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# PROPERIY Council Update December 1, 2020



### WHAT WE HEARD



## PROGESSIO DATE

**Phase 1: Discovery Research and Consultations** Guiding Principles + Directions (October 2019 - July 2020)

**Phase 2: Design Concepts** Testing design concepts and elements (August - December 2020)

Engagement

We are here

> Phase 3: Master Plan Finalize the design (January - April 2021)



### PHASE 1 RESEARCH AND CONSULTATION



#### **Mulock Picnic October 2019**







**Town Engagement December 2019** 





Pop-Ups Across Town Winter 2020

**Community Focus Groups 2019-20** 



#### Public Meeting February 2020



**Neighbour Consultation July 2020** 



	Group	# of participants
Internal	Task Force	12
	York Region + LSCRA	8
	Council + Mayor	9
	Employee Survey	60
Public	Harvest Picnic	Approx. 1000
	Heritage Focus Group	6
	Diverse Thinkers	15
	Public Meeting	Approx. 100
	Survey	1,109
	Schools	Approx. 50
	Pop-ups	Approx. 700
	Neighbour Consultation	Approx. 30
Total	Approx. 3,000	

## PHASE 1 SUMMARY



#### Make it a destination

WHAT WE HEARD	DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE
<ul> <li>Offer activities for daily use and for larger-scale events</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All concepts include recreational and cultural spaces as well as quiet areas (for walking and relaxing).</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Mixed perspectives on skating</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Two concepts include skating trails, one only offers a walking trail.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Incorporate art</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All concepts include art, some more than others.</li> </ul>



### Create inclusive and accessible spaces

WHAT WE HEARD	DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE
<ul> <li>Include accessible and affordable programming and food</li> </ul>	• All concepts include diverse programming opportunities and food options in the house. Revenue generation vs. Public opportunities to be discussed at later date.
<ul> <li>Prioritize accessibility for people with accessibility needs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To be considered in all design concepts.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Prioritize safety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Promote activity.</li> </ul>



Root it in diverse histories and look forward



٩RD	DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE
istories	• High level concepts, with reference to
Quaker,	Sir William Mulock. Element (murals,
ative ways,	gardens, trails, etc.) can incorporate
uture	diverse histories.



#### Keep it Natural





Preserve natural featuring trees and land
Incorporate environmonsultation

ARD	DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE
tures, ndscaping nental	<ul> <li>Trees and landscaping maintained as much as possible with minimal variation.</li> <li>Skating and running trails are through trees.</li> </ul>



### Connect it to the Town



ARD	DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE
onnections dress	<ul> <li>Jim Bond Park maintained as mostly quiet space with minimal activity</li> <li>Parking is reserved for Mulock Drive with more studies/options underway</li> </ul>
and lutions	<ul> <li>Parking along Mulock with other solutions being considered.</li> </ul>



#### EXPRESSIVE A place to create & be inspired



#### PEACEFUL A place to relax & recharge

GATHER

#### ART

COMMUNITY

### ENERGIZED

Full of excitement & activity

#### **MASTERPLAN CONCEPTS**



	Group	# of participants
Internal	Task Force	12
	Council + Mayor	9
Public	Diverse Thinkers	8
	Facebook Live	Approx. 150
	Survey	235
	Emails and Comments	12
Total	Approx. 400	

## PHASE 2 SUMMARY



### PLANTING AND LANDSCAPE



**COMMUNITY CARDEN** 



**COMMUNITY ORCHARD** 



**PERFORMANCE IN THE WOODS** 



**SCULPTURE GARDEN** 



**MEDICINE GARDEN** 





**TERRACED GARDEN** 





### PLANTING AND LANDSCAPE

#### Keep it as natural as possible ~

### Support for diversity of gardens, including biodiversity

- 51% of survey respondents listed community garden as first or second choice. Partnerships and logistics were discussed.
- Many were in support of diverse gardens, medicine garden (or other Indigenous elements on site), peonies, etc.

#### Landscape buffer



"... include a proper landscape buffer wherever the park meets private property to ensure our privacy."

"The greener the better!"

"Given the current situation we are all in re. climate change and biodiversity loss, I think that we could ... increase tree canopy and plant as many native species as possible...."

**Re. Medicine Garden:** 

"I think it's less about what we like and more about what [they] feels is best representative...'





### RECREATION 3



#### **SKATING TRAIL AT CENTRE OF SITE**



SKATING/WALKING TRAIL IN THE WOODS







### RECREATION 7

#### Skating, Trails and Four Season Activation

- 66% of online survey respondents prefer "a skating and walking trail through the woods" that is all season. 18% prefer only a walking trail.
- Many were supportive of the running track (over 400m).
- Requests for other four season activities.

#### **Other Ideas**

- Support for Natural Play.
- Also physically distant activities (frisbee golf, crokinole).

"The skate trail is very appealing to the youth I have spoken with about these plans."

"I like the feel of skating through the woods and think it would be a draw for the community. In the summer it becomes an accessible walking trail."

"A better vision for winter and warmer weather activities and availability needs to be considered as well as a combination of activity and quiet areas for all personality types and ages."







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#### **Interactive and Passive** Water Feature

- Preference for peaceful and natural features
- Divergent opinions on interactive feature: 60% of online votes (18) prefer an interactive water feature. 33% (10) prefer non-interactive.
- Only a few said 'no water feature.'

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"I love the idea of the water moving and making sound."

> "Can use biomimicry...aim to use natural ways to filter; maybe encourage it as it's own ecosystem with trees/plants etc."

"Water is lovely for families in hot summer."





**ART BENCH (INTEGRATED ART)** 



**ARTIST RESIDENCY** 



PROCRAMMED ART







ART WALL



**ICONIC ART** 





#### **Iconic and Participatory Art**

- Participants prefer art at the entrance as a 'gateway' (corner of Yonge and Mulock)
- Few comments prefer no iconic art (keep it natural or fear of vandals)
- Some support of artist residency
- Most support a mix of iconic art and temporary, participatory art, including performances and programs and that can be integrated with other elements (water, food, etc.). Much support for performances on the lawn

Anywhere and everywhere that is possible I don't think there is a need for this. I love art, but is it necessary in a park?

"This end of town could use a central performance venue for summer concerts and community events."

"I believe art that engages people socially is the most important element for a community."



### BUILDINGS AND AMENITIES



**BEER CARDEN** 







FIREPIT



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### BUILDINGS AND AMENITIES

#### House and conservatory

- Excitement about the house and conservatory
- 60% of online survey (15 respondents) prefer transforming the garage as a conservatory

#### **Cafe and Beer Garden**

 Support for cafe but divergent perspectives on beer garden

#### **Fire Pit**

 Support but questions about safety and maintenance logistics

"Fire pits create community, family, recreation, energy and peace. Beer gardens create problems."

> "I'm most excited about the conservatory! An indoor green space that can be used year-round sounds wonderful!"

"There wasn't any talk of the restoration of the house, but something I am passionate about and would welcome the opportunity to participate, when the time comes."





- Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, including Indigenous history showcased
- Accessibility
- Parking and Traffic
- Process and Cost

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"Seeing all of these details really fills me joy and excitement for our community."

**Ensure opportunities is** offered to Black and Indigenous peoples first. Moving towards more equitable space rather than equal is an opportunity in this space.

There needs to be ample parking. I am a person with a disability and I need that or I will not be able to enjoy this treasure that you are creating in our community.

"Parking parallel to Mulock Drive is an excellent idea. Local people will walk or cycle ... Have bicycle stands..."



## WHO'S MISSING?



### SO, WHAT'S THE PLAN? HOW WILL PEOPLE EXPERIENCE

**1.** Family with young kids skating for the day (driving)

2. Senior with a disability on fixed income grabs a coffee, walks around the park and checks out a performance on the lawn

3. Teenagers from the local high school visits Mulock a few times a week after school

4. Condo resident across the street visits for a daily walk / activity

5. Multi-generational family (single dad with 2 kids and his parents) comes to the park daily for various activities.





### THE MULOCK PROPERTY: EXISTING<sup>26</sup>





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#### THREE MASTERPLAN CONCEPTS





### ENERGIZED: VILLAGE GREEN

### **EXPRESSIVE:** CULTURE HUB





### **PEACEFUL:** ARBORETUM







### INTEGRATED DESIGN

Consolidated Masterplan DRAFT Reflecting Preferences for Natureforward, Peaceful, Inclusive Community Park



### ENERGIZED EXPRESSIVE PEACEFUL





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#### Nature · History · Ecology · Retreat · Community · Art · Education · Food





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#### **OVERARCHING STRATEGIES:**

- Tree replanting + planting enhancement strategy.
- Buffer plantings to the north of the property
- New streetscaping along Mulock
- Relocation of historic peony bed
- Repurpose trees removed for construction on site as furnishings or play equipment
- Bicycle parking at all entrances
- Mulock fountain restoration
- House restoration
- Seating along paths
- Supplementary parking in the Hydro Corridor
- Dynamic parking spot vacancy signage



### LANDSCAPE + PLANTING



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**RESTORED GARDEN** 

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THE BOWL / FLEXIBLE QUIET

**INDIGENOUS GARDEN** 

THE FLEXIBLE GREEN

**PEONY RING** 



(NEW + OLD)

**CREAT LAWN** 



### LANDSCAPE + PLANTING



### FOREST, NATURAL, BIODIVERSE, EDUCATIONAL, COLOURFUL







### RECREATION







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### WALK, HIKE, SKATE IN NATURE, ACTIVE + PASSIVE, ALL-AGES






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#### POSSIBLE WATER FEATURE / IN-GROUND JETS



#### **TERRACED RIVERINE** WATER FEATURE

WETLAND ENTRANCE WITH BRIDCE













### MEANDERING, RIVERINE, PASSIVE, COOLING, INTERACTIVE

## WATER











## ART





## NATURE BASED, EPHEMERAL, LIGHT ON THE LAND



## BUILDING + AMENITIES

CONSERVATORY

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POSSIBLE ART RESIDENCY / FLEXIBLE PAVILION / POOL HOUSE REUSE

**FIRE PIT** 

CAFE / MEETING / ART ACTIVITIES (GALLERY)





## CONSERVATORY



### MODEST, VERNACULAR, SMALL, ADAPTIVE-REUSE, SIZED FOR SCHOOL GROUP



## HOUSE + FOOD







## **EXTENSION OF HOUSE, CAFE, POP-UPS**





## **IMPACTS SUMMARY**



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	<ul> <li>Incorporate art</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Permaner</li> <li>Ephemera</li> <li>Artist resi</li> </ul>
業	<ul> <li>4-season interest</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Riverine in play; Cultur house)</li> </ul>

#### **DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE**

recreational and cultural spaces as well as quiet areas (for walking ng), and 3 scales of gathering spaces

il in the woods which doubles as roller skate and/or walking/ ail in off-season.

nt iconic piece at Mulock-Yonge access al, nature-based art and programming dispersed through site idency and gallery

nteractive fountain; Skate trail, year-round walking trails; Natural ral programming outside and inside (house, conservatory, pool











### Create inclusive and accessible spaces

WHAT WE HEARD	
<ul> <li>Include accessible and affordable programming and food</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Includes</li> <li>(cafe) and</li> <li>Revenue</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Prioritize accessibility for people with accessibility needs</li> </ul>	• Concept a accessible
<ul> <li>Prioritize safety</li> </ul>	• Promote s
<ul> <li>All-ages, diverse interests</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Active and</li> </ul>

#### **DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE**

diverse programming opportunities and food options in the house around site (pop-ups, markets, etc).

generation vs. Public opportunities to be discussed at later date.

addresses accessibility in a variety of ways, for example path circumnavigates entire site.

some activity everywhere.

nd passive activities for young + old (play / walk / fire pit)



## Root it in diverse histories and look forward

WHAT WE HEARD	
<ul> <li>Recognize diverse histories (Mulock, Indigenous, Quaker, African history) in creative ways, while looking to the future</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High level art, social g conservato</li> <li>Indigenou signage and</li> </ul>

#### **DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE**

- concepts reference Sir W. Mulock: culture, preservation and new gathering and innovation, agriculture (orchard, gardens, ory), and more.
- is medicine garden; other site elements (murals, gardens, trails, id interpretation stop) can incorporate diverse histories.





### Keep it Natural

WHAT WE HEARD	
<ul> <li>Preserve natural features, including trees and landscaping</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Trees and</li> <li>Skating, e</li> <li>Highlight/</li> <li>Distribute</li> <li>Maximize</li> <li>Conservation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Incorporate environmental sustainability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Emphasis priority and</li> <li>Adaptive</li> <li>Consider</li> </ul>

#### DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE

landscaping maintained as much as possible enhanced walking, and running trails are woven through trees preserve/enhance existing features (gathering tree and peonies) uses across site to keep quiet and minimize impacts educational opportunities tory with special gardens

on diverse, native plantings; tree succession / replanting strategy d wetland enhancement

- re-use of house and outbuildings
- alternate energy sources



### Connect it to the Town

WHAT WE HEARD	
<ul> <li>Ensure thoughtful connections to Jim Bond Park (address parking, traffic, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Jim Bond</li> <li>Parking is</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Consider alternative and innovative parking solutions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Parking al</li> <li>Connection</li> <li>Bike parking</li> <li>Celebrate</li> </ul>

### **DESIGN CONCEPT RESPONSE**

Park maintained as mostly quiet space with quiet activities sreserved for Mulock Drive with drop off capabilities

along Mulock with other solutions being considered. on to hydro corridor parking king and manage parking / pedestrian conflict e pedestrian connection to Yonge/Mulock with art





## TASK FORCE COMMENTS



#### LIGHTING:

- Animate key elements
- Respect dark sky/spillage
- Skate trail as an art destination
- Smart lighting/solar lighting

#### **ACCESSIBILITY:**

- Trail grades
- Signage/way-finding devices for people with sensory impairments
- Possible bike rental at Ray Twinney





## TASK FORCE COMMENTS



#### **POWER:**

- Include planning for wi-fi
- Power access for events

#### **SEATING:**

- Around the skating trail (and trails generally)
- Consider covered seating in some places

#### **ART:**

 Indicate how art will be procured (local/ national/international)





### - December to February: Development of Plan

- Landscape
- Lighting
- Fountain
- Civil
- Out-building Concept

– March: PIC





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QUESTIONS



## P L A N T