Clair-Maltby Open Space Strategy

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Neighbourhood open space

It is the policy of the City to maintain a minimum city-wide average rate of Neighbourhood Parks provision of 0.7 hectares / 1000 population.

City wide open space

The City will maintain a minimum city-wide average rate of Community Parks of 1.3 hectares / 1000 population.

Regional open space

The City will encourage the provision of Regional Park facilities at the rate of 1.3 hectares / 1000 population. Estimated population range

▶15,000 - 25,000 people

Just multiply the thousands x 2 ha for minimum parkland.

OP requirements for Clair-Maltby

Population projection: 15,000 people

- > 30 ha *minimum* neighbourhood and community parkland requirement
- 19.5 ha of regional open space to be encouraged

Population projection: 25,000 people

- ▶ 50 ha *minimum* neighbourhood and community parkland requirement
- 32.5 ha of regional open space to be encouraged

Proposed Parkland in Clair Maltby SP

Type of Parkland	OP minimum ratio	OP minimum requirement for 15,000 pop.	OP minimum requirement for 25,000 pop.	Proposed parkland in CMSP
Neighbourhood	0.7 ha/ 1000 pop.	10.5 ha	17.5 ha	8 x +/- 1 ha = +/- 8 ha
Community	1.3 ha/ 1000 pop.	19.5 ha	32.5 ha	10 ha
Regional	1.3 ha/ 1000 pop.	19.5 ha	32.5 ha	20 ha (moraine ribbon)
Total	3.3 ha/ 1000 pop.	49.5 ha	82.5 ha	38 ha

How should we plan for parkland in Clair-Maltby?

- Maximum population of 25,000 should be used to calculated parkland required
- Almost impossible to add parkland after development has taken place.

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If the maximum amount of parkland is sought, it could become another development constraint, therefore, less than the maximum amount of Community Parkland space is proposed to assist in providing adequate recreation opportunities for this new community and the rest of the City, while still accommodating development in the area.

The real constraint?

Business-as-usual low-density sprawl

A plan which actually delivered compact urban form could accommodate 25,000 people in Clair-Maltby as well as the levels of parkland anticipated in our Official Plan.

We need that plan.