## The Carp Riverwalk Project

Our River, Our Heritage, Our Well-Being

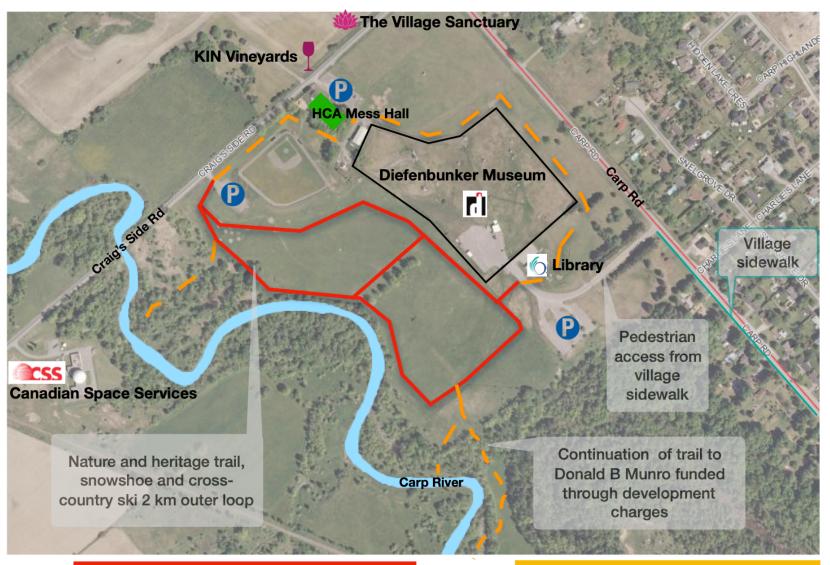


A partnership of the Huntley Community Association and the Friends of the Carp River

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### High Level Concept of the Carp Riverwalk

(Exact trail location to be defined)



### Potential Phases and Work

(Subject to consultations and/or approval)

- Phase 1 Trail, All-season residents enjoyment
  - Clear & mow a trail
  - Gates open
  - Animals on leash
- Phase 2 In Touch with Nature
  - Access/View to the River
  - Address runoffs/culverts
  - Pollinator meadow and other native plantings

- Phase 3 Historical Trail
  - Stone dust Path
  - Interpretive Signs
  - Benches
- Phase 4 Community Area
  - Picnic tables?
  - (Nature play structures? Frisbee Golf?)

# High Level Process for Riverwalk Planning

- Initiate project
  - Project presentation to Ward Councillor and proposal to city
  - Seek partners
- Each Phase
  - Define requirements
    - Consult with Stakeholders
    - Update Site Plan as required, Develop Options
  - Complete project plan with estimates
    - Review Options, Feasibility, Phases
  - Plan Fundraising Campaign
    - Identify/reach out to potential funding programs
    - Raise funds and build awareness
  - Implement project plan

## Fall 2020 Update

- A. <u>Liability:</u> Confirmed HCA Site Usage/Maintenance Agreement "Historical Trail" includes Carp Riverwalk for liability insurance purposes;
- B. <u>Trail cleanup</u>: FCR/HCA Volunteers were on the ground clearing the trail of obstacles and removing hazards, in compliance with the Diefenbunker Commemorative Integrity Statement.
- C. <u>Trail mowing:</u> Bush hogged by volunteers. HCA paying for tractor fuel. Doug looking into offering farmers to cut each year for the hay, otherwise trees will start growing everywhere.
- D. <u>Gates Open:</u> Pedestrian/skier width for 1 gate, ski grooming width for the other. and temporary signs installed (1 Welcome/Map, 4 Rule Signs (Dogs on leash, No motorized vehicles, No Camping/No Fire, Beware of Ticks); and
- E. <u>Cows</u>: No cows on South side this summer 2020, all cow manure decomposed. To open North trail, City will need to liaise with farmer who lets his cows roam in the summer to alert him of new trail.
- F. South gate: Locked, keys with HCA.
- G. <u>Winter trail:</u> looking for volunteer(s) to do first Cross-country ski track, with skiers keeping the track clear afterwards.
- H. <u>Potential fundraising ideas to fund grooming:</u> Ski lessons. Snowshoe rentals. Ticket-based evening ski/snowshoe with après-ski wine and cheese (dependent on covid restrictions).

#### WELCOME TO THE CARP RIVERWALK





This Nature Trail is managed by the Huntley Community Association with the help of volunteers. The trail is on City of Ottawa-owned land and on the Diefenbunker National Historic Site.

Please abide by City of Ottawa By-laws.

All risks are willingly assumed by trail users.

LEAVE NO TRACE.

Take any garbage and dog waste home.



For additional information: https://hca-carp.ca and https://friendsofthecarpriver.com.







