Project Update: Village of PEMBERTON **Outdoor Soccer Field Project**



Tell me about the Outdoor Soccer Field Project

The proposed outdoor soccer field will be located on the designated recreation lands, approximately 3 kilometers from downtown, off Pemberton Farm Road East. The Village was gifted the lands specifically for recreation purposes by the Den Duyf family. The site is intended to accommodate future recreation facilities, outdoor fields and parking. This land is situated along the Friendship Trail enabling residents to access the site by bike and by foot and is proximate to residents of the Village of Pemberton, SLRD Area C, and Lil'wat Nation.

So, how did we get here?

The Village underwent extensive recreation planning in 2013. Through a Community Consultation Process and Recreational Needs Analysis, it was determined that the community priority was a Multi-Sport Recreation Centre (2 indoor courts and ancillary functions) and an outdoor grass soccer field. With the donation of land, and the community-supported concept finalized, Council determined to pursue a soccer field first as it is within our resources and will provide a large benefit to the community.

What is the status of soccer fields?

The first step is to determine if the field will be turf or sod. The Village will need to consider construction costs, playing hours and required maintenance for both options when determining which playing surface to move forward with. To assist with this, the Village will be issuing a Request for Expressions of Interest (RFEOI) which is intended to shortlist potential soccer field developers before seeking detailed bids. This step will enable us to determine which playing surface will be most appropriate, considering costs, play time and maintenance. Once we have shortlisted the proposals and have determined the type of playing field we require, a Request for Proposals will be issued for a design and build of the field.

In the meantime, fill has been placed on site in preparation for soccer fields which was secured through a Community Amenity Contribution from The Ridge Development. Our goal is to begin field construction in 2018.



How are the capital costs going to be funded?

The Village is actively seeking funding through grants to supplement the construction costs and is currently working with our partner, the SLRD, at the PVUS table (the Committee that administers recreation) to determine the funding model. We will be sharing more information regarding project funding once we have established costing.

Where can I find out more about the Outdoor Soccer Field project?



Recreation planning background information can be found at www.pemberton.ca. Staff are also happy to answer any questions; please contact us at the Village Office at 604.894.6135 or at admin@pemberton.ca.