

What We Heard Report

Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal

**Building a Project Vision and
Exploring Opportunities**

February – March 2026

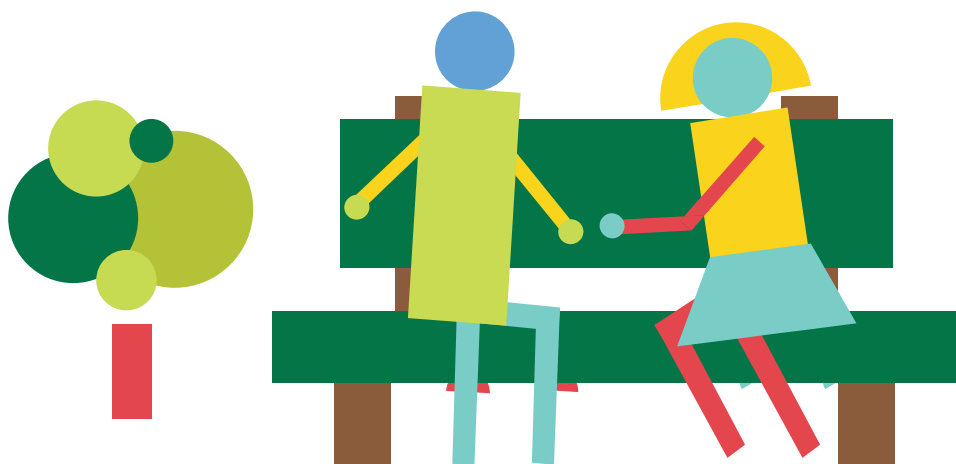
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Land Acknowledgement

The City of Edmonton acknowledges the traditional land on which we reside is in Treaty Six Territory. We would like to thank the diverse Indigenous Peoples whose ancestors' footsteps have marked this territory for centuries, such as nêhiyaw / Cree, Dene, Anishinaabe, Saulteaux, Nakota Isga / Nakota Sioux and Niitsitapi/ Blackfoot peoples.

We also acknowledge this as the Métis' homeland and the home of one of the largest communities of Inuit south of the 60th parallel. It is a welcoming place for all peoples who come from around the world to share Edmonton as a home. Together we call upon all of our collective, honoured traditions and spirits to work in building a great city for today and future generations.

Thank you and report overview

To everyone who participated during the public engagement process, we would like to say thank you for your time, insight and effort. In the following pages, you will find a summary of what we asked and how participants responded.

We look forward to continuing to work with you during Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal.

Project overview

Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal will rebuild roads, replace street lights, curbs and gutters, repair sidewalks* and connect missing sidewalk and pathway links where possible. Planning for this renewal is just beginning with construction timing to be confirmed later in the project. We are in the **Building a Project Vision and Exploring Opportunities** stage of the project.

Beacon Heights is a historic neighbourhood in northeast Edmonton. Once part of the Town of Beverly before its amalgamation with Edmonton in 1961, it remains a largely residential community. The neighbourhood also includes a part of the Olde Towne Beverly business district, providing residents with access to a variety of unique shops, services and community-oriented businesses. The Beverly Business Association currently represents the business owners in the area and works to promote and improve the economic vitality.

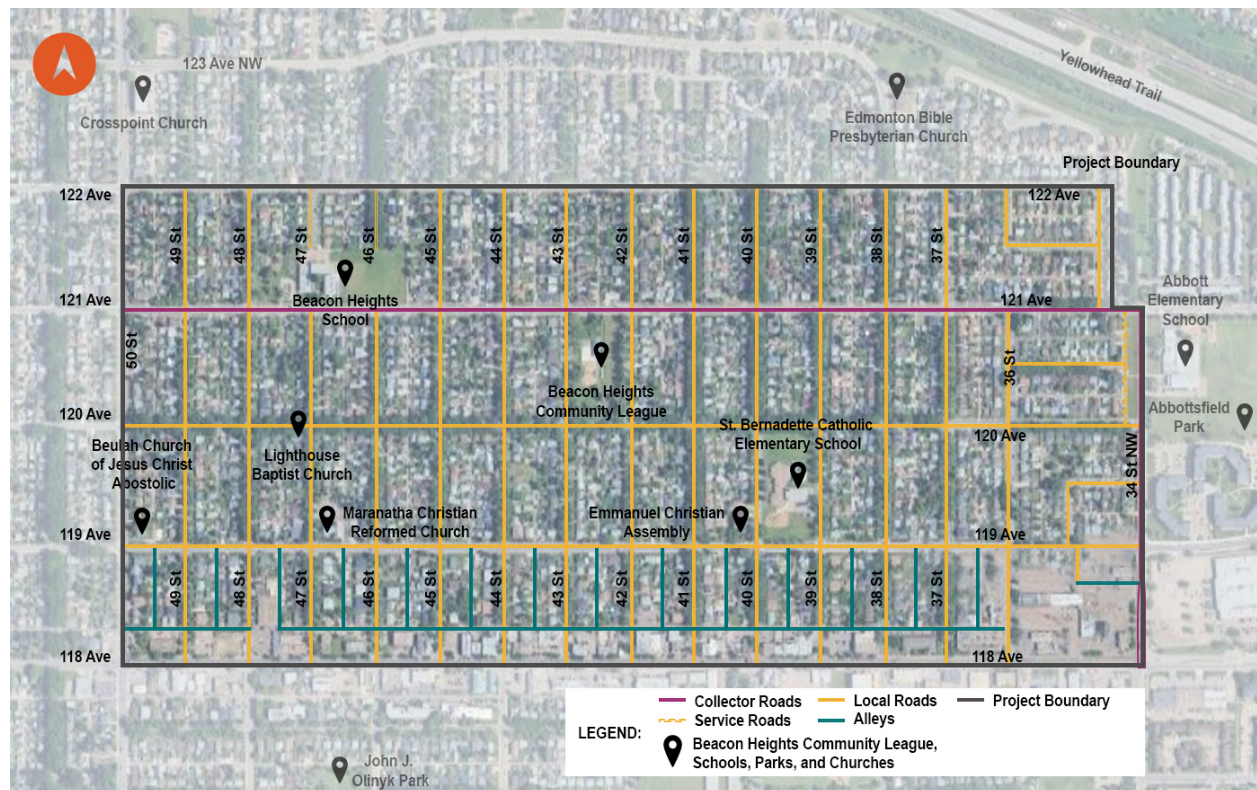
*Sidewalk reconstruction is subject to the Local Improvement process:
edmonton.ca/SidewalkReconstruction

Beyond the project scope

It is important to note that Neighbourhood Renewal aims to address public concerns, including safety, through infrastructure. Elements include upgraded lighting, renewed and active transportation connections, enhanced crosswalks and traffic calming measures.

Other concerns we heard including arterial road issues and residential alleys, playground equipment improvements and complex social issues such as unhoused populations, housing insecurity and criminal activity cannot be directly addressed through Neighbourhood Renewal.

Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal scope map



Public engagement for Neighbourhood Renewal

The Project Team genuinely cares about your neighbourhood. We want to understand your values and needs of your community to improve the neighbourhood. Working together, we can make the most out of your neighbourhood. The Neighbourhood Renewal Road Map showcases opportunities for feedback and participation throughout the project.

This report highlights what we heard during the **Building a Project Vision and Exploring Opportunities** stage (February to March 2026). The road map is illustrated on the next page.

Road Map to Neighbourhood Renewal

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Public Engagement
and Communications
Opportunities

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Design
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Build
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Public Engagement Spectrum

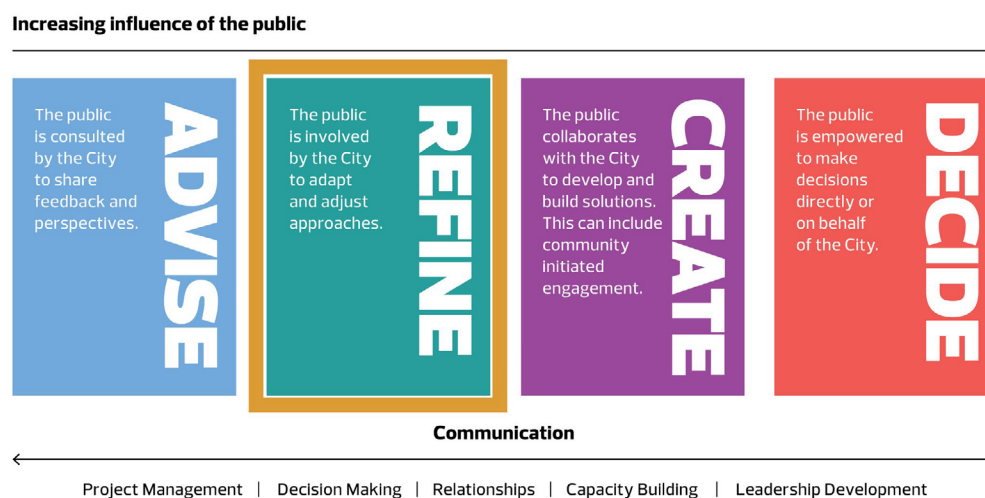
The City of Edmonton seeks input from residents to help guide the project. The City's Public Engagement Spectrum, shown below, shows the four levels of influence that the public can have on decisions made by the City throughout the project.

In this stage of engagement, the public was invited to provide input that would help **REFINE** the Project Team's knowledge of the opportunities and priorities for the neighbourhood. At the **REFINE** level of influence, community members provide input to help tailor the Neighbourhood Renewal Vision and Guiding Principles to their local context and to identify opportunities for improvement.

We commit to telling you how public input influences decisions according to the Public Engagement Spectrum. The results from this engagement, along with technical and funding considerations and alignment with City policies and programs, will be used to **REFINE** how the Neighbourhood Renewal Vision and Guiding Principles are applied to Beacon Heights.

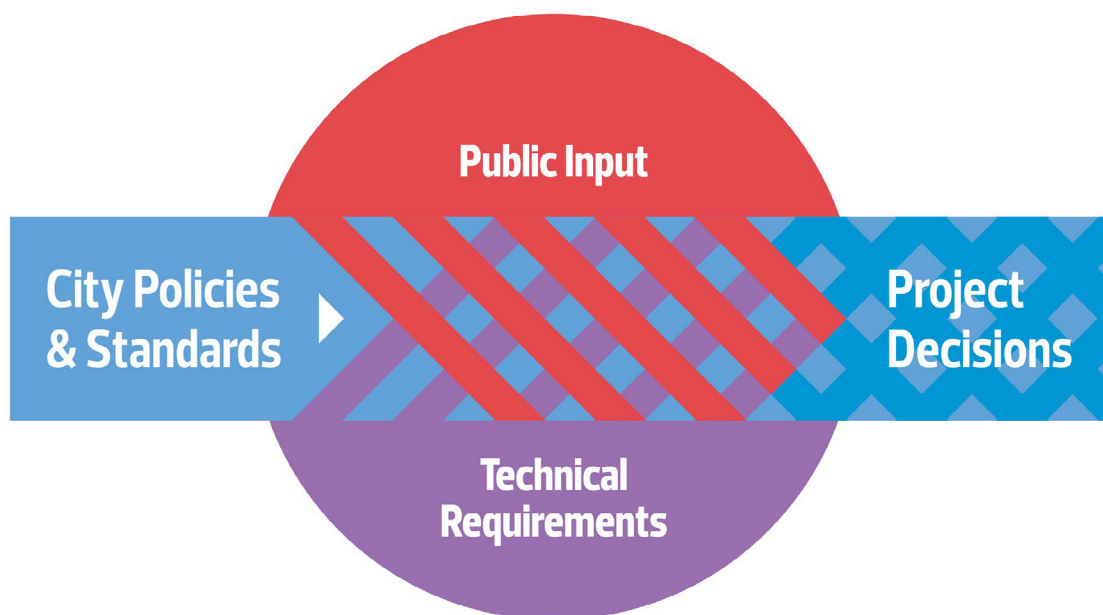
These principles guide planning and design throughout the project in a way that reflects local context, priorities and considerations. The Vision and Guiding Principles describe the goals we aim to achieve through renewal. Your input will help identify how these goals should be interpreted, emphasized or adapted in the area.

Community knowledge is combined with technical analysis and City policies to refine the Project Team's understanding of the neighbourhood and to shape the options shared in later stages.



Decision making process

City policies and programs, including the Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards, Safe Mobility Strategy and Winter City Strategy, are central to guiding Neighbourhood Renewal designs. While adhering to these policies and meeting technical requirements is paramount, we also prioritize input from residents who know their neighbourhood best. By integrating technical expertise with community feedback, we strive to ensure the draft design aligns with both technical standards and public needs, making adjustments where feasible based on this input.



How we engaged

The Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal Project Team organized the following opportunities for the public to provide input and to help **REFINE** the project team's understanding of the opportunities for Beacon Heights.



Surveys

- + An online survey was available from February 18 – March 11, 2026
- + Paper copies of the survey and a survey drop box were available at a speakboard set up near the Beacon Heights Community League rinks

138 Completed Surveys



In-person drop-in event

- + A drop-in event was held on Saturday, March 7 from 11 a.m to 2 p.m at Beacon Heights School. This event provided an opportunity for community members to share feedback with the Project Team

68 participants



Bus Tour

- + Two bus tours were held during the in-person event so community members could tour Beacon Heights and share their feedback and ideas with the Project Team

27 Participants



Community Conversations

- + The Project Team reached out to six community groups and held four meetings
- + Feedback shared with the Project Manager by community members will also be included in the engagement process

Four Meetings



How we Communicated

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| + Three road signs | + 40 emails to list subscribers and local interested parties |
| + 44 yard signs | (to sign up for future emails, visit edmonton.ca/BuildingBeaconHeights) |
| + 3,533 postcards delivered | + 1,304 page views on the project web page |
| | + 787 clicks on social media ads |

What we asked

The Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal Project Team provided several opportunities for the public to share feedback about the project's Vision and Guiding Principles. Community members were also invited to share how they use open spaces and improvements they would like to see for driving, biking, walking and rolling in Beacon Heights. Feedback collected during this phase of engagement will be used to refine the Vision and Guiding Principles and to identify desired improvements in Beacon Heights.

A series of questions were asked in a survey and at the in-person session on March 7, 2026. The questions were grouped under the following:

- + **Your neighbourhood** – asking about their favourite thing and challenges in Beacon Heights when it comes to living, working, playing and moving in and around Beacon Heights
- + **Neighbourhood Vision and Guiding Principles** – asking for their thoughts about the draft Vision and Guiding Principles, and what influenced their decision when rating these statements

How satisfied they are moving around Beacon Heights (including getting in and out of the neighbourhood) in the following categories. Participants were also offered the opportunity to share site-specific thoughts about these categories on a map:

- + **Driving**
- + **Biking**
- + **Walking and rolling**

Participants were also asked about how satisfied they are with:

- + **Open spaces**, and were offered the opportunity to share their site specific thoughts by adding them to a map

What we heard

The following sections include a summary of what we heard at the in-person drop-in event and through interviews, comments and the online survey. The summary has been developed to reflect the relevancy, frequency and diversity of the responses received.

Your neighbourhood

What are your favourite things about Beacon Heights?

What is your favourite thing about living, working, playing and moving in and around Beacon Heights?

Participant comments and feedback centred around the themes outlined below.

Unique character:

- + **Strong character and historical atmosphere.** Participants noted Beacon Heights' quiet and welcoming identity is one of the neighbourhood's greatest strengths
- + **Natural environment and outdoor spaces.** Participants highlighted mature trees and green areas contribute to the neighbourhood's overall sense of comfort and outdoor enjoyment

Connections:

- + **Appreciation for the layout of Beacon Heights.** Describing it as a community design that supports comfortable living and easy movement throughout the neighbourhood and to nearby destinations and amenities (e.g. river valley, downtown, Yellowhead Trail)

Community spaces and amenities:

- + **Schools.** Identifying Beacon Heights School, St. Bernadette Catholic Elementary School and Abbott School as lovable community schools
- + **Amenities.** Valuing the local amenities and small businesses within Beacon Heights, highlighting how these contribute to convenience and a sense of community
- + **Location.** Noting the convenient location of Beacon Heights and its easy access to surrounding amenities and services

"The quiet. We moved from a small town and were hoping for an area with character, with lots of green spaces and trees, older homes, and within walking distance to all amenities."

"I like having shops nearby that make it easy to get what I need without going too far."

"Feeling of community, easy access to shops, mostly quiet neighbourhood."

"It's quiet and there is not a large amount of traffic through the neighbourhood. The mature trees and the community park across the street are awesome! Neighbours actually get to know each other and help each other out."

"I love all the big trees that line our streets, the convenient park spaces and the big house lots and wide streets we have."

What challenges exist in Beacon Heights?

What is the biggest challenge you and your neighbours face living, working, playing and moving in and around Beacon Heights today?

Participants shared the following challenges:

- + **Aging infrastructure.** Concerns about aging infrastructure and slow City service improvements, highlighting the need for improved sidewalks (including curb improvements at intersections), road conditions, drainage and sewer and water mains
- + **Aging public spaces.** Challenges in specific public spaces and would like to see these spaces improved (e.g. need for more trees, benches, etc.)
- + **Congestion.** Challenges moving around St Bernadette Catholic Elementary School and Abbott School, particularly congestion issues and safety concerns during drop-off and pick-up times

"Many sidewalks still have curbs and aren't accessible. As a mom with a stroller, it's been really difficult to get around."

"Sidewalks that are in very poor condition and trip hazards. Pothole-filled streets."

"Road surface conditions are poor, and there is poor drainage in certain areas leading to large icy areas."

Neighbourhood Renewal Vision and Guiding Principles

The Neighbourhood Renewal Vision and Guiding Principles are statements that guide how all Neighbourhood Renewal projects are planned and designed across Edmonton. They are built from City-wide policies (like [The City Plan](#) and [Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards](#)), are informed by the program's goals and are based on what we heard from many other neighbourhoods that have undergone renewal.

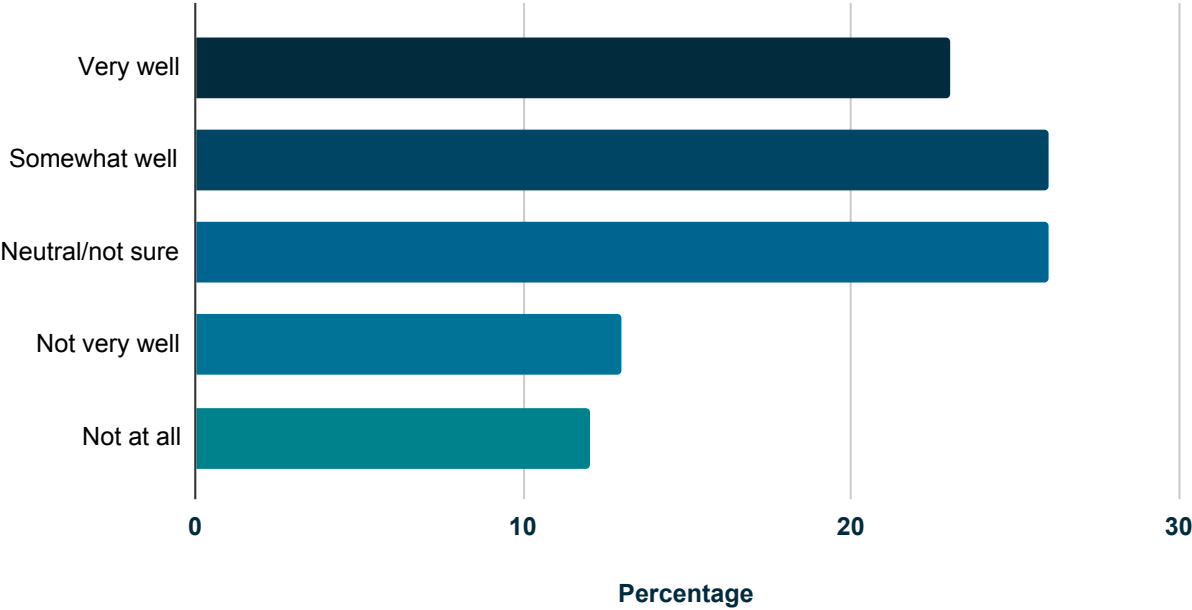
Neighbourhood Renewal Vision

Building a community of communities

Neighbourhood Renewal creates a community of communities where every neighbourhood reflects Edmonton's commitment to safety, livability, sustainability and inclusivity. The unique features of each neighbourhood are considered through design, while the program works to enhance physical and social accessibility. Renewal improves movement in all forms—walking, rolling, biking and driving—and aligns with The City Plan priorities for a rebuildable, greener, healthier and more connected city. Together, these efforts keep Edmonton's neighbourhoods welcoming, resilient and ready for the future.

Participants were asked to consider the Vision and think about how these ideas relate to the future (30–50 years) of Beacon Heights and how they describe the strengths, challenges, and unique qualities of Beacon Heights.

How well does the Vision for Neighbourhood Renewal align with your vision for the future (30 - 50 years) of Beacon Heights?



Vision feedback summary

Several suggestions to refine the Vision were raised through engagement; however, the underlying themes are already reflected in the existing Vision. Concerns related to safety and perceptions of crime align with the Vision's focus on creating safe and welcoming neighbourhoods. Challenges around affordability and the ability for residents to remain in the community connect to broader goals of inclusivity and livability. Feedback on infill development and increased street parking relates to how neighbourhood design responds to local context, while gaps in business amenities tie to the goal of creating complete, connected communities that support daily needs.

Overall, as these themes are embedded within the Vision's focus on safety, livability, inclusivity, accessibility, and thoughtful design, the proposed Vision is closely aligned with the long-term vision for Beacon Heights. As such, the Vision statement will be adopted as finalized without further modification.

"I believe the Vision aligns with the future of Beacon Heights. I love my neighbourhood; it is historic and full of potential."

"The Vision encompasses my wishes for a better future. We need to address better safety for those not just those in vehicles, accessibility and growth needs."

Neighbourhood Renewal Guiding Principles



Safety and well-being – Focus on the needs of people first, ensuring streets and spaces feel safe, welcoming and comfortable for all users.



Connected and accessible – Improve connectivity for walking, rolling, biking, driving and public transit, creating a network that supports choice and flexibility.



Community context – Work with community members so renewal projects reflect community values and the needs of people now and in the future.



Livable and resilient – Make sustainability part of decisions. Protect neighbourhood trees, parks and open spaces, where possible, while planning for climate resilience and creating livable streets that support daily life and social connection.



Adaptable and rebuildable – Honour the neighbourhood's historical context and existing character, while reimagining it to meet the needs of the future. Renewal balances valued features with creativity and openness to new possibilities that help the community evolve and thrive.

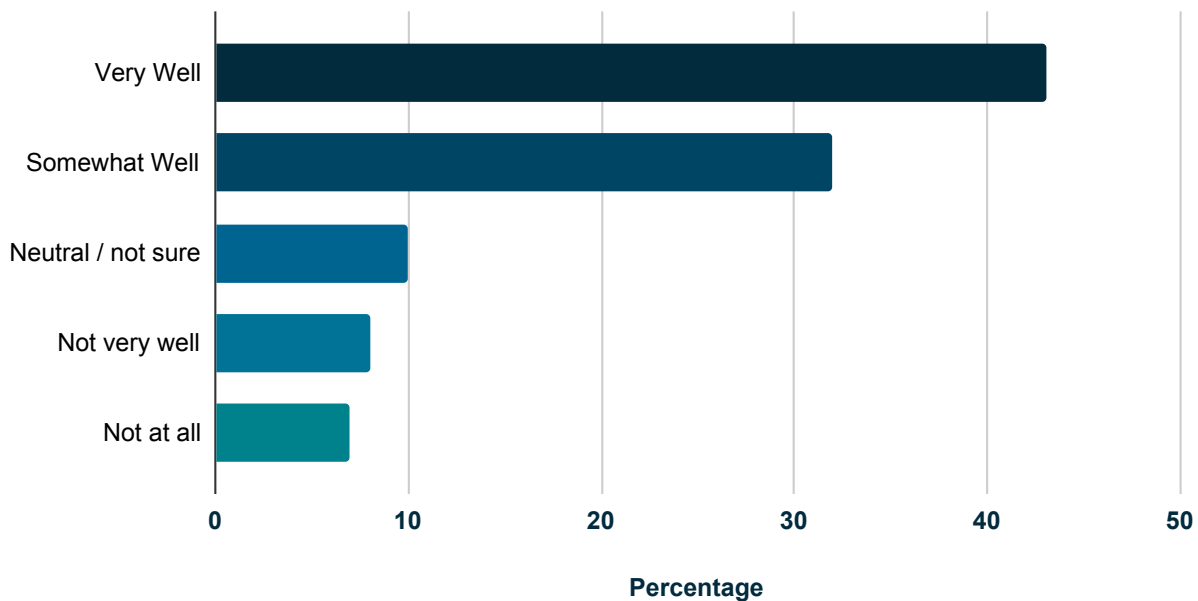
(formerly: Build on what exists today while reimagining neighbourhoods to meet the needs of the future. Renewal balances valued features with creativity and openness to new possibilities that help communities evolve and thrive.) Further information about this revision can be found on page 22.

Participants were asked the following two questions, providing an opportunity to comment on each of the Guiding Principles and then share what influenced their rating.

- + **Thinking about the future (30 – 50 years) of Beacon Heights. How well do each of the Guiding Principles align with your own vision for your neighbourhood?**
- + **Please explain your answer.** *Tell us what influenced your ratings and how the Guiding Principles align (or do not) with your long-term vision for Beacon Heights.*

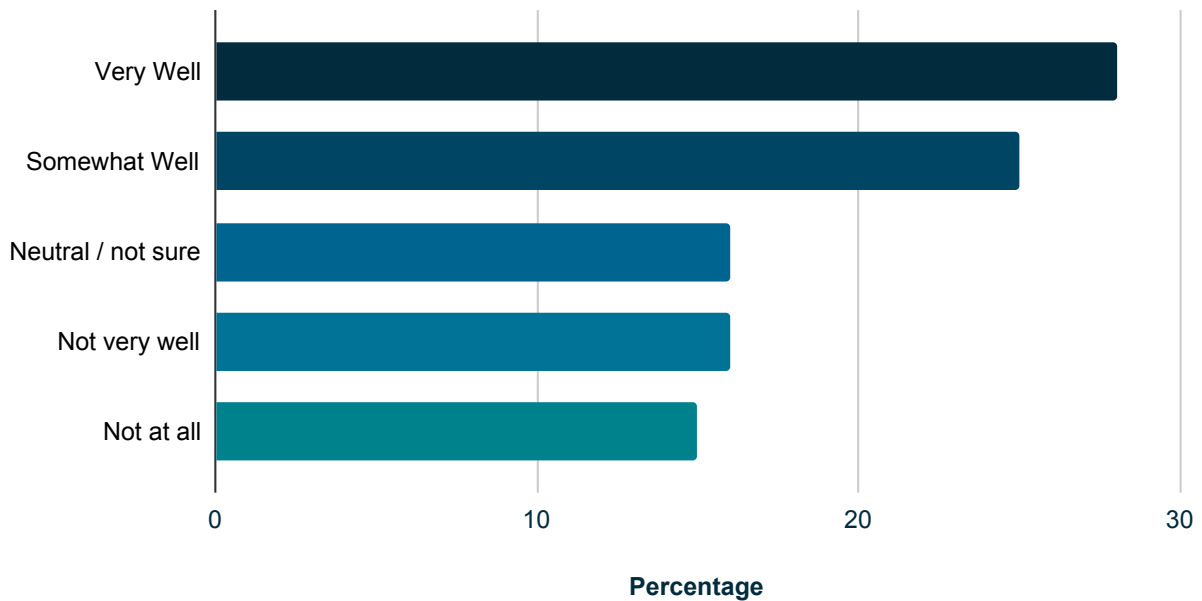
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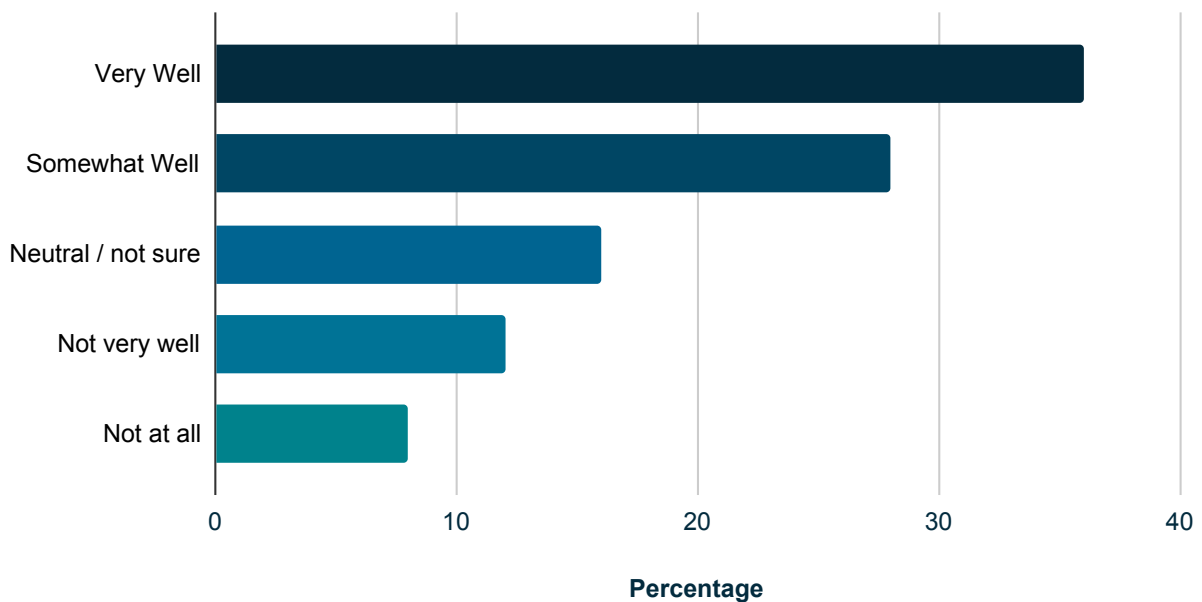
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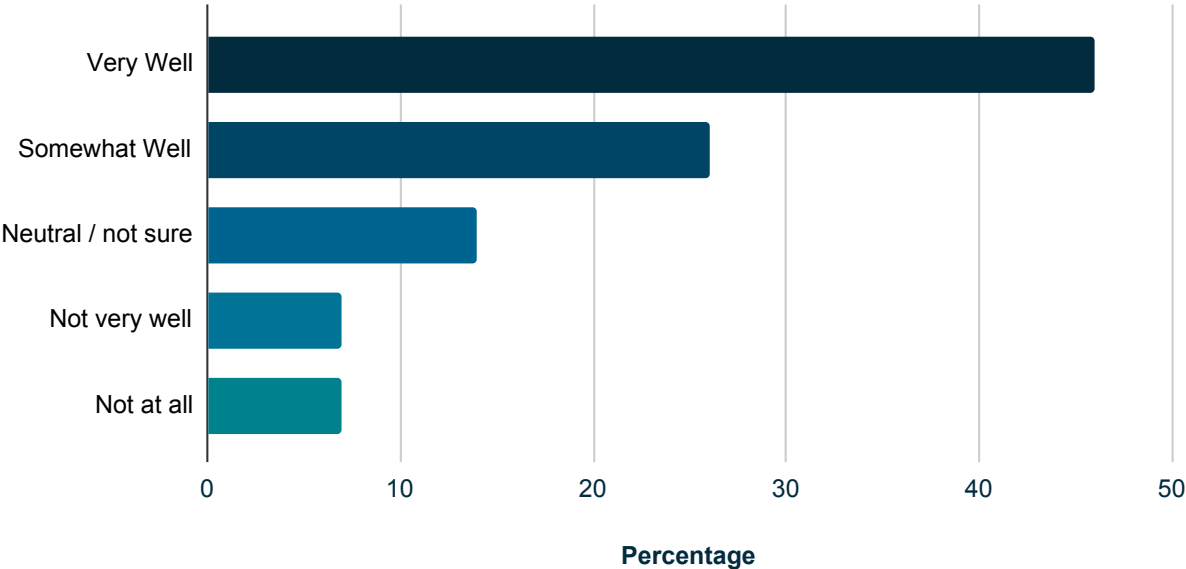
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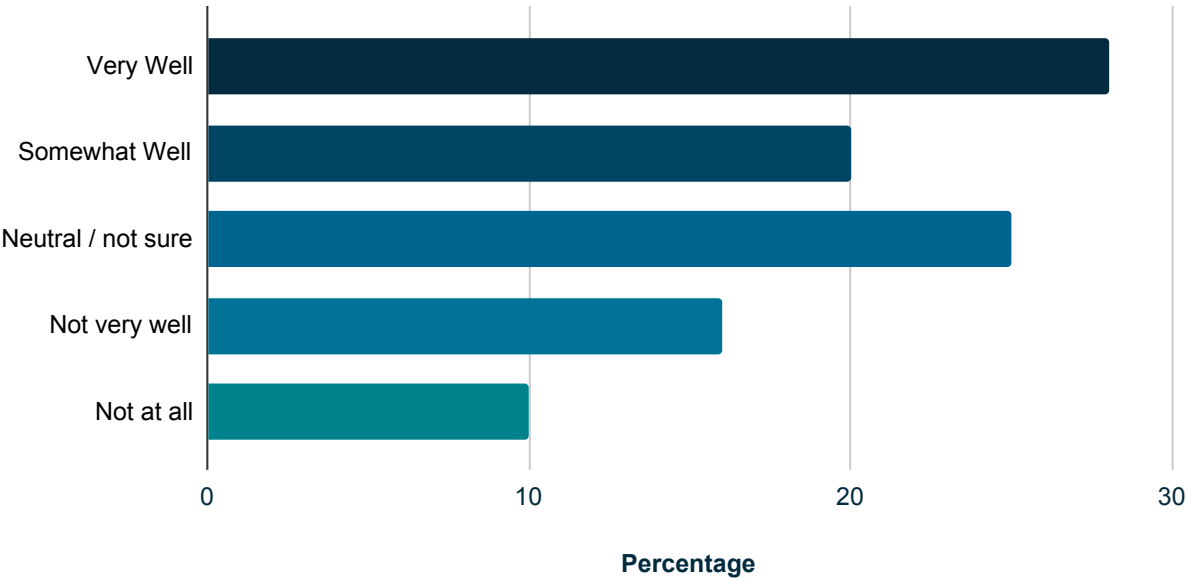
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Guiding Principles feedback summary

Across all Guiding Principles, some to many participants felt they aligned “very well” or “somewhat well.” Participants rarely shared “neutral/not sure” responses, reflecting some uncertainty but not strong disagreement. Responses indicating the Guiding Principles did not align (“not very well” or “not at all”) were shared fewer times or rarely. Those participants provided suggestions about how their priorities could be better reflected.

Participant comments and feedback about the proposed Guiding Principles centred around the following themes:

Confidence and trust:

- + A desire for visible accountability, making it easier to trust the process. These residents want clear communication, and proof the City will deliver meaningful action

Infrastructure changes, upgrades and improvements:

- + The current traffic patterns, parking pressures and past interventions have made all modes of transportation worse rather than better, with participants expressing concerns about the impacts of adding bike lanes in Beacon Heights
- + Specific needs from City services that require upgrading and alignment would incorporate statements about investment in schools, infrastructure and local economic resilience
- + The need to upgrade deteriorating roads and sidewalks as the immediate infrastructure priority

Tree preservation and green space improvements:

- + A strong desire to preserve the mature trees (and plant more), expand green space and maintain the parks they value. Alignment means protecting natural assets while adding thoughtful, community-driven enhancements to the green parts of Beacon Heights

Overall, the Guiding Principles resonate with residents' values. While some participants identified opportunities to place a greater emphasis on safety, accountability, heritage and community character, these themes can be addressed through implementation rather than revisions to the Guiding Principles.

Minor edits were made to the **'adaptable and rebuildable'** Guiding Principle to reflect what was heard during engagement. This revised wording is listed on page 17 and will be shared with the community during the next round of engagement: *Honour the neighbourhood's historical context and existing character, while reimagining it to meet the needs of the future. Renewal balances valued features with creativity and openness to new possibilities that help the community evolve and thrive.*

"I think those are all good principles, just comes down to execution"

"Having seen what has been done in other communities, I am very hopeful for what this will mean for Beacon Heights and neighbouring communities."

"... the overall subject matter meets my expectations, but I require more details on what is planned for Beacon Heights. I am encouraged by the development, but I am anxious to see what the overall direction will be for the future."

A long term vision should be to keep the feel and usability of this area as close as possible to what is already there. We live here in this area for a reason, it feels and works well already.

We need our Old Town Beverly to thrive and look presentable, create markets, cafes, and places for us to shop and meet others.

It's a great community as it is today, but it does need to remain vibrant and attractive so that mature neighbourhoods are still desirable places to live.

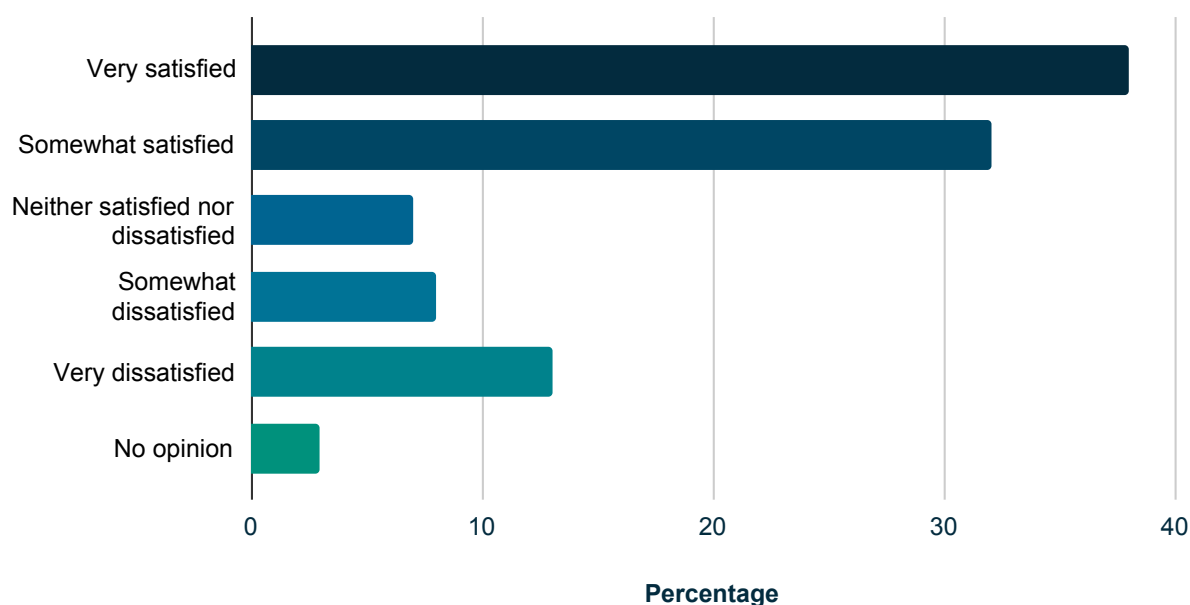
Exploring opportunities

As a part of the Building a Project Vision and Exploring Opportunities engagement stage, participants were asked to share how they move, work, live, gather and play in Beacon Heights now, and how they would like to in the future.

The following sections summarize how satisfied people are driving, biking, walking and rolling in Beacon Heights, including getting in and out of the neighbourhood.

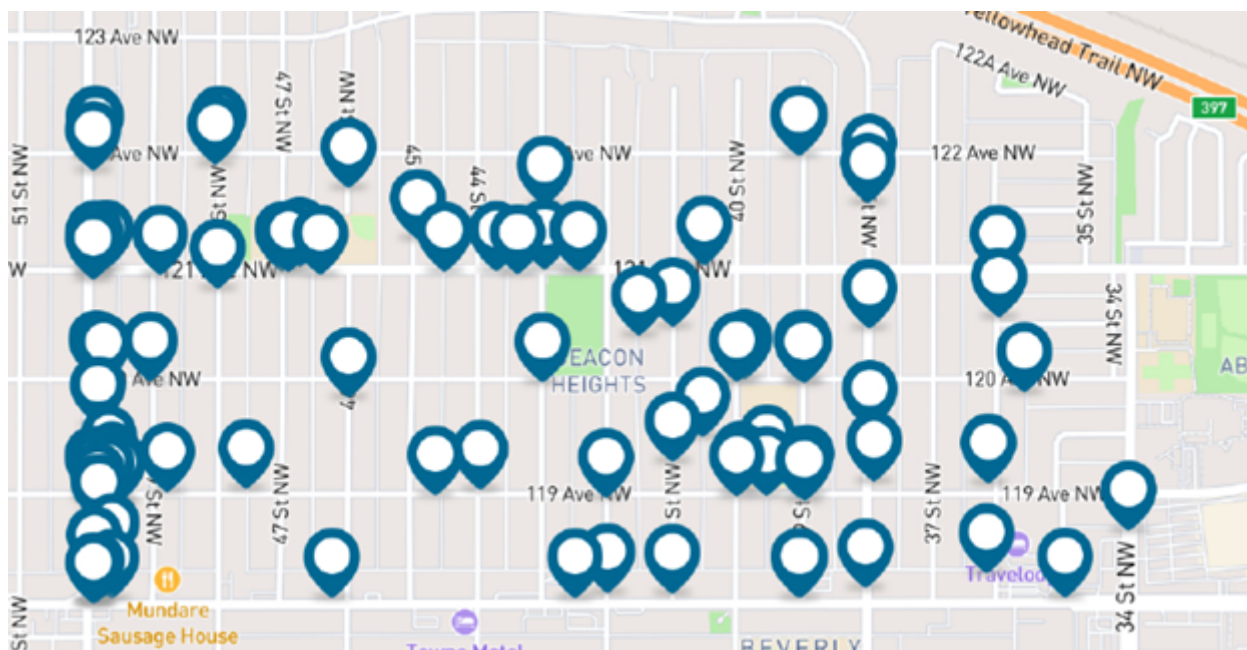
DRIVING

How satisfied are you with **DRIVING** in Beacon Heights (including getting in and out of the neighbourhood)?



Participants were asked to drop a pin on a map indicating areas with challenges or where they would like to see improvements to driving in Beacon Heights.

The map below shows the locations where the project team received feedback about driving.



Overall, participant comments and feedback are summarized under the following themes.

Neighbourhood character, parking and community context:

- + The strong character and historical atmosphere of Beacon Heights, noting that it is quiet
- + Concerns about insufficient parking in the neighbourhood, partly due to infill development

Infrastructure condition and maintenance:

- + Concerns about worsening road conditions, saying repaving is required as soon as possible, specifically raising concerns about potholes and drainage problems that lead to flooding and other road safety hazards
- + A need for better maintenance in the neighbourhood, particularly during the winter season (e.g. snow clearing) and in situations where trees and vegetation have become overgrown
- + Active transportation needs, such as expanding the sidewalk network

Safety, traffic and public realm design:

- + We heard opposition to the existing traffic calming measures
- + Concern that reckless driving behavior creates conflicts with other road users, alongside support for stronger traffic calming measures within the neighbourhood
- + Concern about reduced visibility caused by poor lighting, street furniture and vehicles parked too close to intersections
- + That improvements are needed at the school sites to slow traffic and improve safety
- + The need for designated accessible parking stalls at Abbott School to accommodate individuals with mobility challenges, with suggestions that reshaping the median could improve safety for students when exiting vehicles
- + Concern about increased criminal activities in the neighbourhood and calls for stronger enforcement

Although 50 Street NW is outside of the project boundary, it is worth noting participants would like to see improvements on 50 Street NW at 119 Avenue NW.

"The whole neighbourhood has people speeding up and down the grid streets blowing stop and yield signs creating accidents. Should maybe look at speed bumps or traffic circles"

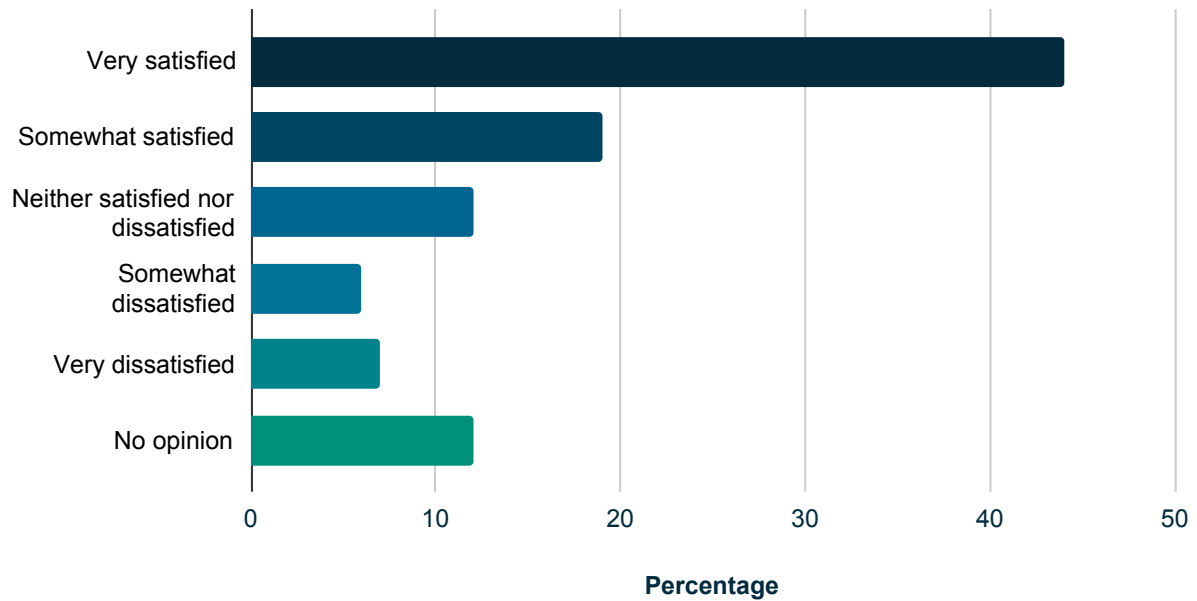
"Narrowing the road would probably be a hindrance to the school but there should be something to slow down vehicles so I don't always feel rushed by the person behind me when I slow to the 30 limit."

"In front of Beacon Heights School, people drive way too fast in front of that school."

"Bump outs [curb extensions] don't improve driving or walking access. Winter walking and driving (is) inhibited."

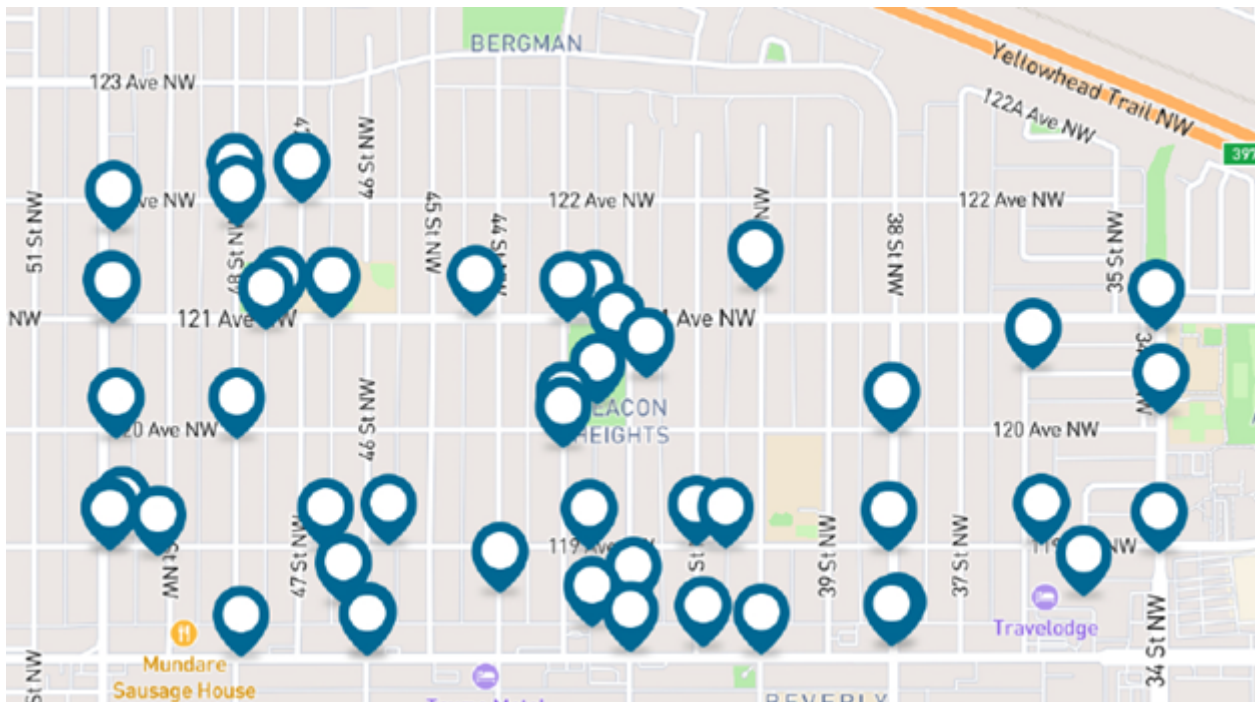
BIKING

How satisfied are you with BIKING in Beacon Heights (including getting in and out of the neighbourhood)?



Participants were asked to drop a pin on a map indicating areas with challenges or where they would like to see improvements to biking in Beacon Heights.

The map below shows the locations where the project team received feedback about biking.



Overall participant comments and feedback centred around the themes are outlined below.

Differing perspectives on biking infrastructure:

- + A number of participants questioned the need for new biking infrastructure, stating that biking is currently low and that road safety can be maintained as long as all road users comply with traffic laws. They also noted the importance of preserving sufficient parking in the neighbourhood and expressed reluctance toward replacing parking spaces with bike lanes
- + Alternatively, others stressed the need for infrastructure that encourages active transportation, supporting the addition of new bike lanes or shared pathways to expand and connect to the overall cycling network. Some suggested bike lanes would improve safety and said education is important to ensure users understand how to properly use shared pathways and bike routes

Biking safety and network challenges:

- + Participants noted biking in the area is challenging due to heavy traffic volumes and aggressive driving, which place those biking at risk. They also noted that theft has resulted in schools installing secured lockups and racks to address that issue

Infrastructure conditions and maintenance:

- + Participants noted deteriorating road conditions require repaving as soon as possible, while others identified poor lighting and a lack of maintenance throughout the neighbourhood

"Bike lanes are not needed. Also the narrowing of lanes around school zones make navigating the neighbourhood impossible after snow events."

"The curbs pose a huge problem for accessibility at the corners. Having kids ride their bikes on the narrow roads is not an option, and the sidewalk curbs are an issue."

"119 ave is a bike route, but also doesn't feel like a bike route :("

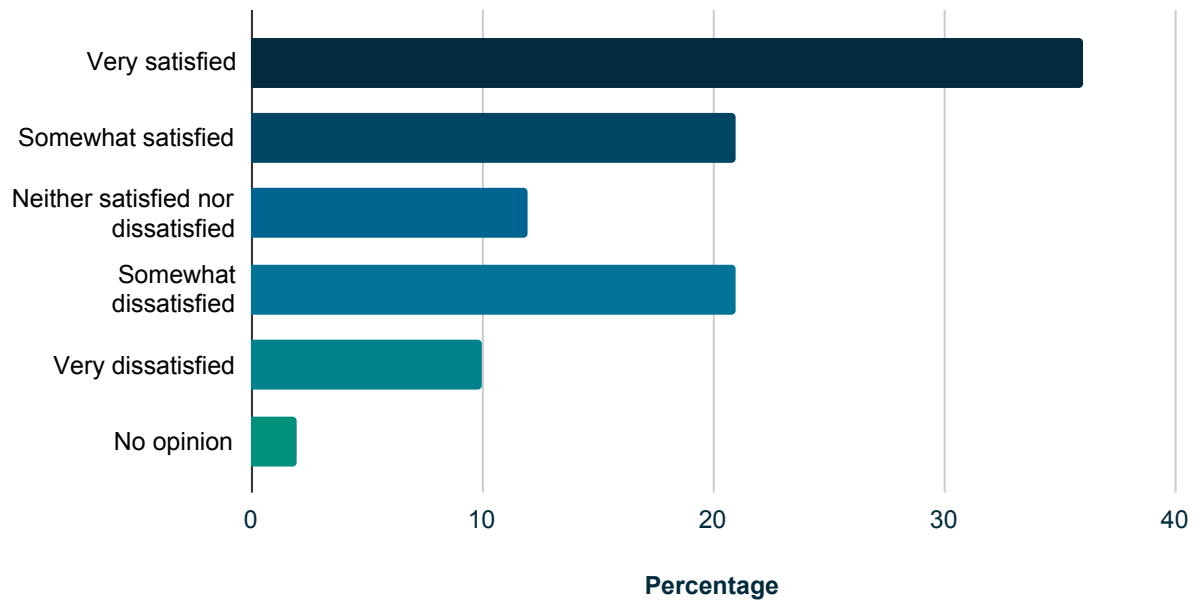
"This [119 Avenue] is listed as a bike route but there's no sidewalk, bike lanes, or path so drivers drive too fast because the road seems to allow for higher speeds without sidewalks."

"121 ave lights do not respond to bikes, 121 ave should be a shared road, a bike trigger at the lights would be great."

"Traffic calming has pushed me as a bike rider into traffic at intersections. the curb lane is the bike lane."

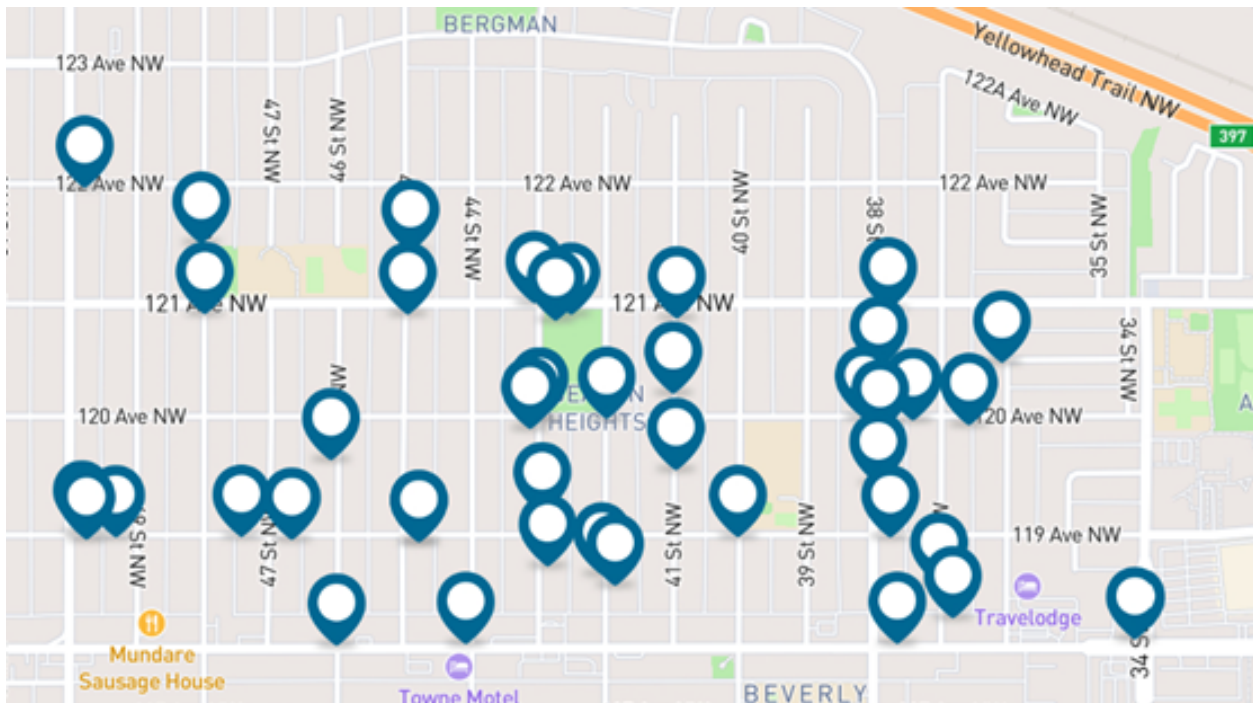
WALKING AND ROLLING

How satisfied are you with WALKING AND ROLLING in Beacon Heights (including getting in and out of the neighbourhood)?



Participants were asked to drop a pin on a map indicating areas with challenges or where they would like to see improvements to walking and rolling in Beacon Heights.

The map below shows the locations where the project team received feedback about walking and rolling.



Overall participant comments and feedback centred around the themes are outlined below.

Safety and traffic conditions:

- + Participants found walking and rolling in the neighbourhood challenging due to heavy traffic volumes, reporting that crossing at busy intersections is difficult. Some shared requests for additional crossings and traffic calming measures to improve safety
- + Participants shared safety concerns due to crime or the conditions of the sidewalks, which is preventing them from walking in the community

Accessibility and universal design barriers:

- + Poor sidewalk accessibility is a serious issue, with tree roots, high curbs and the lack of curb ramps creating significant barriers for people walking or rolling
- + Identified drainage issues (e.g. pooling water and ice) that make moving through their community difficult

Active transportation network and connectivity:

- + Participants identified opportunities to improve connectivity with more sidewalks where currently missing, bike lanes and shared pathways in the area, and revitalizing alleyways, due to safety concerns
- + Improvements are needed at the schools to improve safety for people walking (e.g. crosswalks, wider sidewalks)
- + Participants shared they prefer having separated and dedicated lanes for walking and rolling (e.g. skateboarding or rollerblading)
- + They also felt that adding more trees and vegetation would improve the appearance of the neighbourhood for people moving in the community

"There are several spots in Beacon Heights where there are high curbs instead of curb cuts. This is challenging when pushing a stroller or helping a small kid on a bike cross the street."

"There is no sidewalk at all here [between 49 Street and 50 Street] on 119 Ave, even though it would be a quiet alternative to 118 Ave."

"Multiple tree roots have broken through the asphalt, I have tripped and fallen along this block too many times."

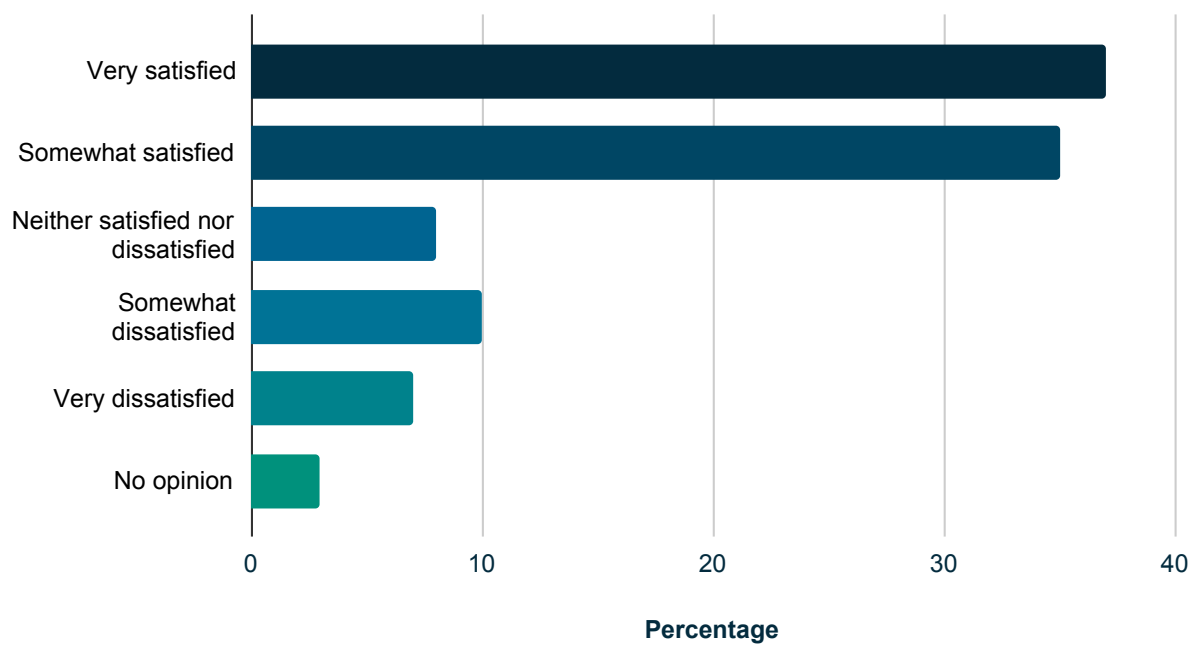
"Monowalk all along 118 Street just feels unsafe. Many people quickly accelerating and changing lanes to move around other drivers making left turns, lots of speeding on [the] road as well."

"Sidewalk is sinking, creating giant pools of water/ice with nowhere to drain. Sidewalk and road surface conditions are terrible basically everywhere though."

"Lots of wide streets, especially 121 [Avenue], and could be repurposed for either a wider shared use [path] or bike lane."

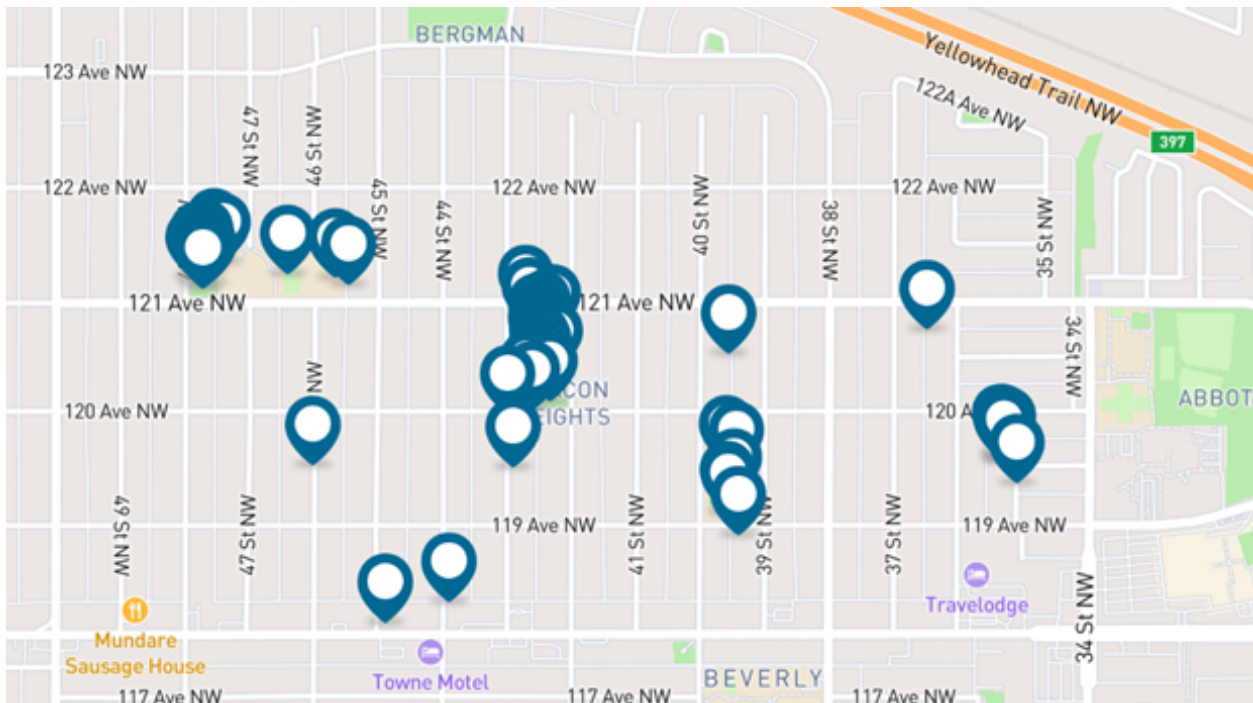
OPEN SPACES

How satisfied are you with OPEN SPACES in Beacon Heights?



Participants were asked to drop a pin on a map indicating areas with challenges or where they would like to see improvements to open spaces in Beacon Heights.

The map below shows the locations where the project team received feedback about open spaces.



Generally participants expressed a strong appreciation for their parks and open spaces.

Participants also expressed safety concerns in open spaces in Beacon Heights and called for increased enforcement. In particular, the issues that were identified related to:

- + Loitering and the presence of unhoused individuals
- + The discovery of discarded needles, drugs and other unsafe materials in playgrounds
- + Criminal activities have been spotted in less visible or poorly activated areas

Participants noted that poor lighting and visibility that prevents active surveillance is an issue in open spaces in Beacon Heights.

Overall participant comments and feedback centred around the themes are outlined below.

Programming, activation and multi-use open spaces:

- + Participants expressed the need to repurpose open spaces to support multi-use functions (e.g. dog park) and more interactive programming, including community events and recreational activities, noting open spaces may have barriers to this effort such as land ownership (e.g. old community league space), small park size, and special installations (e.g. Cenotaph on the south side of 118 Ave/out of project scope)
- + Observed that certain open spaces and facilities are underused or not well known within the community

Parks, amenities and green space enhancements:

- + Participants emphasized the need for additional greenery, including more trees and landscaped areas, as well as picnic furniture, and there were also calls for a wider range of recreational facilities to accommodate diverse activities

Maintenance, renewal and facility condition:

- + Sharing concerns about outdated facilities, noting that upgrades and renewals are long overdue
- + A general perception that maintenance and upkeep need to be improved; that safety can be a concern

Governance, ownership and collaborative planning:

- + Acknowledging that when open spaces are located on school lands, planning decisions rest with the respective school boards, emphasizing the importance of collaboration between the City, community leagues, institutions, private developers and other interested parties when planning and implementing improvements to open spaces

"Fantastic community league for skating and spray park. Great place to meet people. Keep it up!"

"For many years Jubilee Park has had basketball hoops on the grass. The community would love to see a pavement area for the basketball hoops for people to use."

"There are some anti social spaces here that contribute to folks using drugs here. It can be unsafe for children."

"Needs a better more age inclusive playground and some improvements to the spray park to make it a safer space. We love the community rink here and love visiting in the winter as community members. Such an amazing place for kids to meet and play in the winter."

"This space [Vollema Park] could be enhanced with more trees or plants and spaces for people to sit."

"This park [on 119A Avenue] is another place I'd like to see picnic benches or some form of gazebo type structure – but it's usually quieter at this park – would love to see revitalization of the park equipment, I think that is the biggest upgrade needed to be used more often."

Next steps

Thank you to all who shared their input during the **Building a Project Vision and Exploring Opportunities** stage of engagement.

The feedback gathered, existing conditions and City policies, programs and technical requirements will be reviewed and used to determine next steps for the project.

In fall 2026, the public will be invited to the **Exploring Options and Tradeoffs** stage of public engagement for Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal. The Project Team will return to the community and explore options and tradeoffs to understand the preferences of the community. During this stage, we will invite you to provide feedback on the design options and to share insights to help **REFINE** them.

Information will also be provided about cost-sharing opportunities for sidewalk reconstruction through the local improvement process.

For more information regarding Beacon Heights Neighbourhood Renewal, upcoming public engagement activities and to subscribe for project updates, please visit edmonton.ca/BuildingBeaconHeights

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This is your city and your neighbourhood. We want to understand how you experience Beacon Heights and ask for your input on what we might do to make it better.

We commit to being open and transparent about how your input is used. Let's make the most out of Beacon Heights.