

London Britain Township OSRER Plan

Plan Advisory Committee Meeting #3

Tuesday, June 16, 2026 @ 5:30-7pm

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Agenda

- 1. Overview**
- 2. Public Meeting #1**
- 3. Draft Vision and Goals**
- 4. Map Review**
Inventory Maps
- 5. Prioritization Mapping (Ag and Natural Resources)**
Open Space Modeling - *Sarah*
 - a. Agricultural Lands Model
 - b. Natural Resources Model

Next Steps

Next PAC meeting – July 21st

VISION, GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

London Britain Township is a rural community committed to preserving its agricultural heritage, open landscapes, and exceptional natural resources, including the White Clay Creek Preserve, the White Clay Creek Wild & Scenic River, and the headwaters of the Christina River. Through the conservation of open space and support for regional preservation efforts, the Township seeks to protect water quality, wildlife habitat, and scenic rural character for future generations. The Township will maintain a balanced system of parks, preserves, and trails, developed through cooperative efforts, that supports outdoor recreation, promotes healthy and active lifestyles, and provides safe connections between neighborhoods, natural areas, and regional destinations consistent with its rural character.

KEY VALUES (FROM CPU)

Longevity

Preserve the farms, nature, scenery, and historic structures that will forever define London Britain's rural character and secure our residents' chosen ways of life.

Accessibility

Enable public access by residents and visitors to the Preserves, parks, creeks, and other natural areas within and bordering the Township - supporting fun, relaxation, education, and spiritual enrichment.

Governance

Govern a rural, fiscally-conservative Township by providing basic public services to our residents and businesses; carefully managing changes in land use; steward natural resources; communicate successes; and be timely responding to resident concerns and other requests for Township assistance and/or guidance.

Safety

Protect the public health, safety, and general welfare, including but not limited to: efforts to ensure safe roads, bridges, and pedestrian crossings; efforts to increase the frequency of police patrols and response times of emergency responders; and efforts to provide reliable cellular communications throughout the Township.

Collaboration

Coordinate Township-led activities with our residents and neighboring municipalities, as well as county and state governments, regional agencies, the National Park Service (White Clay Wild and Scenic River), the London Britain Township Land Trust, area non-profit organizations, and others. Collaborate to increase efficiency and chances of success.

OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Goal 1: Rural Character and Sense of Place

Preserve and reinforce London Britain Township's rural character, scenic landscapes, agricultural heritage, and quality of life through thoughtful land use planning and coordinated open space conservation.

Goal 2: Agriculture and Working Landscapes

Support and preserve working farms and prime agricultural soils to sustain London Britain Township's agrarian heritage and rural economy.

Goal 3: Natural Resource Conservation and Environmental Stewardship

Protect, restore, and steward the Township's critical natural resources to ensure environmental health, resilience, and ecosystem services for future generations.

Goal 4: Parks, Open Space, and Greenway Connectivity

Develop and maintain an interconnected system of parks, preserved lands, greenways, and trails that protects natural resources, supports wildlife movement, and enhances scenic quality.

TRAILS AND RECREATION

Goal 5: Recreation Opportunities

Provide a balanced mix of active and passive recreation opportunities that are appropriate to a rural community and responsive to residents of all ages and abilities.

Goal 6: Trails and Active Transportation

Create a safe, connected network of trails that links neighborhoods, parks, natural areas, and regional destinations.

Goal 7: Health, Wellness, and Community

Support physical, mental, and social well-being by providing access to close-to-home recreational and natural environments.

Goal 8: Accessibility, Equity, and Inclusion

Ensure that parks, open space, and recreation opportunities are accessible and welcoming to residents of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds.

FUNDING AND OPERATIONS

Goal 9: Operations, Maintenance, and Stewardship

Maintain park, open space, and trail assets in a safe, clean, and sustainable manner.

Goal 10: Partnerships and Financing

Secure sustainable funding and partnerships to support the acquisition, development, maintenance, and programming of parks, trails, and open space.