you do get in the pool is way too crowded, parking at the pool is terrible

They are too far from my location which is Spitfire St near Hummingbird

They are very basic

They are very busy and overcrowded.

they are very outdated and aged

they can be crowded at times, the sportsplex is a very busy facility and it can be hard to get ice times at the arena. parking at the sportsplex is also limited with how busy the facility is.

They can be difficult to secure (i.e., booking is competitive, getting spot in swimming classes or gymnastics is har.

they do not have what is needed in them. There is too many of them scattered throughout the city

They don't provide enough capacity for our growing city

They don't include curling. The parking situation at Cowan Park is dangerous. It's very difficult to see the indoor soccer games from the viewing area.

They feel small and outdated

They need huge changes. Southside is an aging pool and too small a pool . With Lions Pool gone, way too crowded at Southside when summer programs for kids available. Change rooms too small , showers often not functioning.

They need to be modernized and modelled off of other functioning facilities which have multi purposes such as BMO. Other areas have large complexes which have multiple facilities all in one- check out the one in Whitehorse.

They seem to be taking on a "go big or go home" approach. I know it's cheaper to build and maintain, but it makes them less convenient for people to pop over to have some fun when they're across town and not near any other amenities.

They seemed controlled by people that are trying to monopolize sports

They should have more programs for kids , swimming pool and a bigger area .

They're busy need more facilities

Theybseem small for the population and there for crowded at times

They're a bit old and run down. Some popular programs don't have enough spaces available.

They're all at the other side of town.

They're convenient to get too and offer a variety of activities

Think theyare all okay

Times of activities (too late in evening for adults). Outdated facilities. Not enough space for activities.

TLC on the pool would be better showers/curtains/taps Pool needs work, with holes in the bottom

Too busy

Too busy, lack of proper viewing areas, hard to register for programming

Too busy, seem to be at max capacity almost all of the time. Some facilities are beginning to age and will need upgrades or updates in the next ten years.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

Too crowded

Too crowded

Too many people, not enough of them.

Too small

Too small for our city. Parking needs work.

Too small of aisles at the Civic Centre. Create a Blue Lone Room that can still see the hockey games.

Too small to accommodate the growing population. All on the East end of town. Poor outdoor soccer pitches.

Too small, nothing really to do.

Too small. Pool always cold. Need larger family changing spaces. Needs more showers.

Too small. Not enough. Change rooms

Trails are hard to find.

Variety

Very busy swimming pool

Very dirty

very limited options for little kids. very sad to see the splashpad at Southside go. outdoor facilities are great but very limited indoor options. infrastructure at southside aquatic center is really poor, dirty facilities and showers constantly not working, made me gave up on swimming lessons for my daughter.

Very little heat in civic center dressing rooms

Very little time slots to choose for competitive indoor training, we pay huge fees for rep soccer, we should have priority over time slots

Very outdated, not much ice space

Very poor ice availability, not enough ice

Very poor ice availability, not enough ice

Very poor, limited seating to watch gymnastics. Not enough swimming facilities in town for the demand of classes.

Very valued outdoor pool in the northwest has closed, taking away opportunities and safe access to children and families on that end of the city.

Very very cold in change rooms for children after coming out of the pool in the winter. This can be a seizure concern for those with epilepsy as well.

Walking track at Cowan park requiring payment - have seen many arenas around the province and have never seen this anywhere else. Cost-prohibitive for seniors especially, who could use the track to exercise safely in the winter.

Walking track has no air conditioning Need another indoor pool

Walking track is not free - southside aquatic closing the splash pad

Walking track is pay to use however other towns it is free to use the indoor walking track. Not enough parking at Southside, limited hours for public swim so it is really for public swim and no outdoor pool for summer.

Walking track not free while kids are practicing.

Walking track should be free Pool not big enough, no diving or water slide, outdoor track is not available to train on, expensive to rent the indoor turf for teams

Walking track should be free for Seniors - as it is in most other communities around us!

Was very disappointed the wadling pool/southside splash pad closed. It was great for older children. The current splash pads are for much younger children. We need more than 1 pool and no water slides.

Water is cold. Change rooms are lacking in facilities.

Water is too cold at SAC, we go to New Hamburg to swim.

Way too busy

Way too far away (north)

We are too short on ice for rent. Civic is good for girls hockey, but is on its last legs - terrible set up, not accessible and no room for warm up's or to walk around.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

We definitely need another public pool

We desperately need another pool. Or for the current pool to have more family swim time. During the week, and more on weekends. We also desperately need a park that is fenced in all around (like a dog park) so young children can play safely and children with special needs can play without the parents fear of them running away and getting hurt.

We do not have an outdoor pool. The southside Aquatic center is outdated and the change rooms are disgusting and too small for the number of people who come for swimming lessons on the weekend. It would be great to relocate the splash pad and wading pool for small children to a different area in the city if it is going to be taken out to put more change rooms in.

We do not have enough arenas. Civic is long past its shelf life and needs to be replaced. We need new arenas and we need them now. South side aquatic center is too small.

We do not have enough ice time for all the minor hockey teams We do not have enough space for other sports such as lacrose

We do not have enough ice time in Woodstock. The girls teams are primarily allocated to the civic centre and it is poorly laid out for movement around the rink to change rooms, etc. and the bathrooms are embarrassing. We desperately need another hockey rink in Woodstock.

We do not have enough space to provide for growing population.

We don't have a centre for EVERYTHING and everyone. With high peaks being very cramped.

We don't have enough ice pads. We have had to cut teams because of it. Girls hockey is also on the rise

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We don't have enough ice to support community needs. My son is on the ice twice a week but we have to travel over 45 minutes to Langford for hockey practice and go to Embro, Thamesford, or Brantford for games.

we don't have enough ice, as a hockey player

We don't have enough space for any of the youth sports

We don't need more parks or splash pads. We need 3 additional ice pads, an indoor pool, and indoor facilities that could be used for multi sport (indoor baseball training with turf, volleyball, basketball, pickle ball, etc)

We don't have enough indoor facilities. Specifically pool and arenas (ice time is hard to find for both hockey and free skates and swimming lessons fill up insanely fast)

We go to ingersoll for swimming lessons because Woodstocks pool is cold and over crowded.

We have limited spaces for kids/youth activities. It would be nice to have an indoor facility.

We have some

We just don't have enough ice time.

We love civic, but there isn't much room for off-ice movement. Single file to get to/from change rooms when carrying hockey bags. The stands at Tip have a metal floor that is blinding when the sun is shining.

We need 1 more indoor pool.

We need a complex in Woodstock like the Gretzky center which facilitates everything

We need a facility that is multi sport . More ice pads, swimming pool, gym, walking track, courts for basketball ball and pickle ball etc...

We need a walking track at the arenas.

We need an out door swimming pool!

We need an outdoor pool

We need an outdoor pool for the summer

We need an outdoor pool!! Even though lions pool was in rough shape it was still jam packed with people enjoying swimming during the hot summers months

We need another complex, rinks with a pool, walking track above a rink, gym/hall, meeting rooms etc

We need another indoor pool as the Aquatic centre ids too busy and the changerooms are inadequate

We need another pool

We need another pool or two

We need another pool. Southside is not very big and can be busy and hard to get swimming lessons.

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

We need indoor squash courts, at least two courts

We need more

We need more and updated ones Something that would draw people here like St Catherines and area has

We need more arenas

We need more availability. Larger facilities and more programs in general. So many new people to the area we need to adjust for that

We need more hockey arenas with updated facilities for a quickly growing hockey community

We need more ice pads and another pool

We need more ice pads in our growing city. It's difficult to get ice.

We need more ice pads lots of hockey was canceled due to this issue

We need more ice pads, 3 isn't enough as lots of hockey is canceled due to this issue.

We need more indoor swimming

We need more indoor walking tracks at existing facilities and at no cost. Costs of injuries and chronic illness far outweigh the cost of options for safe exercise options

We need more of them! The city is growing.

We need more pools. Southside pool change rooms are not great (gross shower curtains, the floor is awful and the inside of the pool area looks old and not well maintained) this being the only pool in the city I'm concerning

We need more swimming options.

We need more swimming pools

We need more swimming pools. Too much focus on Hockey.

We need more, not enough ice time

We only have 1 pool so booking classes is difficult due to filling up so fast

We were sad to hear the closing of the splash pad at Southside. It was a great place for families. Other splash pads just don't have the same appeal.

We've quickly outgrown many of our facilities, notably the pool and the arenas. Cowan Sportsplex has a soccer focus with a beautiful football field that is rarely used. Acoustics at the arena are not great. This prevents or decreases the odds of an arena being able to hold an attraction other than a hockey game (live music, larger comedy events, etc). Other municipalities have explored multiuse/multi service facilities to better provide for the greater community... One example - a municipality has a pool, fitness/weight room and library in one location Another example - to offset costs/continued expenses, can the municipality partner with another organization to help provide something for the community (ie. pool, child/family programming - like the YMCA)

What about our only outdoor pool that has been sitting vacant and said there was no money to fix that? I grew up in that pool on Vansittard Avenue. I hate to see it being wasted away.

When there is not a lot of shade.

Where is the Pool in the north end of town? I don't want to drive 15 mins to a pool.

Why pay to walk on indoor track ?

Wish southside splash pad didn't close

Wish there were more options to do with my children and mom

Wish walking track was wider and free. Wish the viewing for the indoor soccer fields wasn't metal bleachers.

Wish we had a heated small pool for elderly and young children. South side is often cold.

Wish we had an outdoor pool.

Wish we had more. There are more sports in town that would be great to have access to indoors over the winter. Baseball, basketball, volleyball without having to try and get into a school. With only one pool in a community this size my kids haven't had swimming lessons in 2 years because we can't get into a class. We need more. Would love an Olympic pool & large athletic centre where various sports could be played.

Wish we had squash courts, more time slots and courts for pickleball.

with increasing population in Woodstock there are not enough spots / space in facilities like swimming

Q4. What do you not like about our existing recreation facilities?

/soccer/basketball etc. so many kids cannot even participate. Also lack of drop in classes on weekends / holidays/march or winter breaks when kids need most. i called multiple time during kids break , but these facilities are mainly used for birthday parties etc. Cost to participate in recreational activities had increasing so much that most of us cannot even afford. Soccer is one of favorite kids sports and this year the increase competitive soccer fee by significant amount its \$1275 plus extra charges for a kid. that's too high compared to near by towns. with lot of communication by parents there is nothing resolved. My kid in competitive soccer hardly used cowan park facility last whole year , they were playing in old school gym or public parks.

With the increase in Woodstock's population, there are more people for the same number of services. Also, we will be moving to the north end of the city which is currently relatively underserved.

Woodstock has very limited pool access. We need more indoor/outdoor pools and splash pads. We also need more toddler friendly parks

Woodstock needs a new sports complex, it's a growing area and it's important to the communities to have a space. Fitness rooms, arenas as hockey is becoming a large demand in the area

Woodstock needs more ice

Woodstock needs more indoor pools. One pool isn't enough.

Would be nice if they were all in one place

Would be nice to have a walking track within a rec complex, numerous other cities have that and it's a convenient way to go walking and take a child to the ice skating or hockey

Would be nice to have it all in one place. Not spread out amongst 4 building all at different ends of town.

Would like early opening times for Cowan indoor facility....9 am is late. People would use track and courts earlier to get The day going.....all year around. Would definitely volunteer to open facility early. Possibly use a scan card for access

Would like heated pool

Would like there to be more

Would love more for kids to do!

You can't use the walking track to watch soccer games

You guys removed the outdoor pool and the best splash pad .. we need more for the community especially for children and youth

You have to pay to use track at soccer club after already paying \$1400 for soccer Not enough ice.

Your shower heads aren't super great and could use some replacing. The new lights are nice though.

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

- 1. Accessibility & Inclusivity • Affordable pricing or free programs for all income levels • Accessible facilities for people with disabilities • Programs for all ages, from kids to seniors
- 2. Variety of Facilities & Programs • Multi-purpose sports areas (basketball, soccer, swimming pool, fitness rooms) • Community gathering spaces (lounges, meeting rooms, outdoor spaces) • Classes & activities (fitness, arts, youth programs, senior activities)
- 3. Safety & Cleanliness • Well-maintained and sanitized spaces • Proper lighting & security • Emergency plans and trained staff
- 4. Community Engagement • Hosting events, tournaments, and workshops • Partnering with local businesses & organizations • Encouraging volunteering & youth leadership programs
- 5. Sustainability & Innovation • Energy-efficient buildings and eco-friendly initiatives • Smart technology for booking spaces and managing programs

Would you like recommendations on improving an existing center?

3+ showers in change rooms

50 m pool

A bar or restaurant to create jobs and make money

A clean and accessible facility for all in the city. Proper seating. Indoor climbing facility for kids to enjoy while parents watch sports. Staff with students and charge admission fee to offset staffing costs. Obstacle course or some other gladiator course the kids can run. Let them live and fall down.

A clear defined warm up space for minor hockey

A concession stand is appreciated

A multiplex that could house more than one activity or multiple activities, including a community centre and daycare

A restaurant in a complex would allow families to socialize outside of sports.

A restaurant/bar with viewing area would be beneficial.

A team warm up area beside the 2 ice pads. Hockey teams do warm ups before they go on ice

A walking track around one of the ice pads would allow spectators to stay active while watching games.

A walking track around the pads are great for many people to walk all year round and many hockey parents use it to walk while waiting for the game to start.

A warm up area for teams before their ice time. parking. Change rooms with a designated stick area. Bathrooms with hand dryers in them

Ability to use for different sports

Accepting environment

Access

Access to all

access, ease of use, opportunities for connection, ways to connect with others interested in the same activities.

Access. Positioned strategically in the city with easy access to major highways etc. comfortable temps for spectators or some enclosed space for viewing. Lots of natural light. Easy access to change rooms.

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Accessibility - Civic Centre is poor.

Accessibility for those with disabilities

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Accessibility in general, including access for people with physical disabilities (e.g. especially with an aging population) and family-friendly spaces such as large change/dressing rooms and parking spaces

Accessibility of seating areas

Accessibility, charging spots

Accessibility. warmth. Cleanliness. Various bathroom locations.

Accessible amenities (seats, parking, changing areas)

accessible bus terminal close to access doors

Accessible change rooms and washrooms

Accessible for all

Accessible for strollers, wheelchairs, etc.

Accessible physically and financially

Accessible, childcare, curling

Activities for all age groups

Activities for all ages

Activities ie) aqua fit

Additional ice pads

Adequate hours

Adequate parking, clean washrooms, adequate space, better areas to sit while activities are running, better viewing areas, walking tracks at arenas

Adequate parking, viewing areas, water refill stations, multiple gyms, pads and pools to fit the needs of a growing community. Woodstock's population has grown quickly in the last decade...our amenities have fallen way behind our growth. We should not continue to expand our population if the city is not willing to keep up with the growth with community spaces, programs and amenities to keep our community healthy, active and happy.

Adequate private showers.

Adequate transit areas. The layout of the civic is not conducive of player and spectator movements. It seems like a basic solution however it appears that no interest in making the situation more appealing for locals as well as visitors to our centres.

Adequate viewing. Fitness and walking track. Childcare spaces.

Affordability

Affordability and subsidies to encourage activity

All

All above with adequate services for size of the city. If the library services are free why charge for recreational? Prejudicial system.

All in one center

all of the above + quality bathrooms

All of the above items, in my opinion, should come second to providing recreation facilities. For example, inadequate parking at Lions pool is not a reason not to have the pool. There is sufficient street parking and we should encourage residents to walk/take the bus where possible.

All of the above plus a second ice pad to at least replace the civic. Even adding a twin pad will not fix the issue of ice rental availability once the civic is closed.

All of the above plus overall ease of accessibility

All of the above plus posting safety rules

All of the above, Accessibility, comfortable spectator seating , visibility for spectators multi use facility to make the most of space and time through our the year

All of the above, I also think a fitness Center with affordable memberships

All of the above, in an arena setting just need adequate seating that you can actually see the ice pads from

All of the above, Walking track around one of the ice pads....Free to use.

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

All of the above. Amenities are large enough to intake everyone who wishes to participate
All of the above. Changerooms that provide a rectangular design and a white board where all players can see without obstruction.
All of the above. Focus should be on making it functional and able to serve the maximum amount of people in the area. No need to be fancy.
All of the above. Food options.
All of the above. Having people who use the facility be able to have input. Stairs into dressing rooms, parking lots on the wrong side of the building are not features that help make a top tier facility
All of the above; proper acoustics
all purpose recreation facilities.
All the above, but having the amenity in existence is more important than above
Amenities
Amenities like concession stand/food outlet
Ample shade for outdoor spaces
An added curling community centre
An inviting clean location
An outdoor pool would be nice since you took away the lions pool
And seating
Another large swimming pool
Another rink built ASAP
Another swimming pool, better accessibility, another ice rink
Area to keep belongings when you are using the track. Cowan park does not offer enough space. On soccer nights, spectators are using the hooks and space that are for people using the walking track.
Arena heating
Arena's should have heated seating areas as well as heaters in the stands beside rink. Walking tracks or fitness equipment to use with view of ice pad so parents can stay active too while kids are skating, playing hockey, etc.
Availability
Availability, adequate seating in smaller rinks
Available ice time
Available to be used by all
Bars/restaurants
Basketball
Bathrooms and shade!
Bathrooms that are accessible and offer privacy for things like showers (shower stalls are preferred). I think a child care centre would be ideal at every rec centre due to the childcare shortage that greatly impacts our economy by pulling females from the workforce (I have been on a childcare waitlist for 2 years and I had my child on the list before he was born). A swimming pool that is large for competitive swimming events and to offer more swimming lessons. Two rinks because Woodstock is a will always been a consumer of ice time and organizations are fighting over ice time.
Bathrooms with doors that close. Accessibility. Clean/non-odorous (mold free).
battery showers, a better food selection, better rinks, better change rooms, skate sharpener, stick and gear for sale.
Being less crowded, having bigger gathering areas or bigger facilities in general
better changerooms, cleaner, better showers, more pools in the city.
Better confection booths
Better food/ bar area. More viewing in the warm area
Better showers, more change rooms

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Better viewing areas for aquatics.
Big enough space so it doesn't feel crowded
Bigger changerooms, locker options at walking track, more seating for swim spectators
Bigger Lobbies
Bigger soccer fields/more soccer fields
Bike pump track like at rim park in Kitchener.
Bonus spaces, halls, rooms, that could be rented to public or community groups/businesses.
Built to grow/ to accommodate booming population
Bus routes to access Sunday schedules. Somewhere to go that is accessible to all
By
Cafe- Food options GF/DF
Cafeteria
capacity
Changerooms, seating areas/shade, good price
Child care
Child care option
Childcare
Children's play area
Civic center is not very kind for anyone in a wheelchair
Clean
Clean facilities
Clean facilities, parking
Clean facility
Clean of drugs (needles) My kid doesn't hang out in some parks due to needles.
Clean water filling stations, washrooms.
Clean, welcoming, available
Clean.
Cleanliness
cleanliness
Cleanliness
cleanliness
Cleanliness
Cleanliness
Cleanliness
Cleanliness, inviting atmosphere, easy to navigate
Climate controlled, adequate parking and bright outdoor lighting
Close location
Complex with everything
Concession, healthy food options,
concessions available at all locations. viewing areas from the lobby or seating area where it's warm, rather than in the rink itself. Bars
Concessions with healthy options as well as typical options.
Concessions, necessities, enough change rooms
Concessions, Public Washrooms, Natural light and good lighting, for ice surfaces need very cold areas, Cambridge and Guelph both have tremendous ice surfaces with fast play because of the cold temperatures
Correct amount of change rooms
cost

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

costs
costs (for users and for taxpayers)
couple ice pads, sport courts, walking track, gym, pool
Curling
Curling club
Curling Rink
curling rink, swimming pool
Curling! Sauna, pool
Decent floor surfaces
Designated breast feeding lounges
Double pad for sure. If it was built with one, you would hear flack from the community and after it was built, the overtime restrictions would still be there. Where if the double pad was built it would really help with room in the facility and providing adequate time slots so both boys and girls can stay and play within Woodstock.
Double pad ice
Double pad ice surface
Drinking fountains
Easily accessible/utilized outdoor parks and open areas
easy access
Efficiency
Elevated warm room or area with seating to view ice surface.
Enough ice pads
Enough ice surfaces so that everyone has a chance to skate and/or play hockey and get proper development
Enough space in the facility to actually provide the appropriate need (i.e-not over crowding the pool).
Everything is run down
Facilities/ equipment for a "public gym" to work out
Facility hours and programs offered
Food and bar area in an arena
Food and beverage services
Food and beverages available
Food options, areas to host swim meets, hockey tournaments
For the pool, the sauna is an integral part of the swimming experience. For pickle ball it would be nice to have more drop in and book a court times with a better booking system. Water refill stations would be nice too!
free experiences for low income families.
Free indoor recreation
Free walking track
Friendly staff
Fully plumbed, clean public washrooms that are unlocked.
Functional
Functional and practical
Functional space - there are lots of good examples ie Woolwich
Get rid of the drugs and homeless. If the cake sucks no one cares about the icing
Good coffee and food available
Good condition
Good flooring and lighting
Good layout and cleanliness
Good parking tasty snacks and good seats!
Good sightlines to watch children

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Good sound system

Good viewing areas, i.e. stands that allow spectators to see the whole ice surface.

good wayfinding and signage, natural light, bright open spaces

Good working order

Group classes like zumba

Gymnasium, sports area

Handicap accesable

Handicap parking and accessibility

Heat

Heated pool

Heated pool area for young children and infants

Heated pool.

Heated seating areas

Heated spectator areas

heated viewing area for arena, accessible & clean washrooms, wheelchair accessible, an indoor walking track would be amazing, a twin pad arena is essential

Heaters for the stands that work.

Hot tub, sauna, steam room, hot showers

Housing for the homeless, low income and young people needed much more than sports facilities

I would say all the above but it does not let you select all the above

Ice pads

Ice rink layout which permits decent viewing area and adequate to host tournaments.

Ice times in Woodstock

Improved lighting and address sun reflection at Reeves in gym

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increased accessibility in and out of the buildings

Indoor community center

Indoor track

Just more facilities

Just more options outside of hockey and baseball

Keep the price reasonable for everyone

Keep them clean and staffed properly.

Keeping up with the sports trends. More pickleball courts and always wondering the interest for squash courts.

Large change rooms that can fit 24 people plus hockey bags in them. A seating area that allows you to see the full rink is important and a snack/ food area.

Large entry areas

Large showers and bathrooms

Large spaces for accessibility purposes.

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Large walking tracks that can be used by kids too.

Larger Changerooms and more seating

Larger indoor pool, new outdoor pool

Larger play structures. Basketball courts.

Less stairs to change rooms, better viewing area at arena, restaurant so larger functions could be an option (ie tournament any sport)

Light food & beverage options, social areas for youth and seniors,

Lighting for outdoor spaces , as above.

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Location that's easy to get to
Longer hours
Lots of availability and not having to fight for time.
Lots of facility/court booking options, large change rooms that offer infant changing stations, adequate parking
Many hockey rinks have walking tracks around them.
Minimum twin pad arena.
Modern facilities
More actual facilities.
more availability of ice time
More available ice time
More available ice time
More centralized locations
More changerooms to cover tournament needs. Our current arenas do not have enough changerooms
more handicap parking
More ice
More ice availability
More ice more accessibility
More ice pads
More ice pads
More ice pads
More ice Pads and indoor pool
More ice rinks
More ice rinks
More ice rinks
More ice time
More ice times/rinks
More icetime
More of them!
More options
More options to run programs.
More pickleball courts
More pickleball courts
More pools
More private change room options. The two at the pool can get congested quickly
More rinks
More rinks would not only allow for more programming options but also reduce overcrowding, giving everyone a better experience. It'd be a great addition to offer more facilities like this for the community.
More shower areas
More spots for lessons
More vendors
More water options, splashpads, pools
Multi use building where all ages have the ability to participate in many activities and programs. A need for a community hub that offers something for everyone.
Multi use space - need a library
Multi use spaces
Multi use surfaces, Badminton, Volley Ball, Basketball. World class for sporting events Curling rink
Multifunctional/purpose spaces

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Multiple ice pads

Multiple ice pads

Multiple ice surfaces as well as synthetic ice surface for training possibly smaller size for technical drills and shooting

multiple programs with more time slots options / also drop in programs

Multipurpose rooms

Multi-use options. For example, a walking track at Cowan. I can be active at the same time as my children.

Multi-use so parents can walk around a track while kids practice.

Multi-use spaces - the ability to flex spaces for a variety of uses depending on season, or future fads in recreation

N/a

Na

Need more ice rinks at least 2 pads

Need more ice.

Need more rinks

Need more washroom options

Need to have some seating room for fans to watch

New facilities

NHL size pads, dressing rooms, Walking track, unobstructed warm viewing area, proper changerooms

No shade at ball diamond off Devonshire

None

None of these. A facility that meets the needs of the sport. Not parking or change rooms

None stop spending

Not sure

Not too crowded

Nursing/baby areas, rentable spaces both large for venues and small for things like baby showers, kitchen space for events, ,

Open and bright

Outdoor picnic area with shade, outdoor waterbottle refill station, Baby changing area in all washrooms

Outdoor pool

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Outdoor pool

Outdoor swimming

Outdoor track- incredibly useful for multi purpose and meets province wide. Indoors: recovery options: Sauna, steam room, cold plunge, healthy food options, more literature and information for adults and kids on healthy living

Outside courts pickleball

Parking and seating areas!

Parking was not an issue at lions pool

Parking, seating, large change rooms, food stand

Pickleball courts

Pool, good accessibility, also adequate parking and good sized change rooms

Pools

Pools.

Proper airflow in the pool area, as it gets quite humid and smelly in there.

Proper design from people who actually attend and USE these facilities.

Proper utilization of space.

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Proper viewing areas for parents à
Proper viewing from warmer areas
Proper waste management
Public transit
Quality lane swimming. Ideally racing too
quality of facility, up to date features, reliable operation
Quality of the sport surfaces (ice, courts, fields)
Restaurant/ Bar area in hockey complex
Restaurant/ bar, double pad minimum
Restaurant/pub in facility
Restaurants near and at facilities
Rinks
Room to get around in building
Safe and clean
Safe environment
Safe fields, large pools that accommodate multiple classes with our over crowding, arenas with multiple ice pads plan for the city growth for the next 10 years
Safety, and hygiene.
Sauna/hottub along side the pool
Schedule times. Not only cater to young and non working
Seating and large changerooms
Seating and walking path in rink.
Seating areas with tables in lobbies
Seating areas with tables in lobbies
Seating for arenas is very important. Parents pay a lot to have kids play sports. A decent spot to watch the activities is key. Doesn't need to hold 2500 people but good seating for 200 would be great.
Security and safety
Sense of community
Separate men's and women's change rooms. Not combined together
Separate, clean changerooms for male and female; friendly staff; clean pool
Several private change rooms
Shade
Shaded areas
Snack bar
Social spot for parents to get together.
Somewhere to sit down and get a bite to eat.
Space for non-competitive recreation activities
Space for youth activities
Space for youth siblings to emgage in play/activity
Spacious for spectators to watch from stands and area to converse prior to and after games. Larger changerooms and more of them. Overall more space for people to be at the arena.
Spectator seating
Spectator viewing/seating
Stop spending money on things that we don't need
Sufficient as is
Swimming pool
Swimming pool

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Swimming pool, Child care centre, ice rinks, indoor track

Taking the diverse different sports more serious

The new ymca rink in London off wonderland is a good example. 2-4 rinks with open concept and some viewing areas/stands.

The parking for the James Street tennis courts should be enhanced

This section you need to be able to select all 3. All 3 are super important

Twin ice pad

Twin ice pad

Twin ice pad

Two ice pads and enough room for tournaments

Two ice pads minimum added

Two ice pads vs just 1. Civic is approaching EOL and just replacing it is not enough

Two ice pads, a large pool and a childcare centre.

Two ice pads, an indoor track (like Joe Thornton arena in St Thomas)

Unsure

Useful space and amenities

Variety

Varying amenities that can appeal to a broader community base and varying ages.

Viewing areas

Viewing areas. Parking. Accessible indoor and outdoor.

waiting areas, concession options, rental potential

Walking track

Walking track

Walking Track

Walking track

Walking track

Walking track

Walking track and double pad for the new arena

Walking track and space for other activities

Walking track around at least one of the ice pads

Walking track at the areanas. Good seating for spectators.

Walking Track Dryland areas Area

Walking track in arena

Walking track in our arenas so parents can keep fit while the kids are practicing

Walking Track, Gym, Minor hockey coaches facilities/ room

Walking track, library, workout facility, indoor pool,3 arena pad

Walking tracks for parents, library

Walking trails around the fields is a great idea

Warm and hot water in the showers

Warm area to access both rinks for a double pad arena

Warm pools, jets in the pool, sauna and cold plunge.

Warm up areas for athletes to use. Community spaces for rent at a low or minimal cost

Warm up areas for athletes. No sunlight in around ice surfaces. Walking track. Above-ice level seating

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Warm up room

Warm viewing areas!! Large change rooms for hockey. Walking track around top of rinks, safe parking lots.

Warm/hot pool

Q5. Other - All of the above removed

Warmer pool water

Warmer seating areas for family. Better viewing for family. Somewhere for children to play indoor while at siblings sporting events

Warmth, Parking, large change rooms and seating are all important

Washrooms and amenities (food)

Washrooms available, garbage cans near by, shade if facility is outside

Washrooms, picnic area for outdoor facilities for extended use

water refill stations, adequate change space (including private change rooms), cleanliness

We dont have an outdoor turf field or.a big swimming pool.

We have enough recreation centers in Woodstock, we need a venue for shows and concerts.

We need an outdoor pool

We need at least a new double pad arena,a new pool and more ball diamonds

Well designed lay outs

Would be nice to have a walking space or rec area for adults while kids are at activities

Would be nice to have everything in one area- swimming, arena in one large spot.

You need a weight room or fitness area.

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

I've said it before, put Woodstock on a jersey.
Lacrosse
"for beginners" or advanced classes: running, weightlifting, Pilates, etc. for adults. Also just general fitness drop-in rooms with cardio & weights
1. Outdoor swimming pool for lessons/laps 2. Fun indoor/outdoor waterpark facilities (like Lake Lisgar or even better) 3. Indoor activity complex including: Bowling alleys, rock climbing wall, mini-golf course, kids play zone/playstructure, karaoke booths, cafe 4. High-quality running track & field like the one at CASS but that is NOT privately owned & operated. Currently that one is locked/gated access by Woodstock Legion Athletic Club even after-hours.
3 on 3 Hockey League
A curling facility
A curling facility
A deeper pool than Southside with a springboard diving board that allows for some 'special' dives.
A fitness Center with affordable memberships, a library, basically an outlet that kids can go to after school to study go to the gym and use the facilities
A free indoor walking track for people to keep healthy when weather (slippery, unshovelled sidewalks) doesn't allow for outdoorwalks
A hockey camp, a good basketball camp, a pickle ball league, a football league.
A low cost gym
A new curling centre that is better designed to be accessible and energy efficient - in partnership with the city
A new curling facility would be nice
A one stop center consider New Hamburg, near Crosshill etc.
A paved cycling 'pump track' or skate park in the north end
A place to swim safely in the summer. Pittock is gross and the only pool we have doesn't have enough public swimming hours.
A pump track like in Kitcheners rim park. Outdoor skating and hockey rinks.
A running track (400m)
A running track (400M)
A women's volleyball league
A Woodstock only swim team - not having to commute to New Hamburg due to their pool adequate for racing. Diving. Track and field. More curling.
Accessible pool for seniors
Accessible swimming lessons, outdoor swimming pool, walking track above basketball and/or ice rink.
Activities for kids and youth.
Actually being able to book pickleball courts
Additional affordable gyms to woodstock
Additional aquafit style classes
Additional ice surface
Additional indoor facilities for children. Upgraded pool.
Additional skating facilities, additional pools, diving, indoor baseball
Adult and children arts and crafts programs
Adult Autism Day Programs
Adult rec leagues, just for fun, like intramurals
Adult recreation options
Adult women's hockey
Adult Women's learn to play hockey
Affordable taichi class
An outdoor pool and a second indoor pool.

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

An outdoor pool and large water park.
An outdoor pool or second pool facility
An outdoor pool.
An outdoor public swimming pool
Another community pool.
Another walking track. Pickle ball on East side
Aqua fit
Aqua fit in heated pool
Aqua zumba
Aquatic fitness classes evenings for those who work
Artistic swimming
As I mentioned above, better skating lessons not run by canskate
Authentic Pickelball courts
Available ice times
Available outdoor track
Badminton Courts (tennis courts are outside, however, badminton is better played in a indoor space). Indoor volleyball as well for those during the winter months.
Ballroom dancing, competitive swimming, competitive minor football for those in between grade 9 and 11, lacrosse
Basketball
Basketball. & Volleyball courts. Spaces for kids to be taught more than just hockey
Batting cages, lacrosse, trampoline, obstacle courses (like flying squirrel), rock/wall climbing
Batting cages, larger indoor baseball facility
beach volley ball
Beach Volleyball
Better pool for kids
Big indoor pickleball
Bike park like Brantford has or Tillsonburg
Botanical Garden
Boxing
Boxing and curling
Boxing gym
Boxing gym
Boys youth volleyball
Bring back aqua spin, more individual activities, lower costs,
Bring back the city gym
bring more free programs in library /community centre for kids , badminton , basketball etc more programs /more time slots on weekends /after school /holidays
But I am sure this is not a city problem. Would love a city owned gym where I can feel comfortable
Camps
Certain practises are outside of Woodstock because of limited
Cheer
Cheer
cheerleading
Cheerleading
Cheerleading, competitive gymnastics, ninja warrior facility
Cher for kids

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

Evening aquafit
Exercise/workout programs at the arena (yoga, gym tracks etc)
Feel Woodstock needs to make some major investment in aquatics to attract some tourism to our city. For example a new pool and water park similar to an Adventure Bay in Windsor.....not too big but big enough for Oxford county and to pull in out of towners
Fencing
Fitness classes
Floor hockey, roller blading,
Football
Free indoor walking pad
Free Indoor walking track
Free indoor walking track
Free walking track
Free walking track
Free walking track at rink like Dorchester
Frisbee golf in town (perhaps the old golf course)
Golf course
Golfing isn't available
Groomed Nordic ski trail
Groomed trails in winter
Groomed xcountry ski trails trails for skate skiing
Group classes
Gym for working out - treadmills, bikes, weights
Gymnastics
Gymnastics
Gymnastics
Gymnastics
Gymnastics for kids
Gymnastics- not through private clubs but through the city and/or tumbling classes.
Gymnastics, karate,dance
Gymnastics, lacrosse
Gymnastics/tumbling for toddlers.
Halls that can be used for cards/games nights
Hardwood basketball court
Health club
Hi
Higher level hockey for my daughter but there isn't enough ice availability
Hockey
Hockey arena in NE end.
Hockey, we need more ice, so teams don't need to travel out of town from practice and practice are over at a decent time. Not 11 or 12 at night
Hoping for more beginners friendly sports for men with little costs associated
horseshoe pitches
Hot tub sauna
Hot tub, steam room, weight room/ rec facilities at pool
Hydrotherapy pool
I am unable to have my daughter play U7 hockey because there is not enough ice time.

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

I go to Tavistock for curling

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I have spoken with the Ontario Lacrosse Association about starting a league in Woodstock, there was the Woodstock Tigers many decades ago, but my work schedule is too demanding to start this. A nice racquet complex would be nice, we could have tennis, badminton and squash and maybe even pickleball in one complex and the city could have instructors for lessons.

I know my kids love just playing. Tennis, pickle ball, basketball,

I really enjoyed the aqua spin classes when the bikes were on loan to Woodstock last year!

I would like my family to enjoy aquatics more; however, with increased demand there is limited availability

I would like pickle ball courts at this new location

I would like to have more options for children aged 3-7 aside from soccer and swimming.

I'd like to have low cost but sturdy gym equipment that can be accessed publicly. Look for "public gyms" online, i think Singapore or Japan setup one in their public parks. I think this is better to promote a fit and healthy lifestyle without the cost of going to expensive gym memberships. In turn, lessen burden on Canada healthcare

I'm a teacher and my students are really into pickleball and basketball. I also feel swimming is so important because of safety. And of course soccer

I'd like an affordable cold plunge to cycle between hot and cold exposure to improve health as well as a place for indoor roller skating

Improvement in curling facility. More pickle ball courts. Squash would also be nice to have.

Indoor baseball

Indoor baseball

Indoor basketball courts available for casual use

Indoor basketball/gym facilities

Indoor pickelball

Indoor pickleball

Indoor pickleball courts are only available during the day. No opportunity to play if you work

Indoor Pickleball facilities

Indoor pickleball, outdoor pool

Indoor playgrounds

Indoor roller skating

Indoor running track that is padded for joints.

Indoor sports

Indoor tennis

Indoor tennis

Indoor tennis

Indoor tennis an excellent public gym

Indoor tennis, indoor non ice rink, could be used for ball hockey, roller skating/blading, rentals etc

Indoor tennis, squash

Indoor tennis, squash

Indoor track

Indoor volley ball

indoor walking track for winter

Indoor walking tracks

Indoor/ outdoor public swimming, outdoor shaded areas for picnics and family events, childcare or birthday facility, a gym, indoor track, pool for aquafit, swimming lessons, birthday parties etc.

It is hard to get into mens leagues because of lack of available ice.

Judo

Karate

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

Low cost, recreational adult dance/ballroom dancing, roller skating/roller disco.
Low impact exercises in a heated therapy pool
Low impact sports
Martial arts
Masters swim team.
More access to swimming, racket sports
More activities
More activities for kids
More activities for mid aged
More activities for small children- looking at London they offer things like fitness, yoga, dance, martial arts
More adult swim times/pool times
More adult volleyball options
More aquatic program availability, pool is packed during lessons, offer synchro, friday night lane swim, etc. more bike lanes,
More art classes for young teens
More availability for pickleball
More city-run indoor pickleball
more community events or places for community engagement. more stuff for the youth to stay active and involved
More cultural experiences
More exercise classes
More exercise programs, Cowan is underutilized
More fitness classes
More fitness classes for young adults.
More for younger kids, ie sportball?
More free classes and sports
More ice arenas.
More ice rinks and another swimming pool for more availability
More ice surface, pickleball courts, aquatic facility that can facilitate our population
More ice time
More ice time at the arenas
More ice time would be used that isn't 930 on a Saturday night
More ice times along with aquatics in one building
More leagues for adults, tennis for youth, kids indoor and outdoor activities that are affordable
More open skate times that are not during daytime work hours.Drop in or shorter sessions (6 weeks) for kids to be exposed to see if they like and activity.
More outdoor facilities
More pickle ball courts & tennis courts
More pickle ball courts,! Community yoga and workout classes
More pickle ball facilities
More pickleball
More pickleball
More pickleball courts
More pickleball courts, outdoor swimming pool with more time for lane swim
More pickleball facilities would be nice
More pickleball opportunities
More pickleball, lacrosse

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

More pickleball, lacrosse.
More pools
More pools
More prime ice time and not late night times
More programming for younger kids
More programs in the evening for crafting or really anything not sport related
More rec sports for young kids, outdoor pool
More recreational artistic program such as the museum London is offering on Feb 15th. Family oriented programs. Teen young adult programs.
More shinny for kids, swim lessons at times that work for our family schedule, more public swimming. Open gym times on weekends.
More sports for young kids, accessible and affordable dance classes, gymnastics. The ones currently offered are expensive.
More stemotics clubs- First LEGO League (for kids), canoe and kayak clubs and opportunities for youth and adults
more swim programs for kids (like syncro or an indoor water feature added to the pool) or skating programs (like speed skating).
More swimming
More swimming areas indoor and/or outdoor
More swimming available for older people
More swimming facilities
More swimming lessons available
More swimming lessons available. (Only one pool for lessons).
More swimming options. With lions pool and YMCA closed, that leaves only southside pool
More swimming programs and ice times for people with small children that aren't during a school day
More swimming.
More tennis and pickle ball courts
More time for pickleball
More trails
More variety of activities
More volleyball
More work out classes
Morning lane swims
Most classes / programs fill up so fast and waitlisted. I wish my son was able to play indoor soccer again but we had to wait until summer.
Multiple outdoor beach volleyball courts for leagues and tournaments. Additional indoor gymnasium space for volleyball tournaments.
Multi-purpose Curling centre
Municipal golf course
My daughter wants to do cheerleading which is half hour to 45 mins out of town
Na
Need more ice time
New Curling complex. Could bring in good revenue for the City
New curling facility
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New curling rink
New movie theatre! Ours is disgusting!
Ninja warrior course

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

Outdoor swim
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Outdoor swimming lessons in the summer
Outdoor swimming pool
Outdoor swimming pool
Outdoor swimming pool
Outdoor swimming pool
Outdoor swimming pool. A large open area with tables and a coffee shop maybe even a bar.
Outdoor swimming -summer swim team, and rowing
Outdoor swimming, arcade, cheerleaders, cricket
Outdoor swimming, FREE indoor walking track, more available swim times
Outdoor swimming, pool that accommodates swim meets, warm leisure pool
Outdoor swimming. I miss the lions pool
Outdoor swimming/more aquatic options
Outdoor swimming/wading
Outdoor track
Outdoor water park / pool
Outdoor water park for kids - like previously at southside
Outdoor waterpark/pool/wading pool
Paddleball
Parkour, outdoor swimming options for older kids
Pickel Ball
Picklball
Pickle ball
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Pickle ball
Pickle ball and badminton
Pickle ball and squash courts
Pickle ball because there never courts ava

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

Pickle ball courts
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Pickle ball. Frisbee golf
Pickleball
pickleball
pickleball
Pickleball
Pickleball
Pickleball (no learning courses) hot yoga,
Pickleball and tennis indoors
Pickleball at various levels on good playing surfaces.
Pickleball courts
Pickleball courts (we have one and most of the time it's being used)
pickleball in the evening
Pickleball is extremely hard to start playing with very limited booking availability of courts and no drop in times in the evenings.
Pickleball, indoor walking track, indoor kids play park
Pickleball, outdoor swimming
Pickleball, the recreation spots and book a court fill up fast.
Pilates
Pilates
Pilates
Pilates and yoga
Pilates, chair yoga , functional movement exercises
Pilates, spin class
Pool for rehabbing
Pools.
Power lifting
Programming for toddlers and children with disabilities.
Proper indoor baseball facility.
Proper swimming lanes, indoor gyms to include things like basketball, volleyball etc
Public gym
Public Swimming!
Public walking track around the rink
Pump track
Pump track, bike park
Races during swimteam as southside isn't long enough for them.
Racquet ball
Racquet ball
Rec beach volleyball league
Rec dance, music
Rec women's hockey
Recreation and exercise free for people over 55 in all areas of the city
Repair of outdoor pool on the north side. Council giving consideration to all areas of the city, so all children and families have equal safe and reasonable access to recreational facilities.
Ringette
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Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

Ringette and women's hockey can't operate due to ice time shortages.
Ringette for wider age groups
Ringette, squash, polo
Ringette, swimming lessons, women's hockey
Rock climbing
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Rock climbing and bouldering
Rock climbing or ninja training.
Rock climbing wall, trampoline park, mini golf, lazer tag
Rock climbing, a reasonably priced gym
Rollarskating, indoor playground, trampoline park
Roller rink, swimming pool
Roller skating
Roller skating
Roller skating!
Rollerskating!!!!!!
Rugby
Rugby
Rugby
Rugby, lacrosse and women's volleyball
Running track
Running track and swimming.
See below
Senior friendly work out activities
senior mens hockey would be cool. impossible to find teams here.
Shinny
Short ball or a multi sport program for kid learning sports. It's list on the website but there are no offerings and haven't been in the couple years I have looked
Skating Trails.
Small heated therapy pool
So
Soccer training like BMO in London
some family members not able to play girls hockey in Woodstock, due to lack of ice time and number of teams provided by the associations.
Sportball
Sportball for the younger kids
Spring soccer and basketball league
Squash
Squash
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Squash
squash but this would be covered with sport courts

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

Squash clubs
Squash court
Squash courts
Squash courts
Squash courts
Squash Courts, or other unique physical activities
Squash or racquetball
Squash, tennis, badminton, knitting classes
Squash, yoga, pilates
Squash/racquet ball
Squash/Raquetball
Squash1
Stick and puck
Stick and puck for older children
Stuff for younger kids that's not dance
Swim meets
Swim team
Swim team during the year
Swim team synchronized swimming
Swim team, Pilates
Swim Team, Ringette, Rugby
Swimming
Swimming
Swimming
Swimming
Swimming and hockey.
Swimming exercises
Swimming in an uncrowded Indian bath pool
Swimming pool not across town
Swimming pool on the north side of town
Synchronized skating
Synchronized swimming
Team in door sports
Teen sports
Tennis
Tennis
Tennis
Tennis (more fields and a club/ programs like pickleball)
Tennis courts
Tennis lessons
Tennis, volleyball for girls and women
The wildcats (girls hockey) is not able to get ice time for enough teams so that all girls can participate (depending on the year certain age groups, levels aren't offered). multi use facilities, ice rinks with walking track above or fitness facilities (treadmills, ellipticals, etc with view of ice rinks so parents can be active while their kids skate, play hockey. My kids play travel hockey and we see this at many other arenas we visit. And the walking track access is free to the community and visitors like myself.
Therapeutic aquatic programs

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

Therapy pool
therapy pool for those dealing with musculatory health issues
There is a ton of things to do if your into sports. But not much for fun exercise classes for adults like other cities have. Even small towns have more going on. Here it's random fb groups trying to find space for random things.
There is already some pickleball courts (outdoors) in Woodstock, but including indoor facilities for this growing sport would be a fabulous option for year-round activities for a larger age demographic. In addition, a secondary walking track on the East side of Woodstock would also be beneficial
There is not enough ice time for a league I was supposed to play in.
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There is very little for our youth to do in this city.
There should be a gym, track
Theropedic warm pool.
Toddler aquatic opportunities
Toddler gymnastics
Track and field
Trampoline
Trampoline park
Trampoline park!
Trampoline park, wading pool, water slide or pool slide
Trampoline park, water park go carts, golfing, mini golf need more then one,
Trivia night
Ultimate frisbee
Volley for women, gymnastic and dance programs
Volleyball - always hard up for courts, More outdoor pickleball courts for rec use
Volleyball for teen n adults
Volleyball, beach volleyball, tennis
Volleyball, larger indoor track and workout space, more swimming areas, outdoor pool
Walking in door for free. Seniors or people who have barriers be able to access this.
Walking track
Walking track at arenas
Walking track at the arena
Walking track at the sports complex.
Walking track.
Wall climbing
Water park facility like Tillsonburg
Water polo, pool volleyball
Water polo, swim team, synchro, pilates
Water polo, swim team, tennis ladders/clubs
waterpolo, free walking track indoors
We don't need an outdoor pool. We need another indoor pool
We have no ice this year so our team was cut for hockey. We have no ball team - had to play competitive in Ingersoll, we have no basketball courts for our kids to play.
We need a new curling rink
We need a venue for comedians or bring OHL teams to play here
We need an outdoor pool
What about the people that work. Alot of the things that happen are during the day when everyone is working.
Wheelchair accessible and useable pool

Q6. If you answered yes, please describe:

women's rec hockey
Woodstock doesn't have a hydrotherapy pool so I travel to brantford for it
Workout centre
Workout/fitness options for adults/young adult, baby and me classes/work out
World class curling facility to host tournaments.
Would love to have an indoor community center in Woodstock.
Year round full field soccer. Not currently an option as the indoor field was built at 3/4 full. Can only play 8v8 max
Year round rep ball hockey league
Yes, we need youth programming for those aged 10-18, similar to Fusion Centre in Ingersoll. A place where teens can socialize in a safe and accepting place.
Yoga
Yoga, exercise facility, more exposure to recreational sports or clubs for kids
Youth and adult volleyball
Youth fitness center,
Zumba, more basketball options
Zumba, Step Workout, Pilates

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Need to attract tournaments and meets to support local businesses
A curling rink would be useful.
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I think a pool is important, and I believe money should be spent there rather than the millions on homeless and cleaning up after them. Raising taxes should not be required.
“Sports” only serve a rare few of the population. Why are tax payers paying for soccer, hockey, and baseball etc. They should be self funded. Our community concert band should have a lot of support. What is best for our population: - trails - parks - green spaces - music, drama, and other cultural arts 🎨 - culinary classes / groups - we all eat! - groups that collaborate a mix of cultures to share culinary, arts, traditions, faith, etc. we are becoming more culturally diverse NO MORE FUNDING FOR SPORTS!! - the sport funding is tied to past cultural practices, and not to the majority of current practices. For example, basket ball, culturally diverse music and dance
1. Do not shy away from outdoor pools and waterslides simply because it will need lifeguards. If a place the size of Tilsonburg can do it, so can we. It also provides good youth summer employment. 2. Do not be afraid to 'think big/creative' for top-end facilities, including bowling alley, rock climbing wall, indoor mini-golf, karaoke booths and kidszone playstructure (like Adventure on Wonderland in London). You can charge user fees for anything, like Lake Lisgar does. If the facility is good, can operate year-round and designed for range-of-ages/families, people will pay and it will help make it sustainable. And put in a concession that you could rent out to private franchise at top dollar/public-profit sharing basis, to help fund the facility 3. There is a real need for tween/teen spaces as well, and that should be integrated into current rec facility plans. A leisure space dedicated for this age group with pool tables, air hockey, foosball, board games, movie/video game screening room, karaoke would be good.
1. I think it's important to realize communities similar in size or smaller have better/bigger options than Woodstock. 2. Be sure to consult all areas of expertise prior to building a new complex. Tour other facilities to be sure what we decide on is best for the community. See Pelham, Peterborough, etc.
2 ice pads is necessary
A bigger more capable facility will bring in more revenue for local businesses. With inflation only going higher it probably makes more sense to build bigger now rather than wait 10-15 years. If building in stages makes more financial sense then i would rather do that then going too small and not being able to grow. Local contractors that sponsor teams should get information packages regarding building plans to assist council with decision planning as to what's possible and what isn't.
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A curling facility included in the complex.
A curling facility would be great. They could use a power plant that is used with skating pads.
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A curling rink, library, outdoor track, basketball courts, park outdoor structures also to be included. Look to other communities who have created wonderful multi use facilities and don't skimp as this never gets fixed down the road.
A fitness centre would be great. GoodLife is unaffordable, The YMCA has no pool and is outdated.
A gymnasium is not required. Cowan Park and the amount of schools and churches in the city with a gymnasium are sufficient. Twin pads with a track and bar would be best received amongst minor hockey families.
A little cafe or food place would be a good thing to have.
A modern facility to bring revenue back to Woodstock one that can host numerous events(swim meets, pickleball/yoga/pilates, ticket Tournamets, and specialized commercial kitchens for cooking classes for families and individuals. like the baseball “host
A new curling center & child care would be a great addition to this. I saw it on the plan but don't see it mentioned here
A new curling centre

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

A new curling centre is needed. Current building needs repairs and accessibility upgrades. Would be used by ages 6-90s. If a concrete base is installed the facility could be used year-round. Provincial bonspiels could be held which create community income.

A new curling facility which could share the ice rink running/cooling systems.

A new curling pad would be an incredible addition

A new pool and ice rink should be top priority. The old facilities are not meeting our communities needs and are aging.

A new pool is a must as in the last few years the YMCA pool closed and the Lions Pool.

A new pool is important for our community; if there is opportunity to quote a potential outdoor pool at this location vs indoor, or look at an outdoor pool that can be enclosed during the colder months. Having options to choose from would be nice

A new recreation facility with a pool is definitely needed in Woodstock.

A new regional facility would serve the community well. It does not make sense for Ingersoll to be building a standalone facility and Woodstock to build a standalone facility. Ingersoll has the lands and is progressing with a progressive design build model. Woodstock should partner with Ingersoll and contribute to that facility for regional impact.

A pool/hot tub would be a great addition as the current is just not enough given the size of the city and population.

A proper walking track would be lovely at the new ice rink.

A spot for dedicated mini sticks area. Like a little rink. More affordable concession booth Sitting areas for reading. Quiet soundproof booth for working

A three or four pad facility would be best. Getting ice time in Oxford county let alone Woodstock is almost impossible at this time and has been for at least 5 years. It would be nice to have facility with bare bones rinks instead of pools and curling rinks etc that people aren't going to use

A twin pad is desperately needed!

A Twin pad minimum, especially if removing Civic. Does not make sense to pull a pad, and replace with one pad. Does not fix ice time issues. Just makes the problem more shiny, new and expensive. I would highly recommend that when the design phase is in progress that the downsides and benefits of other municipalities multi complexes be considered. The flow of people traffic, the locations of change rooms. Food canteens. Etc affect how these places operate when just ice is booked let alone other recreational activities. Talk to the organizations that operate out the Woodstock centres. Whether it be pools, gymnastics. Pickle ball, Hockey they will have a good idea of what's working and what's not when it comes to the current facilities and what works for the other facilities that they attend. Take the best of all and put a well thought out facility together for the money.

About time. We have over subscribed use at some of the facilities - hard to get into programming

Access needs to be off county roads rather than neighbourhood roads.

Add a childcare centre to the space

Add a curling facility with seating. Bring in large curling tournaments

Add curling rink to plan

Add curling to it

Add curling to the rec centre as our curling club is small and outdated

Add large meeting rooms that are available to rent ie for large gatherings

Adding a child care center would help address the desperate need for a save space for young children in our community!

Address other sports as this should not be your priority. Hockey is high price. Address soccer and basketball. No more baseball. Way too much attention has been given to a sport that does not develop kids.

Again I think it needs to be a one stop shop for all community needs taking from the YMCA principle providing top of the line access to everyone in woodstock in the growing community.

Although building a tournament facility will cost more now, it will help bring revenue into the city over the long term which will be beneficial for holding a larger tournament.

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Although people complain about higher property taxes, their overall quality of life is greatly improved by having these key amenities.

Although the construction should begin immediately (it is already past due), I am not a fan of the costs of borrowing. Our property taxes are already very high. Has the city explored other options like private company sponsorship?

Although there will be a substantial upfront cost, I believe that it's better to build something high end that will stand the test of time then to build something that doesn't quite meet all the city's needs to try and save \$.

An amazing complex with multiple sports will draw tournaments into the community more often improving our overall economic state. With a hotel under construction in this same area this positively impacts this ability even further

An indoor walking track We do not need a cricket field!

An indoor/ outdoor pool is a must for Woodstock. We have nothing. It's desperately needed for the size of our city.

An outdoor artificial turf field would be beneficial for football and soccer

An outdoor track would be nice

Another complex isn't needed unless there is ALSO a pool included in that. We don't need multiples of the same, but there is only 1 pool to serve the entire community, and that isn't fair to the taxpayers.

Another indoor pool

Another pool should be a priority as well as hockey rinks

Another walking track would be a plus. Tournament capability would bring in additional revenue to the community. If we wait and "add on" over time, chances are it won't happen.

Appears these questions are more geared to what council wants to hear and not what the public has to say. I was expecting this to ask more questions about the proposed new facility. There is only a few questions and not really about the features we would like to see there.

Are ice pads part of the plan? Can they please be!! As well as outdoor basket ball courts

Arena to have bigger lobby, no stairs down to change rooms and all change rooms in one hall. Stands on both pads, also washrooms available/ accessible from both ice pads.

Arenas should have better seating like the complex red pad

As I have been at a lot of arenas in Ontario due to travel hockey with both my son and daughter, the one thing I have liked having in arenas is a restaurant. Something like the arena in Brantford or St Catherine's would be perfect. Obviously does not need to a four pad arena just using examples.

As I live in the heavily residential neighbourhood adjacent to the location of the proposed new recreation facility, I do have concerns over increased traffic (vehicle and pedestrian) and hope that appropriate measures are taken to try and preserve the quiet residential atmosphere that North East residents so greatly value by allowing for multiple access points off of larger, less residential roadways like Devonshire and Township Road 3 vs. Springbank Avenue.

As someone who has lived in Woodstock my whole life I feel there is a lack of programs for young teens such as youth groups in the city that emphasize sports, board games and socializing to meet and interact with others your age. It is a feeling I have that those that sit on the city council are out of touch with the youth of today and have been for a while. I am 30 and many of my friends and former classmates that had grown up in Woodstock share the same feeling. There seems to be a focus on children under the age of 12 but there is no focus on teenagers 12+ when they are the most impressionable and tend to begin to make poor decisions. There used to be 2 major youth groups in town, Cornerstone Baptist Church and River of Life both downtown. Now I no longer hear about neither. There used to be a Friday night Flick n Float swimming and film at the YMCA that no longer exists. It should be in the councils priority that the new facilities have the capacity to provide these programs and to market it as budget friendly. Even if it is free for those between 12-17 I am sure the city can find it in their budget to provide it. As someone that is at the age of starting a family I am considering moving away from Woodstock to communities that have better programs.

Ask for feedback on design for each feature. Its important to get community feedback.

At least two ice pads with proper heated viewing areas that isn't just a 2 tier bleacher. A small area for children to play while spending many hours at rec facilities while siblings play. Viewing areas where you sit above the

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height of the boards (as seen in other new arenas) making it easier to watch. Suitable parking for when tournaments are going on. Larger "warm room" viewing areas.
Bad location. Move things to the other side of the city
Basketball courts are a must, sports grown so much here.
Be sure to include all sports invested into speaking needs to facility. Competitive swimming is non existent because no facility to host meets or generate monies. Look at all needs. Brantford and New Hamburg good models to follow and look at. Dryland training area for teams that can be rented for hockey soccer swim team hosting courses etc. Be sure to add rental space that can double as space for big tournament events
Before building a new arena please consult parents/ coaches even players on suggestions regarding the arena / facilities within.
Better facilities could create better sports opportunities for kids and tournaments promoting tourism and a boost in local economy.
Better snack booth
Better space for activities for older children such as a dedicated laser tag course or trampoline park.
Bostwick community centre in London would be great to have in Woodstock. Has arenas, pool, gym, yoga etc.
Bring an OHL team to Woodstock
Bring back the spray and play pool!!! This was a GEM in Woodstock. An outdoor wading pool/pool combo would be okay too
Bring more for younger kids to do
Bring something to the North end of the city!
bringing tournaments would likely bring external visitors to spend money in Woodstock. Woodstock needs to be attractive otherwise it will always be a city that people can only say to sleep - if you want to have fun, you need to go somewhere else.
Build a functional twin pad arena. Lots of examples not far away. Aylmer, strathroy, new Hamburg, Stratford to name a few
Build a state of the art facility that will actually draw people into Woodstock. Take money from the ridiculous downtown rejuvenation- you can make downtown as gorgeous as you want, but no one will ever do business down there. Our dollars are far better invested in this complex which will actually draw people into town. It will also help our restaurants and other surrounding businesses to flourish. Solicit investors to build a mall or shopping complex nearby so that we keep all that revenue here instead of our population driving to London or Brantford to shop.
Build a world-class multi-purpose facility to host provincial , nations, internationals, and special events to stimulate the local economy and tourism.
Build aquatic facilities, kids can do things other than just play hockey.
Build asap! We need new, larger & improved facilities.
Build enough to accommodate for all age groups. My son is heart broken to lose his u14B team for next year we will be leaving town to go elsewhere for him to continue playing competitive hockey. Very disappointing
Build facilities to attract people to Woodstock so they can spend money
Build for the future, not only for the needs of today. Think about providing spaces that could be rented by citizens/businesses. Having better larger facilities will increase traffic to the city, such as tournaments
BUILD HOUSING IN THIS CITY!!! Actually listen to those that are begging for a place to live. Nobody can afford to live in the apartments we currently have. Young people can't afford to buy houses at these ridiculously inflated prices. Get the addicts and homeless off the streets. SCREW building sports facilities until people have roofs over their heads.
BUILD MORE ICE WE NEED IT
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Build pool first
Build the damn arena and pool and worry about the other things later. We have a desperate need for ice and swimming pools in the city.
Build the facilities in order to host tournaments. Huge revenue opportunity for the whole city. We need an

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outdoor track!!!! We do not have a city owned track that's open to the public.

Build the facilities to the scale where tournaments draw people from out of town for hockey.

Building a facility in phases rarely works ie twinning of civic that never happened. I've managed rec facilities for 35 years in other communities and building a full complex with a proper funding and maintenance plan is the best way to maximize revenues to offset costs.

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Building a facility that can support tournaments would benefit the whole community including the small shops and hotels in Oxford County. This facility will be around for 50+ years invest in future generations. With woodstock growing at the rate it is and our taxes be extremely high this facility should already have funds set aside for it. If not then it should not take that long to pay off. This city is still growing which means even more revenue from property taxes each year.

Building closer to the 401 will allow for better access to travellings teams which may encourage tourism

Building for the future is key. Tournaments, rental spaces, multi functional rooms, indoor tennis, squash, plenty of seating, another indoor track, snack/beverage sales counters perhaps. Tax paying citizens want more ways to be involved in their city. Trails are becoming more and more dangerous/scary to use due to our ever growing homeless, chronically addicted (Hart hub will not help 95% of these folks), and perpertual thieving "citizens", who use them as toilets and garbage cans for needles and drug paraphernalia. This hub will create so many more issues in Woodstock, too bad council cannot see the reality of this decision. So let's promote and encourage health and wellness to folks who care about their lives AND pay taxes.

Can we leverage large industrial corporations to donate significant portions of the facility? Give them naming rights.

City definitely needs a second pool. I'd say this would be number 1 priority.

City needs a new pool NOW. The one we gave was built to serve maybe 20,000. Now our population is 40,000 plus

Civic Center land could be sold for Residential Development, ideally to local builders to keep local employment.

Civic needs to be replaced ASAP

Classes available to working Young adults classes Volleyball league More women's only

Community MUST create a fundraising committee, so dollars would then come from citizens, townships (YES), corporate, provincial grants, development charges, the levy, and debenture.

Community needs is minimum 2 new pads. The lack of ice time the past 5 years has gotten dramatically worse. Amazing the community is out and involved but very frustrating as we can't even facilitate this many teams. Pushes a lot of disappointment on teams (specifically older in age teams) as the younger ones always get first choice and best times.

Consider a curling rink with the complex.

consider having a one price membership fee for all facilities and activities

Consider how community groups that offer services you don't could use the facility to serve the residents of Woodstock who are already paying taxes to support these buildings. Think of ROI for the community (hotel stays, restaurants, shopping, and revenue) that comes from the ability to host tournaments/swim meets, bonspiels, etc. I see child care space is pencilled in! Please consider this as an investment for the city!!!

Consider what we don't currently have available to us and create something accessible to all

Costs are only inflating. The need is there. The longer it's put off, the more it will cost. It could've been started years ago and would've cost significantly less. Just get it done.

Costs for this should be shared with the public and should also be included with this survey. I am concerned that if the new facility is only partially built, some of the facilities will never be added. Our aquatics are lacking for this community. Splash pads are not a replacement for an outdoor pool.

costs will continue to rise as the years go by. Would make sense to do it now.

Could double as a concert venue or other tourist attraction events to generate revenue.

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- Council has been promising this for years, one pad and shutting down the civic will not meet the needs. Double pad is clearly needed
- Council has spent more money on amenities that don't serve the whole community, I feel it's time that sports facilities take some priority to accommodate the growing teams and population.
- Council have been talking about this for 5+ years and nothing has event begun just talk every year, and taking our facilities away. Like lions pool, the splash pad.
- Create access for indoor and outdoor running
- Curling center here in Woodstock is past it's lifetime and the new complex should include a new curling facility as the sport of cuing continues to grow and is a " life long sport" that includes 7-90 years olds , wheel chairs curling and special Olympics , curling center area in new facility could be used year round for a number of different sports, social events / rentals, day camps being revenue year round , build a facility that can work with our growing community and beyond for future growth
- Curling please in the new facility
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- Curling rink would be good. Bigger pool would be great. But also has to be affordable enough for the everyday person to be able to use. Aquafit cost just went up and its ridiculous
- Cut taxes, staffing,etc.. Show some fiscal responsibility. Do not rig survey questions
- Def twin pad if not triple pad, there are not enough ice pads anywhere the venue will make money, also opens up the possibility to upgrade to a AA or AAA center in future.
- Do it right or not at all
- Do it right the first time lots of parking is big issue not a bunch of micky mouse parking
- Do not increase our taxes anymore in order to accommodate this facility. We have already had our taxes raised considerably the last few years. If we don't have the money lets not move ahead and build. It will just lead to residents having high costs to use the facilities in order to back the debts. Just like how expensive it is to play soccer in this city. Our family has not played soccer in woodstock since other nearby cities are cheaper to play.
- Do NOT open up Springbank dead is d to this facility Traffic will be dangerously fast and insane through these homes
- Do not take away the jobs of our youth life guards by closing outdoor splash park. You already decided to remove our outdoor pool and not rebuild.
- Do something with musam square
- Do your homework. Or find someone that will. Other city's are doing it right.
- Don't build to just meet current needs. Build for expected population of Woodstock in 2050. It seems Woodstock always builds for current needs and then needs to update within a 5-10 year span.
- Don't get rid of the wading pool at southside 😞
- Don't need all those pickleball courts
- Don't piece meal it. Take the time to make it right to provide community services, tournament needs to bring in money. Adding on to a facility creates construction issues and delays use of areas. Combined services do a parent doesn't have to choose soccer practice over swim practice. You already took away the outdoor pool.
- Don't pour everything into one facility that is on the far outskirts of the city. Consider the needs of all residents and families, and use some funds to repair, maintain, add recreational areas in ALL parts of the city, so everyone has equal opportunity to get reasonably easy and safe access close enough to home. DO NOT shut down facilities we value and count on, for our families, in order to favour a future far away facility.
- Don't put in Olympic size ice surfaces
- Don't raise my taxes anymore.
- Don't raise property taxes in areas of city that will not use this facility (core / southside) Allocate from other sources Have overpaid city officials take a pay cut and fund from their deep pockets
- Don't waste money on an outdoor pool that can be used only a few months of the year and even then its use depends on weather
- Don't waste money on sidewalks on Dundas street. Spend it on recreational facilities that benefit all ages of

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people in Woodstock.

Don't force 2 ice pads at the expense of seating, concessions, and a central gathering area. If doing 2 pads look at other arenas in the area, and find out what works and doesn't work, and pick the best for us out of those.

Don't increase taxes for this! They are already absurdly high and for what? The snow removal is a joke in this town along with garbage collection.

Don't overspend so our taxes go sky high.

Ease up on the new stuff - there is no rush.

Ensure that you are promoting and valuing your lifeguards/ other city staff who will work there. Having another pool means nothing if you cannot staff it appropriately.

Ensuring population health is critical to our city's success. Kids need to be off the streets and in sports, adults need space to exercise to support aging well. Also consider a space for childcare or drop-in programs so parents can be active while their kids are being supervised.

Ensuring the facility has tournament capabilities will generate future revenue streams. This should be a priority for our growing population.

Equity is a huge part of recreational facilities. Programming for girls in sport is important for their confidence and competence. Also building and considering recreation for all in creating an active community in Woodstock should be a number one priority. I recognize I do not live in Woodstock but I have girls that participate in all extracurricular activities in Woodstock as it is the closest center.

every single arena ive been to outside of woodstock has better amenities. heated viewing areas, bars, concessions, pro shops, skate sharpening. and theyre open when people are there. evenings and weekends.

Every year the cost to construct is going to increase which will negate trying to save for it. I applaud council for looking at this. Growing cities like Woodstock need to invest in infrastructure in order to remain viable. Just like a business if you dont invest it eventually becomes irrelevant. Sometimes elected officials need to make a generally unpopular decision but to do what is right for the city. If you listen the avg tax payer they would never want the city to spend a nickel on anything and we will end up like Ingersoll who has horrible rec facilities.

Everyone loves going to the Gretzky centre in Brantford. People go early have lunch and meet with friends at their bar and restaurant. It is always busy. You can host tournaments including summer hockey tournaments

Everyone's need are equally important NOT just hockey Also if Money needs to be "Mortgaged" to afford the new facilities, I would hope city council refrains from giving themselves any pay raises until these facilities are completed. Gotta save money some where

Facility doesn't need to be top of the line but needs to have the adequate facility space. Bringing in the option for more tourneys will help the city as a whole as well.

Facility include ice sheets for curling

Family changerooms that are large enough to accommodate the number of families that might finish a baby Swim lesson at the same time. Warmer changerooms. Warmer pool. The pool is too cold for babies and most small children. We already have a large arena rink with stadium seating at reeves and do not need another huge pad with that much seating. A usable twin pad like 2 of the green pads would be sufficient as long as there are adequate change rooms. Space for a skate sharpening store would also be good.

Focus on replacing the civic centre with a facility that can have additions added to it at a later time.

Focus on residents wants and needs and not solely as an income generator without thoughts for residents. As an example, don't build everything for tournaments as that takes away time that residents can use the facilities.

For a city size of Woodstock we need more than one outdated pool.

For the indoor pool I'd hope there will be a diving board as well as a slide (we don't have one in woodstock with a slide)

Get going on this

Get it done now.

Get it done! We need more ice available for the kids hockey

Getting more ice availability is imperative asap. Woodstock teams are falling behind other centres with my ice time available.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Girls are having to go out of town for hockey practice because there is not enough ice time. Since Civic will have outlived its life span according the the city in the near future we should have 3 ice pads. If we have a facility with 2 ice pads we are only increasing by 1. I read how many new homes are planned and we currently do not have the pool or ice to accommodate.

Girls hockey in Woodstock is growing and needs more ice time to be able to build an even better program.

Go big invest now the price of everything goes up yearly build it

Go to Ayr Arena and check out that rec. Place

Good staffing makes a world of difference. You have a good crew.

Grateful to see a pool is planned, we really need more options for swimming lessons and recreational swimming in this city

Great tourism opportunity. Also close to rural area so it can serve more of oxford county

Growth of the current city, is expected everything is outdated and now there is a to do list..for now and the future, all the costs will definitely increase the longer you wait

Have a curling rink within the community center

Have availability for all in the community to access programs and activities. Show what is available more.

Have lots of room for hockey fans to wait for players/games..food available..good size dressing rooms..more pickle ball courts

Have we looked at the price difference to building on vs building new on existing lands. Also what will happen to the other facilities that require maintenance that appear to be neglected currently

Having another indoor pool would be really helpful as currently Southside is very busy and difficult to get into lessons, etc.

Having answered # 10 about functionality and community needs, I think we do need a facility that can host tournaments (hockey/skating tourneys/competitions, basketball tourneys). Our community is growing and hosting these events brings a lot of money and people to our community which is important. Reeves was built at a time when figure skating was more popular but the red pad seating is too spread out and I've rarely seen it close to full ever (in my figure skating or watching boys playing hockey)- seats need to be more intimate to ice, smaller amount of seating, closer to ice More pickleball court space - lots of difficulty finding places/ reserving times to play locally.

Hear me out. I personally think that the new pool should be an outdoor pool. Outdoor pools are way more enjoyable than indoor pools. Indoor pools feel claustrophobic, and honestly kinda dirty. Whereas outdoor pools let you breath in the fresh air as you swim, helping you to preform better. Outdoor pools I'm sure are cheaper to build as well. You don't have to build a while building around them and you only need a small change room and shed. It would also boost the staffs mental health, as being outside in the sun, gives you vitamin D which I'm sure many people are deficient in. So to conclude I personally think that we need an outdoor pool, instead of an indoor one. And please don't spend the money for this project on another one because that's what happened last time we were gonna get an outdoor pool. And thank you for building all of these things. I really appreciate it.

Help with funds to support build . le vendors , tournaments etc

Hockey is Woodstocks heartbeat! Lets get investment coming in by building this into a formidable hockey city!

Hockey programs have been eliminated in Woodstock for B teams due to a lack of available ice. As a result, families are traveling to play out of neighboring centers vs playing locally. I am unclear on the need for another gymnasium or multi-purpose rooms as there are available facilities and to my knowledge, existing facilities are not at capacity.

Honestly I'm not sure this is the right field for this, but this survey is.... Really bad. It jumps straight from asking vague general questions about amenities in the city into asking about how soon I'd like to "build this facility," without any context or information about the facility in question. What facility? What's the budget? What are the impacts of these decisions on taxpayers? These survey questions don't seem to be designed to illicit any kind of usable information, as they lack context. Fortunately I know what the scope of the project is, but many/most other respondents might not have any information upon which to provide reasonable responses.

Hosting tournaments provides and opportunity to recruit people to Woodstock and help local businesses as when people come to our city they'll be needing to buy food, stay places etc

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Hot and cold showers please.

Hours of operation early mornings for people that work to get a swim or workout in before work day

I am just wondering where this project fits in financially with the downtown revitalization project? Will taxes go up to support the recreation ? There was a significant hike this year. Can we afford both projects?

I am not a resident of Woodstock, however, my children are on woodstock sport teams and use the facilities many times a week.

I believe it would be nice to be able to include a full sized indoor soccer pitch for the community. Not only for the soccer club but for the local highschoools. Great income investment as well.

I believe partnering with other organizations is important to make this both a viable and economical venture. Consider organizations such as curling center, sports associations, community health organizations, youth centers etc - think outside of the box as to how to utilize the spaces to capacity

I believe that every child should be able to take swimming lessons or go to a pool with their friends similar to what my generation was able to do growing up in this city.

I commend the Woodstock Council for being proactive and looking for feedback from citizens and community members. We currently live in Ingersoll and have children who play sports in Woodstock because these youth sports are run by great organizations. We are considering moving to Woodstock due to Sports & Recs activities available but its not in the cards for a few years due to the current housing market.

I curl 2 times a week. I would like to see the multi purpose complex to include a curling centre.

I didn't see what kind of swimming pool is visioned, but it should be an indoor pool, with the possibility to organize competitive swimming

I do not live in Woodstock. I have a Thamesford address. But I work in Woodstock, and my kids play sports in Woodstock (Navy Vets, Volleyball, Wildcats) and my kids go to school in Woodstock (WCI and HOLY FAMILY)

I don't believe that the new arena should cause the civic to be shutdown having three arenas is ideal with the amount of men's hockey and youth house league hockey that uses the civic it should be kept in service.

I don't have enough information to answer number 10. How much more would it cost to build a top end facility? If it is reasonable to put a little more in to do this- sure. But if it skyrockets the price- than No.

I feel like the city would have the money for the facility if they scrapped the Dundas Street project. Everyone I've talked to doesn't want it done and sees it as a big waste of money.

I feel that having services for people to stay active at all ages is important. Ice skating for youth, curling for middle aged and older adults/ seniors, and a multipurpose room used for all.

I feel that if we keep "waiting to build until we have the funds", it will never happen. Oxford County keeps growing, the needs increase with limited access when things need to shut down for maintenance or close due to high cost repair. If we build it, the fees can help, organizations can rent it, use it, and will attract other events because the size of the space is available to book. We can keep events local and use all facilities in big tournaments.

I have attended information sessions, recreation planning meetings, completed surveys, and given the same answers which have come directly from other City of Woodstock residents. This seems like an awful lot of information gathering to continually hear the same result - the City is in dire need of additional ice pads to meet the current needs of youth and adult programming. By avoiding this project, you are limiting the growth of minor hockey, which is now more competitive than ever due to open borders, and lack of available ice severely inhibits the organization's ability to be competitive in this area. Girls hockey is rapidly growing and lack of ice negatively impacts their ability to grow as an organization as well. And the lack of prime time ice for Adult programming limits the number of leagues available for people who desperately need more options. Avoiding this will only further push Woodstock into being a non-desirable place for people to register their kids in youth sports, and negatively impact the overall health of the adult population. Stop delaying, make a positive impact during your term on Council, and get this moving forward ASAP.

I have been in Woodstock for 10 years now, and have participated in activities at our facilities as well as having my children in various activities at the facilities as well. As soon as we moved here, we heard talk of a new facility. Ten years later, still nothing.

I have heard there is a proposal to table the rec facility for five years and put money into the Civic to allow us to get by for some time. That seems counterproductive to me - for one the Civic Centre would be out of

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commission while being upgraded which depletes already extremely low ice availability AND putting money into a building that cannot be made more functional due to layout limitations seems like a waste of money and time. Please continue with the planned timeline for the rec facility - we desperately need it!!

I have travelled all over Southwestern Ontario (from Windsor to Oshawa) and even as far as Quebec for hockey and baseball with my son. The facilities Woodstock offers for the hockey community are absolutely pathetic compared to some other facilities I've been to. Woodstock is relatively central to all major hockey communities and with a similar population, there is no excuse as to why we shouldn't be able to give the same recognition and hype to the sport the same way we do with baseball & and 13U Nationals Baseball tournament. Having a multi-sport facility with extra ice surfaces, an indoor swimming pool and basketball/pickleball courts is what our community needs NOW - not years from now.

I hope the project starts asap & that it will make a positive difference

I hope you start it ASAP. Very excited to see it come to life.

I know people want bigger and better things: more pools, more rinks, more courts. But it would also be nice to have more things in our immediate neighbourhoods, like little parkettes with swing sets and splash pads, fitness facilities that are affordable and support the community

I know that some ice by woodstock minor hockey is subsidized, they have \$600,000 in minor hockey bank account. Maybe some of that should go towards a new facility as it is mostly tax dollars anyway.

I like the idea of Building top end facility because it brings out of town teams to stay and spend money within our community. Specifically Cowan Feilds being so close to 401/403 it would be a missed opportunity to generate future income within community

I live in Innerkip and we use Woodstock for all activities.

I run a business in town and am very active in the sporting community. The issue with saving and delaying the build out is the cost of infrastructure build ours is likely inflating at a faster pace then the return on savings. The sooner it's built the more cost effective it will be in the long term. Not providing amenities may make residents seek other communities that do.

I think a disservice was done to our community when the outdoor pool was permanently closed. It was a wonderful amenity and needs to be brought back. Learning to swim is important and with only 1 pool now available there are too few options for swimming and for swimming lessons.

-I think adding a childcare space is essential. -I think a twin ice pad is vital due to demand and a growing community. Currently Woodstock wildcats are unable to offer girls under 8 enough ice time to offer a division other than the kittens (can skate hockey) one hour a week. In comparison, boys in the same age division are given 3 hours of ice time a week. We are unable to book additional ice times to train teams, offer large tournaments, have birthday parties, start a ringette league or offer enough ice time to figure skaters. -An indoor is so necessary and needed. It is extremely hard to register children for swimming lessons because they sell out so fast and there is only so much room in one pool. Swimming is a life skill that every child and adult needs to learn and many parents are unable to get spots in lessons to have their kids learn. -the current pool doesn't offer long enough lengths for competitive swim training. The changerooms are gross and small and cold.

I think it is a shame that the Lions Pool was not repaired for young people in the city. This pool was used for over 80 years and most people in the city learned to swim there. The reason given was lack of funds to repair this pool. I feel very bad that children living in the older part of the city do not have a pool close to where they live. The Lions Pool should be repaired before we consider expanding the recreational facility.

I think it needs to have a pool, two ice pads, a childcare centre, a food place and more. Everyone is moving to Woodstock and demand for community amenities will only grow. Woodstock is a big sports and recreation community and these spaces are community hubs. Parents are more restricted than ever about what they can let their kids do so many people now have kids signed up in multiple sports because kids can't be left outside to play.

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I think it that area of town needs something like this. Like I said an indoor track or indoors activities for winter on this side of town would be extremely beneficial! Also the pool too would be a great addition 1000 percent!

I think it would be beneficial to the children and youth within the community to have 'staff' available to them. Meaning trusted adults who they can speak to. I think that by adding a city bus stop out front would be helpful. I think that by going into schools and conducting surveys to hear what children and youth of the community have to say about a new community centre.

I think it's important to prioritize spaces for activities that kids and teens can use at low cost. Arenas for hockey are great, but the cost of hockey is a lot and therefore is not accessible to many families that could benefit from enhanced recreation opportunities. I feel like an outdoor pool is missing from the current recreation offerings; this would offer low cost recreation that is appropriate for kids and teens (vs the toddler crowd that splash pads cater to).

I think that the City needs to do a better job of planning for these depreciating assets with respect to replacement. The City is faced with a variety of facilities (eg. Lions Pool, Civic Centre) that are aging out of functional service - while these are known entities for over a decade, the City has not properly planned to execute replacement facilities, or rather they have named plans, but delayed in action. Many of the facilities discussed at the Cowan Fields location have been proposed since 2012, at a fraction of the current cost being quoted, but because of failure to execute these facilities have not been appropriately initiated. It seems that the City should develop a reserve fund to support future recreational facilities - in part, this could consist of a %age (or fixed) amount of every use of these facilities (eg. Take \$X from every rental fee, user fee, registration fee) and put it into a fund to replace recreation facilities in the future. I would like to see the City pursuing more public-private partnerships to encourage private donations, corporate sponsorships/naming rights, to offset the cost to the public taxpayer - similar to what was seen with Southgate Centre, whereby the City will commit \$x towards a project, if the remainder is raised privately. It is also likely that high-end facilities will require provincial and/or federal grants/funding opportunities. These types of facilities should be designed as an investment to attract other income sources towards the City - what types of facilities does the City require to host provincial or even national tournaments (eg. Ontario or Canada Games).

I think that the city should be looking to companies like Toyota for sponsorship. Lots of arenas in the GTA are sponsored by big company's providing them with advertising opportunities.

I think that we could really come together as a community to help crowd fund the facility. It would help residents feel like it is their facility and to take pride in it. Baseball teams, gymnastic clubs, soccer teams, etc could do fundraisers like krispy kreme, bake sales, bottle drives, etc. Local businesses, realtors, etc could donate goods/services to be auctioned off or part of a draw. The city could advertise a mass 50/50 campaign. The city could host charity baseball or soccer tournaments where local factories pay an entry fee to raise money/awareness. We can make money by hosting larger tournaments to outside sport teams. Food truck Fridays at the park May-September with funds going to the facility. Saturday outdoor movies in the park with \$5 admission and sell popcorn/ice cream.

I think the pool should be the first priority and first to be built.

I think there should be a back room with all the stuff you need for different sports eg. swimming, hockey, volleyball etc

I think this is an opportunity to show everyone how valuable the community of Woodstock is. Maybe we could tie it in with being the dairy capital with cow status ?

I think this is needed immediately and cannot wait another 4 years. Young families are flocking to Woodstock and the surrounding areas and our current recreational centres are over run during peak hours. Kids are being denied lose saving life skills like learning to swim because getting into swimming lessons is so competitive because there is not enough room. My daughters hockey league is not able to offer an u7 league or women's hockey training due to no ice time available even though the males at that age are provided it. Businesses that are very popular (figure skating or hockey training) cannot get enough hours to train or operate properly. As an adult I will not swim at Southside pool because it is gross and the change rooms are freezings and small. The pool water is not a good temperature that all the kids are shivering after. We need this to start being built next year.

I think with the growth of the city as much as it would be beneficial to try and raise/save, gather donations, I feel a newer facility should be high on the plans for expanding and growing our community.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

I truly believe the Sportsplex should have some form of restaurant inside with healthy options to fuel our residents.

I want to see a functional arena with multiple seating options, a walking track, and or a bar

I want to see the money spent timely and not wait around. My hope is that all facilities are kept up to the standard they begin with and not let us get to the point we have to close a facility (lion's pool) and not have a replacement immediately ready. Soon the Civic arena will be closed , will you have a replacement ready?? Forget beautifying downtown with my money . Work on entry parts to the city...ie the west end is embarrassing.

I will be looking for a job

I work in the industry and have been part of many construction projects over the years, Cambridge Ice Park, Wellesly, Lakeshore MURF, Bostwick and have seen poor designs that contribute to expensive maintenance costs. Value engineering leaves a product that performs poorly. Rushed construction and unattainable timelines promised leave the tax payer with a poor product. Woodstock needs a high level facility that is accessible for all in the community. Instead of a gymnasium shoot for a fieldhouse that can host large tournaments and activities. Basketball, volleyball, pickleball, tournaments, Field could be subdivided into three or four courts. What happens when the Civic's machine room fails and cannot be repaired. Ice time is precious to all the crazy hockey parents. My kid will play beer league so I am realistic, ha. Anyways the parents will be relentless and vicious. It only becomes more expensive waiting to build. Construction costs are climbing as we do not have enough tradespersons to support the demand. Wait, and pay more. Build soon and deal with it. If it is built, will it be staffed adequately? Some of the design firms bidding are questionable. Lowest bid is the worst approach. Design costs should be tied to job size and proper coordination reduces change orders as job is quoted properly. It is amazing what is missed on poor design and how the change orders add up. Save the pennies and the dollars go rolling by. Great places to live include excellent rec facilities.

I would also love to see a top level facility but already fear that this project may take too long to get started or to build and I would like to be able to enjoy it with my family. The city is growing very fast as well.

I would like a new curling rink, as the old one isn't fit for purpose anymore, I'm retired and I enjoy playing, and it keeps me fit in the winter

I would like it if most of city council, fire fighters and other high ranking official would take an acceptable pay wage, not over a \$100000 a year.

I would like something for my 15 year old to do. There's lots for little kids, but teens are soo bored they just wander.

I would like the new rec complex to include indoor swimming pools and outdoor bike/skate park.

I would like to see a Curling facility added to the plans. This is a very active sport enjoyed by all ages. It's a shame the Council doesn't support this fantastic club.

I would like to see a free walking track included in the building. This track wouldn't be fancy like the other one. This is something for adults to do while they are waiting for their child when they practice. Renting out the track the other track to sports groups to use for specialized off ice, off field training could help with revenue.

I would like to see a new multi purpose curling centre as it has physical and social benefits for many age groups and abilities.

I would like to see community fund raising.

I would like to see curling facilities added The Woodstock curling centre is getting old and is not accessible

I would like to see curling pads added as per the plans.

I would like to see indoor tennis courts

I would look at including a public curling club, if new ice pads are developed several curling pads could be added since the infrastructure is already there for the hockey ice - ie compressor

I would love to see the curling club move into the new facility

I would put less money into outdoor pickleball courts that can only be used 5 mths of the year and put more into an indoor facility that can be used year round. The twin pad is long over due and possible the pool and gym, I'm not familiar with there use. Are there other city buildings that have rooms not being used that could be multi-purpose rooms? A functional facility that could also be used for tournaments would be good to bring business to the city without adding high end finishing touches that are pleasing to the eye but don't add to the

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

function of the facility.

I would rather see money go towards a top end facility and fix Van Ave pool rather than upgrading Dundas Street. Spending millions on Dundas Street does not attract me to shop downtown. I seldom go downtown due to feeling unsafe and unwelcome by the increased homeless population. Even my bank is moving away from the downtown core.

I would really like them to focus on the aquatic aspect. There are only 2 places in Woodstock to swim, the YMCA and Southside. Most people can not afford the YMCA membership fees but Southside is too small to handle the needs of the community. Not only is the public is affected, school swim teams are being canceled or having to use only one lane for the entire team as it's hard to fit into the schedule.

i WOULD SAY BUILD ONE RINK AND THE POOL, THEN ADD THE OTHERS LATER

I would suggest fundraising to help with the cost of the build. I feel people of Woodstock would be willing to donate if the facility is done right (all at once and large to be able to host tournaments). I would donate if it meant I no longer had to leave Woodstock to take my kids to hockey.

I'd like to see an inclusive design and have community meeting space.

I'm disappointed that the city is letting the Lion's pool go and that we won't have an outdoor pool with the proposed plan. Kids love swimming outdoors in the summer. Indoor pools get hot and humid in the summer months and an outdoor pool is fun and special.

I'm for everything to give our kids option to stay busy and have fun to keep them from going down the wrong path and ending up on the streets !!

Ice pads are long overdue.

Ice surfaces should have skate rental and skate aids

Ice time is a huge problem in Woodstock. There is just not enough ice available to support the growing needs of the city. The city needs a twin pad at the very least! A new recreation facility needed to be built like 5 years ago. The sooner this can be started, the better! Woodstock needs to just spend the money and get a new facility built.

Ice time needs to be able to be shared between all levels of hockey, and figure skating. Both provide opportunities for kids to get active which is important long-term.

I'd like to see a partnership with the City, the Curling Centre, and the provincial government as a multi-purpose facility. The facility could include childcare. In the off-season (April to Sept) the facility would be a fantastic area for summer camps.

if a high end facility is built for petes sake use it!!

If hockey pads are built, they should be utilized/available equally for girls and boys hockey . Historically, girls hockey has been primarily at the older, more run down civic while boys are primarily at the nicer complex.

If not now, when? Yes, we need to juggle the financial commitments, but delaying something like this will only continue to harm families and impact the growth and development of our youth. Families will continue to leave the community for recreational activities elsewhere...once they leave and establish meaningful relationships, it's extremely difficult for them to rejoin our community and to utilize our facilities. If you build it...

If our taxes are being raised yet again to fund this. I would rather not build it.

If possible it should include a pool, rinks and childcare centre and somewhere to get food from to be able to provide the services our growing community needs.

If we get a new arena, it should be the home to the wildcats. The Navy Vets have had the complex as their home arena and the girls have had that shitty arena we call the civic. The girls deserve to have a new arena over the bots

If we have a tournament facility, the local families would not be able to use it as much. Lake Lisgar in Tillsonburg and the Victoria Rec Centre in Ingersoll are good examples of fun, family friendly pools. Wilmot rec centre in Baden also has a great facility.

If we plan to host more tourneys then I believe our hospitality needs to be increased. I've heard from others that people will stay in Brantford or London when. Woodstock has tourneys because our hotels are not up to par. When we do host these tourneys people gravitate to patios and downtown which then makes me think I wouldn't let my kids walk around downtown on their home due to all the unwelcoming scenery down there.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

You know what I mean.

If we wait, the increased cost will likely cost more than the cost to borrow money. Set a fundraising goal for residents and businesses to hit in order to break ground.

If we want to bring more tournaments to the new complex in the north end then we will need a grocery store and maybe take out restaurants in the north end!!!

If Woodstock minor hockey is to draw decent players with open borders available ice times will be considered for anyone playing at a competitive level. Woodstock does not have enough ice as of today and with less ice available for next year local talent will leave

If you build it, they will come. I know, sounds cliché...but adding more arenas, diamonds etc will allow more tournaments...more hotel reservations...more busy restaurants

If you build the multi arena facility then you can host tournaments and skating competitions using all 4 pads (reeves and the new facility). There will be added revenue to the local businesses if you are drawing people in for tournaments etc.

If you build top end, the city or local business could potentially see the extra income from it

If you want better tournaments put a bar in the arena with ice viewing. Parents drink in the stands anyways at hockey tournaments.

Impact on neighborhood have you heard their voices. Privacy fencing. How about a new council that listens to what locals want.

In floor heating in the stands

Include a curling center

Include a curling facility in the new recreational facility. This could be a multi purpose building with cement floors and be used for pickle ball courts (etc) in the spring / summer months.

Include a new curling facility with enough seating to qualify for provincial and national events

Include curling as part of the new facility. It should be designed to be able to be accessible to individuals with disabilities, host events like the Tankard, as well as be able to host other events (ex. Ball hockey) outside of the curling season

Include curling rink in plans

Including the proposed curling centre and childcare centre would benefit the larger Woodstock community which continues to expand. A walking track in this facility would also be beneficial for parents of kids participating in activities, allow indoor training for sports teams, and provide safe walking for seniors throughout the winter time and during hot summer weather. Please review best practices for multi-use centres in SW Ontario and visit some outside of the city. There are great centres within a 2 hour radius of Woodstock that have a central reception area with swimming, hockey, and indoor sports halls. Depending on the sporting needs assessment - curling or hockey ice surfaces can be used "off season" for additional sporting activities, summer camps or potentially wedding or other rental income. Anticipated costs will continue to rise for this facility - let's borrow the money and get it done. Investing in a high level facility will benefit youth, adults and seniors to stay active and healthy, will provide opportunities for various sporting organizations to host regional, provincial or even national level competitions - sports tourism brings revenue to the city - both through facility rentals and also through local hotel and restaurant spending.

Incorporate a new curling facility into the complex. The current curling club's facility is old and it has maxed out its capability with private membership carrying the costs of the current facility. It could benefit with help of the city owning the building and sharing the cooling system for the hockey arenas to maintain the ice of the curling club.

Indoor track for arena as well as outdoor track somewhere in city that I won't break my ankle on

Ingersoll Pool used to do Flick-n-dip on Fridays for kids to watch a movie and then do open swim - we should offer more programs like this for our youth.

Investing in a facility can accommodate large tournaments brings revenue back into the community. These facilities are also able to be used for future community events.

Investment into other sports and rec activities should be considered as well; the curling club is old, waterslides for the new pool or outdoor pad, a running track, etc.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Is there community involvement in funding opportunities such as fundraising?

It does not need to be a palace! Functional and intelligent design to get the most out of each dollar. Woodstock already has a premier 'top end' facility to meet tournament needs.

It does seem like the boys hockey teams spent most of their games and practises at the Reeves complex & the girls are out of the civic more. Building a new twin pad would offer a better facility, with more ice time available for both associations and provide more opportunities for girls hockey to share two facilities with the boys hockeys teams, so the girls aren't in the older Civic facility. I do not live in Woodstock, but majority of our time & sports are spent in Woodstock and listen to Woodstock residents about the same opinions as mine in this survey.

It feels as though this Council is actively over spending at a time when the economy is in dire straits. Citizens have already seen huge tax hikes and everything is becoming difficult to afford. This seems like a low priority, high cost venture. An astronomical amount of money goes toward homeless cleanup and services, leaving less money for important local services. We should focus on repairing what we have, such as Lions Pool, maintaining our current recreational facilities, and ensuring we have necessary funds for critical projects. Respect the tax payers' money.

It is a long over due project that is needed to service the community. Arenas and a pool are top priority.

It is a must with this overpopulated city the amenity need to keep up. Gets kids doing healthy lifestyles instead of creating a bigger problem.

It is important to me and my family to have an outdoor pool.

It is important to stay/shop/play local and is difficult to do with no local outdoor pool.

It is long overdue. Our community needs a facility that provides an enviroment for all to come enjoy sports & recreation, a library, meeting/study rooms for students and a walking track FREE for the public. We need to promote a healthy active lifestyle for everyone, and it's time for an upgrade.

It needs to be accessible for everyone with extended hours and staff to handle the population. A child minding option would be great for parents participating in activities as well.

It needs to be built ASAP. With girls hockey growing at the rate it is and neighbouring communities not cooperating for ice time Woodstock needs to come out on top and answer the public's need for more ice. Otherwise people will go elsewhere and hockey will die out in place of other sports.

It needs to meet the needs of all ages. Facilities should be flexible to enable switching programming easily. It should be located so that no one has a long bus ride. Even though I no longer have young children, it would be great if child care was available and if there was programming available for children similar to what the Y used to provide on Friday evenings. A second smaller pool that is used for young children's swimming lessons - like the warm water pool at Wayne Gretzky Centre - would be nice.

It should include a curling facility as the present one needs an update and functional improvement.

It will never be cheaper than now to build a facility.

It would be great to have a new curling facility available in the city

It would be great to have a space to serve for martial arts/ boxing / jiu jitsu

It would be nice to have an indoor swimming pool vs outdoor so that we can use throughout the year.

It would be nice to see a public indoor play area for kids. Like park equipment to use during winter months or when it is raining outside

It's not all about hockey. There are 3 icepads already. Think about other sport for kids outdoor ball hockey, lacrosse, competitive swimming, diving, track, kids training for sports

Just build it all ready. We are all tried of hearing it's coming. We desperately are in need of it.

Just do it already.

Just do it!

Just get a new arena built or figure out scheduling better, ridiculous that our children play minor hockey in Woodstock and are forced to go elsewhere for practices

Just get it started

Just get the kids busy and away from the streets and more that the facility has the better of a turn out you will get from the city

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Keep Barriers in mind when building the project. I know that you can't be barrier free but the lowest possible barrier.
Keep diamonds open at cowan fields so they can be used
layout is important, make it usable and comfortable. Civic for example is too jammed with people no room to move to get to change rooms when a game is on with spectators. I have heard complaints from people when we are there. keep room to move and get around and large change rooms. A better larger facility maybe able to bring in \$\$ attract tournaments etc, but still need to be reasonable with end costs. Functional is fine so long as too many things have not been minimalized and make it difficult to use
Let's get going. Seriously so far behind other much smaller communities. It's a joke. Use our outrageous tax dollars. Should be a boat load in that pot. Do something people actually want.
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Let's invest in Woodstock. Tournaments and Meets bring in revenue!
Let's not go hiking people's taxes to the point individuals are going to lose their homes over this. Find savings
Lions Pool should've never been closed
Long overdue, the city is expanding quickly and we need this facility to support the community
Look ahead to the growth of our community and plan accordingly now.
Look at other great facilities in other communities to get ideas. Make Woodstock proud with this new community centre. It would be great if it had an outdoor work like in Tillsonburg.
Look at the experience of other municipalities closely esp. where they compromised elements for budget reasons vs those that didn't and the overall outcomes of those decisions (wish we had...).
Look to include a gym/fitness area
Make a facility with gyms with other health amenities (sauna, cold plunge, squash courts,weight room, track and pool) at an affordable rate that is better than current private fitness facilities. Honestly you should probably address the homeless problem and address where our tax money goes instead of building another facility. Why do we pay high taxes and we pay for garbage and need to shovel the side walk? This is the only city I've lived that is like this.
Make a place for kids and teams to come together, a place to represent our community to promote healthy active living for families. Girls hockey is becoming larger in Ontario and it's so amazing to empower more girls to come out and play! Building a recreation centre is essential for those in the community, it's where people come together and the people of Woodstock deserve a place like this! If things continue to delay or making the community wait, there's not enough space for swimming spots, not enough ice time people will start going to other city centres to accommodate there needs which in turn doesn't bring a community together, and makes the associations like the Woodstock wildcats less desirable.
Make it for everyone, not just competitive teams and sports
Make it functional and accessible (physically for people but also financially) there is no point in cheaping out and cutting corners. Have a kitchen space
Make it happen asap
Make it work
Make sports affordable for families. Raising fees and then giving less ice time is not ok. Prioritize our ice time, Stop renting it out to these hockey development guys who are charging families over \$500 for a week of development when the people who pay hockey fees could use the ice time for practices.
Make sure it's affordable for everyone, not just for the rich....this would explain why so many of us go out of town.
Make sure the showers are all clean
Make sure there is lots of parking, maybe two pools in the building on one side and then other events on the other side of the building. Like a gym/ gymnastics / etc
Make sure there is room to expand in the future. If you don't build a pool right away, make sure the design is ready so it can be added later
Make sure we do it right, don't cut corners to save a dime.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Make sure you build a new pool. Make it a large pool. You can never full use Southside pool due to overcrowding.
Make sure you have people designing that have children/ youth in the current sports and have experienced what a good facility should include.
Make use of existing outdoor city space for outdoor rinks and skate trails to get ppl outside enjoying physical activity. Much cheaper & could be provided much quicker than building indoor facilities. Look for volunteers to flood & maintain spaces & businesses sponsors to fund it.
Many people advocating for a new facility do not live in Woodstock and do not pay taxes to the city of Woodstock. They should be responsible for some of the cost as well.
Maybe let people know more about your plan, I don't know what you have in mind but I haven't seen any information about it aside from this survey. Is it going to be exactly like the other rec centres or is it completely different? You should do more publicity of events once it's up and also for your other centres currently. Honestly I've lived in Woodstock for 3 years now and didn't know any Rec centres existed aside from Cowan and we've never gone there even. No reason to. Cowan appears to be nothing but an indoor open field. I'd rather a venue for events like comedians and presenters than a rec centre.
Memberships. Changerooms have sauna and steam room.
Minor hockey is for local boys and girls. Having Woodstock minor hockey cut boys B teams serves only a small number of kids rather than a larger group.
More efferent use of space for community needs. Not over sized.
More ice is needed as we currently have to send people away due to not enough ice to field more teams
More ice rinks is a major need
More ice. Wilmont has a nice multi purpose facility
More outdoor basketball courts
More pickleball courts done properly. Reeves complex court was not planned well.
More picnic table
More pool, gymnasium space
More pools
More sports need to be considered including curling, pickleball, badminton, tennis, etc.
More than one ice pad, indoor swimming pool. Similar to Wayne Gretzky centre in brantford to address the growing community and area
Most citizens are frustrated by the city's constant useless prioritization of the downtown core. Everyone is afraid to go there because of the drugs and homeless situations. This has been communicated repeatedly but the city doesn't listen. Funnelling more and more money into things we don't want and the exorbitant property taxes we pay to just have our people's priorities ignored is a slap in the face. Downtown money could be reallocated to a recreation facility.
Multipurpose, multifunction is desired, for example combine a walking track, library, childcare centre, cafe with healthy options. All in one centre. and design with natural light and play structure for little ones.
My concern is the noise and constant traffic noise. I live in that end of town. There is a VERY LARGE amount of factory workers in that subdivision.
My husband and I moved to Woodstock 8 years ago. We felt isolated and were looking to join a community. We found the curling centre and have been thrilled at the social and physical benefits.
My recommendation to city is please increase number of gymnasium or exercise machines in it. Add gymnastics training centres for kids. Both things costs too low as compared to twin pad arena. Only make single pad or don't make any , we already have in other facilities. It's my understanding that these days people need more gym and gymnastic facilities to get fit. Private gyms are way too expensive here in Woodstock.
My taxes don't need to go up.
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Need

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Need a city run curling rink
Need a new curling center
Need a pool desperately
Need an outdoor pool
need meeting spaces for shows/ events
Need more ice pads and swimming pools
Need to start sooner than later Woodstock and surrounding area keeps growing.
New arena should have plenty of seating everyone can watch
New curling facility . State of the art facility would bring out of town dollars to the city for tournaments etc.
New curling rinks required
New pool asap as Southside has holes in pool and falling apart
New pools would allow citizens of all ages to participate and enjoy activities all year round N4T
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None for now.
North east end of town the lots are smaller and do not enable pools large enough to actively play in. As well the allowance to park guest vehicles at the facility (by pre approved free pass)for the subdivisions surrounding to prevent the build up of vehicles on the streets for overnight guests.
Not at this time
Not particularly about the facility however, spell checking your survey is a suggestion. "At lease..." is not correct! As well I would suggest adding an option of "multiple uses per week" as most families who have children in sports use facilities upwards of 3-4 times per week which cannot be represented accurately in your survey. This would show a significant need for the new facility.
Now's the time Get the right people in to make sure it is properly built versus other new arenas/pools that have many flaws that could have been caught with the right design company.
Offer city amenity memberships. (Access to pools, track, pickleball etc). Consider a satellite library facility, plan for future city growth in new facility.
Offering a higher end facility with more amenities will not only service the community better, but it will also bring in people from other areas as well for use (tournaments, meets, rentals from the smaller cities around Woodstock) which will bring additional revenue to the city. In other cities I've seen them with gymnasiums, gyms (fitness), community rooms for rentals that are usually busy evenings and weekends and that can be used 12 months a year that again is a steady stream of rental fees.
Other cities have built incredible facilities with so many great options for its citizens and to host events and tournaments. Fingers crossed that woodstock gets it right

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Our city has a rapidly growing population. Restoring and improving the YMCA, adding a new rec center would provide two new pools plus programming for the city. It is so important for families to be active together. Additionally, the southside splash pad should reopen and just charge a 3.00 fee per person to get in.

Our city is growing very rapidly. We cannot wait until we have all funding. I already fear that by the time we get this new facility built, that we will already be approaching capacity again and be looking for the next project. Let's be proactive; invest and build something now, that will generate income and bring more events to the city, while creating better spaces for our community to use and play on. It will be cheaper and less disruptive in the long run, if we build everything at once, versus, adding on amenities over time.

Our city is set to expand exponentially in the coming years. 1000's of new residents are coming to live here and we need to be proactive not reactive. Please consider this as more important than the downtown plan.

Our community needs more aquatic centers. We are a growing population. And our city hasn't done anything with our facility to show they understand that. Rather than keep closing things and building more parks we need to focus on the needs/ wants of the community.

Our currently community centre is basically hockey focused. It would be nice to have other options available indoors

Our fees are extremely low and I would be willing to pay slightly higher fees or a facilities fee to contribute to the new facility.

Our great city has quickly outgrown the extra activities available. I would also like to see the layout of Cowan field #3 reviewed and possibly updated especially the amount of space behind the plate. A lot of time in a game is wasted chasing down the ball. And most times it is the lesser skilled teams on that diamond. Dimensions should be reviewed and updated to match #1 and #2.

Our taxes have constantly been rising and will again this year. This will only add to our higher cost of living in the city.

Our taxes have gone up so much, some of councils spending decisions this past year seem more than what is currently necessary, and this plan seems excessive given the current state of the economy and the struggles people are having to make ends meet. Perhaps we could slow down and focus on the current needs and wishes of residents, in all areas of the city, and tread carefully until the economy stabilizes a bit more.

Out door facilities should also be considered. Baseball fields to serve the you of community as our current fields are overused and difficult to find time

Out door pool

Outdoor pool is still needed as children with autism and breathing issues need a facility that accommodates this Very saddened that you are not rebuilding an outdoor pool but putting a facility in an area to accommodate a richer area of taxes. Need to reassess what is needed. Need to make sure we are spending our tax dollars evenly with the demographic of age groups we service. Seniors make up over 30% of the tax base but get minimal money for support of senior services (people over age of 50 years of age) More opportunities for free recreational activities would be ideal with our current financial situation in Canada. Free gives everyone the same opportunity without prejudice.

Outdoor pool would be amazing to have back

Outdoor pool, very excited about this opportunity for our city

Outdoor washrooms, pavilions and areas to relax. Beach volleyball, another diamond, 2 full size cricket pitches, pickleball. Transit to the building.

Overall I believe this is an unnecessary waste of money & not required. Plans for this should NOT be followed through on

Pay less today, to avoid paying more down the road. Leverage community sponsors to help offset, make Woodstock a premier destination, thus growing your population and tax base. This will induce more corporate investment.

People are chomping at the bit for a new rec centre. Realistically it is 3-5 yrs away. Costs will be increasing due to labour shortage and lack of trades persons to build. Please do not rush this project out the door. A significant amount of capital will be spent. Please consider the life cycle costs. 15-20% of lifecycle cost is construction. Remaining is operational costs which can be impacted by poor design leading to expensive maintenance costs. Look at the complex upgrades a few years back and the addition of boilers after the fact

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

to inject heat into facility. Dehumidifiers installed on the roof and poor ventilation in the arena and addition of wall fans to move air. Ductwork design flaw. Dressing room odours and mould due to equipment not operational when occupied. Please if the city is spending the money do not walk the path of value engineering. Balancing of air and hydronics is critical and there are few good companies. Balancing is critical for proper performance. Cannot stress it enough. Any building automation that is installed will be expensive. JCI, Siemens, Honeywell, Distech complete the same function. Service rates are spendy and often the BAS techs have little knowledge of the HVAC equipment. They work in a binary world. Ones and zeros. It is a real treat to work with them when they do not understand. Often those companies have the base coding written offshore which presents challenges. Commissioning of buildings is often poorly executed. Commissioning should be the most thorough part, monitoring the entire process and onsite for a start-ups of equipment. Currently at a new hospital and inside of two years of opening the heating plant has failed and chiller has failed. Both are the result of poor design and lack of detailed commissioning. A new functional hospital has a temporary heating plant in the loading dock. Chiller is torn apart for major repairs due to improper selection on the cooling tower. Yes, Woodstock needs another facility. Not against it. Please take time and consider the cost of a new facility and timelines. Do not rush a project of this size. I have the ability to pay my mortgage due to rushed jobs. I sound cynical but I live in the industry and have had the pleasure of good and bad jobs.

People do more than play hockey in Woodstock and having a facility at the north end of town would be nice. Having someone with a disability look at your plans before they start building would be smart. What able body people think we need isn't always the best!

People leave the city to play sports. It's embarrassing for a city of this size.

People move to communities they feel connected in and too. People meet people and families inside of these facilities through family sports.

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Perhaps future proof and build 3 or 4 pads. Even Sports Plex in Cambridge has 2 really nice pads and 2 that are going to be renovated.

Perhaps limit the expansion. And remove management at the library as library is declining use. Money may be applied to funds for recreation expansion.

Pickle ball Out door track with spectator viewing Indoor track for spectators Pool with diving and larger Soccer fields and parking to host tournaments Outdoor turf

Pickle ball courts

Plan for the whole thing now, if you do bits and pieces there will always be a reason we can wait on the rest.

Plan it properly. Visit other centres. Kitchener and Barrie have great new arenas, copy there ideas. We need proper change rooms. The rooms at civic and complex are too small. Have bowl seating in the rink or over the dressing room seating. Put in a walking track as well and make it free

Please add curling to the facility.

Please add curling to the plans

Please add the child care option

Please add the child care space option to the final plan!

Please approve more rinks. Children's hockey teams, especially "B" are having to fold because there is not enough ice time. Many teams are having to go to other surrounding cities for ice time such as Embro, thamesford, burford. Please don't close the civic, we need all the extra ice we can get.

Please avoid the mistake of making a gigantic entranceway and atrium like the Reeves Complex. Keep it simple like Cowan Park, and prioritize the functionality of the space for the intended sport and its players and fans.

Please build a high end outdoor field that can be converted into a dome.

Please build another pool! Our community is growing and we need another functioning pool!

Please build us a better pool, it was devastating when lions closed and we couldn't host the summer swim team meets anymore!

Please consider adding a walking track. Parents are always there an hour before every game. It is a really nice

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

addition at a number of arenas we go to.

Please consider including outdoor swimming at this facility or renovating Lions pool

Please consider public free use recreation indoor space. It's absurd we're expected to pay to walk inside.

Please design this with care and common sense! Unlike the currant complex that has so many design flaws! Please please include a dry sauna and a steam sauna with the pool. Please consider full showers in separate male, female and family change rooms. For the twin pad, can you make it so you can see both pads from upstairs. Like a "blue" room at upper level that can over look both pads. Have seating around both pads (not just a few benches along 1 wall) Consider a liquor licensed concession/ cafe restaurant. And have pickle ball courts, community yoga and workout classes.

Please do it as soon as possible. It's needed so bad. I'm tired of driving to London and Kitchener for sports. This is a city with 50k people and has less amenities than Owen Sound

Please do right by it. Look to the future and build for that compared to just what will do now. We have long grown out of facilities and must wait for a long time without proper facilities. Please also include a branch of the library and outdoor skate park.

Please do this city well with their growing population and their need for more recreational facilities! We really need to keep our youth active and promote staying in the city vs traveling outside the city to join teams.

Please do your research and follow Brantford or even London's new facilities. These are equipped and have everything. Ice rinks, pools, Gym, Workout area, walking tracks, restaurants. Families spend so much time at these arenas, if you build it, people will come.

Please don't name it Cowan or Reeves as people are already going to the wrong place having so many things with the same name! Cowan fields, Cowan Sportsplex, Reeves Courts, Reeves Community Complex, etc. put the complex back to the Community Complex as it was the community that raised majority of the money to build it in the first place! Extremely disrespectful to those that donated their money to change it like you did!!

Please don't wait any longer. Our kids desperately need this.

please ensure that there is enough room for growth, office space, additional staffing, storage & flex programming space.

Please ensure the trails connect to the facility.

Please fix the location, bring it back into town

Please for the love of god, drive around to other arenas and copy some ideas from arenas already built and function well

Please include a curling rink and a free walking track

Please include a pool, with the ability to host swim meets. Larger and better aquatic facilities are essential as a wide range of programs for children and adults to learn to swim and have time to lane swim and open family swim

Please include another walking track. Include pickle ball courts.

please keep fee reasonable so parents can afford .Also different time slot options so kids can participate

Please keep the growing game of girls hockey in mind and give fair ice time to girls hockey

Please look at other communities facilities around us and build the best facility that is financially responsible. We are long overdue for a new multi purpose recreation centre to meet the needs of our town and its growing population

Please make it for all sports like wheels inn once was in chatham

Please make the arena good for viewing unlike most new arenas

Please make the facility as easily accessible and as welcoming as possible for persons of both visible and non-visible disabilities.

Please make the space usable for all ages

Please plan for future growth when estimating the size of the planned facility. We are already 5-10years behind are current community growth.

Please prioritize ice pads as there is not enough ice time available in Woodstock.

Please provide chances for input from the users of the existing facilities.

Please push for this. We really need two hockey rinks.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Please stop charging people for the walking track above the soccer fields inside the building. Not only do parents get YELLED at for watching our soccer players WHILE we walk and WE paid but the track is only cement/concrete. We pay this much and no nice cushion NOR the option to watch our child while walking. If we stand for a second there's always some younger male yelling to stop watching. Meanwhile we paid for our kids to play soccer AND paid to walk on a track that has no cushion to walk on. (Soft track)

Please stop imagining that the YMCA will reopen their pool. It is not happening. We need a big indoor swimming facility.

Please take into consideration all age groups & physical challenges.

Please, please make this city more family friendly with activities - a new indoor pool and larger change rooms. Let's stop travelling outside of the community for sports and rec

Pool is key. A good amount of parking is also important.

Population has grown immensely. Better to spend money on a double pad than build a single and find out after we should have built a double at extra cost

Price out the possibility of an indoor/outdoor pool... sliding doors that can open for summer swimming. My autistic kids can't handle indoor pools because the echoing, but even a few sliding doors would alleviate some of that noise. Possibility for an outdoor skating rink that has infrastructure for ice maintenance (Waterloo has one like this)... and time for non-hockey skating. Pickleball courts? Would be great to have some this end of the city.

Prioritize keeping youth AND middle aged folks active. Difficult to find adult rec programs. Difficult to find teen spaces.

Prioritize seating if a new twin pad is indeed constructed, nothing worse than playing on a pad with no seating (this from a parent of a Woodstock program)

Prioritizing millions of dollars in the downtown core is a huge mistake when the city has such a need for additional recreational facilities. This is long overdue

Provide bus service if it already doesn't have it. Its too far to walk to for a lot of residents I use the facilities more than once a week. Why is this not included. Once a week does not justify a new facility

Put in a pool

Question 10 should be modified to explain what the difference is between a facility that meets community needs and a facility to run a tournament. Either way, tournaments bring people to spend in the economy and local businesses

Question 8 needs to be a little less ambiguous. It is the expectation that the amount of taxes paid by local citizens should be used effectively. There are not nearly enough amenities in Woodstock that can validate the taxes that are paid. As the city approved population and housing increases the local amenities did not increase. Questions 10 is also a bit tricky to answer. I believe that we need a top tier facility in order to limit continuous improvement costs. Build something that would be still viable 25 years from now. Overall the costs should be lower doing it in one step rather than perpetual additions and retrofits.

Re #10: if we have a tournament level facility, we need more hotels.

Re open Lions Pool

Reach out to users as to what comparable rinks are good. Ideally a twin pad rink with an indoor pool and maybe a room that can be rented for birthday parties might be popular.

Realistically we need more than 2 pads of ice, but whatever you do, please don't put just 1 in. Woodstock has grown so much that it is difficult to apply for competitions because of lack of ice availability.

Really focus on functionality versus aesthetics.

Really hoping to see the new facility built for the growing city knowing that current hockey teams do not have enough ice time. Select level teams are forced to practice at arenas in other towns and wildcats teams are also forced to drive to other towns or miss out on adequate practice time. We pay taxes here and don't want to be forced to drive elsewhere. New arena needs 3 pads. All need decent room to move around the pads (ex considered people with multiple kids, strollers, hockey gear). Each needs some decent viewing (green pad is awful in this respect !). For swimming I would like To see an indoor and an outdoor pool or perhaps the option of an indoor-outdoor pool. Big enough to host swim meets. Better hours for public swims that work with families. Funding should focus on this complex over other initiatives like downtown. This should be done asap

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

for our kids to use and enjoy.

Really looking forward to the new rinks

Really need another swimming pool asap

Recreation facilities for our growing community must be an immediate priority. There is limited access for everyone as the city has not kept up with the demand of our growing community.

Recreation facility should be placed ahead of the downtown streetscape. More people would use the recreation facility than people going downtown. 19,000,000 would go a long way towards something the residents would enjoy.

Research St Catherines, I believe it is I have been in. They hosted the Ontario Games or something . Multi use floor, basketball, Volleyball, badminton and hand sports like racket ball and the new one. You need a 4 plex of ice with bar and seating as in Hamilton or St Catherines or larger centers than here. Add a curling rink, their current location would be great for another high rise. If you want to call me 519.532.7763 - Glen Farrell

Residents of the Townships should have to pay a premium to use the facilities as Woodstock residents are footing the capital costs of the facilities!!!

Riley Sports should be the supplier of the dasher boards as they are a long standing company in this city.

Roller skate park in dire need

SAC and CCC are incredibly outdated. If I didn't have. Child that I was insistent on keeping in lifesaving swimming lessons, I likely would not utilize SAC as much as we do. Simply for the fact that it's such a pain to get in and out of, and change rooms aren't large enough to accommodate so many lessons at the same time.

Save up for it dont raise taxes. Use money from the old. Raise money locally with fun raising

Should be focusing on affordable ways to add things to the city. Cost of living is high and things like garbage tags going up upsets members of the city when seeing such a high budget for additional services.

Should have all activities in 1 facility. 2 ice pads, pool, basketball, gym ect. It would be a community hub!

should look at other locations it's to far away . the fairgrounds should be looked at.

Shutting down the southside wading pool was a dumb decision.

Since the YMCA pool has closed, a second indoor pool in Woodstock is greatly missed.

Since we are the worst region for childcare options, it would be wise to build one within the building. We are a growing community and will only need more childcare options. Please consider other amenities for the pool portion such as warmer wading pool for accessibility needs and young ones, hot tub for seniors, sauna, and full competition length pool for future competitions.

Small communities also rely on Woodstock facilities, those numbers need to be accounted for (ie. no pool or girls hockey in Embro, Hickson, Sweaburg, etc).

So further to question 10. I would be concerned about spending north of 50 million dollars on a bare minimum arena facility when we consider the timeline lining up with the Reeves Community Complex starting to age. So I would want to be sure through state of good repair and future planning that the Community Complex can meet the needs of the city as the premier facility. Another issue I don't see addressed in this questionnaire is the fact that despite current spikes in ice use locally hockey registration is on the decline nation wide. I would hate to put 50 million recreation dollars into a very niche basket when facilities like the gyms, pools and outdoor rec facilities can be used by a much broader range of citizens. Maybe we should take a hard look at modernizing the Civic Center arena before we have another Lion's Pool situation on our hands.

So many local hockey associations can't get local ice time in Woodstock and are forced to look elsewhere or just not form teams leaving kids not playing. Finding out actual ice needs compared to what we have currently would be a start

Some kind of bar / restaurant would be nice to make extra money for the facility

Something similar to the complex in goderich and Wayne Gretzky.

Sooner rather than later while Grandkids are still young

Sounds like there is \$121 million and some sort of reserve. Use a small portion of it to help offset the cost of building facility. Priority and preference to sports and recreational activities or groups they are willing to contribute funds towards their needs at the new facility. Focus on sports activities that can help stimulate the economy with big events and tourism.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with Council and staff about the new recreation facility?

Specifically the girls hockey has grown significantly, in order to keep up with the amount of players we need more ice.

Spend the money now and get sports tournament tourism. We have a few new hotels going in so we will be able to accommodate it. We will need more restaurants too, it would be great to try to get some more up in the north end, all we have are south end restaurants and a few downtown. I think that a new facility that could host large tournaments would be fantastic to boost the city's economy.

Sports and rec is great for kids and families to be involved in the community. It's a great learning experience for kids as well

Start having a legit sports committee and start doing research

Start. Building. The. Arena. I think this is the 3rd time I've filled out a survey for the city.... We need a bigger pool. We are unable to have a competitive swimming team after closing lions. We need more ice rental availability. LET'S get going and stop stalling.

Stop dragging your feet and build the new arena that this community has been asking for many years.

Stop dragging your heels on these projects and wasting valuable dollars on consultants. Look to our neighbours in Wilmot and Wellesley that have Beautiful new multiplex facilities and took advantage of provincial & federal grants, along with large corporate donations to get their facilities built. It's embarrassing that a city as large as woodstock doesn't have something like this to attract more tournaments and visitors.

Stop funding the art gallery (that might get used once in a year) and put funding towards recreation.

Stop making band aid fixes; bite the bullet and build this new facility.

Stop putting it off and put shovels in the ground

Stop spending on stupid items. At least fix the roads and clear roads in winter for the \$2000 increase in tax in 2 years 😞

Stop the surveys and consulting and just get it done. It should have done years ago.

Stop wasting money on the downtown streetscape which is a ridiculous waste of taxpayer money. Families with kids in sports who spend a lot of money for their kids to swim play hockey etc don't benefit from the street scape. It will NOT bring people to the city to spend money. Build a new sports complex that will bring much more revenue to the city with tournaments, competitions etc.

Supply sufficient sized office space for Jr c club, decent sized onsite rental room(s)

Swimming is a huge issue. There are no outside pools. Southside pool is way over crowded. There is not much for kids 8 plus outside with swimming.

Swimming pool is a must. Civic centre should have been torn down years ago

Swimming pool needs more change rooms and showers - there are no where near enough at Southside pool

Take time to visit other facilities and understand their use and what works and doesn't work. Incorporate accessibility and have someone with a disability tour the facility and provide recommendations. Make it functional, good flow.

Taking away all of our families facilities at once is devastating for our children. Our kids thrive playing and swimming and having fun. There are not enough resources in Woodstock. It's growing too quickly and you're not supporting its growth. If you're not going to build it soon, then we need a big ymca that can keep up with our consumer needs.

Talk to people who go to countless facilities while participating in sports and ask which facility impresses them the most. I for one have been to Belle River to a new arena then and it was impressive. Also the city of London has one just west of Wonderland near Southdale Road. Hire a design company that specializes in designing recreational facilities.

Taxes are insane here compared to surrounding communities for nothing to show for it. You want ppl to move on keep up the crappy work city council. Huge fail for year after year

Thank you for this opportunity for input.

Thank you so much!!!!!!

The arena needs 6 change rooms per ice pad, a refs room and a girls change room.

The arenas and times have been great for my family. We have used them lots and still Continue .

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The athletic program need to be available in the evening as well so better scheduling if possible. Maybe try to locate the facility between Innerkip and Woodstock.

The better the facilities the more other towns and tourists will come for competition, more money for hotel's restaurants etc

The Bostwick Arena in London is an excellent example of what would be nice to have in Woodstock. A full size pool, YMCA gym, walking track, twin pad arena, and community rooms that are used for various activities from yoga to church services.

The city desperately could use more facilities for birthday party rentals. The city needs more than one facility for this, but this development should have this option as part of the planning for the community similar to Cowan park sportsplex which is very busy with parties.

The city is growing at a rate that we need to accelerate infrastructure. The north west end of Woodstock could use some amenities ie shopping, grocery stores etc. Plan and execute a new recreation facility asap so the current kids can enjoy it.

The city is growing you need to keep up

The city is in real need of another pool. Only one is not adequate for our growing city especially since the lions pool has been closed

The city of Woodstock has enough revenue stream to support a new facility. If it doesn't maybe consider changing bylaw codes to allow for high rises which will allott more tax funds

The City should develop a proper recreation board to oversee the facilities design and construction, not only should the board members have athletic experience but also construction knowledge and experience.

The civic center arena is simply a facility to serve the needs. We desperately need a twin pad. We are renting ice outside the city. That speaks volumes.

The civic centre has the best ice around!! But the arena is old and failing. It's not able to facilitate what Woodstock needs. The Woodstock Wildcats use this arena on the daily, the change rooms are old and small, it's not accessible which should be very important to the city. I think by building a new facility everyone could benefit from it. Twin pads, pool, rentable hall for functions, the friendly city needs to meet the demands of a growing city and build a new facility for its expanding population.

The community can benefit financially from the ability to host high demand tournaments. We're central in southern Ontario which makes us a high demand area. Additionally we're under utilizing our senior hockey potential (further revenue generating) because there simply isn't enough ice with the minor hockey needs. It's been impossible to book ice for years as an adult so people stop trying but the need is there as well.

The community is growing and the number of facilities has not increased to keep up. In some cases the number of facilities have decreased, for example we had 3 pools (lions, southside, ymca) and now we have 1.

The community is only growing larger. We need to be able to accommodate it

The community needs a multipurpose recreational facility. An indoor pool, two ice rinks with viewing areas, gym, and multipurpose rooms

The cost of the downtown improvements are excessive and the not all the changes make sense for the community. Downsize those plans and divert some of the funds to a rec center

The council needs to take into consideration that our population is growing quickly and our current facilities are not going to hold up much longer

The current facilities at cowan field are great, except, the covered area is always occupied by residents of the area and not people using the facilities. Even asking teams who are participating to leave "their area". More shaded areas are needed

The current facility can already host tournaments and therefore you dont need another to do the same thing, just get more ice time available so the kids dont have to leave Woodstock to play elsewhere.

The entrance to the new centre should not be through Springbank. There are already enough people speed through the residential area. Putting an entrance at the end of Springbank will make it worse.

The facility is desperately needed

The longer this waits to begin construction the more costs increase. If we have to fund it through borrowing, at least the interest paid is paid while being used. The increased construction costs with delays do nothing more

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than increase taxes.

The longer you wait the more money will be

The money being wasted on the downtown streetscape is a disgrace and would much better serve the community being put towards a rec complex. Planning for the rec complex along with starting a rec complex reserve fund should have started years ago and construction should be commencing now. Stop putting bandaids on old rec facilities and build for the future.

The more active we stay as we age, the less demand on our health services.

The more amenities that can function under one roof, like pool, gymnasium, two ice pads, restaurant, library

The more external rentals the faster it's paid off and more money into out community

The need for a new multipurpose recreation center in Woodstock is becoming increasingly urgent. As a growing city, Woodstock is seeing a demographic shift, with fewer retirement-age residents and more young families moving in. These families are seeking amenities that support their active lifestyles, providing spaces for fitness, socializing, and engaging in various recreational activities. Without a modern, multipurpose facility, the city risks losing the opportunity to fully cater to this rising demand, which could have long-term consequences for the community.

The need for more ice time is dire. Kids are having to travel to thamesford, embryo, plattsville and more to practice with their Woodstock hockey team. Woodstock is the large centre for all surrounding small towns and barely has enough amenities to support the people living within the city.

The need is there. You will be able to get more people in the door to pay any loans back quickly. We are a central location so tournaments would also draw lots of funds from out of town teams. Living just outside of the city I appreciate a closer facility.

The new facility should include a new Curling Centre. Curling's popularity is on the rise and the existing Curling Centre is outdated and this gives the opportunity to build an inclusive venue.

The offerings we have in the city are good, we have just run out of space to service the community properly

The pool should be modelled after the Wilmot Rec Centre pool. It is hands down the best pool for family swimming. I do not use the Woodstock pool because it is not family friendly.

The price will only continue to rise if you wait to build it.

The proposal to have only one ice pad is ridiculous. Build two or build none, one is not going to solve the significant ice shortage. As for a pool, I hope they are considering an outdoor pool also

The rec programs Woodstock runs are some of the best in the province. We need the facilities to keep up with the talent that is being brought in by the programs. I believe ice time is one of the biggest needs at this time and the city is in need of 4 functional pads to allow talent to stay in Woodstock. A pool would be a close second as it is nearly impossible to get siblings into similar swimming lesson times at a reasonable time during the school year.

The report recommends collaborations, strength in partnerships, subject matter expertise access etc. partnerships should be given strong consideration. Positioning or language regarding YMCA sustainability issues province wide is a generalization, as the majority of YMCA's across the province and nation are sustainable and have healthy balance sheets; and have a positive charitable impact in the community it serves. The pool is likely not operational at the Woodstock YMCA due to AN unwillingness the city has to partner and support an asset like the YMCA who deliver programs like aquatics. There many positive YMCA/Municipal facility/service delivery models across the country that you might want to inquire about.

The return on investment in a state of the art facility would show up in tourism and economy. It would help our local businesses thrive and for Woodstock to grow as a destination for tournaments, leisure. It will pay itself off !

The sooner its built the cheaper in the long run. The price keeps rising every year you keep holding off. Just like the other 2 diamonds that were never built at Cowan fields. You could have mostly games played there and not have to travel all over the city to play and open up the concession stand at a reasonable price so people can buy something there. If you had more diamonds you could have more higher end tournaments meaning more money to the city.

The sooner the better

The sooner the better, we are quickly growing out of the facilities we have. I would love to see a walking track

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in the arena as well. We have travelled to many arenas in Ontario and having seating at the venue is a must (not metal bleachers like the green pad at the complex)

The sooner the better.

The Southside pool was built a very long time ago and suited the population. Woodstock has grown substantially and nothing has been done to meet the needs of pool people. Just try to register a child for swim lessons after the first registration day. That shows how great the need is. Not to beautify a block a year downtown. Get your heads out of the clouds

The splash pad at south side never should have been closed it was a staple for young kids.

The struggles my family has is ice times. Not enough swimming lesson time slots, daycare waitlists

The user fees associated with the new recreation facility will determine whether my family can take advantage of activities. I am concerned about paying via tax dollars for facilities that I may not be able to afford due to user fees. Municipal recreation has never been profitable and that's not the point of it. I dislike the idea that I might contribute via today's tax levy for a facility that won't be completed until my family ages out of its use. I will be especially irritated if the construction creates noise/mess/traffic closures in our current north-end neighbourhood, followed by increased traffic through our street and obstructive street parking by facility patrons in the future. If we're going to build it, then let's do it now and do it properly: ensure that parking and change rooms are sufficiently ample to improve the choices for our current local youth, and protect the condition of the surrounding family neighbourhood.

The Woodstock Curling Center is very old and VERY popular. There are so many benefits of curling and also the social aspect associated with the center. Curling is good for ALL players, regardless of age, gender, physical limitations, etc. It is a super healthy outlet and it is the most social sport I can think of (even more than golf!). A new curling facility would be the absolute best and would benefit so many people! We already have almost 300 members so imagine a new facility and more members?!? It would be incredible. I dont live in Woodstock but I commute there everyday and my husband and I work there.

The Woodstock wildcats girls hockey association deserves a center that is up to date, nice and inviting to opposing teams. There are much smaller centers with much nicer and larger home arenas

There are 50,000 new residents in the city. How is there not enough money from Taxes to build an adequate sports facility to accommodate the growing city and the children and families and people that live in it

There are a lot of young children and not enough facilities to accommodate please expedite this process before the kids are all grown up

There are many great examples of nice arenas in southern Ontario (Gale Centre, Atlas Tube Centre, Gretzky Centre, etc.) that could be used to determine the right design. Also, corporate investors should be sought to help cover the cost.

There are much more important things to worry about. Our taxes are high enough. How bout you work with what we already have (it is not broken?!) And find a way to lower taxes to make woodstock affordable. My taxes are almost \$3000 and I don't even have a back yard! I can't put a fence up on my corner lot because of bylaws. We also have to pay for bag tags. Shouldn't garbage removal be included in our taxes? This grand plan is a waste of tax dollars

There are so many organizations that would love to expand or have already expanded but not enough time allotted to them to be able to schedule enough affective practices for skill development and team building. With more space, and availability, opens more development, expansion of organizations, and possibly room for new sports/activities and events to be held which will bring more people to the City and support our local businesses

There currently is not enough available ice to meet the needs of the youth hockey teams (boys and girls) as it is. In addition to this, Civic is becoming run down. The changeroom walls are literally crumbling. Great look for the arena the girls are relegated to!

There have been many similar facilities built over the last several years that have been able to include, community rooms, double ice pads, fitness facilities, aquatic center and even Libraries. They've also had snack bars and some have had pubs as well. Hopefully a facility that serves the community and can be considered a tournament ready can be developed. This could bring alot of tourism funds into town and allow more people to use local facilities instead of traveling.

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There is a huge need for a facility like this in Woodstock. Our current facilities are either dated or don't have the capacity to maintain demands on their various sporting requirements. If the City combined all of these new amenities into a single complex and then sold off the other aging assets they would be able to create some capital to help fund the build. I manage a construction company here in Woodstock and can inform you that time will only cause the budgeted figure to increase. This is of course a large decision and investment for the City and can appreciate the due diligence taken. Woodstock is a growing community and business hub and this would only help increase that. Other businesses like hotels and restaurants would also likely be drawn to that end of town as a result.

There is not enough pool space in the city. Especially with the closure of Lions Pool, there should be "extra" pool space built to make up for this.

There is not one place in Woodstock that allows roller skating indoors. It's not an expensive activity to allow, and is no where near as hard on floors as perceived. I'd bet floor hockey is harder on floors. I travel to Waterloo, Guelph and London often just for indoor roller skating.

There is still ample availability at our current rec centers. There is no need to build a new one. This is a want, not a need. City staff should be directed to focus on cost savings in all departments, not new ways to spend more money.

There isn't enough ice times for the existing hockey teams— we have to go to Embro, Thamesford and other areas

There needs to a dedicated bus route to this new facility every day of the week, including Sunday.

There seems to be a lot of talk and no actions. Money is set aside one year for facility and improvements, and the next it is removed by the incoming council it would seem that we're in a hamster cage in which the community is not seen any benefit except for seeing funds being spent on surveys consultations, etc.

There should be a second library added to this facility.

There should be stuff for kids outside like a bike trac or skatepark, gardens, outdoor pool, outdoor rink, playgrounds, a remote control boat pond, stocked fishing pond, stuff to keep kids busy outdoors.

These large capital investments are challenging to prioritize. Is there private corporate money in Woodstock or Oxford County that can be solicited e.g. Toyota, Sysco, some of the trucking companies. Input of dollars from several corporations (along with naming rights) may speed along the feasibility of actually getting the facility built.

These questions are a bit pointedbut in terms of hockey and ice. The Reeves complex is great for tournaments, another basic arena (or upgraded civic center(with another rinn or two, that would be good for practices that wouldn't get canceled to fulfill tournament needs)

They have know for years that the city would need a new pool ...Lions is gone , Southside too small and aging Build Olympics indoor size pool(city is growing , all children should learn to swim, and have the opportunity to develop skills to become world class swimming athletes. This should be more than a hockey and baseball city. The land is there , bite the bullet Council build big indoor pool. Follow Cambridge Ont plan.... Build Now ...Invest now ...for the future it won't get cheaper so do it NOW

Things like swimming lessons should be AFFORDABLE for all classes , various income levels. Providing the opportunity for children to be active, have mentors and learn new skills and meet new people should be something that everyone in our community should be able to take advantage of. Swimming lessons, skating, soccer etc. Figure out more way to earn or generate income but give children the OPPORTUNITY.

Think about accessibility for all types of people. Quiet times. Easy entrance. Parking. And programs that would benefit a diverse community.

Think beyond sports! Recreation can mean more than that. Think gathering places that are safe, functional and usable for all sizes. Think year-round functionality to allow people to get out in the winter months. Make spaces that people can book (at reasonable prices) for events/markets/ hockey parties/ board meetings/birthdays. Maybe think about space outside for a skating rink in the winter. We'll curated outdoor garden space with places for eating and relaxing in the shade while you wait for someone taking a class inside.

Think bigger this city is going to be built quickly and we need to preplan so our city can take on more people

Think of a recreational facility has a preventative for health issues which will help with our health care issue

This city is in dire need of an outdoor pool facility. We keep putting bandages on outdated facilities. It's time to

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bite the bullet and build new facilities to support the growth of the city. We need more readily available recreational activities.

This decision is long past due for residents

This facility should be for the people in the city who are paying for it. Our fields that aren't meant for tournaments suck. I'd love to see our money going to our community.

This facility should have been planned years ago and should have been completed....not waiting until Lions Pool is closed and Southside Pool requires major repairs to continue to operate.

This is a prime location for tournament, right off the highway. Lots of parking and a food option would be great as there isn't much out that way.

This is a very important community need. If funding was already present my responses would be very different. I would love for this to be prioritized and built immediately, but not at the expense of future generations paying the price for the high levels of debt and interest payments. The most recent capital plan for the City of Woodstock is a hocking. For anyone with good financial literacy skills, it is becoming obvious this friendly city is in trouble financially and we already have very high property taxes in relation to the rest of the province. If citizens are expected to be fiscally responsible in their own household it needs to be modelled to them by cities, municipalities and governments how to do this.

This is a want not a need. We need to focus on more important things like getting rid of these homeless people and the methadone clinics and throwing them in jail. Focus on Healthcare, and schooling. We already have recreation facilities. We don't need more.

This is an investment in the community that can generate income for the local economy but boosting recreation program offerings, hosting more tournaments and events and providing childcare for young families who work in necessary services.

This is an opportunity for Oxford to be a leader for recreational sports in the region. It will attract well needed tourism dollars to the county and promote good health and wellness for our youth and adults alike. The pool is critical for this building! Learning to swim is a life saving critical skill!

This is long overdue, for the amount we pay in property taxes we deserve much more from this city. Families need indoor activities, especially in the winter.

This is something that has been promised and talked about for years- in order to have a vibrant and flourishing Woodstock/Oxford county we need action now. These types of facilities help build community in so many ways- jobs, family time, kids in positive activities etc

This lack of ice time is such a disappointment and shame! especially since there is such a need and this issue has been around for a while and it seems like not enough is being done at the top end. The hockey organization seems dismissive of people's opinions and only seems to have a certain agenda. Prioritizing our youth sports not outside groups and old timers. Invest in ALL youth teams and activities!

This needs to be built as soon as possible. Other smaller communities who have not had the exponential growth Woodstock has, have much nicer, user friendly facilities. I've lived in Woodstock since 1981 and very little upgrades have been made since then.

This needs to be done now the amount of revenue and tourists would increase Woodstock needs to support its population needs and be affordable for multi children families

This needs to happen now. Minor hockey is already doing a disservice to youth by eliminating travel teams due to lack of ice, they are driving people out of the city.

This new facility seems expensive, unwarranted, out of the way, and not well thought out. Pickleball is a fad do we really need 8 courts? Revamping Lion's Pool would have been a much more satisfactory solution as the main thing lacking is outdoor swim facilities. The reasons against Lion's Pool such as parking were very weak is it not eco-friendly to have a facility you can walk or bike to without much parking? We may be headed into a recession do we really want to bite off \$85 million? It is disappointing to see council express such fiscal irresponsibility especially when members acted like \$2 million for Lion's Pool was such a big amount to borrow. Disappointed.

This recreation centre is so desperately needed now!!! I have watched Woodstock grow over the last 10 years. It was once a quaint place but has now become so crowded, making things inaccessible. I want to know that I will be able to access the services available in my community. There are so few spaces available for activities

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within the city, making it hard for everyone to have the opportunity to participate and be engaged in the community.

This should have been started 10 years ago, why does everything need to be in one building your never going to use ice pads at same time as pool, most people don't put their kids in multiple activities the same day

This should have been started years ago. Quit dragging your feet. Seems to be tons of money for the "downtown" and meth clinics. Put the money to more ice for the children instead of BS for drug addicts.

This town lacks severely in prioritizing children and youth Less about the homeless and drug addicts and more about the actual tax payers and their families

-this was needed 10 years ago Why have funds not been put aside already?

This would bring money into our community if we had the facilities to provide a space for international tournaments equivalently to the ones woodstock teams are currently competing in.

Though a larger upfront cost is required to build the entire facility at once, it is a lower cost overall opposed to adding onto an existing facility at a later date. And would mean less impacts to service in the future, as an addition/ renovation would have degree of service impacts.

Time is now

Top end facility will bring in outside income into our community

Tournaments bring extra in for the city, especially with new hotels going in.

Tournaments bring in revenue for the city. When the big baseball tournament came to Woodstock, there were players all over the city. The ice rinks need to have both sides with accessible seating in both warm areas and close to the ice. There needs to be full viewing of both rinks in warm areas. There needs to be tables for viewing. Proper food in the arena as well.

Tournaments bring people and money to our city.

Tournaments will bring in money

Travel around and look at other recent facilities and determine what would be best for Woodstock. Also listen to the people who use the facility the most.

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Update what we have ,no immediate need for a brand new complex.

Use a feasibility survey that's accurate and up to date with the population increases.

Use modern, good taste.

Variety is key to keeping people active and interested. All people need to be considered, be it low income, limited mobility, etc.

Visit other centers that have successfully built new twin pad facilities. Belle River specifically. Witness how tournaments and large crowds are received during these events. Taking design ideas from these successfully facilities and implement them in Woodstock.

Waiting is done, time for action is now. Ridiculous to have waited this long. Way behind the eight ball.

Walking tracks and bar areas in the arena should be considered- much like the Gretzky centre in Brantford.

We are absolutely DESPERATE for more ice time for a 30km radius within Oxford county. New arenas will help alleviate the extreme need for minor hockey ice time, and would allow for Woodstock to host more tournaments and increase revenue .

We are in desperate need of a twin pad arena with a walking track.

We are in extreme need of more ice time for the city. This should've been built 5 years ago to keep up with demand. Build the twin pad and then add on to it.

We are lacking in services. We don't have enough ice or courts

We are not currently living in Woodstock but our family plays all of our sports here & are considering moving to

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Woodstock.

We are taking away and outgrowing faster than we can replace these services. Out taxes have always been high but we used to feel that we got a lot from the city for them. We are not feeling that way anymore and are reaching outside of our city for these services.

We can't keep waiting for this to be built, it's been way too long already and they can't cheap out on it either

We could use a quad or tri pad

We could use another curling pad. While the current one has history and it's nice to have facilities in the core area, it is a growing sport. All pads at the curling rink are used every night during the season, as well as tournaments/bonspiels and high school games. It would be nice to have a 2nd curling rink.

We do not live in Woodstock however, have a daughter playing Wildcat hockey. Use the trails and choose Woodstock for our swimming lessons.

We don't want it. Why would we want to build a facility that meets "tournament needs at a higher cost"? Our wallets are fatigued. This has to stop. It feels very shady. People are not happy. There are 40k+ people in this town and less than 1000 will fill this out. Look at what us residents are paying a year. If you can't build a facility (and hire all the staff) out of what you have please do not go forward unless you cancel one of the other projects.

We drive to Brantford for the hydrotherapy pool and terrible if we have to go out of town to. Access this facility

We have many private clubs- badminton, hockey schools, baseball skill development centers... there is a driving need for physical development and activities, at all age ranges, that is accessible to all residents.

We have put off building a new facility long enough . When we travel to many communities around us to use their facilities they are much newer with all the amenities.. We are taking opportunities away from our youth to participate in travel hockey / swimming and gymnastics by not having enough facilities to accommodate the numbers wanting to participate. Our taxes go up every year and we are left with nothing to show for it ..

We have so many young families in our community looking for ways to keep our children healthy, happy and engaged I. Physical activity. Now more than ever we need a new facility, the cost of not having one is greater than the cost of the building.

We have the same amount of ice time now as we did in 1999. We used to have 3 pools in town and we now have 1.... Yet the city has grown to twice the size. How is this possible? Design a free walking track. The hours of the new facility is important. Cowan doesn't have great hours especially in the summer.

We have waited long enough for a new facility in this city. Build it already please!

We hope the city will include gym space that is multi purpose for basketball, volleyball and the like for those families who are not hockey families. The existing facility has 1 gym with an inappropriate floor for these sports and is difficult to book. School space is also harder and harder to acquire bc of our growing community as well as growing youth sports programs. Our children deserve to have space to be active and form healthy habits and we should have the time and space to continue that as well in adulthood.

We just need it sooner than later

We just need something that is used equally between all leagues in the town. A place where it's not embarrassing bringing people into play against our team.

We live off of the 401 and the 403; this project should've happened years ago. It will tremendously help the city and tournaments will fill those new hotels. Please fix the Civic afterwards to keep that arena open as well. It's well needed in this city.

We love the trail system. Keep up the good work here!

We NEED a pool.

We need a good pool. Please visit other communities to see what works and doesn't work

We need a new Curling facility

We need a new facility because WMHA is turning away teams due to lack of ice team.

We need a new pool, we have many ice rinks for one one very old gross pool facility

We need a new swimming pool

We need a rec center that has a free walking track!

We need another dual-pad arena. And another pool - both indoor and outdoor would be nice. The city has

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grown but our swimming and skating facilities have not been improved upon in many many years. Larger change rooms would also be nice - several smaller centres have great facilities we could model from - Wilmot, Ayr, Wellesley, Fergus. ... to name a few

We need another pool!!!!!!!

We need another pool, outdoor would be great! Also, would love a new curling facility.

We need equitable ice time for GIRLS hockey!!

We need ice very badly, girls hockey is so popular and the city is only getting bigger

We need ice!!!

We need ice. We are also a central hub in location. We would be an excellent place to host big tournaments that would bring tourism and people to Woodstock.

We need indoor basketball and volleyball courts that aren't in schools. New indoor pool. Southside is too busy.

We need more activities in this town to keep kids away from the homeless and drugs issues this town has! Since we can't seem to deal with the homeless people that are stealing, using drugs on our front yards then a place farther away with more for the kids will be better than them having nothing to do.

We need more and we need it now! But I do not believe this facility needs to meet tournament or other needs, it needs to cater to our people and their want for activities! We need a public skate on Saturday during the day and a place for kids to swim indoors in the winter and not be stomped on my other people swimming!

We need more ice in Woodstock for hockey. A twin pad is essential.

We need more ice time. New arena just needs to be a simple two pad arena with a common warm area to access both rinks. There are lots of nice arenas around that the council should visit to get ideas from

We need more indoor pools.

We need more than 2 indoor pools. We need an outdoor pool too!

We need more things to do for all ages to help keep us more active and it be affordable to all incomes

We need more to accommodate the growing community.

WE NEED ONE ASAP. The entire community needs this. Please stop tabling these plans for more downtown revitalization. Our kids are not playing downtown and with the state of it we don't want them to be.

We need pools, not arenas. Start hosting swim meets in Woodstock. Parking was never an issue at lions pool. Stop making excuses

We need the arenas now. The civic needs to be closed down and there is no ice time available during peak times. The civic is also in desperate need of repairs and updating that simply is not worth the price tag. I don't live in Woodstock but I am from Innerkip and I use the facilities all the time. I volunteer my time and coach two teams on minor hockey and I would love to see this get pushed through. Additional suggestions for a new arena would be making use of natural light as much as possible and having a bar/restaurant between the rinks like many of the modern facilities you see being built now.

We need this !

We need this asap for Woodstock to continue to grow its minor hockey

We need this facility ASAP, the kids need it now! There are already hockey teams getting folded because there is not enough ice and this is unacceptable, we are taking something productive away from these teenagers and giving them more time not keeping busying and they end up running around the streets.

We need this facility started. For a growing city, it's a must.

We need this immediately to accommodate the growing population in Woodstock and surrounding areas.

We need this now. You wait things will cost more should have been done few years ago. And don't do 1/2 the work it cost less in the long run doing it all at once. Pay the construction cost once and not twice. I have lived here my entire life.

We need to consider the growth to the area and not just the right now.

We need to get ahead of a community that is busting at the seams and continuing to grow. Delaying a project will only cost the taxpayers more money in the long run. Include all options As proposed in the concept drawings.

We need to take money out of the reserves and consider going into debt to pay this off over time. Do not plan to add on - we need to keep our kids in sports. Teams are being cut because there are no facilities. Our pool is

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always packed.

We often visit centres around the province. Even smaller communities have beautiful multi sport facilities. If you build it, people will come!

We pay enough taxes in this city and there is no reason rates should be increased to improve this city. In 4 years we have gone from 6200 to 7200 in property taxes. We have not seen major improvements for years. New subdivisions are not an improvement. We are growing too fast....for example the woodstock Meadows should never been developed.

We really do need access to pools for our growing community.

We really need a new arena, not enough ice time currently in the city for our minor hockey and wildcats hockey, and people who have rented the ice for many years

We really need better swimming facilities indoor and outdoor. It's sad that woodstock has only lost aquatic amenities since this council took over. (Spray pads are not the same as a pool)

We will be happy to see Trevor Birch go to prison

Wellesley has a great facility with courts play ground skate park soccer fields. We needs this and we need to make it easy and cheap for kids to get outside and play and progress.

What ever gets built, make sure it is built big enough for future growth

Whatever will be chosen people will complain. This city is growing big, we need more facilities.

Whatever you do will be much appreciated by families. I travel to other centres often and am always impressed with the level of their rec facilities.

When building stick to the plans and do not let contractors go over budget

Wheres our money stolen from the citizens of woodstock from thw sale of the PUC which every citizen of woodstock was an owner of?

Why are we still waiting on this when smaller townships have way better facilities and yet we have massive taxes in Woodstock just to keep deteriorated roads in check. This has to be a priority

Why build everything in only one place

Why cant you make everything if need be because we all know later on it will need to be expanded.

Why do we need to focus ice rink facilities Hockey is an expensive sport focus on indoor multiuse courts where activities are financially accessible to all members of the community As seen during COVID we can not rely on schools Large facilities can create opportunities for the club teams to host tournaments and bring revenue into the city hotels restaurants etc. In door courts are needed Looking at Stratford agriplex they have created a successful facility that provides a range of affordable activities to the community volleyball basketball pickleball badminton

Why hasn't the builders from the new homes on the north end put money towards the new facility. I'm my mind the money should be there and facility already built. You knew people were moving here. So you knew there would be a strain on all the facilities. Very poor decisions have been made.

Why is it always about fitting the needs of a few? It always seems to be about hockey or baseball tournaments but you have other citizens in this city that might want something for themselves too.

Why is there only one pool for a city of our size? Where are our tax dollars going? Why would you close southside splash pad when it is packed every summer? As a parent of 4 children I find this disgraceful.

Why no outdoor pool?

Why not help the people in this city who are struggling to feed their families and keep a roof over their heads with more money instead of building ANOTHER building that will only cost us more?????

Will the infrastructure be able to handle the traffic that way? Will public transportation available

With a growing city it is essential to get on this and grow with the community. 5-10 years out is too long

With hockey growing with more teams requiring ice and not having enough ice time available to meet the needs of the existing future teams, something needs to be created sooner than later.

With reason and purpose a space to share with family and friends brings people together and promoting active lifestyles in our hometown.

With rising cost and an uncertain economy, I think all major non essential plans should be put on hold as not to have large increases to city taxes payouts. many citizens whom would like the frivolous spending rent and due

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to rent control don't feel the financial burden of higher city taxes

With the growing population there needs to be adequate facilities and programs for people of all ages to utilize.

With the growth of youth soccer in our area, we also need more indoor turf space to accommodate house league AND all our competitive teams needs.

With the large increases in taxes city and county you need to slow down on non essential spending and focus on priorities. Many taxpayers are struggling with rising cost. Eg. streetscape and new facilities

Wondering where the quotes came from? As someone who purchased for a construction company, route seems about double. And why are we the only city that doesn't go in to business with the YMCA. Would bring the cost down.

Woodstock already has the 2nd highest property tax rate in this province. Mine just went up and are scheduled to go up again . And I think this project should not come at a cost to the taxpayers it should be very minimal. Because I didn't ask for nor do I see the need for a new facility. So why should I have to pay extra for a place ill never use. the people in this city are already digging too deep into their pockets. Sure these facilities can bring revenue to the city but it sure doesn't give any of its earnings to the people of the city.

Woodstock continues to grow and it seems as though our amenities are not growing to match the rate of growth. The cost to buy a home has increased but there is little to do with families or for our youth. Lifestyle is a very important factor for a thriving community and we need a better plan to make this city a little more rich in experience. We have many beautiful trails, parks and restaurants but the experiences end there. Our movie theatre is old and grungy and aside from a half a dozen other activities Woodstock is boring. Let's bring it to life.

Woodstock desperately needs 4 ice rinks. A new recreation center should be top priority to help service the residents. It is the biggest thing we lack and what sets our city apart from others.

Woodstock has enough recreational centers. We need to draw people into our city, not just hockey/ soccer parents.

Woodstock is a city on the grow as well as the neighbouring communities. We have travelled extensively for sports and seen some amazing facilities which are impressive, busy and set the communities apart. With the size and population of Woodstock a facility to accommodate everyone and provide more opportunities for growth and community is so very needed. Why are we waiting until it's too late and things are falling apart.

Woodstock is a hockey town. There are more kids (I have boys and girls) playing hockey then ever. Our programs are suffering. They need more facilities!

Woodstock is growing so fast so the we need more recreational support for kids. Definitely a priority for Woodstock

Woodstock is growing so rapidly and it is important there are enough recreational facilities to support everyone. And new!!

Woodstock is growing, and so is both boys and girls hockey. Woodstock needs more ice time asap. There is not enough and to be able to continue to be competitive with other centres we need ice time.

Woodstock is in a very central location along the 401/403 with a known high potential for growth including facilities to support athletic and educational growth as a community. It should be at the fore front of council to provide the citizens of woodstock and surrounding area with a high standard or quality of life through providing accessible amenities.

Woodstock is one of the fastest growing cities in the entire country. It's about time infrastructure catches up.

Woodstock is rapidly growing. There needs to be a plan to make sure our recreational needs grow and develop with the city for all sport and all ages and good communication to the community on where the future sites can be or will be. It is important to have a balance of in town vs outskirts. The pool for example needs to be in neighbourhoods for many reasons. There are many different levels of competition. Building new and accessible facilities will always welcome competitions. Look at what we already host and build upon our successes as a community. Hosting any event brings many people/money to community. Let's seriously look at updating/building new facilities for our future. A new curling club should be seriously considered as another community hub.

Woodstock needs a central facility where people can exercise and socialise regardless of ability and with 7 days a week bus service for those people who cannot drive.

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Woodstock needs more soccer pitches. More specifically a artificial turf pitch.
Woodstock needs to get a hold on its finances and quit jacking up property taxes before taking on more major expenses. Taxpayers are not your cash cow.
Woodstock needs to keep up to other city's with excellent facilities. We want to be competitive and offer adequate facilities for our whole population.
Would also benefit from new curling facilities
Would be nice to have one that could be used for indoor concerts like cow a plaza if weather did not cooperate outside one
Would be nice to see more family recreation activities rather than divided by age and gender.
Would like a new curling facility that is accessible.
Would like to see a new Curling Centre in the complex
Would like to see a: Library Gym - move the YMCA to the complex Adult, children & family workshops Cooking classes Art classes & programs
Would like to see the civic arena proper used as it is in a central location. If not being used sell land to build low income housing. Use money to then build new facility at Cowan.
Would like to see the curling club moved out there as the facility they currently use is outdated.
would love for curling to also be added
Would love indoor squash courts and tennis facility
Would love to see a bigger pool and rink all in one. A walking track above for people to use for free. Something similar to the rec centre in New Hamburg.
Would love to see a restaurant/bar with viewing of a rink/rinks. Constant turnover of people hourly through the day would support this well (example Wayne Gretzky centre)
Would love to see community meeting/activity spaces..
Would need a lot of parking
Would really like to see more ice surfaces to allow for equal opportunity for girls hockey within Woodstock. Current available ice times favour the boys leagues and forces the girls to use facilities in the surrounding communities in order to find's the required amount of ice time for the Wildcats teams.
Yes. As a proud Wildcats supporter, it would be nice to see the girls have a chance at something not left over from the navy vets. The civic center is embarrassing in the condition it's in. Really stands out how we favour boys over girls in hockey. When girls hockey is taking off and girls actually have a real shot at playing professionally. Not like boys where getting into the NHL is super slim. We host several tournaments in most of our local sports every year. That also brings in extra local money.
You build it they will come. Keep the youth busy and off of the streets.
You build the place the people will come. The city will make money with tournaments and hosting programs and lessons. If we don't do it all at once it just keeps getting pushed off and off. Lots to do around the town but need to start somewhere
You can put shuffleboard courts right into the floors of a large room using painted courts or permanent lines on the flooring
You need to look to the future and build with an eye to what this cities will look like once the facility is done. Our city is growing. The brand new school will already be too small for the neighbourhood once it's completed. Don't make the same mistake with our recreational facilities.
You should add a gym to it and a walking or running track. Many people would find that beneficial.
You should have never closed down the swimming pools and Southside splash pad. Not everybody has money to have their own pool, and the current splash pads are for toddlers. You are not keeping up with the rising population.
You will waste money building a new facility. Add on and make the facilities we already have better
You're all fired for doing such a terrible job.