

Proposal for the Development of a Cricket Pitch in Halton Hills

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About Us:

Welcome to the Halton Hills Cricket Club, where passion for cricket meets community spirit! Established in 2021, as an informal cricket club, HHCC now is only registered not for profit cricket club in the Halton Hills area with over 50 active participants. We have multiple teams competing throughout GTA in numerous leagues. Our club is dedicated to promoting the sport of cricket in Halton Hills and providing a welcoming environment for players of all ages and skill levels. Our mission is to foster a love for cricket, encourage sportsmanship, and build a strong, inclusive community through the game.

At Halton Hills Cricket Club, we offer a range of programs and activities, from competitive matches and training sessions to youth development clinics and social events. Our experienced coaches and enthusiastic members are committed to helping each player reach their full potential, whether they are new to the sport or seasoned veterans.

Purpose of the Proposal:

The purpose of this proposal is to establish a cricket pitch in Halton Hills, aiming to support the growth of cricket, promote sports diversity, encourage youth engagement, and enhance community wellness. This initiative seeks to provide a dedicated space for cricket enthusiasts to practice and compete, fostering a love for the sport and building a stronger, more inclusive community.

Overview of the Cricket Pitch Project:

The Halton Hills Cricket Club proposes the construction of a high-quality cricket pitch in Halton Hills. This facility will serve as a central hub for cricket activities, including practices, matches, and tournaments. The project includes the development of a standard-sized cricket pitch, complete with necessary amenities such as boundary lines, safety nets, and spectator seating.

The proposed location for the cricket pitch is between fields 8 & 9 at Trafalgar Sports Park, which offers ample space and accessibility for players and spectators.

Goals of Building the Cricket Pitch:

1. Supporting the Growth of Cricket in Halton Hills:

a. Provide a dedicated facility for cricket, allowing for regular practices and competitive matches.

b. Foster a stronger cricket community by offering a central location for players and fans to gather locally.

2. Promoting Sports Diversity:

- a. Introduce and popularize cricket as a viable and exciting sport option in Halton Hills.
- b. Offer residents a new sport to participate in, increasing the variety of physical activities available.
- c. Encourage cultural exchange and understanding through a sport enjoyed by diverse populations worldwide.

3. Encouraging Youth Engagement:

- a. Create opportunities for young people to learn and play cricket, promoting physical activity and teamwork.
- b. Develop youth programs and clinics to teach cricket fundamentals and nurture future talent.
- c. Provide a positive and structured environment for youth to engage in healthy recreational activities.
- d. The idea is to start a little league for the young kids who resides within the Halton Hills area.

4. Enhancing Community Wellness Needs:

- a. Promote physical fitness and well-being through regular participation in cricket.
- b. Strengthen community bonds by bringing together residents of all ages and backgrounds.
- c. Support mental health by providing a recreational outlet and reducing stress through physical activity.

Pitch Specifications and Design:

The proposed cricket pitch will be designed to meet international standards, ensuring a high-quality playing surface that can accommodate both competitive matches and community events. The specifications and design elements are as follows:

1. Pitch Dimensions:

- a. The cricket pitch will be 22 yards (20.12 meters) in length and 10 feet (3.05 meters) in width, conforming to the dimensions prescribed by the International Cricket Council (ICC).
- b. The pitch will be positioned in a north-south orientation to minimize the effects of sun glare during matches.

2. Surface Material:

a. The pitch surface will be made of synthetic turf.

b. The turf surface will be maintained by Halton Hills Cricket Club to ensure a smooth, even playing surface, while synthetic turf will provide durability and reduced maintenance requirements.

Project Cost, Insurance and WSIB and Estimated Time:

The total cost of the project would roughly be 9500 dollars that includes the material and installation cost. The Cricket Club has contractors who fulfil the town's requirements for WSIB and Insurance. The contractors will come with their Insurance and WSIB. The project will tentatively take 3-4 weeks and we are adding the quotation we gathered for this project at the end of this proposal. We are proposing the project to start on March 15th 2025 and to be completed by April 13th 2025. We are attaching the project quote alongside this proposal.

Club's Role:

 The club will work with other sporting groups and will provide funding for this project.

Town's Role:

- Site Allocation:
- The town has already identified and allocated the location for the cricket pitch.
 The location of the pitch would be between TSP sports fields 8 and 9
- Permits and Approvals:
- Assist in obtaining necessary permits and approvals for the construction and operation of the cricket pitch.
- User Group Meeting:
- To schedule a user group meeting to facilitate the connection between HHCC and the other user groups.

This cricket pitch project promises to bring numerous benefits to the Halton Hills community, from fostering athletic talent to enhancing social cohesion. We believe that this initiative will greatly contribute to the overall well-being of our residents and establish Halton Hills as a vibrant center for cricket.

Proposal for Establishing a City-Wide Cricket League

Thank you, Madam Mayor, for taking the time to attend the first ever Cricket tournament in the history of Halton Hills. We are writing to propose the establishment of a city-wide cricket league that will bring together 10 teams from various neighborhoods within GTA. We are looking to host 45 league games plus 7 playoff games. This initiative aims to promote community engagement, physical fitness, and cultural diversity through the sport of cricket.

Objectives:

League Structure:

- **Teams:** 10 teams representing different neighborhoods or community groups.
- **Format:** Round-robin format where each team plays against every other team at least once.
- **Playoffs:** The top 8 teams will advance to the quarterfinals, followed by semifinals and a final match to determine the champion.

Schedule:

- Regular Season: Each team will play 9 matches over a period of 9 weeks.
- Quarter-Finals: The top 8 teams will compete in knockout matches.
- **Semi-Finals:** The winners of the quarterfinals will advance to the semi-finals.
- **Final:** The two semi-final winners will compete in the final match.

Venue and Facilities:

- Matches will be held in Halton Hills, we are hoping if the cricket ground is ready we will hold the games at the Halton Hills Cricket Ground.
- Additional temporary facilities may be set up to accommodate the league's needs.

Budget and Funding:

- Estimated Budget: As you are aware that Halton Hills Cricket Club is a not-forprofit organization, we will be asking for a nominal fee from the teams to cover the expenses.
- **Funding Sources:** Potential funding sources may also come in the form of sponsorships from local businesses, and registration fees from participating teams.

The proposed cricket league offers a unique opportunity to enhance community spirit and promote a healthy, active lifestyle among residents. We are confident that with the

support of the mayor's office, this initiative can become a cornerstone of our city's recreational activities.

Thank you for considering this proposal. We look forward to the opportunity to discuss it further and answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Residents of Halton Hills and Members of Halton Hill Cricket Club