



Forbes Park Ad-Hoc Committee

Final Recommendations for a Community Park & Pathway
Presented to Windham Town Council | May 12, 2026

Committee Members

- Lindsay Conrad (Chair)
- Megan Potter (Vice-Chair)
- Steve Clauson
- Amie Earley
- David Joy
- Tena Lensbeck-Peron

- Mark Morrison (Town Council)
- Linda Brooks (Director, Parks & Recreation)
- Jason Hanken (Operations Manager, Parks & Recreation)
- Amanda Lessard (Assistant Town Manager)

Committee Purpose & Details

The purpose of the Committee shall be to research and explore the development of a pocket park in this community area. The Committee will recommend a concept plan establishing connectivity with trails suitable for walking and biking to serve area residents and the public as well as an optional picnic pavilion, benches and recreational amenities suitably sized for this 1.33-acre parcel.

\$40,000	ME Community Development Block Grant (Awarded)
\$10,000	Town of Windham
\$50,000	Total Budget

May 2025	Grant Awarded
Dec 2025	First Committee Meeting
May 2026	Committee presents recommendations
June-Aug 2026	Work & installation of park
Sept 2026	Park completed

About the Committee

Formed to explore future use of town-owned property



Develop recommendations for a concept plan

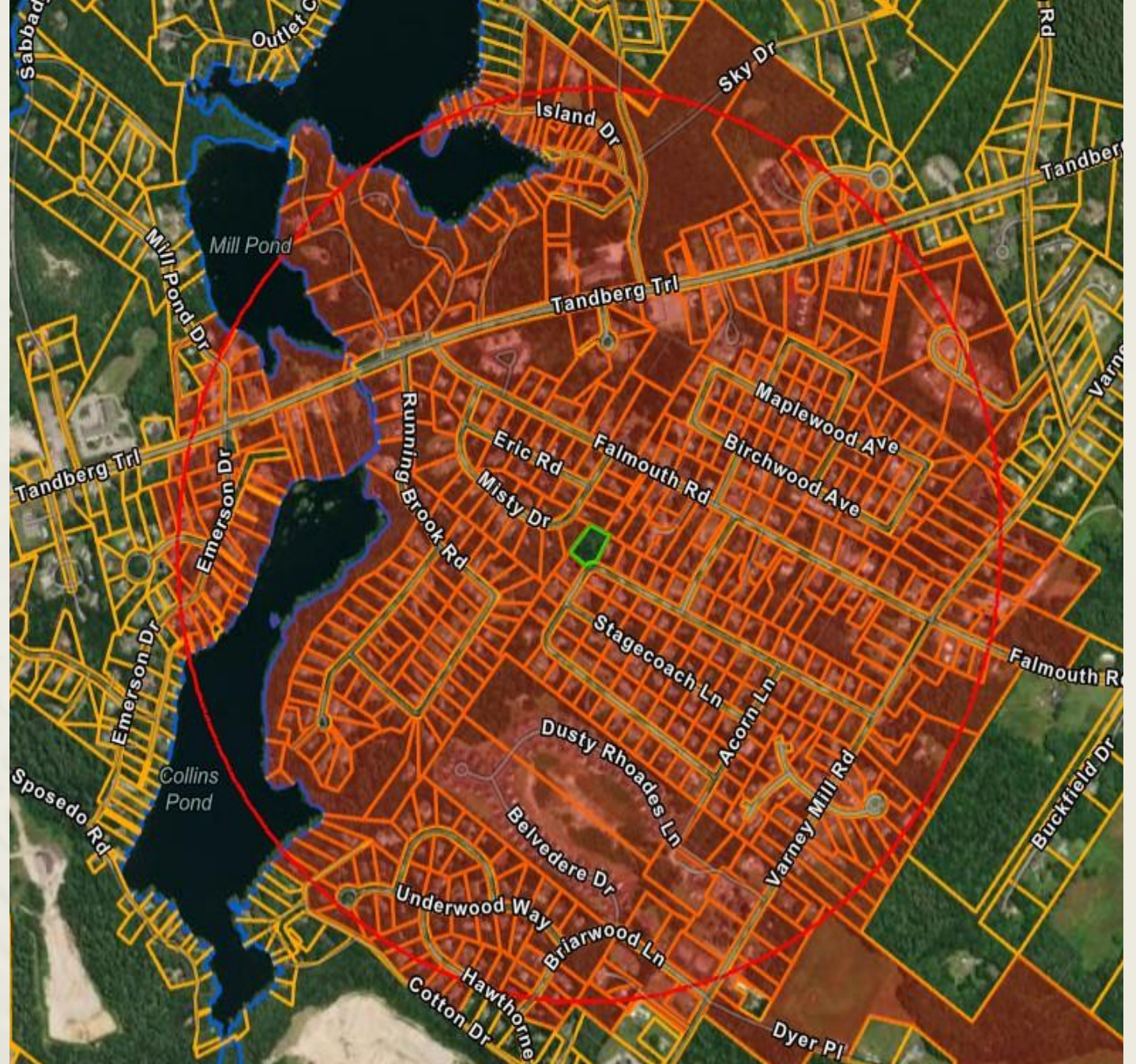


Membership included residents, staff, and council liaison



Area for Park

- North Windham, off of Falmouth Rd
- 1.33 acre wooded lot
- Connecting Misty Drive & Forbes Lane neighborhoods



Our Process

Met regularly from December through April

Reviewed site conditions

Conducted survey and neighborhood outreach

Held public community forum

Worked with Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation

Community Input



105 survey responses received



Strong support for preserving natural character



Interest in paths, seating, family amenities



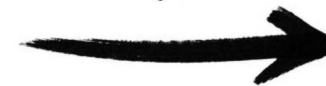
Desire to respect neighboring homes



We want to hear from you!

The Forbes Park Ad-Hoc Committee wants your input on envisioning a pocket park in this area! The committee is made up of Misty Drive and Forbes Lane residents, and are leading efforts to design a park that establishes connectivity between the two neighborhoods with amenities that serve our community.

Take our survey!



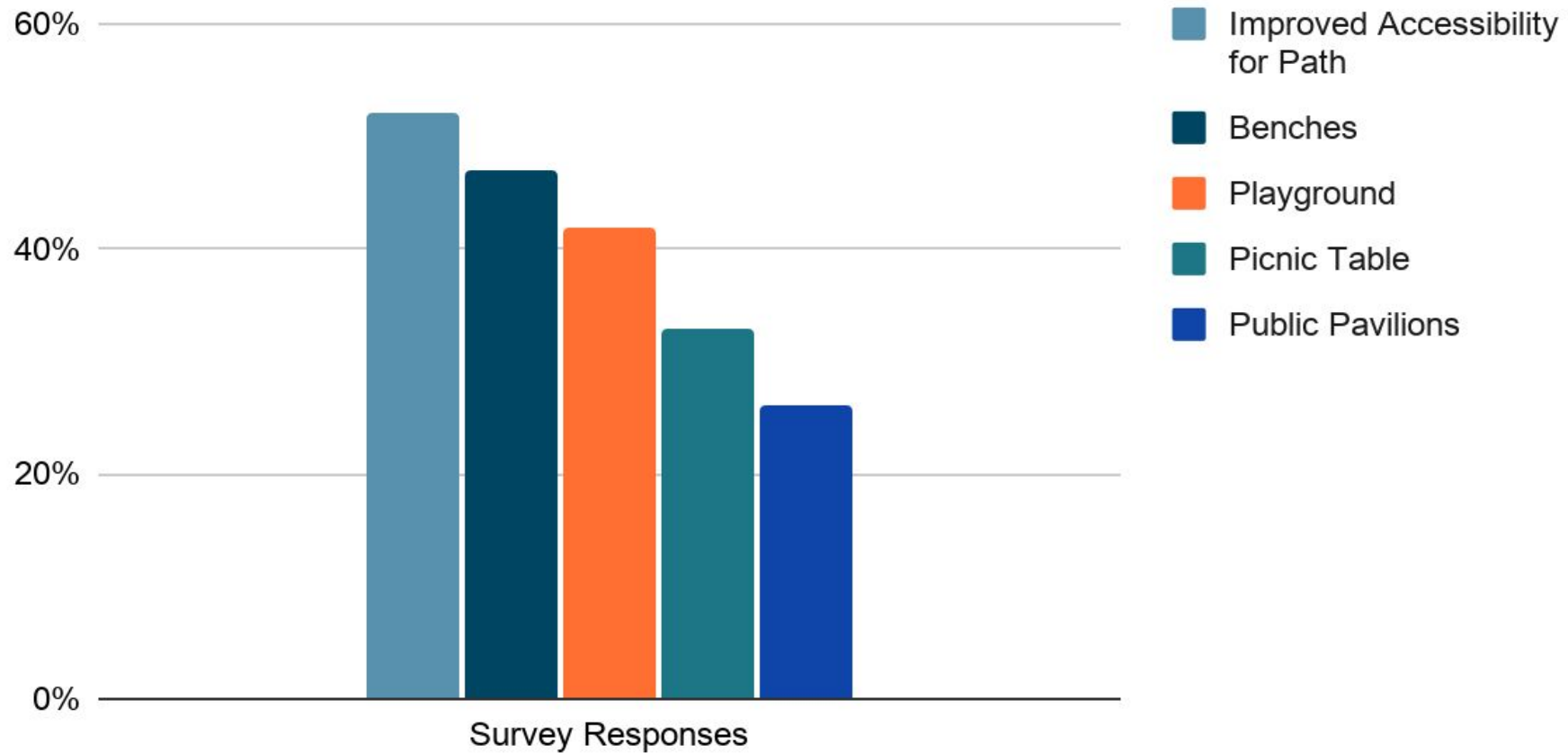
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Community Forum will be held on February 19th (6pm)
at Windham Town Hall

Public Survey & Forum

What would bring you to use this park?

Top 5 Survey Answers



Recommended Vision:

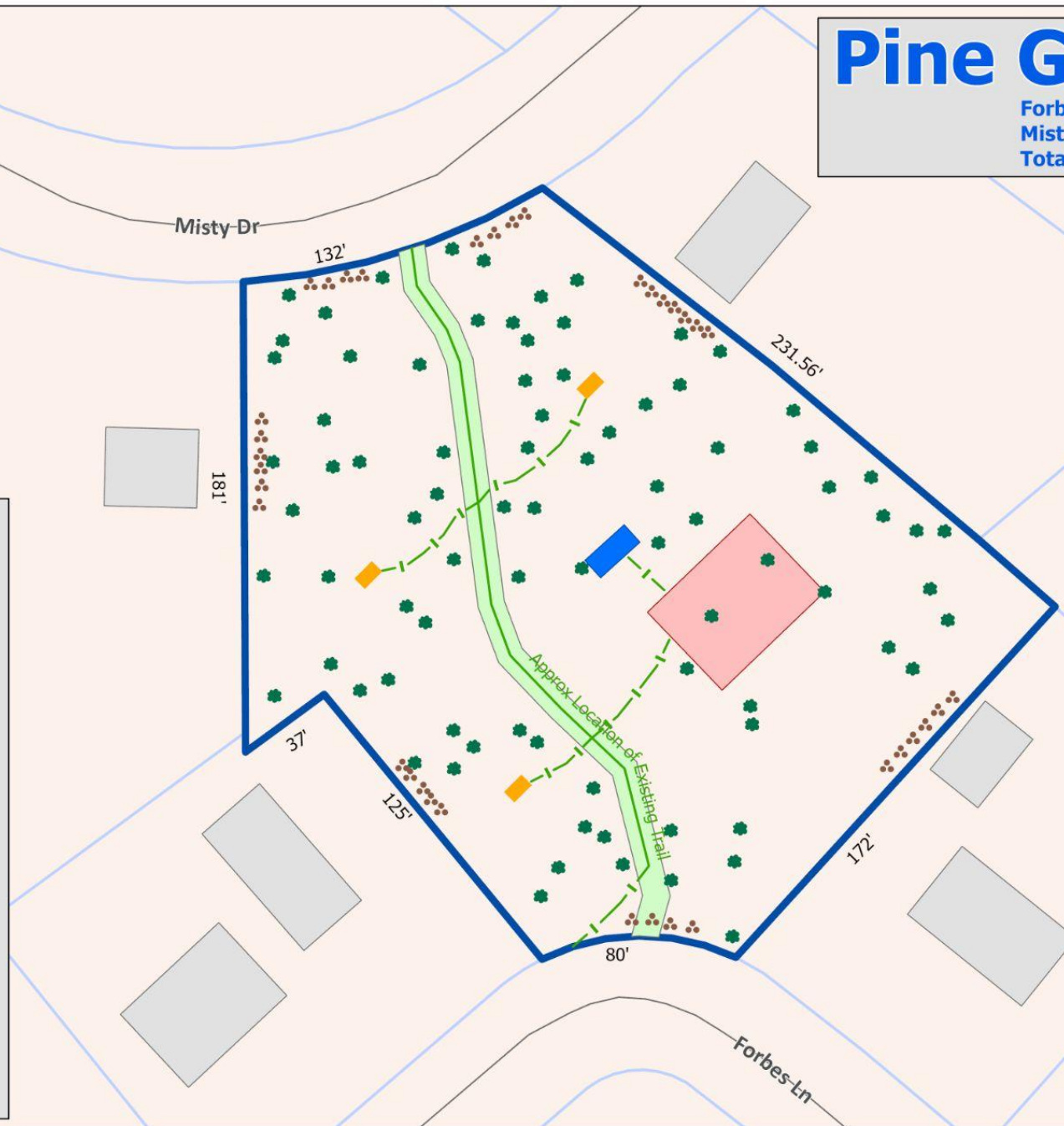
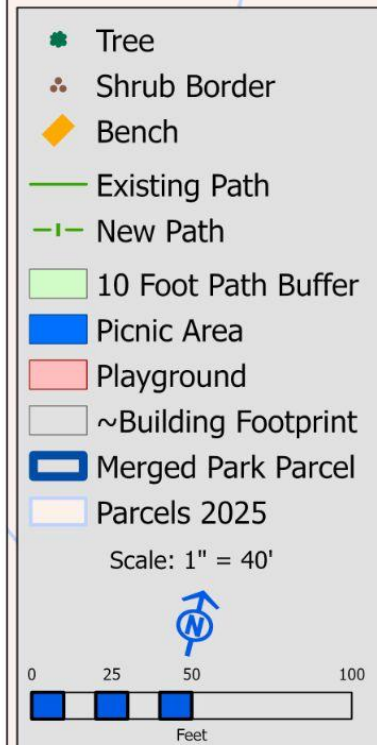
PINE GROVE PARK

A forested neighborhood park focused on nature, walking access, and a space for gathering.

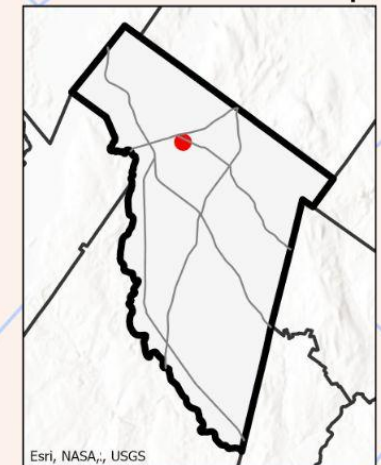


Pine Grove Park

Forbes Lot: 0.81 Acre
Misty Lot: 0.52 Acre
Total: 1.33 Acres



Park Location Map



Map updated by S. Harmon, Windham IS, on May 11th, 2026.

Restore & Protect the Site



Remove dead and unhealthy trees



Arborist review and long-term management



Preserve healthy trees



Fill disturbed pit areas



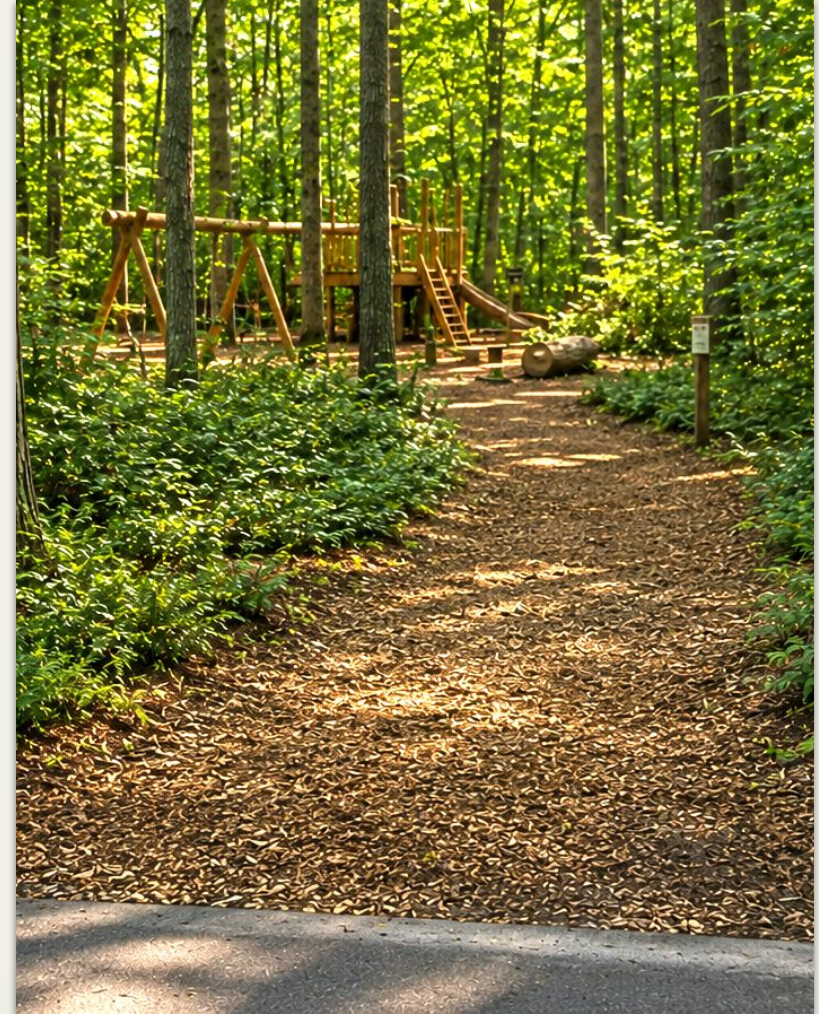
Adjacent Neighbor Consideration

- 10 foot buffer around property
- Use vegetation screening
- Continue communication with abutters



Pathway and Accessibility

- + Maintain existing path route, with reroute onto Forbes
- + 6' wide main path
- + Natural wood chip path surface
- + Rustic spur/path to picnic & play area and benches
- + No designated on-site parking



Park Amenities



2-3
benches



Picnic
table &
small
pavilion



Swing set



Low-to-the-
ground
natural play
elements

Play Area & Equipment



Signage

- Entry signs or archways
- Town rules signage
- Dog waste station
- Possible future educational/interpretive signage



Next Steps & Committee Help

- Tree clean-up already underway
- Finalize designs and estimates
- Phase improvements as funding allows
- Committee can help organize partners and neighborhood volunteers



After PowerServe volunteer day (5/9/2026)



**Thank you and
Questions**