

# **REPORT** Arena and Parks Department

TO: Parks Facilities and Tourism Committee

**FROM:** Courtney Clarke, Parks, Trails, and Facilities Manager

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**SUBJECT:** Canada Day Celebrations 2023

### BACKGROUND:

The Canada Day Committee ('Committee') was unable to host an in-person Canada Day event in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, in 2022, the Committee decided to host a modified in-person celebration at Elgin Park that included only fireworks and a couple of dessert focused food vendors. The event was successful, and many people attended.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Canada Day Committee is looking forward to celebrating Canada Day 2023 with an in-person event. The Committee proposes to host the event in a similar format to last year, with fireworks and food vendors of all kinds. The Committee is working on reaching out to local food trucks that would like to participate in the celebration.

In addition to the fireworks and food vendors, the Committee is also planning other activities for the kids, such as crafts and games. The Committee is also exploring the possibility of a collaboration with the Lions Club and the New Universal Playground. More details will be forthcoming closer to July 1st.

The Committee will continue to follow the public health guidelines and take all necessary precautions to ensure the safety of all the public that attend. The Committee is passionate about the Uxbridge community and is looking forward to celebrating Canada Day.

## RECOMMENDATION

THAT Report PR 05/23 be received for information;

AND THAT the Parks, Facilities and Tourism Committee supports the Canada Day Committees proposal to host an in-person event similar to last year's celebration for Townships 2023 Canada Day.

#### LINK TO STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

This proposal supports strategic objective:

• 4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community.

Respectfully Submitted by: Courtney Clarke, Parks, Trails, and Facilities Manager