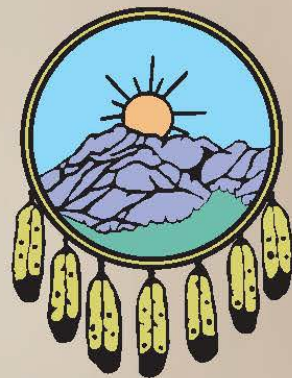




Comprehensive Community Plan (CCP) 2018 Refresh Project: Small Group Meetings Summary Findings

August 2018



Pakisqnuq First Nation:
Comprehensive Community Plan





CCP 2018 Refresh Project

- Comprehensive Community Plan adopted by Chief and Council by resolution in March 2016
- Chief and Council supported a review of CCP and 'refresh' in May 2018
- Opportunity to have community feedback on CCP
- Part of broader community consultations on major initiatives (member code, land code, constitution)
- Opportunity for input on achievements to date



CCP 2018 Refresh Goals

- All voices/all group inclusion in process, specifically elders and youth
- Outcomes reflect traditional knowledge, culture
- Test a path forward of community investment for individual and family success
 - example of Lot 37-4 to resource promotion of ʔakisq'nuk language and culture
- Opportunity for a sounding out of the CCP and the nation's internal communications



CCP 2018 Refresh Support

- Working Group has oversight role in all communications and follow-up
- Working Group member to attend all small group meetings
- Heather Rennebohm (Project Coordinator)
- Planning support: Richard Cook, Jorden Cook Associates
- Anna (Sam) Hudson, project assistant



CCP Small Group Meetings May-July 2018

- Nine meetings held - May 24, 2018 to June 26, 2018
- Facilitated by AFN's consultant
- Working Group member at each meeting, as well as Project Coordinator
- Newsletters advertised CCP project and meetings
- Twenty-seven individual participants; 1-2 hours each
- Each participant provided with a copy of debrief notes for comment,
- All notes then combined into one package
- Working Group provided with compiled notes from all meetings, as well as Summary Findings

Summary Findings

1. CCP Document

- Most were aware of CCP and of the Vision
- Individual comments:
 - Consider a new cover endorsing updated plan in Ktunaxa and English
 - Want CCP to be 'an AFN plan'





Vision – CCP 2016 (Ktunaxa and ʔakisq'nuk)

- As a Nation, we are striving to achieve strong, healthy citizens and communities, speaking our languages and celebrating who we are and our history in our ancestral homelands, working together, managing our lands and resources, as a self-sufficient, self-governing Nation.



Summary Findings

2. CCP Vision

- General familiarity with the Vision
- Individual comments included:
 - AFN not doing enough to manage lands and resources
 - E.g. recycling, water recovery, reuse construction waste
 - 'leave it better than you found it'
 - Difficult to apply all the time, but heavily scrutinized
 - Support for 'speaking our languages and celebrating who we are in our ancestral homelands'. 'Sovereign' better than 'self-governing'
 - Language and culture does feel like it is a community priority. Young people want to learn. 'Raise people up' who want to learn traditional ways and language.
 - Important for children
 - Vision of citizens; everyone's responsibility – not just government



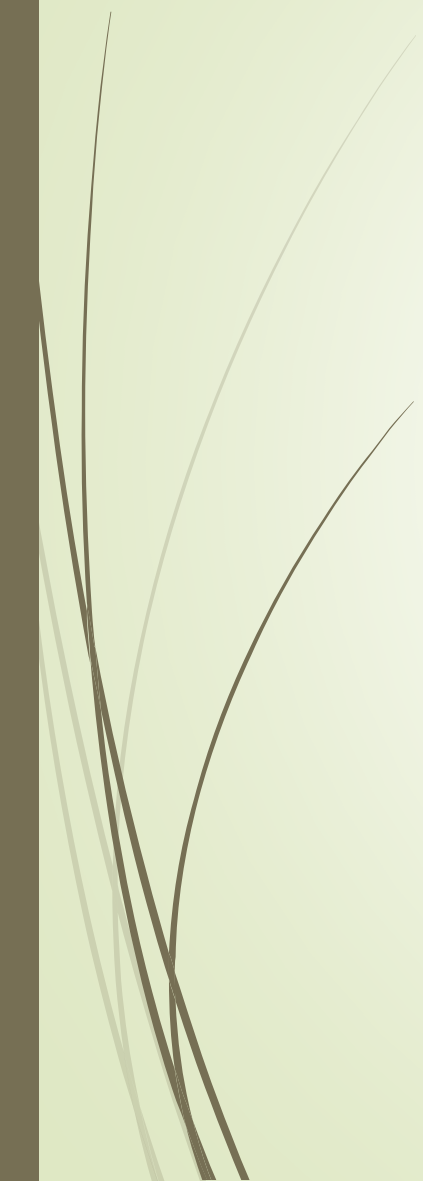
Summary Findings

3. CCP Mission

- Support to re-start a process to update Mission statement
- Needs a Ktunaxa perspective
- Translate into Ktunaxa language



Core Values

- The Natural Spirit of our Lands
 - Our Language and Culture
 - Family
 - Responsible Self-Governance
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Summary Findings

4. CCP Core Values

- Strive to move to a culture of inclusion
- Safety and security will lead to health and well being
- Younger AFN members may be more ready to learn traditions and language than adult members



Summary Findings

5. Support for Traditional Knowledge and Language

- This topic generated the most discussion
- Generally support for traditional knowledge and language was felt to be important, if not for the person talking, then for their children or grandchildren
- Younger people understand language better now, but middle age groups struggle more
- Review if teachers and trainers are getting financial support to teach the language and culture, regardless of their position at AFN
- Recommended that staff review alignment with Financial Administrative Law and Eva Joseph Society mandate.
- Language and Traditional Knowledge coordinator at AFN?
- Use best available technology to preserve, promote, share



Summary Findings

5. Support for Traditional Knowledge and Language

- Individual comments included:
 - 'The more our [young] generation that works with our traditions, the better ... the more generations that pass, the more is lost from the Ktunaxa language'
 - 'long ago after a language conference, we all wanted to speak Ktunaxa on the way home ... but it only lasted a short while.'
 - Need our own school to teach Ktunaxa language at an immersion level, from grades K-12. A 2-week course is not enough
 - Need more teachers and speakers – phased approach with SD6?
 - Teach female and male elements of Ktunaxa language
 - Little Badger program is great, but what about those unable to attend
 - Need to step up game, make effort to bring it back for all ages
 - Members should be willing to learn Ktunaxa, without payments



Summary Findings

5. Support for Traditional Knowledge and Language

- Individual comments included (continued):
 - Limited people alive to teach Ktunaxa
 - Bring back policy that staff (members or not) study the language
 - Need to help people feel valued when they are supporting traditional knowledge and language (dollars, recognition, both)
 - Support for materials to be supplied by AFN to make regalia
 - Build on Radium Interpretive Centre example
 - Ktunaxa translations of place names as part of Lot 37-4 development
 - Use visuals as well as words; promote sharing of the creation story
 - Use CDs, access the 'First Voices' resource



Summary Findings

5. Support for Traditional Knowledge and Language

- Individual comments included (continued):
 - Translate government job titles into Ktunaxa (like Finance now)
 - Standard non-indigenous teaching needs to be adapted to traditional Ktunaxa teaching methods --- learn language in a traditional way
 - Uncertain why Ktunaxa language has not been a priority in my everyday life
 - The test for whether you know the language is if you can carry on a conversation.



Summary Findings

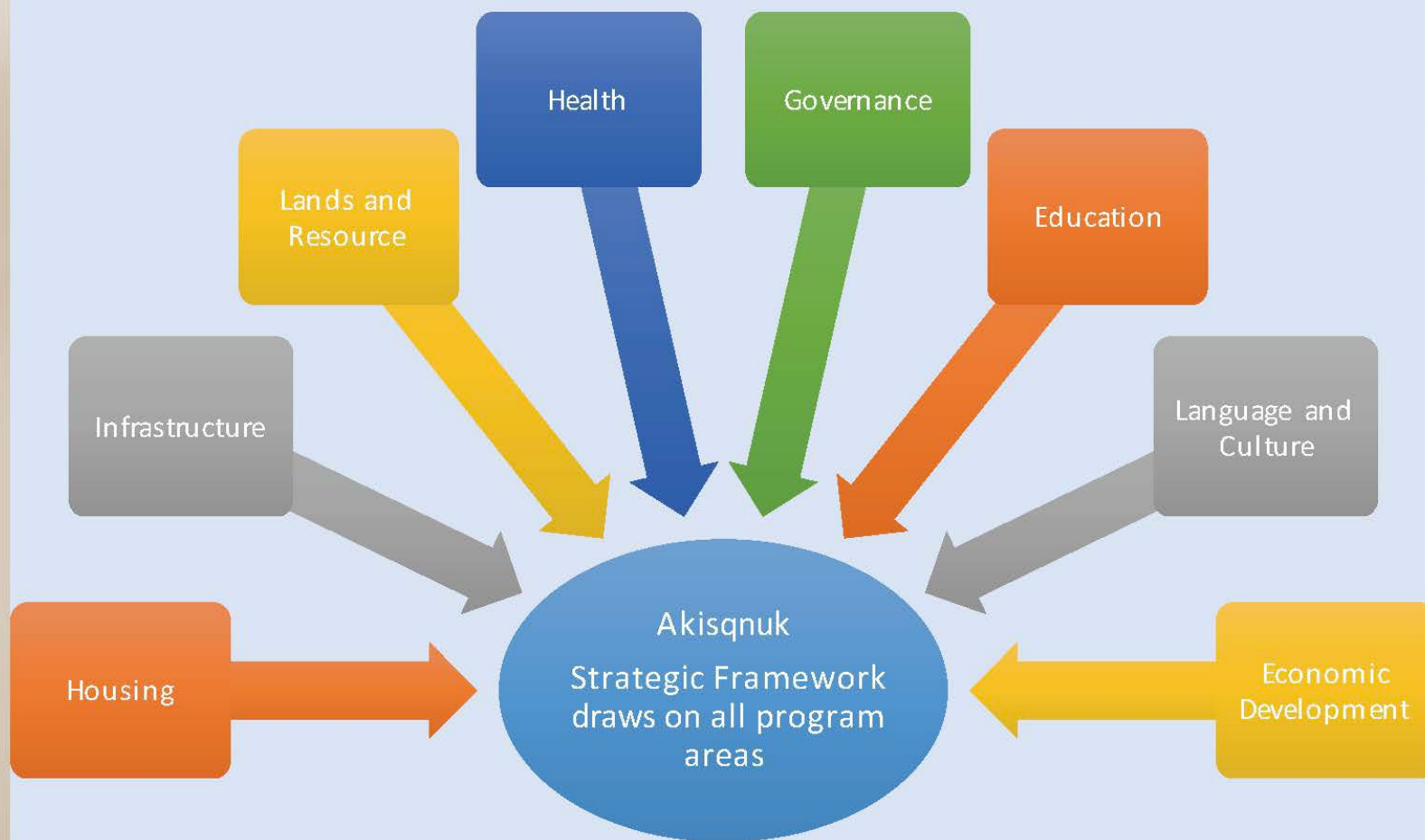
6. Support for development on Lot 37-4

- General support for developing the site; many ideas
- Take a long-term perspective
- Include business opportunities for members (trades such as hunting, services and professionals)
- Support for commercial business options – to help achieve self-sufficiency as ‘own-source’ revenue’ with no ‘pre-designations’
 - Blacksmithing, AFN restaurant, butcher, manufactured home builder, grocer, health excellence centre, hyperbaric chamber, renewable energy businesses, hemp production/sales
- Need clear criteria on what parts of 37-4 are available to non-AFN businesses. Coordinate building designs.
- Consider a conference centre, perhaps as a shared-use facility
- Gas station supported, and questioned (new one close by)
- Consider housing above shops to help bring AFN members home
- Explore All Nations Trust for finance

Summary Findings

6. Support for development on Lot 37-4





7Akisqnuq First Nation's Strategic Framework Model



Summary Findings

7. Other Ideas for CCP Refresh

- Reintroduce agricultural and related business into AFN; co-op model as one option. Maybe a Bison ranch.
- Review policy support for businesses on AFN CP holder lands – help with federal red tape, start-up information, approvals and funding opportunities. CP holders meeting recommended.
- Individual ideas included:
 - Expand on Monty Roberts equestrian/equine therapy program
 - Utilize former village area better – café for cycling tourists?, family housing if water is available
 - Improve prospects for members to come home to AFN
 - Consider opportunities for food sovereignty (e.g. Whitetooth restaurant in Golden)
 - An indoor People's Place – away from government offices
 - 'Granny flats by the lake' --- retirement, not care facility
 - Better recreation facilities --- restrooms, lighting

Timeline

May 9 - 28

- Project Start, Establish Working Group

May 28

- Chief and Council, Working Group Updates

May 28 - 30

- First Small Group Meetings

June 25 –
Jul 31

- Additional Small Group Meetings
(on reserve and in Cranbrook)

Aug 25

- AFN Annual General Assembly – presentation of small group findings and booth

Mid Sep

- Community Workshops – time and place(s) to be confirmed – develop ideas from small groups



CCP 2018 Refresh Next Steps

- Your thoughts on results of small group meetings?
 - Vision statement, Mission statement
 - Support for traditional knowledge and language
 - Support for Lot 37-4 development
 - Other ideas for CCP Refresh
- Community Workshops in September 2018