Chiefswood Park under New Management

SIX NATIONS OF THE GRAND RIVER, ON – January 30, 2018 – Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC) in agreement with Six Nations Elected Council (SNEC) will be assuming management of Chiefswood Park effective April 1, 2018. The park will be revitalized through a number of enhancements intended to boost tourism while improving the space for community use. Operations at Chiefswood Park will remain status quo for the 2018 season, opening May 1 and closing October 7.

Over the next few years, Six Nations Tourism, a sub-department of SNGRDC, intends to transform the park into a year-round facility with features that will attract both visitors and community members. Tentative plans for what this transformation could include were presented to the Community in Spring-Fall 2017 for community insight. The proposed plan, along with an interactive planning activity, was delivered at most Six Nations Schools to Grades 3 and up. In addition, two focus groups were held with key stakeholders and an online survey was put out to the community. A total of 506 surveys were completed.

“Our plan is to create an immersive cultural experience for our visitors while also creating unique employment opportunities for the people in our community who are actively preserving our language and cultural values,” said Janis Monture, Director of
Six Nations Tourism. Phase One of the redevelopment includes the construction of 20 cottage accommodations tentatively planned for early Spring and the removal of old, unusable buildings to make way for a future visitor and interpretive centre.

Moving forward to 2018, Six Nations Tourism will continue to charge for the use of features such as the pavilions, boat launch, and electrical hookups. Similar to the program offered at the Gathering Place by the Grand Event Centre, Non-profit events of community importance can apply to Community Partnerships Program to waive or reduce booking fees. If you have any questions, comments or concerns please contact Six Nations Tourism Manager, Constance Jamieson at cjamieson@sndevcorp.ca.

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About Six Nations Tourism:
Six Nations Tourism is a sub department of Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC). Six Nations Tourism hosts over 10,000 visitors a year at their four sites: Six Nations Tourism Building, Her Majesty's Royal Chapel of the Mohawks, Chiefswood National Historic Site and the Gathering Place by the Grand Event Centre. As of April 2018, Chiefswood Park will be developed into an immersive tourism destination.

For more information please visit www.sixnationstourism.ca

About Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation:
Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC) manages the Six Nations’ economic interests in 14 renewable energy projects and numerous economic development opportunities, on and around the Six Nations territory. SNGRDC’s current green energy portfolio is capable of producing nearly 900 MW of renewable energy through its direct or indirect involvement in seven wind, six solar and one hydroelectric project(s). SNGRDC is located on the Six Nations Reserve and directly employs over 140 employees through Nation Enterprise or the administration of Economic Interests projects.

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