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VERNON RECREATION CENTRE – Front entrance opening Monday

The Vernon Recreation Centre will be re-opening the front entrance and main front parking lot on Monday, April 18, 2016. Phase 1 of the project includes a new bridge, extensive work on the main entrance, lobby, staff office areas, flooring, lighting and air handling systems as well as the installation of a healthy food kiosk.

The front entrance and parking lot have been closed since June of 2015 when the project began. “This will be a soft opening as there are still a number of aspects of Phase 1 to be completed, including final work on the registration office, landscaping, installation of benches, tables and the startup of the food kiosk”, said Doug Ross, Director of Recreation Services.

The project will now move to Phase 2 which includes the installation of disabled accessible doors at the west entrance and pool viewing area, as well as upgrades to flooring, lighting and storage. Starting Monday, April 18th, the west entrance and hallway will be closed for the next six weeks to allow for Phase 2 to be completed.

The public will now be directed to use the Performing Arts Centre and main parking lots on the east side of the creek and to access the facility through the new front entrance. “We have been very pleased with the fact that participation levels have remained high during Phase 1 and we hope that will continue for Phase 2 of the project.” It is hoped that all of the work will be completed by the end of May 2016.

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