



Town of Plympton–Wyoming

PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN (Draft)

Parks & Recreation Committee Presentation

November 20, 2025

ABOUT THE TOWN'S MASTER PLAN

Plympton-Wyoming's Parks & Recreation Master Plan will guide strategic decision-making over the next 10 years for:

- Indoor and outdoor recreation facilities
- Parks, open spaces and trails
- Service delivery



A PLAN FOR PLYMPTON-WYOMING

Community Consultation

Community Profile

Key Trends and Best Practices

Park and Facility Inventories

Utilization and Program Data

Background Document Scan



COMMUNITY PROFILE

Plympton-Wyoming has a population estimate of 9,300 residents and it is expected to grow by 29% by 2035 to 12,000 people.

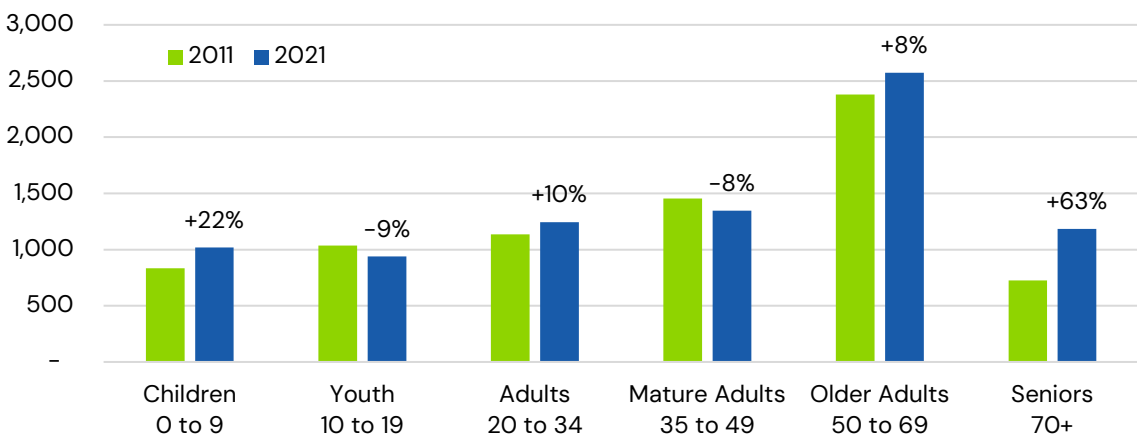
The majority of lands designated for residential development is in the Camlachie and surrounding area.

The population is aging, although all age groups are expected to grow over the planning period.

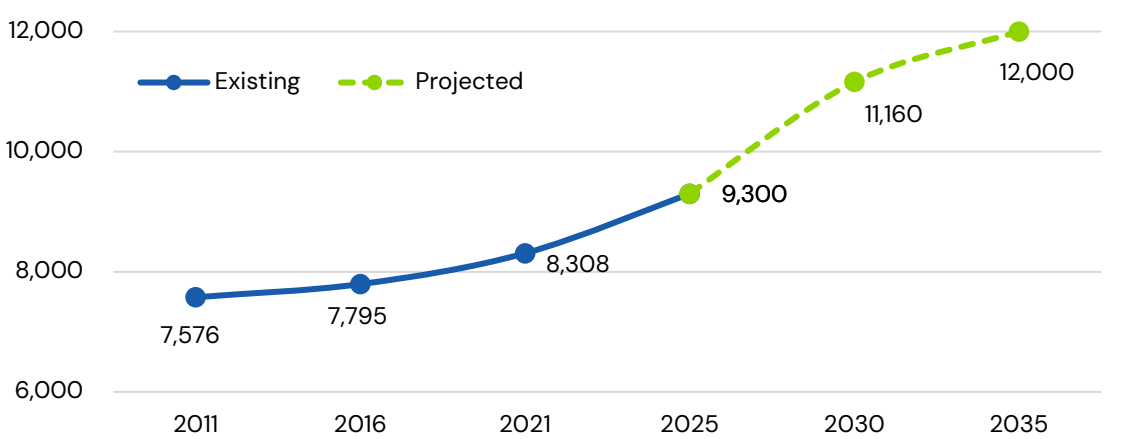
Plympton-Wyoming’s median household income of \$108,000 is higher compared to Lambton County and the Province.

5% of households live below the Statistics Canada low-income measure.

Population Growth by Age Group, 2011 to 2021



Historical & Projected Population Growth, 2011 to 2035



Sources: Statistics Canada Census, 2011, 2016 & 2021; Town of Plympton-Wyoming Development Charges Background Study, 2021; Town of Plympton-Wyoming Wastewater Servicing Master Plan, 2021

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Awareness Campaign (project webpage, social media, email blasts, posters, bookmarks, radio promotion)

Parks and Recreation Committee Workshop

Public Information Centres (Camlachie and Wyoming)

Community Survey (220 responses)

Stakeholder Workshops and Feedback Survey

Town Staff and Council Engagement

Additional feedback will be collected in 2026 prior to finalizing the Master Plan



WHAT WE HEARD

Local organizations are a strength of the community to provide recreation programs. There could be opportunities to strengthen communication and collaboration with the Town.

The Town's outdoor recreation infrastructure is aging and there is a desire for reinvestment in amenities such as the outdoor pool, playgrounds, and sport courts.

Public requests were made for more or enhanced facilities such as, playgrounds, outdoor sport courts, splash pad, trails, volleyball courts, and more.

There is community interest in developing multi-use hubs to provide enhanced access to public spaces for programs, events and rentals.

Sports organizations expressed the desire for more ball diamonds and soccer fields to accommodate program and participation demands.

There is public support to continue investing in the Town's waterfront areas and right-of-way access points.

Parkland Recommendations

Use the Master Plan's **parkland classification system** to guide future park development / redevelopment.

Acquire **7.7 hectares of additional parkland** to achieve a target of **2.6 hectares per 1,000 residents**.

- 4.7 hectares of Community Park
- 3.0 hectares of Neighbourhood Parks and/or Parkettes

Acquire Waterfront Destination Parks on a case-by-case to **strengthen public access to the waterfront**.

Adopt a **parkland first approach** to prioritize the conveyance of physical parkland to address park needs in future growth areas and gaps. Alternative parkland acquisition strategies will need to be considered to secure Community Parks (e.g., land purchase).

Consider **park-specific development strategies** to maximize community impact. This may require redevelopment or renewal of existing parks, repurposing underutilized parks, or eliminating park service duplication. Funds raised from divesting any surplus parkland should be redirected back into the park system. Park development and redevelopment should include public consultation.

Active Transportation Recommendations

Strengthen trail connections in Plympton-Wyoming by:

- Creating a trail hierarchy to define trail types, uses, design, and amenities.
- Constructing designated pathways in parks to connect amenities.
- Establishing recreational trails and sidewalks in future residential areas that connect to the existing network.
- Addressing recreational trail gaps in strategic locations (potentially working with others) including:
 - Extending the Wyoming to Reece's Corner Community Trail to Camlachie;
 - Extending the Lakeshore Road Trail to Camlachie; and
 - Closing gaps or extending trails along Queen Street, Fleming Street, Egremont Road, and Mandaumin Road.



Facility Recommendations

Undertake **short-term enhancements** to the Camlachie Community Centre by replacing the flooring with a durable, hard surface, removing the stage and mirror walls, and upgrading the audio equipment to create a more flexible and multi-use space for community programs and rentals.

Create **long-term vision** for the Camlachie Community Centre. Prepare a facility fit that should consider the following components, which should be confirmed through a feasibility study or Master Plan update:

- A large, flexible multi-use space with durable flooring and high ceilings, and support space (e.g., kitchen).
- A multi-purpose program room.
- Space for a library branch and museum to replace the existing, standalone building.
- Reconfiguration of existing outdoor space at Arnold Minielly Park, including park buildings and parking.

Facility Recommendations

Monitor total **ball diamond usage** including games, practices, and tournaments, as well as participation data and reassess ball diamond needs. Updating the Town's agreement with ball organizations may support this.

Consolidate and **relocate the ball diamonds** at Centennial Park and Canton Park at a new community park in Wyoming.

Provide a **full-size soccer field** at a new community park in Wyoming or potentially repurpose one of the existing Wyoming ball diamonds once it has been relocated.

Create a plan to **rehabilitate** the Wyoming Pool support building.

Construct **new park amenities** to address gap and growth areas, particularly in the Camlachie area, including a splash pad, basketball and ball hockey court, skate park, and playgrounds.

Renew **aging park amenities** including sport courts and playgrounds. On a case-by-case basis, remove park amenities that are underutilized or to address service duplication.

Service Delivery Recommendations

Regularly **review staffing levels** within the Public Works Department to ensure that the necessary supports are available to deliver on the Master Plan's recommendations and ensure that service levels are maintained or increased as the population grows.

Evaluate staff capacity to determine the ability for existing staff to implement the Master Plan's recommendations, including consideration of **new staff positions** (e.g., Community Liaison and Recreation Programmer).

Introduce **new program offerings** that are affordable and accessible for key age groups to optimize the use of existing space.

Regularly **engage community organizations** and improve promotion of organizations and volunteer opportunities.

Ensure all public spaces are **safe, inclusive, and welcoming for everyone** through staff training and development, park and facility design, public awareness, and implementation of the Town's Multi-Year Accessibility Plan.

Implementation Strategy

The Draft Master Plan contains recommendations spanning 2026 to 2035

They are supported by background research and consultation.

Priority, timing, and resource implications have been identified for each.

Many are best practices that do not have cost implications.

The Master Plan should be used by Council as a guide for decision-making.

Annual work plans should be created to prioritize recommendations for implementation.

Each capital recommendation should be brought forward to Council to discuss and approve.

Development of a funding strategy would help examine financial capacity and potential funding sources, partnerships, etc.

Next Steps

Community Feedback Opportunities:

- Open houses will be scheduled in 2026 in Camlachie and Wyoming.
- Online review and feedback

Following this, the Master Plan will be finalized and presented to Council for approval.



Thank you!

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