



Town of Lynn Lake

Community Development Plan

Public Workshop Booklet

The Town of Lynn Lake is preparing a new Community Development Plan to guide growth and development in the community over the coming 10 years. Council intends that it be a strategic planning document that is largely guided by the future goals and aspirations of the residents, their opinions about how the town can be improved, and their ideas about opportunities for growth and development.

This workshop booklet is intended to gather the opinions of the citizens of Lynn Lake regarding the future of Lynn Lake and related quality-of-life considerations and growth and development issues. The answers gathered in this questionnaire will ultimately serve to inform the Development Plan Public Open House which will take place in January of 2017. The Town of Lynn Lake appreciates the effort and time you invest in the completion of this questionnaire and your participation in this community engagement process.

Please feel free to take the workshop booklet home with you. If you do so, please have the workshop booklet returned to the Town office once it has been completed, or prior to January 5, 2017 .

Remember: There are no bad ideas or wrong answers when completing this!

Lynn Lake 2026: Where Are We Going? Where Should We Be Headed?

Community Vision: During this session you are to “envision” living in Lynn Lake in 10 years. Take a couple of minutes to reflect upon what you think or hope life in Lynn Lake will be like in 2026. When you have finished, work through the following questions and share your responses with other open house participants in an effort to begin crafting a Community Vision.

1. What five (5) keywords would you use to describe the Town of Lynn Lake in 2026?

2. Is the community bigger, smaller, or about the same size in 2026?

- Less: 500 people
- The same: 600-750 people
- Slight increase: 750-1000 people
- Major increase: Over 1500 people

3. What do you “value most” about life in Lynn Lake today? (list using key words, descriptions, phrases)

4. Why do people want to live in Lynn Lake in 2026? Rank the following choices (1-8) and add others as you see fit.

	A safe community with a family focus
	A quiet retirement haven
	Employment opportunities
	Diverse recreational and leisure opportunities
	Availability of retail and commercial services
	Community heritage, culture, and spirit
	Affordability
	Other Reasons (list)

5. In what ways is the Lynn Lake of 2026 different from the Lynn Lake of 2016?

a) Ways in which it may be a better place to live:

b) Ways in which it may be a worse place to live:

Sustainable Community: A sustainable approach to land use and development means viewing the goals of economic development, community development, quality-of-life, and environmental protection as interrelated and not an “either/ or” situation. A sustainable community values the important functions of the ecosystems present and does not separate community growth and development from the natural environment that supports and sustains it.

6. What does the term “Sustainable Community” mean to you? How is it applicable or important to Lynn Lake?

7. In what areas does Lynn Lake need to improve its’ prospects for “sustainability” over the coming years? What ideas might be explored for these improvements? Use the following list and add other categories of sustainability you feel may fit.

Economy/Employment: _____

Social/Cultural: _____

Infrastructure (roads, water, sewer): _____

Environmental: _____

Other: _____

8. In terms of economic sustainability, what is the outlook for various economic sectors in Lynn Lake in 2026?

Economic Sector	Expanding	Contracting	Stable	Solutions?
Mining				
Private Enterprise				
Tourism				
Mineral Exploration				
Construction				
Public Sector				
Cottage Development				
Other ?				
Other ?				

9. Using some of the key words and phrases you have identified above, craft a Vision Statement for Lynn Lake in 2026.

Lynn Lake is _____

Lynn Lake Today: The Good, the Bad and the Beautiful. Charting a Path

Community Services and Physical Development: In this section you are being asked to reflect on life in Lynn Lake today, what the town needs to better service existing residents, and how to accommodate potential future growth. The focus of this section will be on housing, physical growth, community services and facilities, and the natural environment.

Residential Development

10. What types of housing should Lynn Lake have more of in the coming years? (Check all that apply)

- Single family homes
- Secondary or basement suites
- Side by side (attached housing) with yard access
- Dormitories for single industry based workers
- Rental apartment buildings
- Condominiums
- Senior Citizens Assisted Living
- Personal Care Homes
- Public Housing
- Work Camps within Town Boundary
- Mobile Homes
- Cottages
- Small Homes

11. In reviewing the above list of housing types are there any that you prefer over others? Are there any you think are not needed or would not want built in Lynn Lake?

More preferred housing type(s): _____

Less preferred housing type(s): _____

Retail and Commercial Services

12. Assuming increased growth, what type of shops and services does Lynn Lake need that it doesn't currently have? (List)

Environment

13. What aspects of the environment are at risk or what natural features need protecting in and around Lynn Lake in 2026?

Item	At Risk?		Threat or Risk Source	What Can Be Done?
	Yes	No		
Air Quality				
Lake Water Quality				
Town Green Space				
Forested Areas in Town				

Environment Con't -

Item	At Risk?		Threat or Risk Source	What Can Be Done?
	Yes	No		
Drinking Water Quality				
Rivers and Streams				
Wildlife Populations				
Surrounding Natural Environment				
Resident Health & Well Being				

Physical Growth

14. In looking for places to build new housing, should the current town concentrate on infill development within their current built-up portion of the town, or look to expand outside of the current development limits?

Infill

Expansion

Balanced Growth

15. How do you feel about providing the opportunity for more unserviced lots for additional seasonal cottages or year-round homes outside of town? What issues does/could this raise for you or the Town of Lynn Lake?

16. Based on your answer to questions 15 & 16, where might new residential growth be directed in Lynn Lake in the next 10 years? Using the maps provided at the end of this workbook, indicate where you believe new housing could or should be located. Consider both "infill" and "expansion" opportunities. Indicate where you believe a particular area is better suited for a particular housing type: I.e - Single Family, Multiple Family, Seniors Housing, Cottages, Small Houses, or other specified types.

Community Assets Inventory

17. Provide an assessment of the community in terms of the full range of community services and facilities available to residents. What works well? What is missing from the community? What needs to be improved upon?

Community Assets Inventory

Provide an assessment of the community in terms of the full range of community services and facilities available to residents.

Service/Facility	Status/Condition			Improvements Possible?			What Improvements Necessary?
	Good	Average	Poor	Yes	No	Neutral	
Indoor Recreation Facilities							
Airport							
Outdoor Parks and Rec. Facilities							
Library							
School							
Housing For Singles							
Housing For Families							
Housing for Seniors							
Recreational Activity Programming							
Youth Services							
Social/Cultural Events & Assoc.							
Health Clinic/Health Services							
Home Care for Seniors							
Municipal Streets							
Provincial Roads							
Waste Water System							
Public Beach/Dock							
Town Appearance/Beautification							
Police Service							
Police Community Relations							
Fire Protection							
Paramedic Service							
Active Transport (bike,walk, hike)							
Postal Service							
Outbound Public Transport							
Television/Internet/Cell Phone							
Other -							
Other -							
Other -							
Other -							

Lynn Lake Moving Forward - Achieving the Vision: What Must We Do?

Priorities for Community Improvement: In this section you are to identify actions and solutions related to the community issues and shortcomings that were identified in the previous sections. What should the town's priorities be in relation to the assessment of services and facilities?

18. If you had to develop a budget for infrastructure, basic services, public facilities, and other investments in the towns future, what would your top six (6) priorities be? Please rank your choices from 1-6 with 1 being your highest priority.

Priority Ranking	Expenditure Category
	Sewer and Water Repairs
	Servicing (sewer/water/roads) of new development
	Housing
	Solid Waste Management/Recycling
	Road Repairs and Improvements
	New Community Facilities
	Landscaping of Public Spaces and Parks
	Active Transportation Improvement (bike path/sidewalk improvement)
	Emergency Services (police/fire/paramedic)
	Downtown Redevelopment and New Commercial Services
	Economic Development and New Employment Opportunities
	Other:

19. What are the most important initiatives needed to improve the quality of life in Lynn Lake between now and 2026?

20. What public and private "partnerships" need fostering in order to achieve your vision of Lynn Lake 2026 and improve the town's overall prospects for sustainability?

21. Who should be involved in moving the community planning process forward and what should their role be?

Entity	Role

22. What do you perceive as the major issues and threats confronting Lynn Lake in 2026? What steps should be taken to address or mitigate the situations or avoid the potential consequences of their downfall?

Major Issues or Threats Affecting the Future of the Town of Lynn Lake	Strategic Action to Address the Issue or Eliminate the Threat
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	

23. What is your current level of optimism concerning Lynn Lakes future?

- Very Optimistic
- Somewhat Optimistic
- Not Very Optimistic

24. Please use the following space to offer any additional comments or suggestions regarding Lynn Lake.



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