

Hollingsworth Arena: Maintenance

Council Meeting
November 16, 2015

Servicable Life?

- We have heard Hollingsworth is near the end of its servicable life.
- What exactly does that mean?
 - Extra operating expenses?
 - Extra capital cost expenditures?
 - Is the building structurally unsound?
 - Is it servicing the community's needs today?
 - Are there any significant reasons why it will not be able to satisfy community needs going forward?
- How is end of servicable life determined?

Newmarket Arenas

- 16% of our ice surfaces are in a single surface facility
- Less than 20% of our arenas are more than 30 years old
- Our ice surfaces are utilized 85% during prime time.

Toronto Arenas

- 82% of Toronto's arenas have only one ice surface
- Only 6% (3 of the 49 arenas) are newer than Hollingsworth.
- In fact, 23 Toronto arenas were built prior to 1960 – almost half of their assets - are at least 55 years old and still in active use today.
- Toronto's target is 75% utilization

Some Toronto Arenas



Lambton Arena - 1951



Pine Point Arena - 1957



Weston Lions Arena - 1957

Complete list of Toronto Arenas

All in active use today

20% of Toronto's arenas were
built as part of Canada's
Centennial celebration

Arena	Address	Phone	Year Built
Malvern Recreation Centre	30 Sewells Rd	416 396-4054	1980
Commander Recreation Centre	140 Commander Blvd	416 396-4024	1978
North Toronto Memorial Arena	174 Orchard View Blvd		1975
Hollingsworth Arena	35 Patterson		1973
Victoria Village Arena	190 Bermondsey Rd	416 395-0143	1972
William H. Bolton Arena	40 Rossmore Rd	416 392-0088	1971
Grandravine Community Recreation Centre	23 Grandravine Dr	416 395-6171	1970
Angela James Arena/Flemington Park	165 Grenoble Dr		1969
Baycrest Arena	160 Neptune Dr	416 395-7960	1969
Pleasant View Community Centre	545 Van Horne Ave	416 395-6006	1969
Bayview Arena	3230 Bayview Ave	416 395-7825	1968
Agincourt Recreation Centre	31 Glen Watford Dr	416 396-4037	1967
Amesbury Sports Complex	155 Culford Rd	416 395-6655	1967
Centennial Park Arena	156 Centennial Park Rd	416 394-8756	1967
Centennial Recreation Centre - Scarborough	1967 Ellesmere Rd	416 396-4057	1967
Chris Tonks Arena	95 Black Creek Dr	416 394-2733	1967
Herbert H. Carnegie Centennial Centre	580 Finch Ave W	416 395-6067	1967
Phil White Arena	443 Arlington Ave	416 394-2734	1967
Cummer Park Community Centre	6000 Leslie St	416 395-7803	1966
John Booth Memorial Arena	230 Gosford Blvd	416 395-7942	1966
Roding Community Centre	600 Roding St	416 395-7964	1964
Albion Arena	1501 Albion Rd	416 394-8690	1964
Orion Community Centre	2975 Don Mills Rd W	416 395-7969	1963
McCormick Arena	179 Brock Ave	416 392-0647	1962
George Bell Arena	215 Ryding Ave	416 392-0377	1961
Gord And Irene Risk Community Centre	2650 Finch Ave W	416 395-0355	1961
Scarborough Gardens Arena	75 Birchmount Rd	416 396-4137	1961
Don Mills Civitan Arena	1030 Don Mills Rd	416 395-7843	1960
Don Montgomery Community Recreation Centre	2467 Eglinton Ave E	416 396-4043	1960
Larry Grossman Forest Hill Memorial Arena	340 Chaplin Cres		1960
Fenside Arena	30 Slidell Cres	416 395-7846	1959
York Mills Arena	2539 Bayview Ave	416 395-7844	1958
Downsview Arena	1633 Wilson Ave	416 395-7831	1957
McGregor Park Community Centre	2231 Lawrence Ave E	416 396-4023	1957
Mimico Arena	31 Drummond St	416 394-8695	1957
Pine Point Arena	15 Grierson Rd	416 394-8692	1957
Weston Lions Arena			1957
Habitat Arena	3383 Weston Rd	416 395-7949	1956
East Toronto Athletic Field	175 Main St		1955
Scarborough Village Recreation Centre	3600 Kingston Rd	416 396-4048	1955
Moss Park Arena	140 Sherbourne St	416 392-1060	1955
Park Lawn Bubble Rink - Indoor Ice Pad	340 Park Lawn Rd	416 394-8712	1954
Central Arena	50 Montgomery Rd	416 394-5439	1953
Leaside Memorial Community Gardens	1073 Millwood Rd	416 396-2822	1952
East York Memorial Arena	888 Cosburn Ave	416 396-2869	1951
Lambton Arena	4100 Dundas St W	416 394-2735	1951
Heron Park Community Recreation Centre	292 Manse Rd	416 396-4035	1950
Ted Reeve Community Arena	175 Main St		1950
Mitchell Field Community Centre	89 Church Ave	416 395-0262	1948
Long Branch Arena	75 Arcadian Cir	416 394-8694	1944
Goulding Community Centre	45 Goulding Ave	416 395-0123	1936

What is the true cost?

- The operating costs of maintaining an ice surface is relatively the same regardless of the number of ice pads in a facility; the capital costs are greater for a single surface facility but once spent, they become a sunk cost with no ongoing exposure
- The operating costs of maintaining an arena are relatively the same – per square foot - regardless the number of ice surfaces.
- Declaring Hollingsworth surplus only shifts the operating costs and adds to our capital expenditures with minimal benefit to community

Recommendations

- Fully explore the alternative of maintaining Hollingsworth because I don't believe (and Toronto's experience seems to support this belief) it is near the end of its service life.
- Seek out opportunities to maximize the off season usage of Hollingsworth to further offset ongoing operating costs
- Continue to explore a partnership with Pickering College as we need more recreational facilities – not less – and sharing the cost is a good strategy