



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **HENDERSON COMMUNITY PARK – MASTER PLAN**

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury is pleased to announce the commencement of the Master Plan process for Henderson Community Park. This property is comprised of 97 acres and is located on the south west corner of Sideroad 10 and Line 9 in Bradford West Gwillimbury which includes a rolling topography with natural features including a creek system and a small woodlot. The property was donated by Mrs. Phyllis Henderson in 2009 to the municipality for active and passive recreational purposes suitable for the entire family.

The firm, Dillon Consulting has been retained to conduct the study. The project process will include the following objectives;

- 1) Public Consultations; including a visioning exercise, interviews with stakeholders, a session that will introduce information from the technical reviews and assessment, an open house that will include the preferred option for development and a final presentation to Council.
- 2) Concept Plans with Phasing; prepare a long term preferred concept that includes immediate, medium and long term requirements.
- 3) Order of Magnitude Capital Costs; provide capital and operating costs for each proposed phase of the development.
- 4) Site Servicing/Access/Traffic Circulation; assess site servicing, site access, traffic/parking requirements of the park.
- 5) Geotechnical Testing/Design; identify and assess soil conditions as it relates to facility development.
- 6) Facility Design Criteria; provide general design criteria for future facility development.

The Town recently completed a Sports Field Needs Assessment and Strategy to analyze current facility usage and project future needs to 2031. This information will be available for incorporation into the active recreation component of the Master Plan.

The first public opportunity to contribute to this project, is the “Vision Workshop”, which will take place on Monday November 18, 2013, from 7pm-9pm in the Zima Community Room at the BWG Library and Culture Centre, 425 Holland Street West, Bradford. All public are welcome.

A website has been created at, <http://hendersoncommunitypark.weebly.com> where members of the community can view information and updates to this project. For further information please do not hesitate to contact either of the following:

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