Devonian Botanic Garden Sector Plan

GFC overview

21 November 2016
- Engage external stakeholders; build, strengthen and extend connections (O16/S1)
- Build relationships with alumni and donors (O16/S4)
- Welcome increased community access, participation and engagement at U of A sites (O16/S5)
- Embed social, economic, and environment sustainability (O20/S2)
- Partner with stakeholders to develop joint-use projects (O23/S4)
Challenges and Opportunities

- Continue as a visionary garden seizing opportunities for development.
- Link business operations with the U of A strategic plan and Faculty’s academic plan
- Support program growth with facilities and infrastructure improvements
- Provide for increasing numbers of visitors (Parking & washrooms)
- Balance and promote best environmental sustainability practices while recognizing maintenance shortfalls
- Bridge the intangible to “inspires the human spirit...”
8 Guiding Principles

- Interdisciplinary Academic Research for Scholarship and Engagement
- Conservation of the Natural and Cultural Environment
- Experiential Learning
- Sustainable Landscape Strategies
- Connected, physically, digitally, interrelationally
- 11-month Programming
- Responsive to Transportation Demand Management
- Fiscally Responsible and Operationally Viable
Existing Gardens – Imrie Wetland & Forested Natural Areas
Existing Gardens
Character Districts

- IMRIE WETLAND DISTRICT
- DYDE HOUSE DISTRICT
- NATURE EXPLORATION DISTRICT
- GARDEN COLLECTIONS DISTRICT
- LONG RANGE GARDEN GATEWAY DISTRICT
- NATURE DISCOVERY DISTRICT
  (IN COOPERATION WITH DEPARTMENT OF RENEWABLE RESOURCE)
Proposed Strategic Interventions – Imrie Wetland
Proposed Strategic Interventions – Dyde Lawn
Proposed Ecological Learning Centre
Devonian Botanic Garden Reimagined

To inspire the human spirit through outstanding achievements in learning, discovery, and citizenship in a creative community, building one of the world's great universities for the public good.

Questions?