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**Refined location for the Lakeshore Drive Sea Cadets Parade Ground and Multi-Use Sports Field**

Barrie, ON – Further to direction by Barrie City Council in May 2024, staff have refined the location of the Sea Cadets Parade Ground and Multi-Use Sports field to protect the woodlot, make the field smaller and closer to the road, to ensure the paved walking path is not impacted and to consider the use of natural barriers over fencing. A refined location is being shared with the public.

This refined location ensures the woodlot is protected. If any trees need to be removed, they will be replaced. Council has committed to planting an additional 1,000 trees on the waterfront and to protecting the Vimy trees. The Vimy trees are not thriving in their current location and as a result, they are planned to be transplanted and relocated to a location that will provide for a better chance of survival.

Original Proposal



Refined Concept



The Sea Cadets Parade Ground and Multi-use Sports Field is open-air without a dome or stadium and will be for community use.

Additional public consultation will occur this Fall. Residents will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the design and layout considerations like natural buffer options, fences, parking and lighting.

Watch a [video](#) that provides facts to some of the myths regarding the Sea Cadets Parade Ground and Multi-use Sports Field. Visit [buildingbarrie.ca/ParadeGroundSportsField](http://buildingbarrie.ca/ParadeGroundSportsField) and register to stay informed on project updates and engagement opportunities.

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