

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Updates about Former Couchie Memorial Daycare & Beaucage Park

November 2, 2021 – We have received several inquiries from community members about using two community buildings/spaces that are currently not accessible to the membership. This notice is intended to provide an update about the former Couchie Memorial Daycare and Beaucage Park.

Former Couchie Memorial Daycare building

Due to concerns about the safety of this building and to protect the health of community members, we are not able to accommodate requests for the rental of this facility at this time.

Council will be reviewing an assessment report of the building at their next meeting on November 2nd to determine future plans. NFN intends to continue using this land for community use and will keep the membership informed about future plans for the building and park space.

Beaucage Park

Beaucage Park was open for day use by members until the end of the 2019 season. The park was not open or maintained in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic and the current conditions pose a risk to the safety of our members.

A new gate has been installed at the entrance of the park, along with signage to deter unauthorized access. We ask our community members and groups for their cooperation in not accessing this area until it has been cleaned up and modified to accommodate long term community use. NFN assumes no liability for unauthorized access or use of Beaucage Park.

We have surveyed the community in the past about the best uses of this land that has served as a central gathering place for the Nipissing people for centuries. This feedback provided a starting point for a community dialogue that we plan to revisit to discuss the most appropriate use of the land for the benefit of current and future generations of NFN members.

Several possible uses for Beaucage Park have been suggested over the years will be presented to Council in the coming months. Following Council's review and recommendations, we look forward to reinitiating the consultation with a targeted approach to move forward with making the best use of this valuable land.

Please direct any questions or concerns about this notice to:

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