



Representatives from the Hooksett Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Conservation Commission, Heritage Commission and a few others recently formed a planning group to develop a master plan for the newly obtained Pinnacle Park in Hooksett.

The Pinnacle – 34.5 acres of woodland capped by the Pinnacle rock outcropping, with over 1000 feet of frontage on Pinnacle Pond, will remain in its natural state except for a small parking area, picnic ground and minimal structures such as warming huts, kiosks, a pavilion or two and gazebos. A very small playground, measuring no more than 400 square feet, is also permitted, as is the reconstruction of a tower on the summit should the Town ever decide to do so. Otherwise the land will remain forever forested, crossed only by hiking and nature trails.

The Hooksett Department of Parks and Recreation intends to make the minimal improvements allowed on the property. Those plans are intended to minimize traffic impact in the neighborhood while providing access so that the property can be enjoyed by all of the citizens of Hooksett for its intended purposes.

The planning group has scheduled two events to gather input, suggestions and concerns from neighbors and residents of Hooksett. A public meeting will be held at the Hooksett Public Library for 7 PM on Thursday, April 28. And a public walk on the property will be held at 9 AM on Saturday, May 7, beginning off Pinnacle Street in the former orchard to the west of the intersection with Birch Hill Road.

If you have any questions please call either Dave Hess at 485-9027, or Mike Horne at 540-9608 or at hornemw@gmail.com.