



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Heritage Park Community Engagement**

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**Department: Community Services**

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**Attachments: Minutes from Meeting, Survey Results**

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### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole receives for information Report CS-2023-12-54 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

### **Background:**

#### Heritage Park Community Engagement

Staff hosted a community engagement meeting at Heritage Park on Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-630 pm. Staff also posted a survey on Have your Say HK, and direct mailed all residents from the Heritage subdivisions regarding the meeting, and survey.

### **Discussion:**

#### Heritage Park Community Engagement

The Heritage Park/Playground Revitalization Meeting was held October 4, 2023, at Heritage Park. Staff attending included Director of Community Services, Parks and Facilities Supervisor, Administrative Assistant/Program Coordinator. Notes and are attached to this report regarding comments and conversations with over twenty-five residents in attendance.

Seven surveys were completed by residents at the meeting and returned to staff that night, and several residents took extra surveys for their neighbours who could not attend and were advised about the on-line survey on Have your Say HK. All survey results are included in the attached survey results report.

Next steps are to hire a consulting firm to prepare a conceptual design for the park space. Deliverables would include play space design, walking trail concept, drainage, and woodlot recommendations within the park space. The estimated cost is \$10 000 to \$15 000 and is included in the budget.

**Financial Impacts:**

The funds are already in the Municipal projects capital reserve and will be completed in the 2024.

**Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are a vibrant community that values our uniqueness and creativity.  
By creating places where people want to be

We are a spirited community that takes pride in calling Huron-Kinloss home and welcoming others.  
By engaging in our community

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone.  
By having amenities and services nearby  
By being age friendly  
By being accessible for those with disabilities  
By being open and transparent

We are an environmentally conscious community that are good stewards of our natural environment.  
By protecting our natural assets  
By using our resources wisely

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

**Report Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer