

# Limoges Commemorative Park Proposal

Presentation to Council  
The Nation Municipality  
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- What we are seeking from Council (In principle in order to further define the project):
  - Commit to working with CSDCEO to obtain approval for the development of the recommended site as a commemorative park
  - Commit to providing support in-kind for the development of the park
  - Commit to assuming responsibility for the upkeep and maintenance of the site following project delivery “turnkey”
- Endorse the ***Way Forward Plan***



# Limoges Cenotaph Committee

- Who We Are
  - Group of community volunteers
  - Established in March 2023
  - Goal to relocate the Limoges Cenotaph
  - Registered as a non-profit entity on 31 December 2024
  - Will raise and manage project funds once Registered Charity status is approved (in progress)
  - Will act as Project Manager and deliver a “turnkey” asset to the Nation Municipality





# Issue

*Inaugurated in November 1988, the Limoges Cenotaph is now located on private property and is no longer fit for purpose for a growing community.*



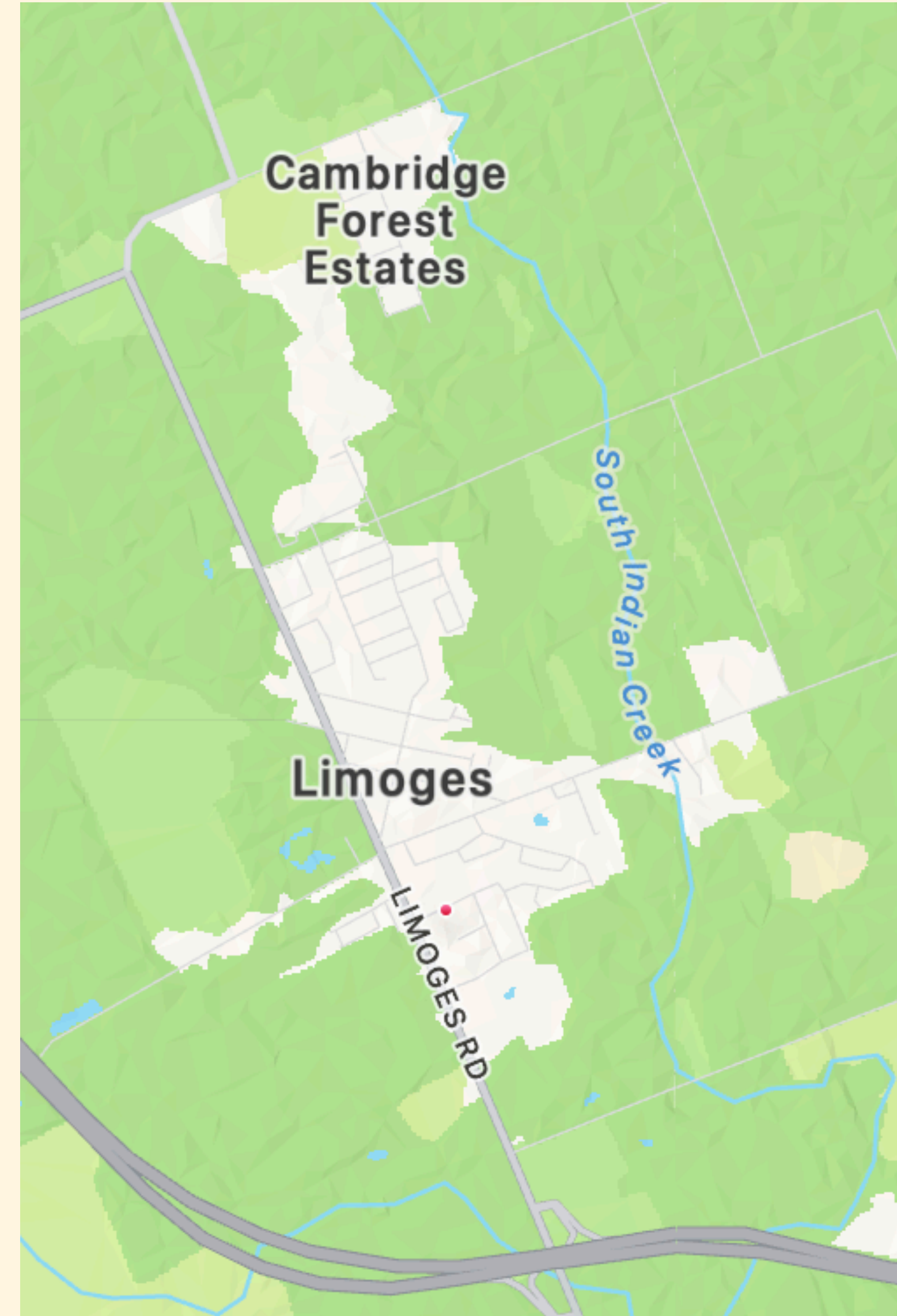
Inauguration du monument en l'honneur des anciens combattants, le 11 novembre 1988. Conrad Namiesniowski, Jean-Baptiste Dubois, Yves Vilandr  et Roger Mainville.





# Location Selection Criteria

- Accessible site that can be developed to barrier free standards
- Highly visible to the community and visitors
- A site that provides an environment of tranquility and an opportunity for reflection
- Can accommodate comparative services of various types for large numbers (200+) without significant logistical and security requirements
- A site that can be lit at night
- A site that allows for multiple monuments and military artifacts



# Locations Considered

- The Nation Municipality

★<sup>1</sup> Rodolphe Latreille Park



★<sup>2</sup> Near Grant Cemetery



★<sup>3</sup> Paroise St-Viateur



★<sup>4</sup> Centre Éducatif (csdceo) Mable Street



★<sup>5</sup> End of Main Street

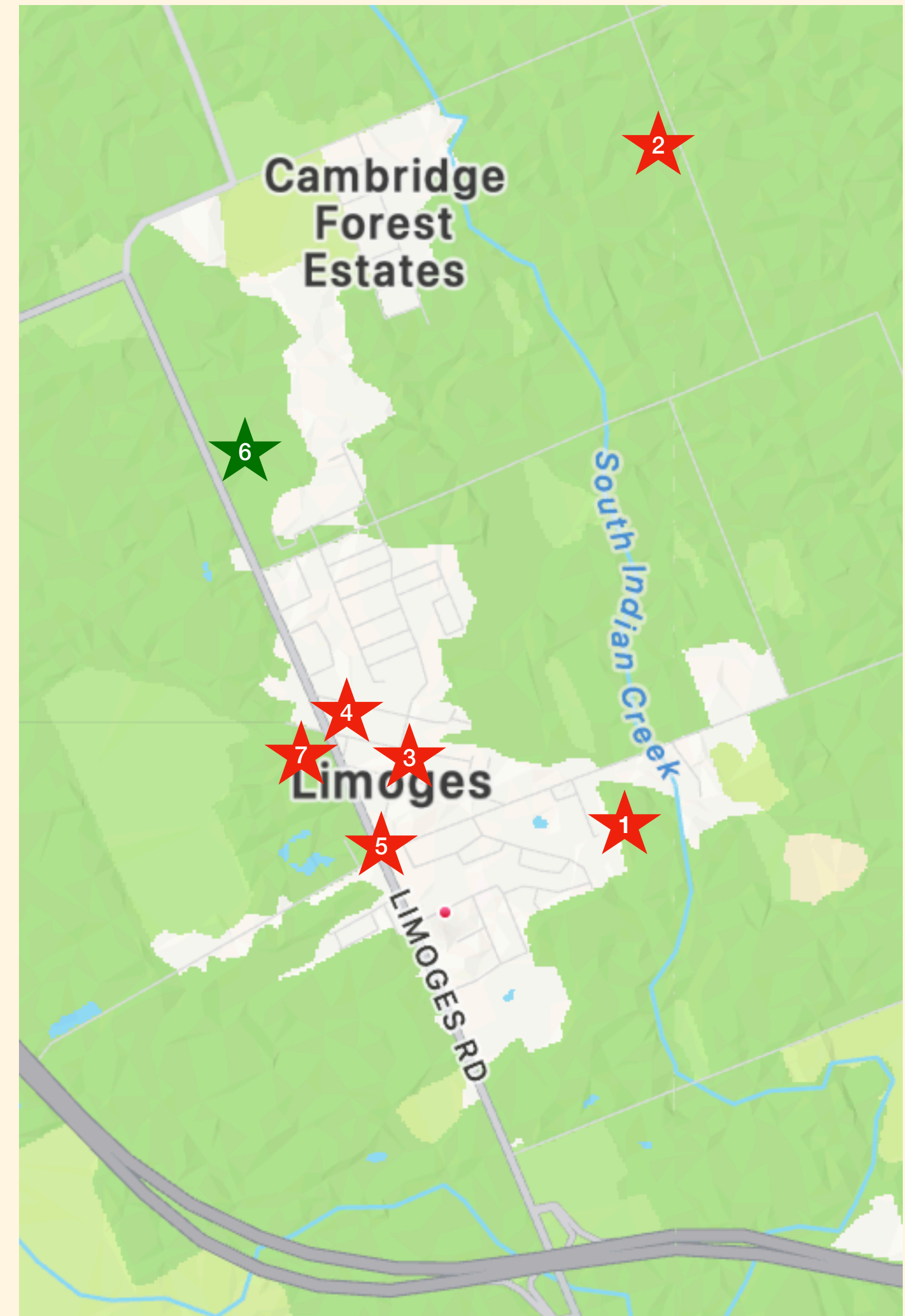


★<sup>6</sup> Limoges Sports Complex



- Russell Township

★<sup>7</sup> Nokomis Park





# Location Recommended

- ★<sup>6</sup> Limoges Sports Complex
- + Exceeds all selection criteria
- + Opportunity for commemorative park (more than just for Remembrance Day)
- + Accessible to school youth - educational opportunities



## Commemorative Park Elements

- Cenotaph area composed of a Canadian flag surrounded three monuments and a garden
- 1-3 military artifacts located throughout the park
- 2-3 park benches
- barrier free pathways
- pedestrian wood bridge over ditch (Canadian Military Engineers have expressed interest in constructing the bridge)

Notes: 1. All trees will be preserved 2. Development plan will be phased with Phase 1 focused on the Main Cenotaph Area





# Limoges Sports Complex - Commemorative Park

- Issue - Land leased from CSDCEO (Lessor)
  - 3 Jan 25 - meeting with CSDCEO Councillor - Mr Martial Levac - supportive of proposal, forwarded proposal to CSDCEO staff.
  - 18 Jan 24 - CSDCEO Business Superintendent and Treasurer - Mr Martin Lavigne
    - Confirming with Ministry but requires information from the Lessee (The Nation Municipality) in order to amend the Lease.
    - The Nation Municipality assumes responsibility for park upkeep, maintenance, replacement, and insurance





# Limoges Sports Complex - Commemorative Park

- Recommended **Way Forward Plan** (sequence checklist)
  - Municipality obtains approval from CSDCEO/Ministry for lease amendment
  - Cenotaph Committee completes definition of the project
    - design, scope of work (SOW) and fund raising (includes application for government grant(s) with support of the Municipality)
    - works with Municipality staff to determine in-kind opportunities based on SOW
  - Cenotaph Committee obtains project implementation approval from Council
    - final design, in-kind commitments and project phased plan
  - Cenotaph Committee moves forward with project implementation
    - Phase 1 - Remediation of existing Cenotaph site and construction of Main Cenotaph Area at new location
    - Phase 2 and subsequent phases - as determined financially viable
  - Project Completed - Handover to the Nation Municipality





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**QUESTIONS?**



# Committee Members

- Luis Carvallo - Chair/Director
- Mike McNeill - Secretary
- Aurèle Constantineau - Director
- Richard Quinn - Director
- Sylvain Ouellet - Liaison to CSDCEO
- Marjorie Drolet (Councillor Ward 6, The Nation Municipality)
- Dan Boisvenue (Councillor Ward 5, The Nation Municipality)
- Dave Mushing
- Matthew Brozincevic (Limoges Recreation Committee Representative)
- Peggy O'Meara (Limoges Recreation Committee Representative)
- Richard Mathison
- Bob Joiner
- Darren Anderson
- Elizabeth Anderson