



Town of Aurora
c/o Joint Operations Centre
229 Industrial Parkway North
Aurora, ON L4G 6J1

August 9, 2018

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

DETAILS OF THE WORK

Description: Highland Gate Parkland and Open Space Maintenance

Start date: August 2018

Duration: Summer 2018 – Summer 2019

In June 2017, a Working Group consisting of the Town of Aurora, Highland Gate Developments Inc. (HGDI), Highland Gate Ratepayers Group (HGRPG) and the Ad Hoc Parks Committee was developed to collectively work together with a landscape consultant to finalize the parkland design.

As a result of efforts by the working group, the parkland design was finalized and approved by Council on November 28, 2017. The goal of the design was to incorporate amenities for the residents while naturalizing the area to promote biodiversity and to create a passive setting where nature would thrive. To achieve this, a maintenance program was established which required maintenance of the areas surrounding the proposed amenities (e.g. playground, meditation circle, exercise benches) as well as a 1m buffer along the trails, with the balance of the park to be naturalized. The maintenance program was outlined in staff report PRCS17-040 and was approved by Council in November 2017.

HGDI is now preparing to start construction of the parkland in August, within the park block and open spaces areas, generally west of Murray Drive. Works will begin with the creek and pond rehabilitation, followed by the construction of the trails and park amenities. To facilitate the upcoming construction, grass cutting may occur in portions of the park block and open spaces areas as needed. Once the construction is completed, the maintenance program outlined above will commence.