

GLENCARLYN

Neighborhood Conservation Plan



Arlington Virginia's first planned neighborhood - 1887

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Glencarlyn Neighborhood Conservation Plan is intended to describe a number of new and ongoing activities and improvements which support the goals described within the plan. The recommendations are grouped in each chapter to indicate whether Arlington County, the Glencarlyn community or others have responsibility for the action. There has been a considerable amount of effort by a large part of the community in developing and refining this plan and we hope that it is given appropriate consideration before the County initiates any actions which may affect our community.

Glencarlyn is one of Arlington County's oldest and most stable neighborhoods. It lies close to many shopping areas, educational institutions, and provides an easy commute to downtown Washington, DC. It is bordered on two sides by Glencarlyn Park, which is formed by the stream valleys of Four Mile Run and Long Branch. Although most of the developed acreage is single family residential, there are a few townhouses and apartments, three stores, an urgent care medical facility, a medical office building, an apartment complex, a nursing home, and three schools. The core of the neighborhood, the Village Center, dates from the late 1880's and features a library, a community center, two historic houses, and a small cemetery.

This is the first update to the Glencarlyn Neighborhood Conservation Plan. The original plan was approved in 1978. During the past 30 years Glencarlyn has seen some changes, such as the additions of a townhouse complex on its western end, construction of a new interchange at Arlington Blvd. and Carlin Springs road, addition of doctors offices on the south end of the hospital property, construction of Carlin Springs Elementary school and replacement of the Kenmore Middle School. There have been a number of homes added in the neighborhood, particularly on the edges, and a few tear downs, but Glencarlyn remains fundamentally the same with many of the same goals as in 1978.

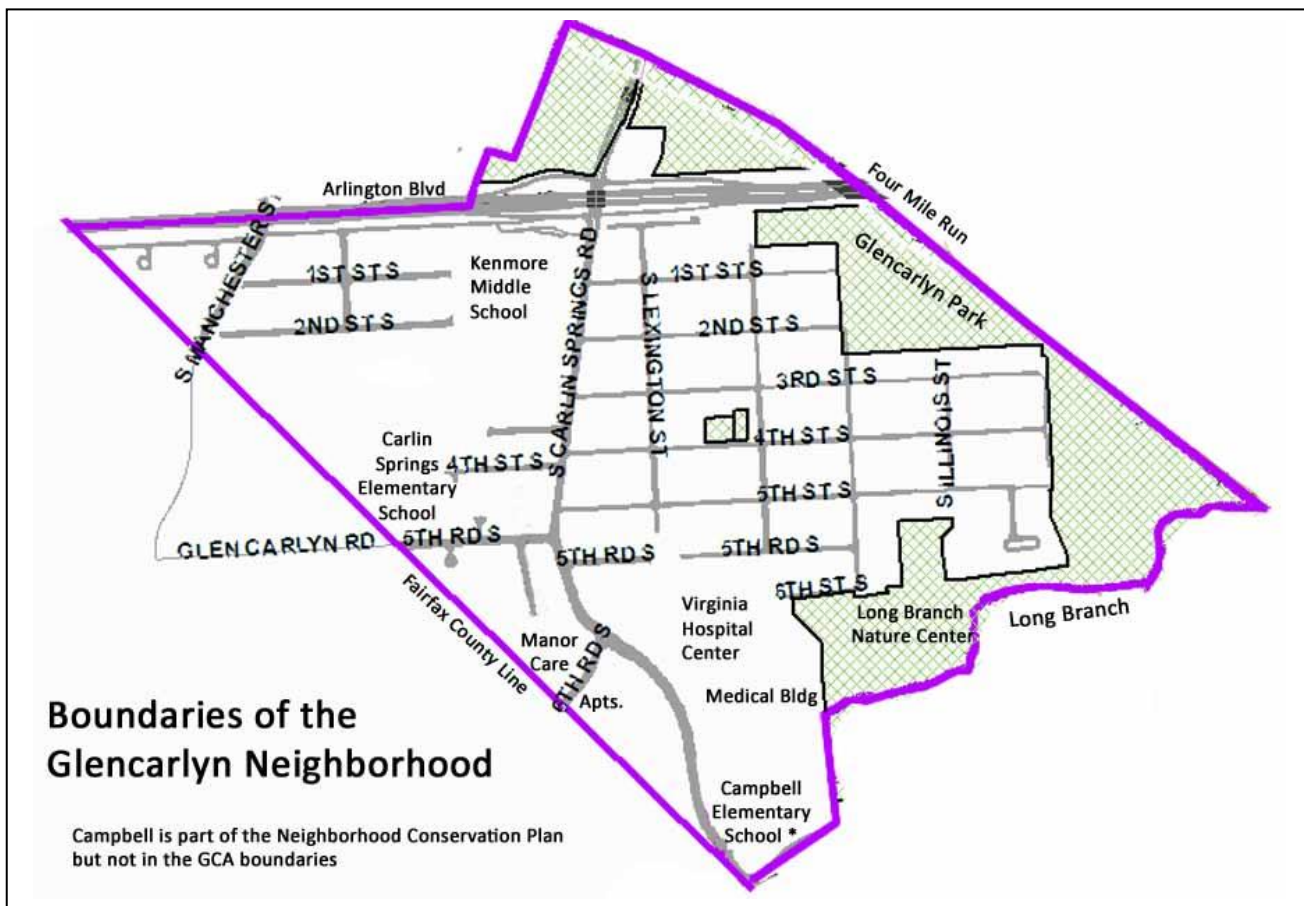
When surveyed in the spring of 2004, most residents rated the neighborhood highly and suggested ways to perpetuate its quiet, charm, and stability. This Plan draws extensively from the results of that survey. (Appendix A summarizes the survey results.) Although this Plan offers suggestions for a number of aspects of the neighborhood, the key ideas involve transportation, such as streets, sidewalks, traffic calming, and safety, preservation of key resources in the community and quality of life.

Only half the neighborhood's streets have curbs and sidewalks. Sidewalks were the most controversial issue in the 2004 survey – respondents split exactly 50-50. Over the years, piecemeal improvements (to curb and gutter), block by block, some with sidewalks, others not, have contributed to a sense of fragmentation. Because streets and sidewalks are such a core issue, a special analysis, funded as a special Neighborhood Conservation project, was conducted in the fall of 2005 by Toole Design, Inc., to provide a framework for future projects. A summary is found in Appendix C and its recommendations are incorporated where appropriate in chapters 7 and 8.

The Plan includes 82 recommendations, 59 for the County and Schools and 23 for the neighborhood and others to undertake. The process of developing the plan is included at the end of the Introduction, chapter 1.

1 – INTRODUCTION

Glencarlyn is Arlington's first planned neighborhood, platted in 1887. The Glencarlyn Neighborhood Conservation area is bounded by Arlington Boulevard (U.S. Route 50) and Four Mile Run to the north, the Fairfax County line to the west, Long Branch to the south, and Four Mile Run to the east. Carlin Springs Road runs north and south through the neighborhood's center. The County line was originally laid out in 1791 to define the District of Columbia. This part of the District was retroceded to Virginia in 1847. The Campbell Elementary School is included within the Neighborhood Conservation Area and this Plan even though it is just south of the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association border.



The neighborhood today is primarily residential in nature. Streets east of Carlin Springs Road form "the village," while those west of Carlin Springs Road are visually associated with two of the neighborhood's schools, Carlin Springs Elementary and Kenmore Middle School. Glencarlyn is well served by arterial roads and public transportation, and abundant shopping and other community services are located nearby. In the 2004 neighborhood survey conducted preliminary to this plan, many residents rated the neighborhood highly for its proximity to

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downtown Washington, DC, nearby shopping, major employment areas, and educational institutions.

Glencarlyn sits on a plateau with forested, steeply-sloping parkland on the northeast, east and south sides. These forested lands form Glencarlyn Park which is managed by the Arlington County Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources. In addition, Four Mile Run and the Washington & Old Dominion (W&OD) Regional Park Trail are located on the east and northeast sides of the community. The W&OD comes under the jurisdiction of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.



Aerial view of Glencarlyn August 2008 - Boundary marked white

The parks are a great asset to the neighborhood and provide residents and visitors many recreational opportunities, including picnic shelters, children's play areas, natural surfaced hiking and walking trails, paved biking trails, and small play fields. The Long Branch Nature Center with its demonstration gardens, educational displays, and exhibits and programs is especially popular and well used by neighborhood residents (See Chapter 4 for more on the parks).

Streets are laid out on a north-south/east-west rectangular grid, forming about 36 blocks of housing. Many of the residential streets are dead-ends, while the busy arterial streets sometimes

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exceed capacity. Traffic to and from Glencarlyn is served by two major roadways: Arlington Boulevard (U.S. Route 50) running east-west and Carlin Springs Road bisecting the community north-south. Traffic congestion and speeds on Carlin Springs Road are a long standing concern. The area's major institutions are accessible from the major roadways, so there is very little cut-through traffic inside the neighborhood (See Chapters 7 and 8 for details on traffic, parking, streets, and sidewalks).

The average lot in this neighborhood is 6000 square feet (50 ft. by 120 ft.). A few larger lots are the result of consolidation of several standard ones. In total, there are some 480 single family homes. In addition, a group of 39 townhouses is located on the western end of the neighborhood off of Manchester Street and a 235 unit apartment building is located just west of Carlin Springs Road along the County line. Large deciduous shade trees are numerous in the neighborhood and are one of Glencarlyn's greatest assets. The tree canopy, especially in the "village," provides dense shade throughout the summer and blends the neighborhood into the adjoining woodlands (See Chapter 8 and Appendix C for more on the trees).

Arlington has designated three historic districts within Glencarlyn: the Ball-Sellers House built circa 1742; the Ball-Carlin Cemetery from 1766; and Carlin Hall our Community building built in 1892. These are discussed in detail in later sections.

On September 18, 2008, a portion of the Glencarlyn neighborhood was placed on the *National Register of Historic Places* as the Glencarlyn Historic District. This registry is maintained by the National Park Service. The district is bounded by South Carlin Springs Road, Arlington Blvd, 5th Road South, and Glencarlyn Park and represents the original platted area from 1887. The district's designation number in the National Register Information System is 08000910. The Architectural Description included in the material submitted notes ". . . Glencarlyn did not fully develop under the direction of a single developer, nor did it develop during a single period . . . Therefore, the architectural styles and forms present in Glencarlyn represent a broad assortment of building trends from the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries, with the greatest period of development occurring after World War II. . .". There are 282 buildings which contribute to the inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places; many of these are not the primary structures. The 83 page submission of acceptance to the registry provides a comprehensive description of the history of the district, a detailed description of the significant structures which contribute to the district and an inventory of all structures within the district.



Burdett-Reintsma House 3rd & Kensington



Typical Brick rambler

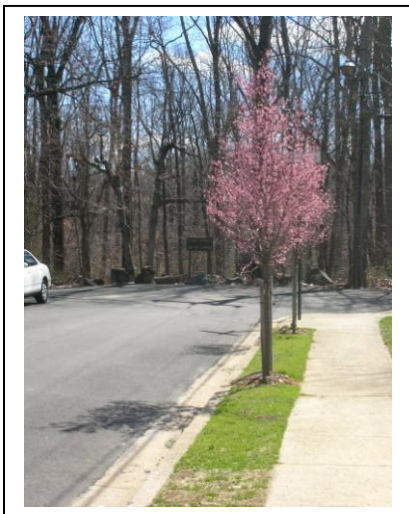
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Glencarlyn, originally known as Carlin Springs, is Arlington County's first planned residential subdivision and includes the second largest collection of Queen Anne-style houses in the County (in 2008 10 remained from the 1880's and 1890's). Today it hosts a wonderful diversity of architectural styles. Arlington County's oldest structure, the Ball-Sellers House built about 1742, sits near the neighborhood's center. 1890's Victorian-era houses and 1920's Four-Squares stand side-by-side with 1950's ramblers and 1960's modern or split-levels. Cape Cod-style houses about 1940's bungalows. Colonial revival, neo-Victorian, and townhomes have been built more recently. Many additions and expansions are also evident.

The "Village Center" is comprised of several historic buildings and sites -- the Ball-Sellers House, a small cemetery, Carlin Hall, the Library, and the Burdett House. It forms the heart of the community. The Village Center also provides park and open space opportunities, such as the children's play area behind Carlin Hall and community garden behind the Library. (See Chapter 6 for details on the Village Center). Several public and private institutions and a church are also located in the neighborhood, along with a small commercial area. A large portion of the neighborhood is parkland and open space.

The grounds of the Kenmore Middle School and Carlin Springs Elementary School also provide open space and recreational activities for the neighborhood. Several soccer fields, baseball fields, and tennis courts -- along with landscaped open-space -- surround the school buildings. These facilities, although in great demand by all Arlington residents, are frequently available to the neighborhood. The athletic fields are managed by the Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources and the remainder of the school grounds are managed by Arlington Public Schools.

The streets in the neighborhood are in various states of repair or disrepair. Neighborhood Conservation projects over the past 25 years have upgraded many streets, but there is still much to be done. Many blocks still lack adequate paving, curb and gutter, sidewalks, streetlights, street trees, and proper drainage systems, especially in the "village."



Various street edge conditions.

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Pedestrians and bicyclists have access to the neighborhood -- not only from the major roadways and the street grid, but also from the W&OD Regional Trail on the east side of the neighborhood. The Ballston Metrorail Station can be reached on foot from Glencarlyn in 30 to 45 minutes. Both Ballston and Virginia Square Metrorail stations can be reached by bike in 10-15 minutes. Glencarlyn is also served by public transportation. Metrobus routes 4 and 25 and the County's ART bus service route 75 stop along Carlin Springs Road and Arlington Boulevard. These public transit systems connect to other parts of Arlington, Fairfax County, Alexandria, the Metrorail system, and Washington, DC. Taxicab service is also plentiful and prompt.

Surrounding neighborhoods are also residential. The single-family residential neighborhoods of Boulevard Manor, Bluemont and Arlington Forest lie to the northwest, northeast, and east. Barcroft is located to the east on the other side of Glencarlyn Park. Columbia Heights West (mostly apartments) and Forest Glen are located to the south on the far side of the Long Branch valley. On the western edge of the neighborhood is the Arlington County/Fairfax County line, with several single family and high-rise apartment developments just across the Fairfax County line.

Retail and other services are readily available just beyond the adjacent residential neighborhoods. Glencarlyn is conveniently located midway among three major shopping districts: Seven Corners, Ballston, and Bailey's Crossroads/Skyline. The neighborhood is also just six miles from the White House and downtown Washington, DC. Pentagon City/Crystal City, the Rosslyn-Ballston Corridor, Falls Church, and Tysons Corner are also readily accessible (especially during non-rush hours).

Goals

Glencarlyn has evolved over 120 years from a village in the country to a village in the city. Buffered on three sides by park land, yet well connected to nearby urban amenities, this neighborhood preserves a wonderful diversity of housing types, schools, traditions, innovation, and community values that together create a remarkable quality of life. The underlying purpose of this Plan is to preserve that balance. Goals to express these values seek:

- To cherish the quiet, small-town feel that makes Glencarlyn unique in Arlington County.
- To perpetuate the neighborhood's sense of welcome.
- To enhance community values and neighborhood spirit by encouraging interaction, family networks, and community events -- as well as perpetuating the neighborhood's single-family residential character.
- To preserve and protect the natural resource values of the adjoining streams and woodlands.
- To improve pedestrian and motorist safety.
- To continue and enhance the many County-operated amenities, such as Carlin Hall, Glencarlyn Park, the library, and the schools, that the neighborhood enjoys and from which its residents benefit.

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- To ensure that the current low levels of crime are kept low or even further reduced.

This update to the original 1978 Plan evolved over a period of several years. In 2004, a survey was issued to each household to gather ideas and identify problems; citizen teams then crafted the various chapters. In May, 2007, the planning team issued a second survey to all 530 household to determine their priorities among all the recommendations. 15 % (79) of the residents in homes returned the survey. The highest ranking recommendations were emphasized in the plan and the lowest 5 % dropped completely. Many also submitted open-ended comments. As expected, most comments concerned traffic, streets, and sidewalks. Photographs were taken and maps sketched. The plan update was further edited in 2011 to correct any problems and reflect any updates and actions since the earlier draft.

The tabulation of the results of the survey on the preliminary recommendation is presented in appendix D, which is provided as a separate 38 page document. The tabulation reflects the status of the input to the plan as of September 2007 and which recommendations were to be included or not. During the spring 2011 finalization of the plan, a number of recommendations were updated by an editorial committee based on events since the survey.

2 -- HISTORY

The neighborhood of Glencarlyn has a long and distinguished history. Today it includes traces of all periods of its history, including the original springs, a boundary stone from the 1791 District of Columbia survey line, a monument to George Washington's nearby property holdings, the Ball-Sellers House (Arlington's oldest remaining house), some of the neighborhood's original houses from the 1890's, and various other roadbeds, fords, ruins, and plantings.

Human Settlement -- Originally, Algonquin-speaking Native Americans lived here, but the pressure of European settlement and diseases caused them to move from the area by 1697. Occasional traces of their presence may be found even now as arrowheads are found by keen-eyed gardeners.



District Boundary Stone

The Ball-Sellers House was built about 1742, soon after John Ball received his 166 acre grant from Lord Fairfax. He raised five daughters. Life was lean in those days. An inventory of the Balls' possessions included an old hat, a coat and jacket, a pair of britches and shoes, three beds, two tables, some earthenware, four cows, a horse, some pigs, a parcel of books, and a fiddle. Ball operated a grist mill near the confluence of Lubber and Four Mile Runs. In 1748, Moses Ball, perhaps a cousin, received the adjoining 91-acre tract just to the south (where the urgent care center now is). Upon his death, the property sold in 1772 to William Carlin for 100 pounds. Carlin was a prosperous and well-regarded tailor in Alexandria, serving, among many other clients, George Washington and George Mason. He raised nine children here. Washington, in fact, owned property nearby. His property was divided into three lots, one for each son. His youngest son inherited the 95-acre lot that is the heart of the community today. The last heirs were buried in the cemetery in 1905. It is believed to still be owned by family members.

The more level portions of this hilltop were farmed during much of the 19th Century. Starting in the 1840's, a railroad (originally the Alexandria, Loudon, and Hampshire Railroad) was built through the Four Mile Run valley down below. The area was vacated during the Civil War while the military front moved back and forth between nearby Bailey's Crossroads and Pooks Hill closer to the village of Falls Church.

After the War, the Carlins tried other means to make a living. In 1872 the railroad installed a station near the springs just south of today's Route 50 overpass and Carlin's heirs built two pavilions, each 30 by 80 feet, nearby. One was for dancing and the other a restaurant and ice cream parlor for pleasure-seekers from the District of Columbia. As tastes changed, this venture failed and the Carlin family, after 100 years of ownership, put up the entire property for sale.

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The Carlin Springs



The Carlin Spring at Four Mile Run
below 2nd Street

Development -- In 1887, former Missouri Congressman and Commissioner of the U.S. Land Office (and later Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic), General Samuel S. Burdett, and his partner, William Curtis, bought the entire property, 132 acres, for \$8,000. Their plat of housing lots was Arlington's first. The neighborhood's 384 unimproved lots were offered "to all men and women of moderate means who receive stated salaries" along with a \$100 share for membership in the Carlin Springs Cooperative Association. Most lots measured 50 by 120 feet. Most people bought two or more lots; many purchased for speculation. The Association even offered home loans. Many of the people who moved to Glencarlyn came because it reminded them of the rural settings of their own upbringings. Today, this organization's successor, the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association (GCA), may be one of America's oldest community associations.

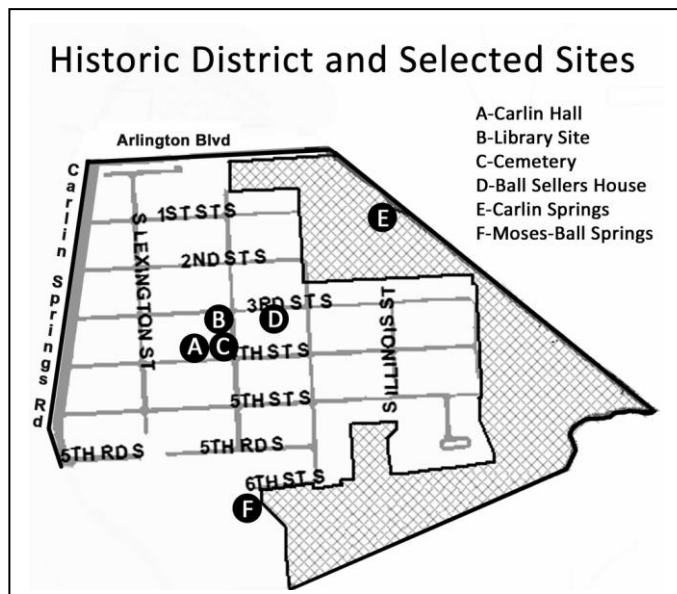
The neighborhood's streets were officially laid out in 1891, as was the park reservation (made up mostly of the unplatted steep valley slopes). Carlin Hall (originally named "Curtis Hall" after General Burdett's business partner) was built by the Cooperative Association as a community center in 1892. It is the oldest community hall in the County. In 1893 the Carlin Springs Village Improvement Association was founded to "improve and ornament the streets of Carlin Springs by planting and cultivating trees, constructing, clearing, and repairing sidewalks and doing other such work as shall tend to beautify and adorn the village, or shall conduce in any way to the benefit and prosperity of the village."

This update to the Neighborhood Conservation Plan continues this 120-year tradition of beautification, sidewalks, and street trees from the late 19th Century.

Community Life -- The Cooperative Association built wooden sidewalks in 1893 (remains of these were still in evidence 40 years later). The neighborhood's parkland was maintained by Association members until deeded to the Commonwealth of Virginia in 1935 and absorbed into the new Arlington County Park System in 1943, "to be used for parkland in perpetuity." These acres were the first parkland set aside in Arlington County for public park use.

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Various other community improvements occurred as additional homes filled in the neighborhood. In 1896, the community's name was changed from Carlin Springs Village to Glencarlyn at the request of the Postal Service. Shade trees were planted throughout the neighborhood. In the early 1900's, the Cooperative Association erected a marker at the confluence of Four Mile Run and Long Branch on the site of George Washington's survey tree. The first St. John's Episcopal Church was built in 1910 and was served until 1954 by students at the Episcopal Seminary in Alexandria. In 1922, the Community Association sold what is now the Ball-Sellers House to a private buyer.



General Burdett built and lived in the house at the northeast corner of 3rd and Kensington Streets. When he died in 1914, he willed funds and books for a community library. The library was built after the end of World War I and has served the community ever since, made part of the Arlington County Library System in 1959. The original wood structure was replaced by a brick one in 1963.

Early lessons for children were held in homes. The community's first school was built in 1907 at the east end of 4th Street. It was abandoned in 1916 (as "too remote") and dismantled in the early

1920's. (A corner of this building's foundations still exists). From 1916 to 1953, school was held in Carlin Hall. School children too old for this school walked to Veitch Summit (now near I-66 at N. Jefferson Street) and took trolleys to schools in Washington, D.C.

In its early days, the community was a village island surrounded by woods and farms. Some residents commuted on the Washington and Old Dominion Railroad running alongside Four Mile Run. Doctors were distant. A small country grocery store served residents at the corner of 3rd St. and Carlin Springs Road. By the early 1940's, there were two stores, one at 4th and Carlin Springs Road and the other at 1st Street which also served as a post office. For other shopping, children would run errands on foot to Ballston, Barcroft, or Bailey's Crossroads. Corn meal could be purchased at the Barcroft Mill where Columbia Pike now crosses Four Mile Run. There were monthly socials in the community hall, with cakes and games, taffy pulls, straw rides in the moonlight, and dances -- even fireworks each 4th of July and Christmas visits from Santa Claus. Adult clubs met -- such as the Euchre Club, the Muslit Club, and the Whist Club. In the winter, ice was cut from a pond formed in Four Mile Run. A one time, the pond at the springs was 7-8 feet deep and used for swimming. Even by 1900 the neighborhood's character had changed since several of the early large original houses had already burned to the ground.

The community was first electrified in 1921, with chestnut poles provided by the community association from dead trees in the park, victims of the recent chestnut blight. Water and sewer

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lines were laid through the neighborhood in the mid 1930's, although hook-ups were voluntary and some residents took decades to connect to "city water." Glencarlyn village grew slowly, with only 14 homes by 1920 and 52 homes on the original 260 lots by 1936. An additional 44 homes were built between 1937 and 1945. Even in the mid 1940's, Glencarlyn seemed very rural, with horses and cows grazing in many yards.

Modern Times -- The edges of the neighborhood were transformed from rural farmland with the building of U.S. Route 50 (Arlington Boulevard) in the mid-1930's, taking with it the neighborhood's northern row of lots. When first built it was only two lanes wide. Neighborhood streets were transferred from Virginia's jurisdiction to Arlington County's in 1936. People growing up here in those years walked everywhere. Groceries were often delivered by horse drawn wagon. Most of the streets were only paved in cinders from each home's coal stoves. At the depth of the Depression, lots still sold for \$50 apiece. The Carlin Springs produced potable water that some enterprising people bottled and sold. In 1935, the community association deeded the Glencarlyn Park to Virginia as a state park. It was transferred to Arlington County in 1943 as the first part of the County's park system. Now it comprises 97 acres.

The greatest period of growth was just after World War II, with 180 houses built between 1946 and 1958. The 10 "California type" hipped roof houses, most near the east end of 4th St, are from this period.

In 1946, after several decades of sporadic meetings, the Community Association was revitalized. The Village View was started up in 1952 and has been published continuously ever since.

Carlin Springs Road and Arlington Boulevard were enlarged to four-lane arterial roads in the early 1950's, while two major schools were built to accommodate the expanding population - Kenmore, originally built as an elementary school in 1950 and Glencarlyn Elementary, now called Campbell Elementary, in 1956. During the early 1950's, First and Second streets west of Carlin Springs Road were developed from a previously existing dairy farm. The area called Carlyn Park includes 50 homes. All of the neighborhoods surrounding Glencarlyn were built out in the years just before or just following World War II. For a few years just after World War II, Arlington County was the fastest growing county in the United States.

The 1960's were a significant decade in further shaping Glencarlyn. In 1959 Northern Virginia Doctor's Hospital (now the Virginia Hospital Center) was granted a Use Permit to build a hospital on residential land with no change in zoning. The hospital is currently zoned as a Special Development District S-D. Construction and expansion of the hospital occurred throughout the 1960's. At about the same time, the County Park System acquired the Hickman residence overlooking Long Branch and transformed it into the Long Branch Nature Center, acquiring additional lands to buffer it from development. When a highway was proposed along the W&OD railway corridor, concerned citizens began a process of preserving the valley for recreational trails. When the forested area between the Moses Ball Spring site, on the northeast edge of the hospital ground, and the Nature Center was threatened to become a land fill site, it was acquired for park purposes by the Glencarlyn Citizen's Recreation Partnership and sold to the County in 1973. About this time paved bicycle trails were built in the park. In 1962 ownership of Carlin Hall was transferred from the Carlin Hall Association to the County. In

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1970, 8.6 acres of meadow and woods above the Nature Center were added to the park when threatened for development. In that emergency, Glencarlyn residents raised \$17,000 in 48 hours, purchased the property and later sold it to the County. The Nature Center opened for programs in 1972.

In 1975, the Ball-Sellers House was given to the Arlington County Historical Society. In 1977, the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association developed an agreement with Arlington County whereby the County would own and maintain Carlin Hall, while the Association would operate and monitor it. Towards the end of the 1970's, (1977-78) the community's first neighborhood conservation plan was developed. It documented Glencarlyn's "fierce community pride." Many of the issues in that plan -- street lights, unsightly street ends, pedestrian safety and crosswalks, traffic and speed along Carlin Springs Road, curbs and gutters, and trees -- remain pertinent issues today. Other issues in the original plans, such as the rebuilding of the Route 50/Carlin Springs Road interchange, have been completed.

The 33 years since the community's 1978 conservation plan have perhaps been the most stable of its history. In 1982, a medical office building and parking garage were built just south of the hospital along Carlin Springs Road. A number of new houses were added as infill including those built along 5th Road South west of Carlin Springs; several replaced dilapidated structure; 39 new townhouses were added along Route 50 between Manchester and the Fairfax County line; and many homes throughout the neighborhood have been renovated or enlarged. In 2011 Glencarlyn has 480 single family homes compared to the 416 reflected in the original plan in 1978.

The Carlin Springs Road-Route 50 interchange was completely upgraded in the early 1980's, including widening and raising the bridge over Carlin Springs Road. Some blocks obtained curbs, gutters and sidewalks. The schools remained unchanged until 2000. Arterial roads have not been not widened; the parkland remained the same year-to-year; and the level of crime remained low. Some community groups remained active, while others, such as the Garden Club, were disbanded.

The neighborhood celebrated its Centennial in 1987-8. Many of the Glencarlyn Day activities of those years remain an annual tradition now: pancake breakfast (which goes well back into the 1940's), a parade, the ice cream social, a house tour, and more recently, the afternoon Fun Fair.

As demand for Arlington real estate has increased, various experiments have been tried to increase density without damaging quality of life. One such method – the Unified Residential Development, or "URD" – was enacted by County Board action and first applied in 1995 to Lancaster Street, just south of 5th Road, in this neighborhood.

In 2001, the students and staff at Glencarlyn Elementary School moved into a new building on 5th Road at the county line, and the school was renamed Carlin Springs Elementary School. The old school building became a specialized early grades school serving students countywide – the Campbell School. At the same time, plans were developed to replace the original Kenmore Middle School with a completely new building alongside Route 50. Construction was completed in the fall of 2005 and the old building removed.

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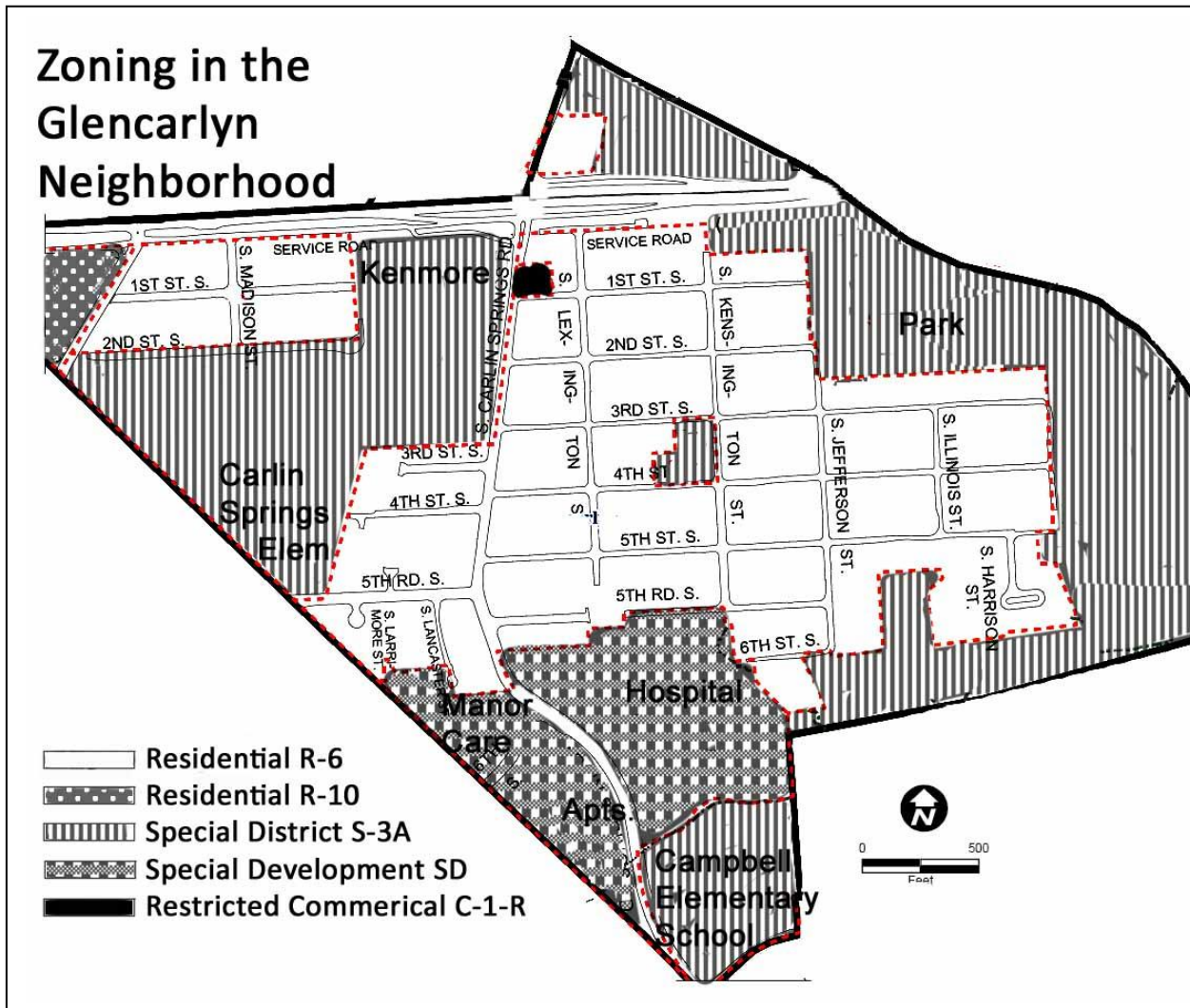
Today, much of Glencarlyn is an island of quiet immediately surrounded by woods, but increasingly beset by the noisy urbanizing forces of the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. On winter evenings, the rising skylines of Baileys Crossroads and Ballston can be seen glowing on the horizon. What was once a village island in a rural setting is now a village island, buffered by woodlands, in a cosmopolitan urban setting.

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3 -- LAND USE, ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT

Glencarlyn is primarily made up of single family dwellings with 39 townhouses in three cul-de-sacs (Manchester Square) at its western tip. It also includes three public schools, a branch of the public library system, an historic community center used as a preschool, an urgent care center, a mid-rise condo of doctors' offices, a nursing home, an apartment building for seniors and disabled, a church, and a small commercial strip with three businesses.



The predominant zoning is R-6, One-Family Dwelling District, for the detached homes on 6,000 square foot lots. St John's Church is also part of the R-6 zoning. The townhouse cluster (Manchester Square) is R-10T, Townhouses. The areas encompassing Kenmore Middle School, Carlin Springs Elementary School, Glencarlyn Park and Long Branch Nature Center, and the Library, adjacent cemetery and Carlin Hall are all zoned S-3A, Special District. The Virginia Hospital Center's Urgent Care Center, Manor Care Nursing Home and Woodland Hill Apartments are all on property zoned S-D, Special Development District (requiring use permits).

3 - Land use, Zoning and Development

The small commercial strip on Carlin Springs Road at South 1st Street is zoned C-1-R, Restricted Local Commercial District.

Overwhelmingly, Glencarlyn residents responding to the 2004 neighborhood survey felt that Glencarlyn should remain predominantly single family residential, and any infill development should preserve the single family character of the neighborhood. Given the wide variety of housing styles already in existence in Glencarlyn, however, there was a wide divergence of opinion as to whether or not infill should be legally required to adopt the architectural styles and proportions of the existing structures. The majority of respondents did feel that developers of infill housing should voluntarily adopt styles and proportions appropriate to the neighborhood.



The first unified residential development approved in the County is in Glencarlyn along Lancaster Street.

Concerns have been expressed about apparent inappropriate land use on the R-6 zoned property at 5816 1st Street South on the southeast corner of Carlin Springs Road and South 1st Street. The property appears to be used for business purposes; residents have complained to the County but the situation is unchanged. While the 7-11 store is convenient for the neighborhood, patrons continue to create a litter problem in the surrounding blocks.



The 7-11 Store at 1st St. and Carlin Springs Road with the dry cleaners and woodworking shop to the left

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Recommendation for County Action:

3A: Install trash cans along Manchester Street sidewalk to decrease littering.

Recommendations for Non-County Action:

3B: The GCA should request the owner of the 7-11 to try to ensure deliveries are not made during morning rush hour (to reduce traffic congestion) and that dumpster servicing occurs only during daylight hours (to minimize noise disturbance to the adjoining neighbors). Ideal delivery hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

3C: The GCA should request the owner of the 7-11 to periodically sponsor a clean-up crew to clean up trash around the 7-11 and neighboring streets, down to the eastbound entrance ramp onto Route 50 -- as a neighborhood goodwill gesture (may be possible to get Sheriff's community service workers). In the long-term, this property owner should develop a landscape plan for the store that enhances beauty but does not create sight line problems for motorists and pedestrians.

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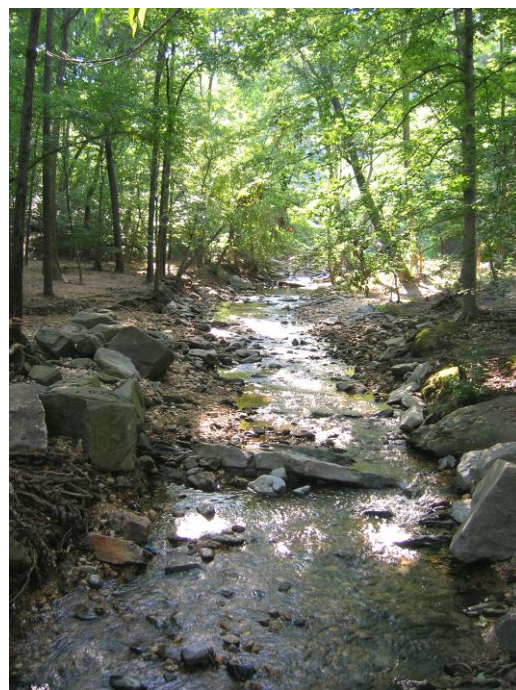
Most of the developed portions of the Glencarlyn community sit on a gently rolling plateau some 250 feet above sea level. Prior to development, slight depressions may have been seasonal wetlands or vernal pools. The gentle grades are a natural feature and much of the area has not been radically disturbed by grading. Today, many ornamental plantings and shade trees line the streets and enrich community gardens, especially at the Library and the Ball-Sellers house.

A large part of the neighborhood is bordered by the Glencarlyn Park. The park is an important part of the neighborhood and is frequently used by many residents for walking, biking and other activities. The preservation of parkland and maintenance of Glencarlyn Park and the Long Branch Nature Center are high on the list of concerns of the neighborhood.

Glencarlynites get many opportunities to see interesting wildlife, including many species of birds, box turtles, squirrels, flying squirrels, chipmunks, rabbits, raccoons, opossums, and foxes. Warblers appear in treetops during spring and fall migration times. It is not unusual to see Canada Geese and Great Blue Herons fly over. Several kinds of woodpeckers are fairly abundant, and Eastern Screech Owls can sometimes be seen and heard.



Long Branch, showing bedrock in streambed and cobbles

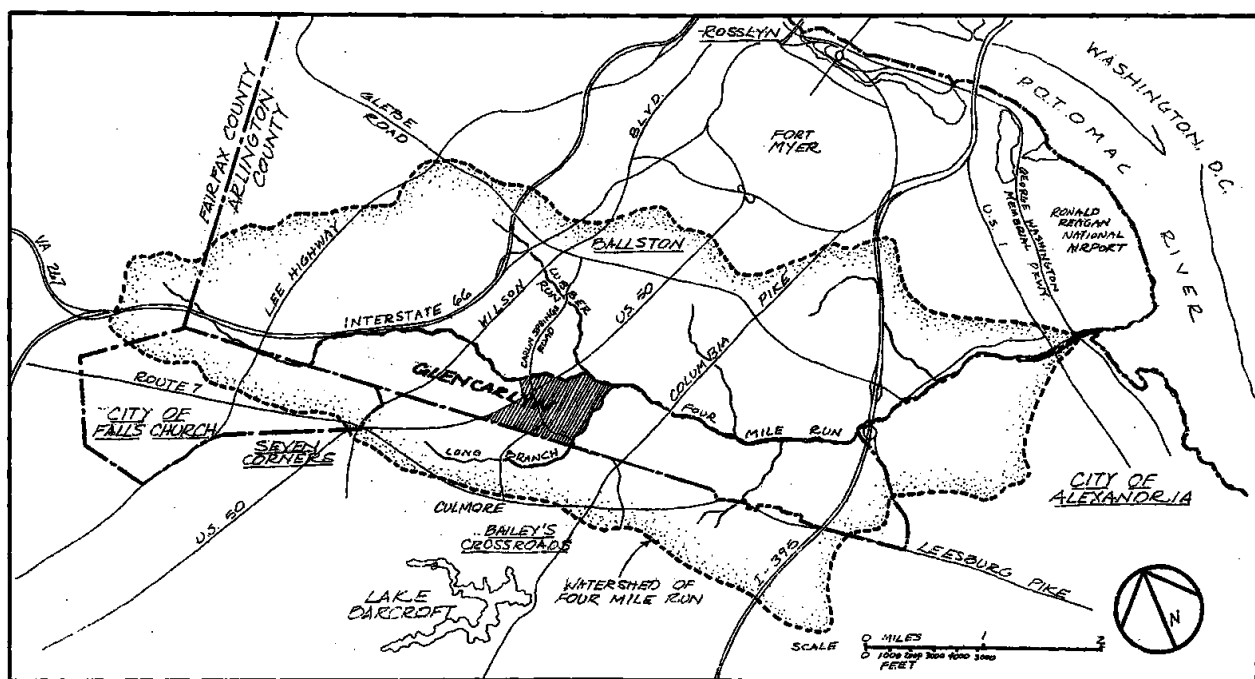


Geology and Hydrology – The underlying bedrock here is primarily the mica-rich Lower Cambrian metamorphic Sykesville Formation (about 530 million years old). Above that, a complex of rounded cobbles are characteristic of the Columbia Group, relics of the ancient Potomac River before it cut down to its deeper, current level. Eroded stream banks reveal this geological sequence of river terraces sitting on grey-green bedrock.

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Glencarlynites are fortunate to live within short walking distance to some of Arlington County's best parks, trails, and woodlands. The topography of Glencarlyn's residential areas and the associated parkland have been shaped by erosion, now evident in the sloped valleys of Four Mile Run and Long Branch.

The Arlington Natural Resource Management Plan notes that "... Ultimately, a large majority of the stream-related problems in Arlington can be directly linked to the high volume of stormwater entering local streams, high levels of impervious cover in the County and the inability to successfully capture and re-filter rain back into natural groundwater reservoirs. ...". Four Mile Run is a classic urban stream, only seven miles long, but receiving over 350 miles of piped storm drain lines. The headwaters of Long Branch are actually the parking lots and highways of Seven Corners.



In the map above, Glencarlyn, shaded dark gray, with Four Mile Run above it and Long Branch to the right is shown in the context of the Four Mile Run Watershed (dotted edge)

In storm events, these streams rise quickly, scouring their streambeds and moving tons of sediment and trash downstream, undercutting the streambanks. For example, for every inch of rain in a storm event, Four Mile Run appears to rise at least 12 inches. Heavy sustained rains cause severe and damaging flooding. The Long Branch and Four Mile Run systems have been heavily affected by erosion and inappropriate erosion control measures. Much of the erosion is caused by excessive runoff from the upland areas and poor stormwater management provisions, both from within and outside of the County. In late June, 2006, a 13-inch storm system flooded the valley and created extensive damage in the picnic areas and to the bridges of Glencarlyn Park.

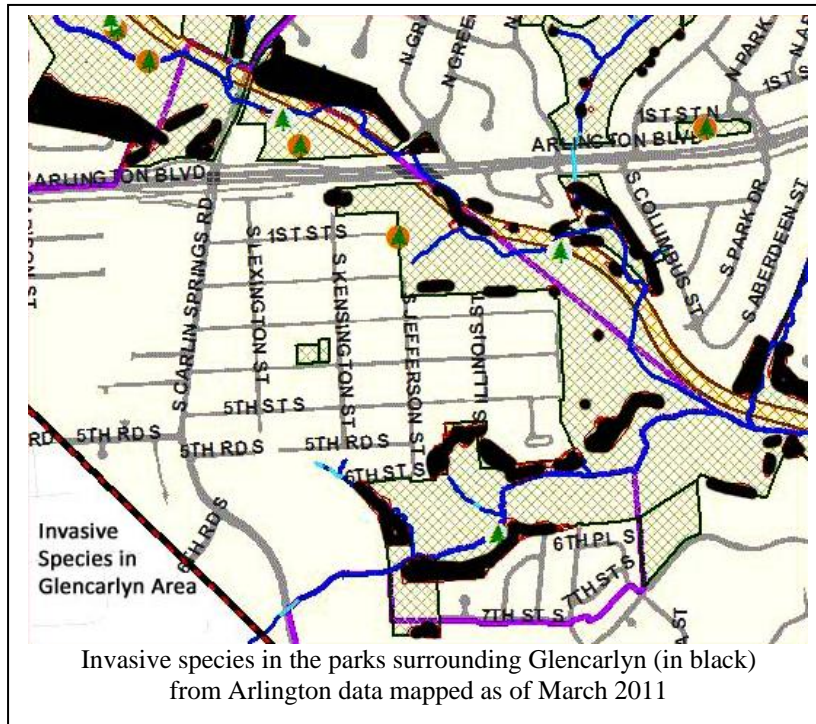
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In 2009, the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association, community master gardeners, the library and County Department of Environmental Services staff worked together to install two cisterns at the library to capture rainwater for use in the community garden.

Woodlands – The forested landscape of 97-acre Glencarlyn Park can be classified as a Northern Piedmont Red Oak-Chestnut-Mountain Laurel Type forest. This minimally disturbed urban forest type is currently under study by the Virginia Native Plant Society and includes thick stands of old age Mountain Laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*) and a number of regenerating American Chestnut trees. In the early 20th Century, the Chestnut blight killed the original standing trees but left the root systems alive and able to re-sprout. In the understory, the parkland nurtures such plants such as the Witch Hazel, Paw-paw, Spotted Wintergreen, Crane-fly Orchid, Mayapples, False Solomon's Seal, ferns, wild blueberries, and related native plants – all indicators of long-term stability. Poison Ivy and Greenbrier vines provide important shelter and wildlife food, although they should be avoided by people. Many Arlington County record plant species (largest of their species in the County) have been recently recorded in this forest. As a result of its largely unaltered condition and unique assemblage of plant life, the Potowmack Chapter of the Virginia Native Plant Society has nominated Glencarlyn Park for inclusion in its site registry program as a noteworthy local natural resource. The County's recent *Urban Forest Master Plan's* maps show that Glencarlyn Park and the surrounding neighborhoods form one of the largest contiguous areas of tree canopy in the County.



General parkland scenes

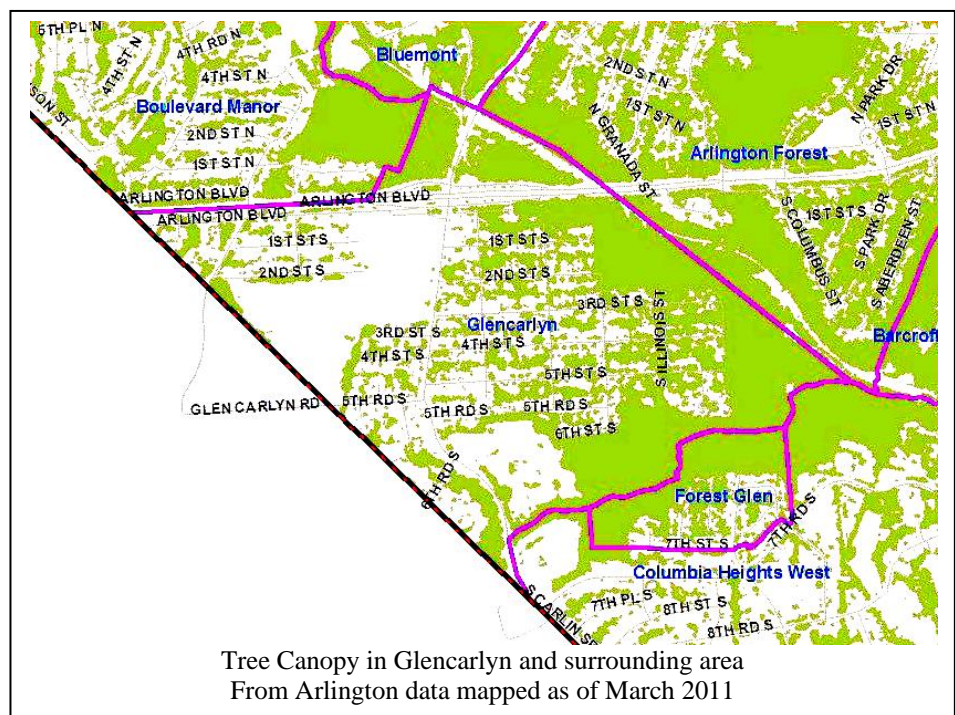


The forests of Glencarlyn Park are remarkably mature and stable considering their urban setting, littering, invasive exotic species, and changing climate patterns. The key dynamic is maintaining the high canopy of long-lived deciduous trees, such as Red, White, and Chestnut Oak, Tulip Poplar, Hickory, and Beech. Recent storms (most recently Hurricane Isabel in 2003 and a storm in June 2008) brought down dozens of trees, opening the canopy. Native trees germinate and resprout well here, due to the general absence of deer. As long as the tree canopy is maintained and

young trees allowed to reach maturity, the associated shrub and wildflower species that characterize Glencarlyn Park's woodlands – such as Mountain Laurel and Pinkster Azalea, Mayapple and Blood Root – will survive and thrive.

Through neglect over decades, the parkland has been heavily impacted by exotic invasive plants. In places, the ivy and other vines can be largely eliminated by volunteer labor. In others, without major work, the canopy trees will be lost and successional thickets of vines and underbrush will take over. This plan strongly supports the County's Invasive Species Coordinator position and its devotion to the management and eradication of damaging invasive plants.

Dumping and Litter – Park neighbors (and their contractors) have dumped yard waste and other material in the Park. This is a violation of County ordinances. Although many of these materials are biodegradable, they



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damage native plants in the park. For example, dumping a pile of yard waste or leaves on top of a small native wildflower can smother and kill it, while invasive vines adjust and prosper under such conditions. Such dumping changes the structure and chemistry of the soil in ways that are harmful to native plants. Invasive plants are easily introduced into the park from contaminated yard wastes. Although it may appear otherwise, leaf piles do not suppress ivy and other invasives, they only nourish them.



Wind-thrown tree



Trash along Long Branch

Often litter is left behind after trash pickup, especially on windy days. Foam packing materials and plastic bags are examples of the types of material that, if not picked up, tend to wash down into the streams or get blown into tree branches on windy days.



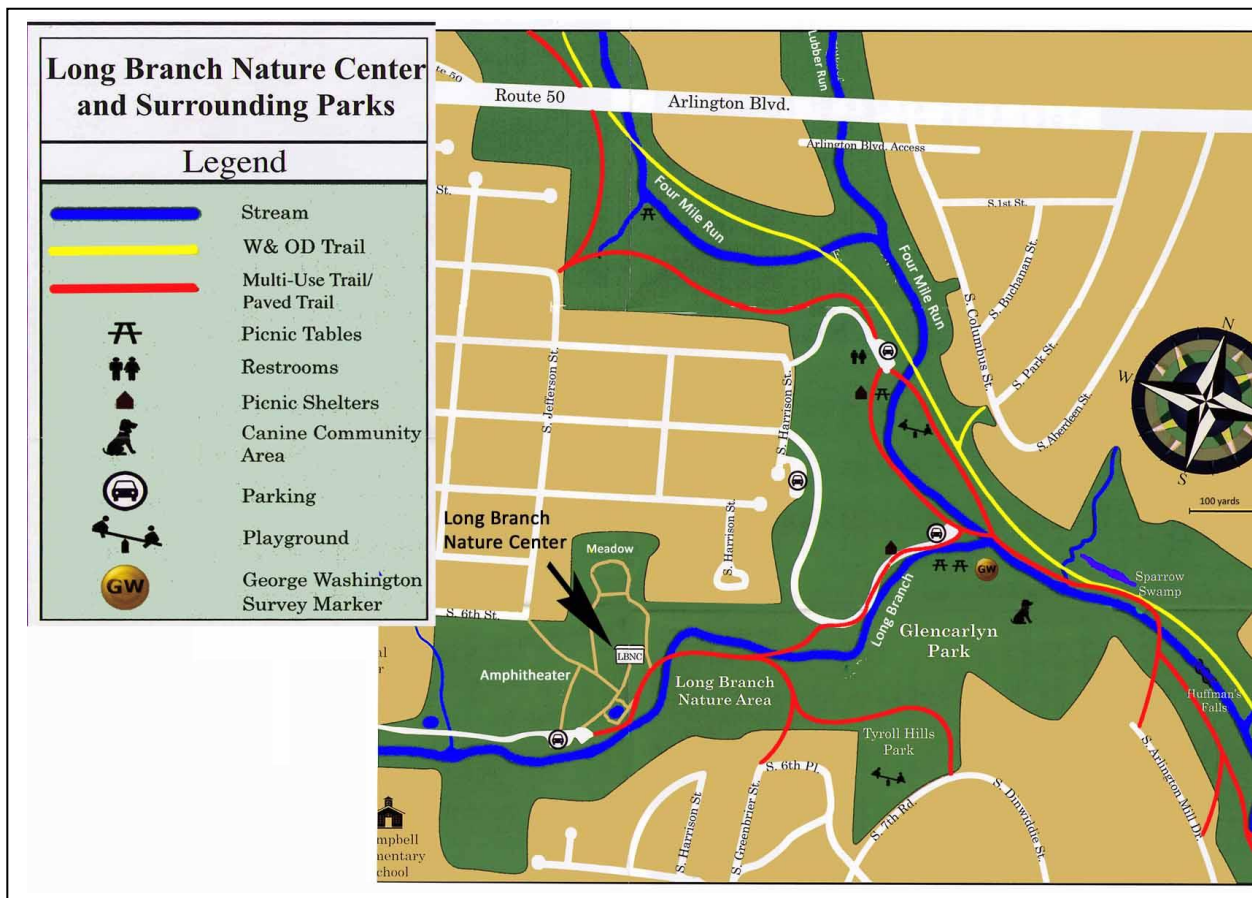
The Long Branch Nature Center

The Nature Center, Other Park Facilities and Fields – The Long Branch Nature Center, a short walk by trail from much of the neighborhood, serves both the local and county-wide community with a selection of services, including environmental education, interpretive programming, natural resource management, and nature/wildlife education. The Center and

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grounds include nature education displays, meeting and programming space, hiking and biking trails, an outdoor amphitheater, native plant gardens, and several freshwater ponds. The Nature Center building is decades old and has not been renovated in many years. Although it is a wonderful facility in a beautiful setting, it suffers from some deficiencies that limit its ability to fulfill its mission. The hours at the Nature Center were reduced in FY 2011, because of overall budget issues. Hours had to be reduced from 71 to 43 hours and the Nature Center is now only open on a minimal 5 days a week schedule.

One of the most obvious deficiencies is the minimal parking – only 23 spaces are available. Classroom space is also limited. The facility and its exhibits are showing signs of deterioration. In some cases it does not meet current codes (e.g., the railings around the front of the building do not meet current requirements and the flagstones can be extremely slippery when wet.) The trails in the Park are well-used for exercise, dog-walking, and nature study. Some are well graded and require minimum maintenance. The paved trails are regularly cleared of debris and leaves – even weekly in the fall. However, some trails are poorly laid out and prone to erosion.



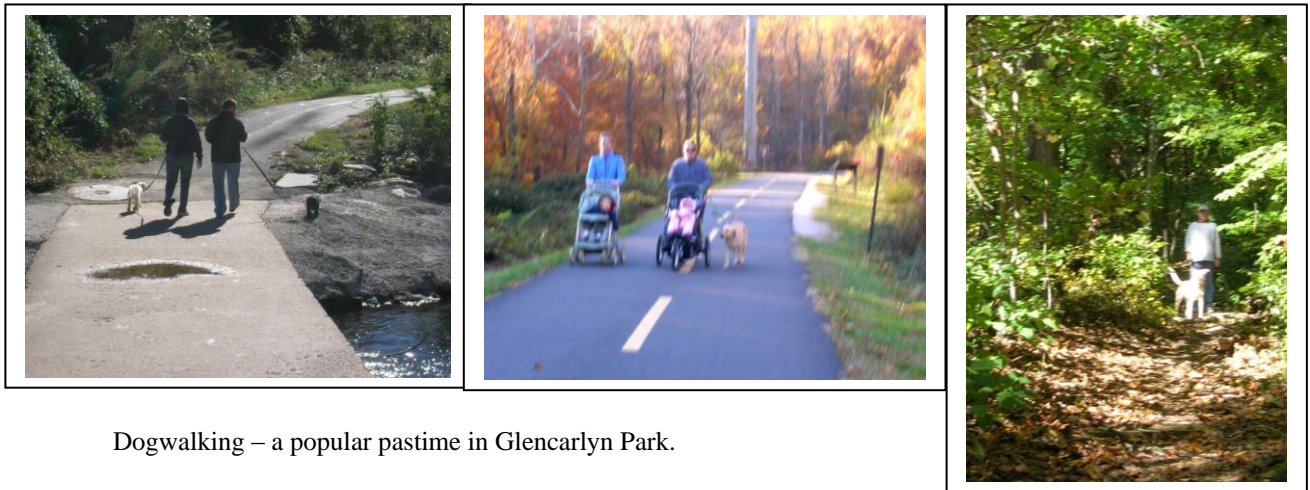
Waterbars on the natural surface trails are frequently improperly installed which often worsen, rather than resolve, difficult situations.

Other nearby amenities include the Glencarlyn Community Canine Area at the junction of Long Branch and Four Mile Run, the Washington and Old Dominion (W&OD) Regional Trail that

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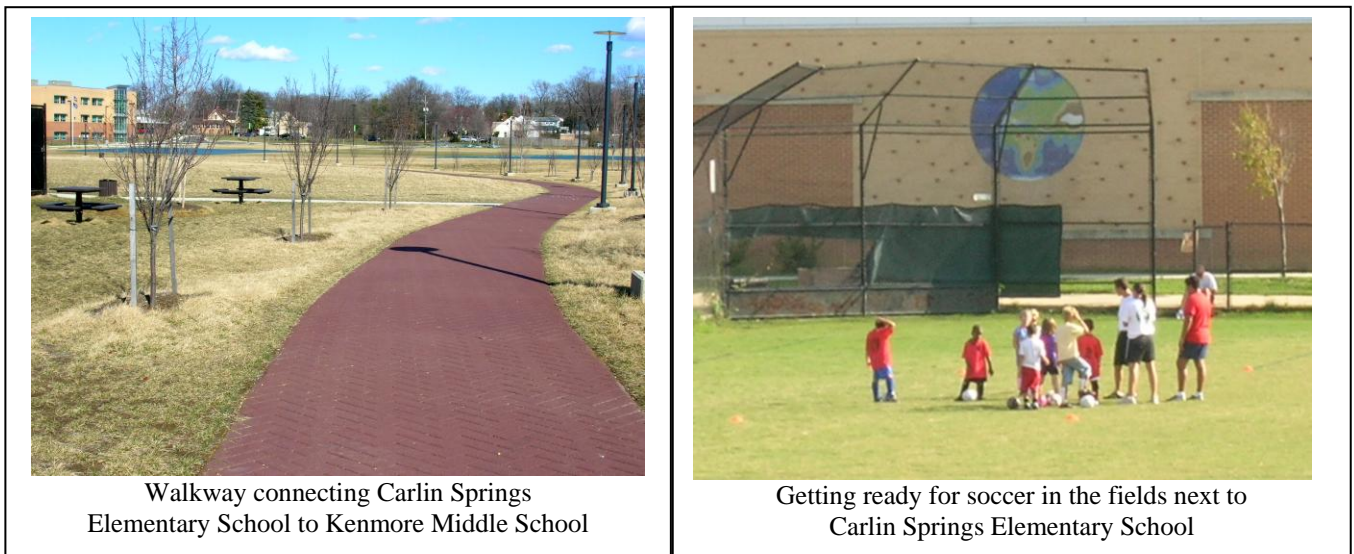
joins the Potomac River shoreline to the Blue Ridge Mountains, and Sparrow Pond Wetland along the W&OD Trail.

Dedicated volunteers are extremely important for the Nature Center and the Park for a wide variety of functions such as removal of invasive species and volunteer staff at the Nature Center, particularly since staffing was reduced in 2011. A number of Glencarlyn residents have volunteered over the years.



Dogwalking – a popular pastime in Glencarlyn Park.

West of Carlin Springs Road, a large area of open space joins Kenmore Middle School and Carlin Springs Elementary School. Much of this space is used for athletic fields. On the eastern edge of the grounds of the Carlin Springs School is a notable, state-champion White Oak tree, believed to be one of the oldest and largest trees in the County and state. One of the original District of Columbia boundary marker stones is located on the edge of the school grounds along the Arlington County/Fairfax County line.



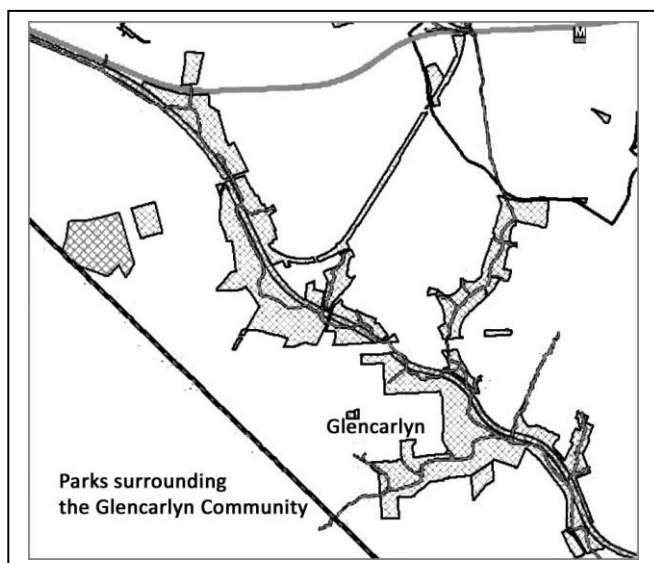
Walkway connecting Carlin Springs Elementary School to Kenmore Middle School

Getting ready for soccer in the fields next to Carlin Springs Elementary School

Connectivity – Glencarlyn Park is a segment of a network of parks and greenways that join the Potomac River to upland suburbs. The abundance of highways in the area limits the deer

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population, allowing tender tree saplings to replenish the woodland canopy. But many other forms of wildlife rely on these undeveloped lands for habitat and migration throughout the county. This is especially evident during the migration of warblers each spring and fall.



Consultation with Neighborhood and Nature Center Staff -- In recent years, the County has authorized and/or conducted construction projects in the neighborhood or in Glencarlyn Park that turned out to be environmentally damaging. Examples include new water lines (temporary inconvenience), the re-lining of sanitary sewers (persistent bad odor since installation), a storm water rip-rap channel opposite the Nature Center (glaringly inappropriate stone), and

unsightly and unsafe concrete aprons at low-water trail crossings (poor footings and sharp edges). Much of the environmental damage these projects have caused could have been avoided through pre-construction consultation. Given the expertise that resides within the neighborhood and at the Nature Center, the GCA asks that before future projects that could have potentially negative environmental consequences start that the GCA be informed of the project and given a chance to review and comment on it.

References:

- Arlington Natural Resource Management Plan, Adopted November 13, 2010.



Unightly rip-rap installed
opposite Long Branch Nature Center

Recommendations for County Actions:

Storm Water Management and Watershed Enhancement

4A: The County should ensure that the Four Mile Run and Long Branch floodplains must be kept free of development.

4B: Upstream paving and actions that can increase the effect of rain forming channels and eroding the park and streams should be minimized. 1) All future storm drainage projects must strive to achieve zero increase in storm runoff. 2) Retrofit projects are also suggested to dampen down the hydrological curve of each of the neighborhood's storm runoff lines. 3) Where possible, alternatives should be sought for curbs and gutters that channel drainage into the park. 4) County efforts to encourage residents to minimize impermeable surfaces and to slow the runoff of rain water should be expanded. All possible efforts must be made to lessen the impact of storm drainage on these waterways (See recommendation 9A).

4C: Use professional consultants to conduct a "Glencarlyn Park Four-Mile Run Tributary Restoration and Stabilization Study". If appropriate, this could be submitted by Glencarlyn as a Neighborhood Conservation (NC) funded project. The severely eroded tributary streams leading to Four Mile Run through Glencarlyn Park should be studied with recommendations made for restoration and stabilization using current "low-impact development" techniques (bio-engineering and plantings, etc.). It should also make recommendations of ways that additional curb and gutter installations will not exacerbate runoff. The study will recommend projects in priority order, with each project sized to fit within normal NC funding limitations. Then use NC funding and other sources to implement these recommendations in as many phases as needed as funding is available.

4D: Encourage the County to study local erosion problems and remediate them in ecologically-appropriate ways that conserve the natural communities, in close consultation with the GCA. Specific ideas include:

- Upstream and in-community storm water retention systems (e.g., "rain gardens" and cisterns at appropriate sites such as the Library and Carlin Hall).
- Removal of stream channelization along Long Branch including the area up to the County line.
- Green roofs for large-scale buildings, such as schools and hospitals.
- Permeable surface parking lots to encourage on-site percolation.

Park Infrastructure

4E: County Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources needs to ensure that trail maintenance and improvements are conducted in a regular and ecologically-sensitive manner. We do not recommend any additional paving since additional impervious surfaces often add to existing runoff problems. However, natural surface trails must be built to minimize erosion and sedimentation downstream. All overgrowth and hazards (such as dead overhanging trees, poison ivy, blocked culverts, missing sewer tops, etc.) should be corrected as funds and staffing allow.

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4F: The County should conduct a study to assess the current condition of the Long Branch Nature Center facility and develop options for improvement, including renovation or other appropriate options. The study will then be followed by consideration of the options and eventual adoption and implementation. In any capital parks campaign, such as the current Parks and Open Space Master Plan, Arlington County should provide for the adequate funding of improvements to enable this Nature Center to continue operating in its unique setting. (This should be a part of the County-wide facilities study during 2010-2011.)

4G: The County Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources should commission a study (including interested neighborhood residents on the team) of ecologically-sensitive elements of the Nature Center and Glencarlyn Park tracts to keep them as natural as possible. Follow-up will include an assessment of actions necessary to conserve these resources and appropriate stewardship actions. (Part of this may have been done during the preparation of the Natural Resources Management Plan. The specifics for the Glencarlyn area may need to be extended.)

4H: The County (both APS and Parks & Rec.) should consider rebuilding and opening of the footbridge across Long Branch, connecting from Campbell Elementary School to the Nature Center access road (to provide better access for teachers and students to nearby park amenities).

4I: The County should assess opportunities to improve environmental connectivity or corridors connecting the open space and natural areas of large tracts such as the Carlin Springs and Campbell Elementary Schools, the Virginia Hospital Center, and the existing parkland so as to benefit wildlife and critical plant habitats.

4J: The County must make significant efforts to address the problem of invasive exotic species in Glencarlyn Park and other areas, giving priority to the most troublesome species. These efforts will be carried out in a manner that safeguards and enhances the native vegetation of parkland. In addition, an aggressive urban forestry campaign will be undertaken to prevent potentially devastating tree diseases, such as Sudden Oak Death, from ruining these woodlands.

4K: After major storms, where the tree canopy is severely damaged, new trees (a mix of local ecotypes of native species, if at all possible) will be planted where appropriate to assist in re-creating the tree canopy as quickly as possible.

4L: Install a trash can at the 2nd and Jefferson Streets entrance of Glencarlyn Park.

4M: Fire safety signs should be posted in key spots in the Park to remind the public to be cautious when extinguishing matches and using grills. In dry weather, one mistake could destroy much of Glencarlyn Park. Signs should also be in Spanish.

4N: The County must provide widespread, advance notice of proposed actions that will affect the Park -- offering the community a chance to comment before work is commenced. At a minimum, bring notice of such projects to the meetings of the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association (GCA).

Historic

4O: Install signs (maybe a wayside with photos) depicting the historic Carlin pavilion and nearby W&OD rail station. Additional waysides might highlight the George Washington survey marker, the W&OD Railroad, and other historic points of interest in the community.

4P: Remove silt and restore, as conditions allow, the historic Carlin Springs.

Park Usage including Kenmore Fields

4Q: County police and park rangers will enforce that Glencarlyn Park not be used for car washing and repair.

4R: Shut down the Kenmore soccer fields and lights at 10:00 p.m. Re-align the Kenmore field lights so that light is limited to ball field grounds and spillover is minimized so as not to unnecessarily intrude on the neighbors.

4S: Clean up trash along the wooded west edge of the Kenmore sports fields, as well as around fields and playground. Install an adequate number of appropriate trash receptacles and regularly empty them.

4T: Ongoing Management of Parking at Kenmore Fields

This restates the email from County Manager staff 2/26/2009. 1) PRCR staff who schedule the fields will work with the Facility Manager at Kenmore to ensure that when special events are taking place in Kenmore PRCR will schedule the outdoor facility accordingly to minimize parking issues. Ensure the stabilized turf overflow parking on the south side of Kenmore fields are open to take the strain of overflow parking off nearby residential areas. (see 5E for schools)

2) PRCR will ensure four signs with county logo along 2nd street at Kenmore to read: Attention: All Field Users - Please park in the designated parking lots located at Kenmore Middle School and Carlin Spring Elementary Schools.

3) Two signs with county logo on two U posts going into overflow parking area at Kenmore Middle School to read: Kenmore Field Users Park Here (with a right side arrow).

4) PRCR staff will request coaches to have parents park and pick up from the Carlin Springs Elementary side of the field. (This is new and the actions resulted from a series of meeting between residents of 2nd St S and County staff.)

Other Recommendations:

Preserving and Enhancing Natural Resources

4U: GCA will remind our neighbors and the County needs to enforce the law prohibiting all dumping (including yard wastes and leaves) on public land. The County needs to remove waste dumped in the park. GCA will remind our neighbors and the County should educate all residents that they must not release any pets, such as exotic fish, into the park.

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4V: GCA will remind our neighbors to make a particular effort to pick up all litter on and near their residences to help prevent littering in the park and streams. Particular care should be exercised to prevent materials like foam packing peanuts and plastic bags from getting loose and being carried into the woods and streams by wind and water. Residents should also insist on timely (ongoing) removal of construction trash when work is being done.

4W: The GCA will coordinate an annual stream clean-up day to remove trash from the woods in cooperation with the County and the Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment (ACE).

4X: GCA will work with Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment and the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service to increase the awareness in the community about the proper use of pesticides and herbicides and their harmful effects on the quality of the County's streams and watersheds if they are misused or dumped.

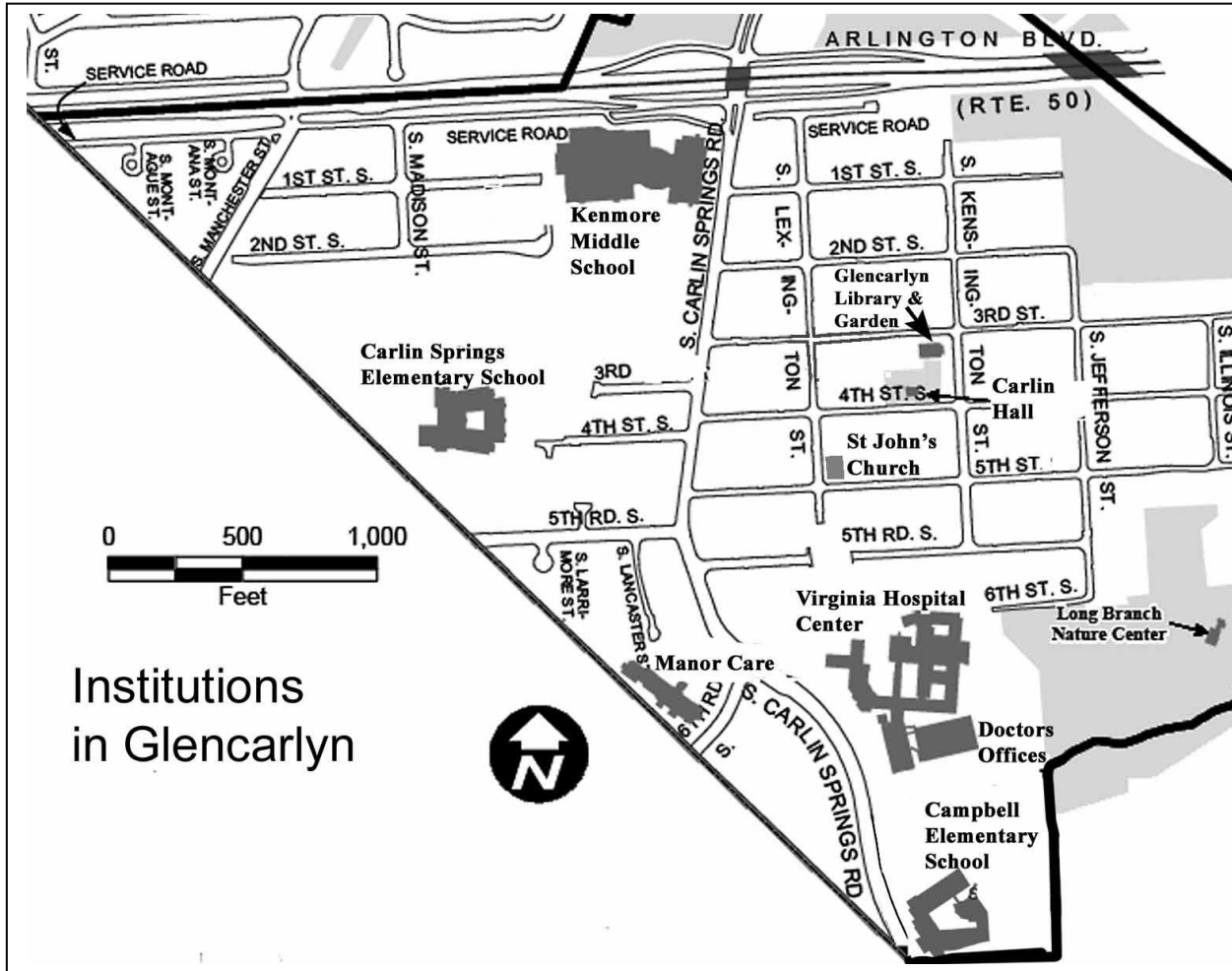
4Y: GCA will inform residents to participate in the National Wildlife Federation's Certified Wildlife Backyard Habitat Program.

Pets

4Z1: GCA will remind residents that they should always clean up after their dogs, even in the woodlands. Dog feces are a major source of contamination in the streams, harbor diseases, and are a major food resource for rats. The County should do the same.

4Z2: GCA will remind residents to heed Arlington's leash law and keep their dogs on leash when they are on public property other than the designated Dog Park. Unleashed dogs can be a threat and source of intimidation to other people and to wildlife.

5 -- INSTITUTIONS



Glencarlyn contains several noteworthy institutions, including three public schools, a branch of the public library system, an historic community center used as a preschool, an urgent care center, a mid-rise condo of doctor's offices, a nursing home, an apartment building for seniors and disabled, a church, and a small commercial strip with three businesses. All are assets to the community and for the most part are good neighbors. Changes to these facilities have been significant over the past several years, and more changes are likely in the near future.

The Schools -- For many years Glencarlyn had been home to three schools: Glencarlyn Elementary School on Carlin Springs Road, Kenmore Middle School and the Preschool at Carlin Hall. In 2001, a new elementary school (Arlington County's first new school building in over 20 years) was built facing 5th Road at the back of the 33.5-acre Kenmore School grounds. This was named Carlin Springs Elementary School and the students and staff from the former Glencarlyn Elementary School were relocated here. The old Glencarlyn Elementary building was renamed the Campbell School, drawing children countywide for its specialized early childhood development programs.

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Carlin Springs Elementary - 5995 5th Rd S. - This school draws students from surrounding neighborhoods, especially Columbia Heights West. Carlin Springs is Arlington's model "community school" in which the school facility is used as a base to support students and their families by addressing not only academic needs, but also social, emotional, and health needs through linkages to community partners. Many of these activities are before or after school. Students come from over 50 nations. Its international character is symbolized by a forest of national flags down the interior Main Street hallway and also four bas-relief mosaic maps of the world, facing the four compass points on outside walls. The student population of 517 is 69 % Hispanic, 11 % African-American, 12 % Asian, and 5 % White (2010).¹



Carlin Springs Elementary School



Campbell Elementary School
Main Entrance - rear of building

Campbell Elementary School - 737 S. Carlin Springs Rd - In 2002, the Campbell program which had been at the Claremont building was relocated to the newly refurbished and renamed Glencarlyn Elementary building. The school is an Expeditionary Learning Community which includes a multiage, inclusive and developmentally-based program in which students learn by participating actively in the learning process. The student population of 332 is 45 % Hispanic, 31 % White, 10 % African-American, and 10 % Asian (2010)¹. Although Campbell Elementary School is just south of the civic association border, it is included within the Neighborhood Conservation Area and therefore the Glencarlyn Neighborhood Conservation Plan.

Kenmore Middle School - 200 S. Carlin Springs Rd. - The original Kenmore building was built about 1951 as an elementary school and expanded into a middle school. It was located on the southeast end of the property, all on one level, with large courtyards and several detached buildings. In 2005, the old Kenmore building was replaced by an entirely new school located at the north end of the site along U.S. Route 50. Designed by the same architects as the new Carlin Springs School, this structure is much more compact (with a three story classroom wing



Kenmore Middle School

¹ The students by group do not add to 100% due to exclusion of some small groups and rounding.

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and no courtyards) than the earlier building, freeing additional open space for ball fields and other recreational uses. The new building is sized for 850 students and has been specially designed to highlight the school's arts and communications technology theme. It is a magnet school for students from all over Arlington County with the theme of "Arts and Communications Technology". Most students come from local neighborhoods. The student population of 704 is 43 % Hispanic, 22 % White, 18 % African-American, and 10 % Asian (2010)¹. The building is also widely used weekends and evenings for community groups and activities.

Carlin Hall Preschool Program – 5711 4th St. S. - The preschool program for 22 children at Carlin Hall is operated by the Arlington County Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources. This is a cooperative preschool with parents assisting at each session. For a number of years beginning in the 1970's, the Preschool was managed by Board made up Glencarlyn residents.



Arlington Urgent Care Center at Virginia Hospital Center



Parking lot of Virginia Hospital Center

Virginia Hospital Center - Carlin Springs Health Pavilion - 601 S. Carlin Springs Rd. - Built in the early 1960's as the Northern Virginia Doctors' Hospital, this facility was sold in 2006 to the Virginia Hospital Center. The facility currently has several uses: the Arlington Urgent Care Center where they treat non-emergency conditions which require prompt attention; the Carlin Springs Health Pavilion where a number of the wellness programs of the VHC are provided; some of the business offices of the VHC; and a day care facility for 120 children of hospital staff, and if extra space is available, to other families in the community.



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The sale to the Virginia Hospital Center was not completed prior to responses to the neighborhood surveys, so there was considerable uncertainty about the future of the property. Given that context, there was a lot of discussion about the hospital property. Although we

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anticipate no change in ownership, any proposed changes to the use of or construction on the property are of concern.

The future disposition of the hospital offers a number of special opportunities for neighborhood conservation. For example, the historic Moses Ball Spring and possibly other historic sites are located on hospital grounds. The finest sledding hill in the immediate area is also located on the hospital grounds. Some of the property consists of a conserved wild area, and more of the property is open space, all adjacent to existing park lands and the Campbell School. Ample parking is available on the hospital property, while it is severely constrained for the nearby Long Branch Nature Center.

Future redevelopment of the site should seek to minimize storm runoff and noise that would adversely impact neighbors and the nearby streams. The first choice of those who responded to the 2004 neighborhood survey in terms of potential re-use of the site was for open space and parkland, followed by long-term medical care and medical services. Residents were opposed to high or medium density residential uses, including townhouses, as well as mixed use development and non-medical commercial uses. County government use (rather than open space or parkland) received a mixed reaction from survey respondents.

Northern Virginia Doctors Medical Offices - 611 S. Carlin Springs Rd. - This building was constructed in 1982 and houses 45 commercial office condominiums. The facility includes an adjoining multi-level parking facility. The structures were built by the doctors affiliated with the then existing Northern Virginia Doctors' Hospital. It is not part of the Virginia Hospital Center.



Northern Virginia Doctors Medical building, with parking garage



Manor Care Health Services

Manor Care - 550 S. Carlin Springs Rd. Manor Care Health Services, has been a Glencarlyn neighbor since 1976. It is a multi-disciplinary health facility, with a capacity of 172 beds, just across the street from the Urgent Care Center. The wide range of services offered include post-hospital Medical and Rehabilitative services, Long Term Care, Alzheimer's Care, and special short-term care as may be required by particular family circumstances. HCR Manor Care, the operating company, based in Toledo, OH, is a leading provider of short-term post-acute medical care and rehabilitation and long-term skilled nursing care.



Woodland Hills Apartments

Woodland Hill Apartments - 600 South Carlin Springs Rd - This 235-unit apartment complex was built in the early 1970's. It is owned by Woodland Hill Associates and is managed by Arbor Management, part of Leon N. Weiner and Associates, based in Wilmington, DE. All of the apartments are rented under the Section 8 rent assistance program funded by the Federal government through the Department of Housing and Urban Development. It limits its residents to those who are 62 years or older or disabled. The complex includes an optional dining room plan. Although it faces directly onto

Carlin Springs Road, a strip of woodland enhances its privacy. Immediate access to Manor Care and the Urgent Care Center make it an ideal location for elderly residents.

St. John's Episcopal Church - 415 South Lexington St. - St. John's has been a part of the Glencarlyn community since 1910 when a small chapel was first erected on the site of St. John's. A bell tower was added in 1921. It was served until 1954 by students at the Episcopal Seminary in Alexandria. The new, larger church was completed in 1957. A number of families in Glencarlyn attend St. John's. The church has a number of activities in which many of the neighborhood participate, e.g. the Annual Tea, the Book Club, and the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. The church allows the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association the use of its grounds and undercroft for community activities.



St John's Church

Recommendations for County Actions:

Virginia Hospital Center

5A: The Virginia Hospital Center is a major facility in the neighborhood and adjoins the park. If its ownership or usage has the possibility of changing in the future, the County should ensure that the Glencarlyn community has an active role in the process.

5B: As part of any redevelopment or modifications of the structures at 601 S. Carlin Springs Rd. the County staff needs to seek opportunities to conserve open space and natural land areas, preserve historical features, and improve environmental quality by reducing or minimizing impervious surface area and increasing native vegetation.

Recommendations for Schools Actions:

5C: APS should install additional security lights on the grounds of the Carlin Springs Elementary School – it is dark in the back corners, encouraging graffiti. Any lights placed on the east side of the relocatable classrooms need to respect the adjoining neighbors.

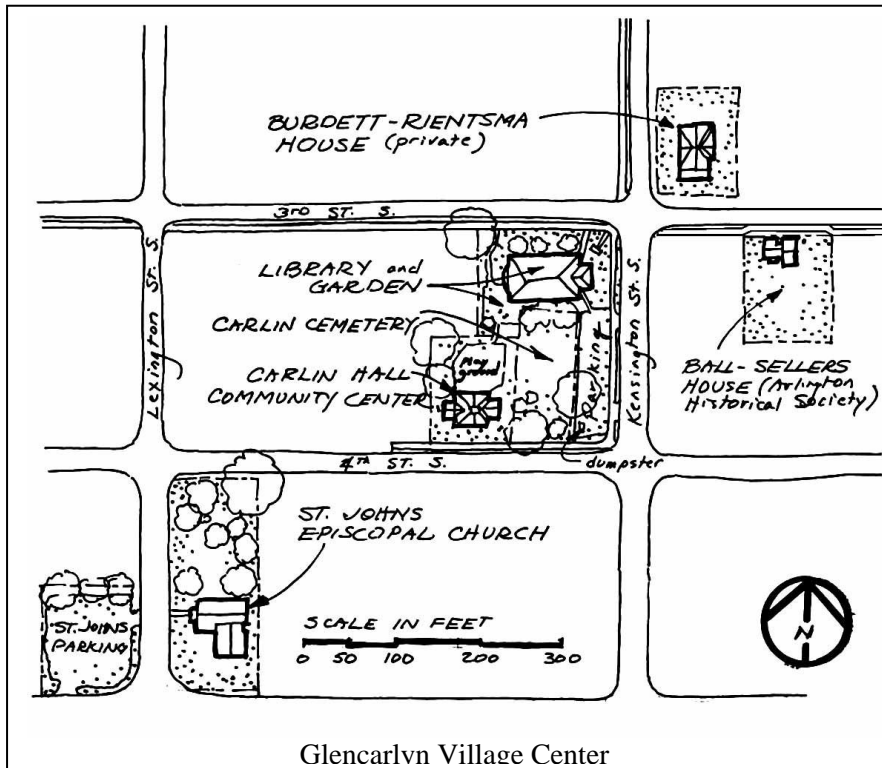
5D: APS and PRCRS need to ensure the staff handling booking of Kenmore, Carlin Spring Elementary and the Sports Division of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources work together to ensure the stabilized turf overflow parking on the south side of Kenmore fields are open to take the strain of overflow parking off nearby residential areas when there are major events at Kenmore or concurrent events at two or more of the facilities. (see also 4T)

Other Recommendations:

5E: The GCA will maintain a strong, supportive relationship with both Carlin Springs Elementary and Kenmore Middle School to make them integral to this neighborhood and ensure student safety. An ongoing dialogue with Kenmore staff will address occasional student misbehavior while walking home through the neighborhood. Kenmore will regularly remind students not to use Glencarlyn Park as a route to school and that the park is closed at dark. Schedulers for Kenmore will remind groups to not disturb the neighbors after evening activities (9-10 pm).

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The Village Center – Many of Glencarlyn’s historic and community roots lie within the Village Center. This small zone consists of five main landmarks: Carlin Hall, the Ball-Carlin family cemetery, the historic Ball-Sellers House, the Burdett House, and the Library and its garden. The Ball-Sellers House is Arlington’s oldest remaining structure; Carlin Hall is the oldest building in Arlington County built specifically by a community association for community use, and the Burdett House was built by the neighborhood’s developer, Samuel S. Burdett, in the late 1880’s.



Glencarlyn Village Center



Glencarlyn Library



Ball-Sellers House
(view from rear)

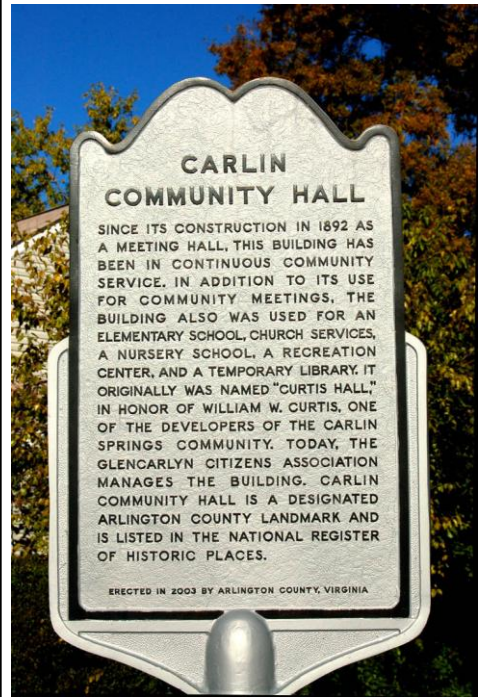
Today, the Village Center is very much the neighborhood’s center, complete with bulletin board for community news. Yet the historical significance of key landmarks is not apparent to the general public or new residents. The recommendations below highlight this area’s historical significance and offer opportunities for community enrichment.

Ball-Sellers House – The Ball-Sellers House, at 5620 3rd Street South, includes a shed wing that is Arlington County’s oldest remaining structure, built about 1742. The property is owned and maintained today by the Arlington Historical Society (AHS). The main house is occupied by caretakers while the historic wing and grounds are open to visitors each Saturday afternoon from 1-4 PM from April through October. The grounds are occasionally used for special events, such as Civil War re-enactor encampments. Information is available at arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org. The house and barn are designated as an Arlington "Historic District" and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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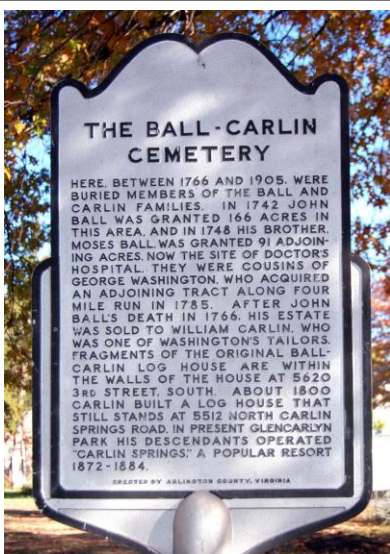


Carlin Hall



Carlin Hall Historic Marker

Carlin Hall – 5711 4th St S. - This 1892 white clapboard community hall is used today as a County Preschool on weekdays and hosts community meetings many evenings. It is also available at nominal booking fee for family and group events. The grounds, including a children's play area, are used by residents daily. Carlin Hall is the center of activity for the neighborhood's annual "Glencarlyn Day" held on the first Saturday of June each year. Arlington County owns and maintains the building and grounds, while the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association schedules use of the building. It is an Arlington "Historic District" and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



Ball-Carlin Cemetery

Ball-Carlin Family Cemetery -- Next to Carlin Hall is the Ball-Carlin Family Cemetery. The last burial took place in the early 1900's, and the cemetery remains a quiet place today. Currently maintained by the County, the cemetery is inaccessible to the community with only one main entrance, a gate on 4th Street that is permanently locked. Many of the tombstones in the cemetery were moved and most of the remaining are covered up by grass and no longer visible. Few Glencarlyn residents and visitors have any idea who is buried in this cemetery. It is an Arlington "Historic District" and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Library & Community Garden – 300 S. Kensington St. - The Glencarlyn Branch of the Library is frequently used by neighborhood residents and other County citizens. The computer center with internet access and the wireless hotspot is very popular with residents and students from the neighborhood schools.

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During 2012 it is open five days each week, including three evenings, which is a reduction from the years prior to the FY 2010 and 2011 budget reductions.

According to the 2004 survey, 90% of residents rank the library grounds as “good” or “excellent”. Additional comments included, “this is a tremendous asset to the community.” The garden is in large part the result of two local volunteer Master Gardeners, who are also Glencarlyn residents. Until 2000, almost no formal landscaping existed on the library grounds – in fact, the rear grounds were notorious for loitering and poor behavior. The garden started as a Boy Scout project many years back, then fell into disuse over the years and was almost totally destroyed in the mid 1990’s after a large maple tree (located where the gazebo now is) fell during a storm.



3rd St Library garden entrance

In the spring of 2000, the two Arlington County Master Gardeners began renovating the site. In 2001, they approached the GCA and local community for support, and the Glencarlyn Neighborhood Community Garden as we know it today was officially born. Support included the donation of the gazebo by a resident and a grant from the County’s Small Parks Program. Since then, the garden has become a key asset to the neighborhood. It serves as a teaching garden maintained by Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia (part of Virginia Cooperative Extension) for the purpose of educating the public on suburban and urban landscapes for the home. Once unused and neglected, the Community Garden is visited on a monthly basis, according the 2004 survey, by 80% of survey respondents. A feature added in 2009 were two cisterns to collect rainwater for the garden to reduce Library water bills and to be part of the instructional part of the garden. This is described further in the hydrology section of chapter 4 Parks And Recreation, Natural Environment And Cultural Sites. The garden is a wonderful mixture of shade, tropical, herbal, sunny, children’s and memorial gardens. Its mission is to teach horticulture and enhance this suburban neighborhood. Its renaissance symbolizes the spirit of renewal and beautification that the Glencarlyn neighborhood hopes results from this Neighborhood Conservation Plan.



The Gazebo

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While the 2004 Survey confirmed the garden's value in creating a more visually pleasing and pleasant community atmosphere, it also revealed two concerns: 1) the unsightly prominence of the nearby dumpster currently located in the library parking lot at the corner of Kensington and 4th Streets, and 2) the library gutters, which were fixed when the cisterns were installed.

Recommendations for County Actions:

Infrastructure

6A: Curbs, gutters and sidewalks should be installed around the core Village Center block, thereby enhancing its accessibility, pedestrian safety, and identity. This would include the 5700 block of 4th Street, the 300 block of Lexington and part of the 300 block of Kensington. (This is a NC project funded in 2011 with construction planned for 2012.)

County Properties - A number of properties in The Village Center are County owned or have County oversight, i.e. Carlin Hall, the Glencarlyn Library and parking lot, and the Ball-Carlin Cemetery.

6B: Carlin Hall, its grounds and the areas around it are heavily used by the community. There need to be several improvements to make this area function better as an outdoor community center. Suggested improvements are:

- Screen the dumpster in the Glencarlyn Library parking lot to keep with a Village Center look and feel.
- Add some landscaping around the Carlin Hall property including trees in the front.
- Clean up the junk growth in the northwest corner, and maintain the existing trees.
- Ensuring the lawn, which is a play area, does not have holes or deep ruts.
- Possible replacement of the fencing and/or adding some screening to provide more privacy for neighbors, since the facility is used heavily on weekends.
- Installation of a fence to screen the basement entrance and gas meter from street view.
- Add additional benches and picnic tables.
- Add a sandbox since wood based products have replaced sand under the playground equipment.
- Smoothing, rolling, and re-seeding the lawn areas recently rutted by heavy equipment used to upgrade the playground and damaged tree removal.
- Addition of a historically appropriate shed, possibly in a carriage house style from the period, needed to store preschool equipment and to store equipment for the Community Garden and other community equipment.

Historic

6C: Install an interpretive display on the library grounds, describing the history of the Glencarlyn Library, its donor, its original collection, and later replacement. Install other interpretive signs and displays in select locations within the Village Center; these could be similar to displays on the W&OD Four Mile Run trail at Bluemont Junction, explaining the

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historical significance of each landmark, thereby helping to establish the Village Center as a place in which neighborhood residents can take pride.

6D: Create artistic, perhaps mosaic, plaques, inset into new sidewalks and curbs that would identify the year each historical Village Center landmark was built. (Discussion with County staff November 2010 indicated that inserts in the sidewalk or curb would not be possible. Inclusion of free standing markers or plaques adjacent to the sidewalk would be possible on public land or on private property if the owner agreed.)

Other Recommendations:

Community

6E: The Ball-Carlin Cemetery represents a significant piece of open space in the Village Center. Research has not yet clarified ownership of the cemetery lot, but it is believed to be heirs of the Carlin family. The County is providing limited maintenance of the cemetery grounds.

Glencarlyn should establish a group who would pursue these recommendations:

- Determine if an owner(s) can be identified and work with them to get permission to make some of the enhancements below.
- Enlist the County, Arlington Historical Society and/or a local university to conduct an archeological study that would identify the locations of cemetery graves, as well as the names of the interred and their connection to Arlington County and Glencarlyn. In the case of headstones and/or footstones that cannot be located, new simple markers may be used to mark the gravesites.
- Install interpretive displays near burial sites to educate residents and the general public about who is interred in the cemetery and their historical significance.
- Create a new, alternate entrance to the cemetery. The new entrance or gate would be located within the rear of the cemetery near the Community Garden, behind the library, so it would only be accessible through the garden and thereby discourage inappropriate uses.
- Explore the feasibility of extending the community garden to include landscaping the cemetery grounds, its proposed new entrance and existing 4th Street entrance.
- Install a brick garden path on the cemetery grounds connecting to the community garden path.
- Add several garden benches inside the cemetery.

6F: The GCA should plan community events and activities at least once a quarter. These activities could include: neighborhood picnics, community-wide yard sales, potlucks, a games night, Glencarlyn Art Day, lectures, readings, workshops, perhaps a weekly ‘coffeehouse’ at the Library, a dessert party, caroling, or an evening festivity along with a Luminaria.

7 -- TRANSPORTATION

Glencarlyn has only four large streets going through the neighborhood: Arlington Boulevard (U.S. Route 50) to the north, Carlin Springs Road running north and south through the neighborhood's center, Manchester Street to the west, and 5th Road west of Carlin Springs near the south. These streets, plus the W&OD Bike Trail in Glencarlyn Park to the east, make up the transportation of the neighborhood.

Most of the internal neighborhood streets run east and west and north and south on a grid system. Three schools lie within the neighborhood. They directly impact transportation because of the large number of walking children and school buses. Two of those schools, Kenmore Middle School and Campbell Elementary School, face directly onto Carlin Springs Road. The third, Carlin Springs Elementary, is located on 5th Road, a block off Carlin Springs Road.

Carlin Springs Road -- Traffic overload on Carlin Springs Road is severe, especially at rush-hour. This road is a popular connector route for people traveling between Columbia Pike / Baileys Crossroads and Ballston. As a result, the traffic is most congested on Carlin Springs Road heading north in the morning rush hour and heading south in the evening. Delays of up to a half an hour are not uncommon when driving on this stretch of Carlin Springs Road at these times. Most who use this road do not live in the neighborhood. Because of the severe traffic overloads, every intersection on Carlin Springs Road can be a traffic hazard -- when traffic is stopped, most intersections become blocked.



Students crossing at 3rd and Carlin Springs
And then walking south on the narrow sidewalk

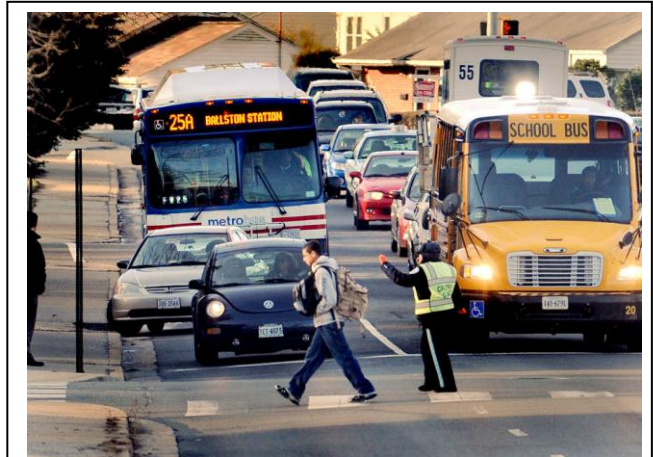


Neighbors complain of speeding and aggressive drivers on Carlin Springs Road and (to a lesser degree) on the internal neighborhood streets. For example, Lexington Street runs parallel to Carlin Springs Road and becomes a cut through when Carlin Springs Road is congested. Speeders are also found on the streets that lead to Glencarlyn Park, such as 3rd and 4th Streets. The intersection at 1st Street is also congested because of the busy 7-11 convenience store on the corner with Carlin Springs Road, just 60 feet from the intersection of Route 50. Drivers on

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Carlin Springs southbound trying to make a left into the 7-11 parking lot often block traffic at the intersection of Carlin Springs and Route 50. This, along with periodic problems with timing of the traffic lights, can cause traffic jams a quarter mile long during rush hour.

The heavy traffic on Carlin Springs Road poses great danger to pedestrians, especially school children. For example, vehicles exiting and entering on Route 50 from Carlin Springs Road often do not stop at the red light nor allow pedestrians (frequently school children) walking on Carlin Springs Road time to cross the street. Pedestrian traffic is also problematic on Carlin Springs Road because the sidewalks are very narrow and often overgrown, with no utility strip separating pedestrians from traffic. Walking school children and people at bus stops come very close to moving traffic. This is particularly an issue when there is a moderate to heavy snowfall and the plows push snow onto the sidewalk making them impassable. Glencarlyn has joined the County volunteer snow blower program to help keep these sidewalks safe, particularly for children going to school.



Carlin Springs Rd AM rush hour

Lastly, many neighbors complain about the appearance of Carlin Springs Road, which is bordered by narrow and heavily used sidewalks. Unlike the segment north of Route 50 in North Arlington, which has an attractive landscaped median and sidewalks, Carlin Springs Road in South Arlington (due to the road's narrower right-of-way) does not have a median nor landscaped sidewalks. The roadsides near the intersection of Route 50 and close to the 7-11 are sometimes littered with garbage.

The 2004 neighborhood survey suggested a number of solutions which are reflected in the recommendations at the end of this chapter.

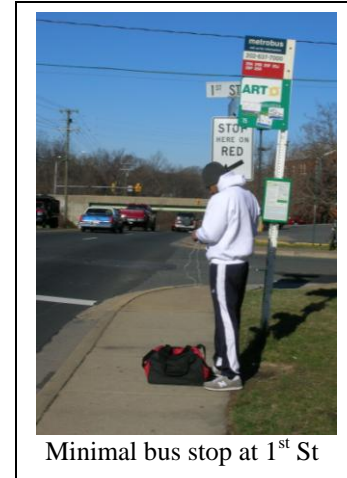
Carlin Springs Road, between Kensington and 7th Road South, was one of the pilot areas included as part of the 2004 Arterial Traffic Management study. A number of Glencarlyn residents participated in that process which resulted in several recommendations.



ART Bus picking up riders

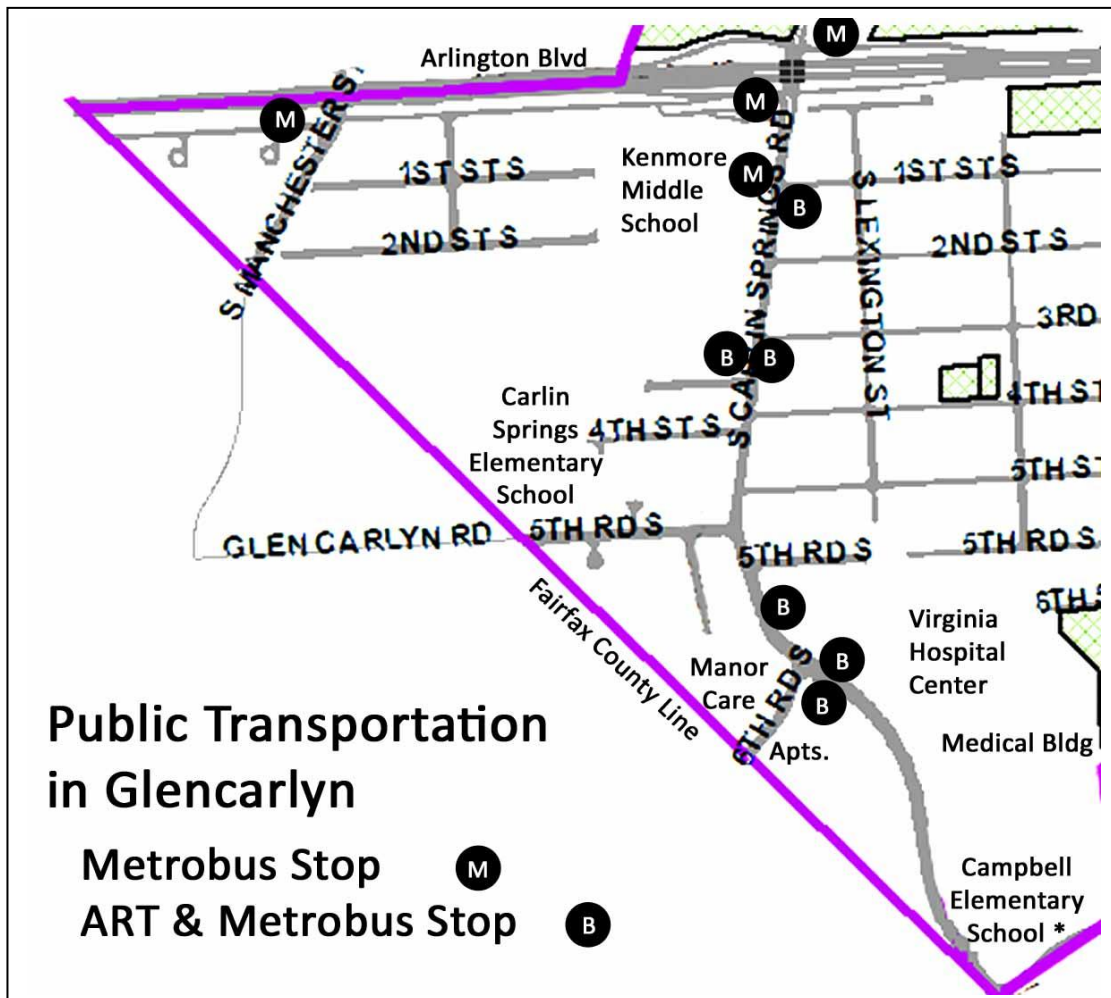
Neighborhood Streets -- With respect to the low-volume neighborhood streets, residents in the 2004 survey made many suggestions, such as 4-way stops, for traffic calming. Manchester Street -- an arterial street at the west of the neighborhood that serves several large apartment houses and serves as a short-cut from the Culmore neighborhood in Fairfax County -- forms a hazardous intersection at U.S. Route 50.

Public Transportation -- In keeping with Arlington's emphasis on energy conservation and a goal of transportation that encompasses more than just cars on roads, the Glencarlyn neighborhood is serviced by a number of bus lines: Metrobus Route 4 to Rosslyn Metro via Route 50, Metrobus Route 25 to Ballston and Pentagon Metro stations via Carlin Springs Road, ART Bus Route 75 to Ballston Metro and Wakefield High School. The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) operates Metrobus. Residents complain that the Metrobuses are unreliable and not timely. Survey results revealed that more frequent and more reliable buses would encourage residents to use public transportation more. In addition, residents complain of the condition of the present bus stops. The Route 4 bus shelter on the ramp from eastbound Route 50 is surrounded by poison ivy and often is filled with garbage and is generally not attractive. There are no bus shelters or even benches at most of the bus stops on Carlin Springs Road.



Minimal bus stop at 1st St

Bicycling -- Bicycling is a non-polluting means of transportation for Glencarlynites. Many residents bicycle on the W&OD path and other paths in the Glencarlyn Park. Others commute to Ballston, Virginia Square or even downtown Washington, DC. The County has one of the most well organized bicycle systems of any jurisdiction in the Greater Washington area.



Recommendations for County Actions:

Carlin Springs Road

7A: Carlin Springs Road (CSR) is one of the major traffic arteries in Arlington. The recommendations from the 2004 Arterial Traffic Management study for Carlin Springs Rd included:

1. Slow traffic on (CSR)
 - a. Decrease the speed limit on this section of CSR to 25 – during rush hour traffic doesn't exceed 25 anyway. At other times cars often substantially exceed the speed limit.
 - b. Install permanent signs displaying the speed of each vehicle at two locations, on northbound CSR before Campbell school and on southbound CSR by North Kensington. These would be similar to the two signs on Wilson Blvd. near Jackson and Madison Streets.
 - c. Slightly narrow lanes to encourage slower speeds where practical; considerable narrowing can be done along the hospital property.
2. Create safe space for pedestrians and wheelchairs
 - a. Several sections of the sidewalks along CSR are extremely narrow. Widen narrow sidewalks and install a planting strip to buffer pedestrians from the street where possible (see narrow lanes above.)
 - b. Some sections on the west side of CSR are so narrow that with the existing placement of utility poles wheelchairs cannot travel on the sidewalk.
3. Improve lighting under the Arlington Blvd overpass
4. Left turns into Glencarlyn from CSR southbound - using excess space from Kenmore property create a center left turn lane into Glencarlyn, location to be determined.

7B: Provide more police presence along Carlin Springs Road during rush hour to reduce speed and ensure compliance with the existing signs. In addition, where warranted, install “Do not block intersection” signs.

Safety in Neighborhood

7C: Because this neighborhood has a number of narrow streets and many children who play outdoors, a suggested speed limit reduction to 20 miles per hour is proposed within “the village” to promote pedestrian and children’s safety.

7D: Traffic calming measures are needed to slow down traffic on residential streets. Specifically 1) on the streets that lead to Glencarlyn Park, in particular 3rd and 4th, and 2) on cut through streets such as along Manchester and Lexington streets. Suggestions include: installing four-way stop signs at the intersections where Kensington and Jefferson Streets cross 3rd and 4th Streets; and upon entering the neighborhood at each Lexington Street intersection, put up signs that say something like ‘This is a family neighborhood, PLEASE SLOW DOWN.’

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7E: The County should remove trees and shrubs in the street right-of-way that obstruct driver sight lines at intersections – especially along Carlin Springs Road.

7F: Install a variety of additional signs to help give direction and provide better emergency access:

- 1) A sign on Jefferson Street pointing to ‘5601-5621 S. 6th St.’ for emergency access.
- 2) ‘No Outlet’ signs at the beginning of all dead-end streets.
- 3) At Route 50 at Manchester St. install a sign that says ‘No turn on red when pedestrians are present.’
- 4) Add a “Do Not Block Intersection” sign on southbound Carlin Springs Road at 4th Street.
- 5) For the dogleg between the Arlington Blvd service road north of Kenmore, the original design assumed only one way traffic westbound from Carlin Springs Rd. The County should add a “One Way - No Exit” sign to make it clear that you cannot exit from the dogleg directly onto CSR; the current signage is ambiguous. Also correct the no parking signage added on the north side of the Arlington Blvd service road north of Kenmore; the sign at the western edge of the Kenmore property, indicates no parking east of the sign, which implies parking is permitted to the west of the sign, which is incorrect.

7G: Add additional time to the green light for persons exiting 5th Street onto Carlin Springs road. The current light is too quick for the number of cars often waiting.

Parking

7H: Establish permit parking on: 1) the north side houses on 2nd Street South from 5863 to 5949 (between Kenmore and Manchester) because of the large number of vehicles associated with the playing fields; 2) along the west side of Manchester from Arlington Blvd to the Fairfax County line, where a number of vehicles from the Woodlake Towers, located in Fairfax, park. (A preliminary survey of neighbors on the 5800 & 5900 blocks of 2nd Street did not find a lot of support for permits. However, efforts through the County Manager resulted in recommendation #4T Ongoing Management of Parking at Kenmore Fields. This may have resolved the problem). Manchester Street is still an issue.

7I: The County needs to reassess the recent addition of a parking lane along the east side Manchester. It doubles the length of the queue of vehicles which waiting for the Arlington Blvd light; this makes left turns in the morning out of the townhouses on Manchester dangerous and sometimes almost impossible. Parking by large numbers of Fairfax residents from the apartments is also a problem.

Other Recommendations:

7J: Residents should prune back vegetation at all corners where visibility is obstructed. GCA can annually remind residents of this.

7K: WMATA and ART buses are encouraged to provide more frequent bus service on the 25 and 75 lines, at least at rush hour. Please provide a bench at each bus stop

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8 – STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Glencarlyn's street system layout reflects a typical small 19th Century American town, with streets laid out on a rectangular grid. As the neighborhood expanded to the south and west, cul-de-sacs were added to the grid system. Newer sections of the neighborhood built in the 1950's, west of Carlin Springs Road, followed a grid pattern similar to the original.



Typical curb and gutter only



Streets with sidewalks



No curb and gutter or sidewalk

The original neighborhood's streets had 40-foot wide rights-of-way and were unpaved, without storm drainage systems, sidewalks, or street lighting. Later, they were paved with asphalt, but often without suitable or durable subbase material. Newer additions to the neighborhood, however, were constructed with curb and gutter, sidewalks and storm drainage systems.

Street lighting has been added over the years to many of the streets, but not all blocks. Neighborhood Conservation projects, and other projects undertaken by the County, have added curb and gutter and drainage systems to many of the original streets, on a block-by-block basis. Some of these more recent projects have also included sidewalks. As a result, Glencarlyn now has a wide variety of street conditions, ranging from paved (but otherwise unimproved) to fully developed streets with smooth paving, curb and gutter, storm drains, sidewalks, and street lighting. Many of the pavement-only streets are in deteriorating condition and many have significant drainage problems. It is estimated that about half of the blocks in the neighborhood have curb and gutter and drainage systems.

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Example of standing water in a curbless street



Fully completed street nearby

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Most of Glencarlyn does not face the issue of “cut-through” traffic that many Arlington neighborhoods do. As a result, many neighborhood pedestrians are generally comfortable with sharing the street with vehicles and routinely do so on those streets without sidewalks. Although there is a concern with the speed of traffic on several streets, in particular along Lexington and along 3rd and 4th Streets, residents routinely walk in the streets, both during the day and after dark without problems or conflicts with vehicular traffic. Some residents are more comfortable with this than others.

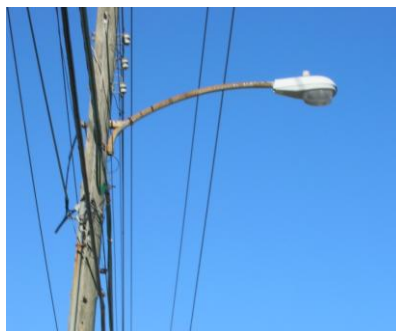
Sidewalks and Streets -- The 2004 survey indicates that residents are evenly split on the subject of sidewalks. County transportation policy currently requires curb and gutter to be present in order to have the street re-paved to current standards. Otherwise, the County will only periodically patch the street, despite severe deterioration. County policy also requires that a sidewalk be constructed on at least one side of the street as part of any project in which curb and gutter is installed. In the survey, neighborhood residents strongly disagreed with both of these policies.

While most residents generally support curb and gutter and storm drainage systems throughout the neighborhood (provided that existing street trees are not harmed), just half the survey respondents supported the installation of sidewalks -- and half did not. There was stronger support, however, for sidewalks on the blocks closest to Carlin Springs Road, due to use by school children and commuter pedestrians; these is also more support in the areas of the neighborhood originally built with sidewalks. To address the County’s requirement of a sidewalk with all curb and gutter projects, Glencarlyn requested a study to develop a local Street and Sidewalk Master Plan through the Neighborhood Conservation program. The study was finalized in May 2006 and provided an overall framework identifying which streets were primary pedestrian routes.

Street Lights -- Most residents of the neighborhood consider the current street lighting levels to be adequate, however there are a number of blocks and areas that are too dark (such as the 300 block of Lexington (NC project) and the 5600 block of 5th Street. Currently, Glencarlyn has a variety of street lighting styles: standard issue “cobra-head” lights attached to utility poles; “carriage-style” Colonial lights attached to utility poles; “carriage-style” Colonial lights on free-standing smooth, light-gray concrete poles, and some Carlyle style lights. The lighting source for the street lights in the neighborhood



Carriage-style light on post



Cobra-style light on utility pole

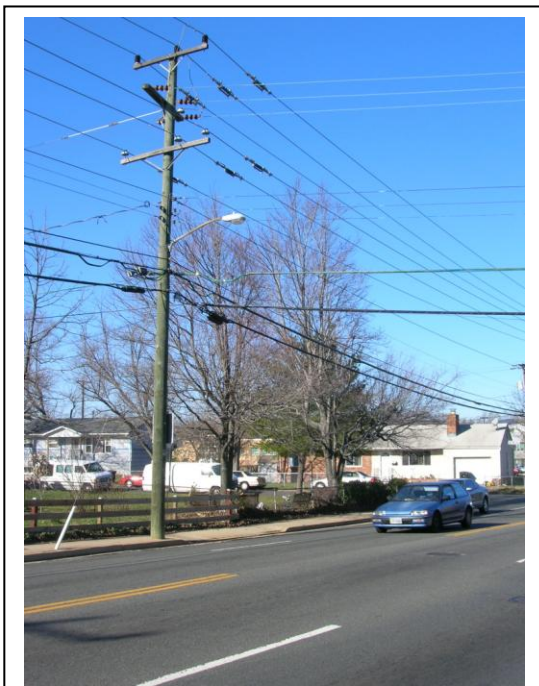


Carlyle-style light

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also varies: there is a mixture of mercury-vapor (bluish-white light) and high-pressure sodium (yellowish-brown). Several upcoming Neighborhood Conservation street improvement projects in Glencarlyn will include the new “Carlyle-style” (or Acorn model) lights on free standing, fluted black decorative posts. The Carlyle-style lights are now the County standard for neighborhoods. Since installation of Carlyle lights began in Arlington, several models have been used incorporating improvements as needed. The latest version, type three, will comply with Dark Sky Association requirements and will use light emitting diodes (LED) as a light source which are more energy and maintenance efficient. They also direct more light downward at the street and sidewalks limiting light that directly shines into residential windows. Although residents like the current carriage-style lights they also expressed approval of the new Carlyle-style lights.

Street Trees and Landscaping -- Glencarlyn takes great pride in the beautiful canopy of green trees which covers most of the neighborhood. Street trees are a significant part of the village character of the neighborhood, and most occur in an informal arrangement, not in rigid linear rows. Many of the trees that provide shade over the street are actually on private lots. In a few locations the street trees are not only in the right-of-way, they are actually in the travel lanes of the street (such as the 400 block of Illinois at 5th Street). Glencarlyn’s street trees are a variety of deciduous shade trees, small flowering trees, and some evergreens. About half the species (60% of the specimens) are native to Northern Virginia (see Appendix B). The distribution of species is typical of Arlington County’s neighborhoods (ref. pg 13 of the *Urban Forest Master Plan*).



Overhead wires on
Carlin Springs Road



Severely pruned tree to
accommodate wires

Surprising, a large number of the trees that have been planted are not recommended by arborists as desirable street trees due to weak limbs (silver maple), sticky dripping (pines and maples), cones and seeds (sweet gum and oaks), and other disadvantages.

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Parts of the neighborhood, however, lack shade over the streets. In some instances, older trees have been damaged by storms or died and have been removed, while others have been removed for street improvement projects. A lack of space within the typical 40-foot street rights-of-way also accounts for the gaps in the street trees in parts of the neighborhood. Overhead utility lines also damage the street tree canopy because of severe pruning of large existing trees and lack of overhead space to plant new large shade trees.

Street Ends -- Glencarlyn has 26 street ends (13 dead ends, 9 T-intersections, and 4 elbows). Several are made unsightly by metal or wood highway barriers. These areas are also weedy and unattractive, and some have a number of dead trees. One cul-de-sac loop (500 block of S. Harrison St) has a landscaped median island with a rusty metal guard-rail and older plantings in a box which is collapsing.



End of 5600 block
of 1st Street S adjoining park



Guard rail along 5600 block
of 6th Street S adjoining park

References:

- Arlington County Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources, July, 2004, *Urban Forest Master Plan*

- Toole Design Group, May, 2006, Glencarlyn Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Master Plan

Recommendations for County Action:

8A: The County will ensure that all street surfaces, especially those excavated for water line or other utility replacement, are smoothly paved and any settling over time is remedied.

8B: The County Manager and County Board need to open mindedly consider requests for waivers to the current Sidewalk Policy permitting street improvement projects (the construction of curb and gutter, drainage systems, and repaving) without requiring a sidewalk on at least one side of the street under the recently approved waiver process.

8C: Street improvement projects (curbs, gutters, and sidewalks where appropriate) will be undertaken on a block-by-block basis as requested by the residents on the affected block (through the Neighborhood Conservation petition process). This recommendation also applies to those blocks that have existing curb and gutter on part of the block. As part of the review of such projects, the County needs to consider the recommendations of the 2006 Glencarlyn Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Master Plan that established a comprehensive approach to sidewalks in Glencarlyn after analyzing such factors as pedestrian patterns, street widths, existing street trees, drainage, historic character, handicapped accessibility, and expense. The County needs to ensure that all curb and gutter projects drain properly.

8D: Clear sidewalks of all over-grown vegetation, especially that which blocks bus stops and signs on the west side of Carlin Springs Rd. between 7th Rd. and Route 50. Coordinate with Fairfax County for a full, free and clear barrier-free access. (People using wheelchairs cannot now easily use this sidewalk. See also Recommendations 7A(2b), 7E, and 7J.

8E: Each street improvement project must include new street tree plantings in the public right-of-way to the greatest extent possible. Where overhead utility lines do not interfere, large deciduous shade trees (especially oaks, hickories, ash, yellowwood, and even disease-resistant American Elms) may be used. Otherwise, smaller flowering trees that can grow underneath the utility lines (such as kousa dogwood, saucer magnolia, redbud, and crabapples) should be installed. The long-term goal is 50-60% canopy cover, even in residential areas. Along streets with curb and gutter installed, NC or Tree Canopy funds may be sought for remedial plantings. Special priority should be given to blocks with few or no street trees, such as Larrimore St., 1st and 3rd Sts. west of Carlin Springs Rd., 5th Rd. west of Carlin Springs Rd., Harrison Street Circle, Jefferson and Kensington Sts., and the 5600 block of 4th Street. Additional NC landscaping projects should be undertaken to improve the appearance of street ends and the Harrison Street circle island.

8F: Where right-of-way space is not available for street tree plantings as part of street improvement projects, the County is encouraged to request permission (easements if necessary) to plant trees on private property adjacent to the right-of-way. Owners are encouraged to allow street tree plantings on their properties as part of street improvement projects. GCA will actively promote the Tree Canopy Fund through-out the neighborhood, focusing on areas without a canopy.

8 - Streets And Sidewalks

8G: Install additional lighting at the west end of the 5900 block of 2nd St., adjacent to the County fence adjacent to Manchester Street and the wooded area at the west end of the Kenmore fields. Although there is a cobra light fixture between the 2nd and 3rd house from the end, the fence has been a regular target for graffiti.

Other Recommendations:

Community

8H: A GCA committee should be appointed to assess the street lighting for the entire community to determine dark spots and recommend new lamp installations with an emphasis on improving safety. This could include use of light meters to quantify the results. Residents need to be periodically provided information on reporting street lights which are not working.

8I: GCA will annually remind property owners of their responsibility to ensure that sidewalks are shoveled within 24 hours of a snowfall (36 hours if over 6 inches) – especially sidewalks along Carlin Springs Road used by school children. Since there are a number of residents who are physically unable to shovel their walk or may be away on business, the GCA should undertake the following:

- Maintain a list of volunteers willing to shovel snow for residents physically unable to shovel.
- Maintain a list of young adults who are willing to be paid for shoveling.
- Work with the County to continue participation in the snow blower loaner program to help clear designated routes to school, particularly along Carlin Springs Road.

Virginia Department of Transportation

8J: Work with VDOT to restore the plantings along the Route 50 corridor to the landscaping design which followed the widening of the Route 50 bridge in the mid 1980's. This includes replacing a number of missing, seriously damaged or dying trees and as well as plantings near the Carlin Springs Rd. overpass and screening for the new Kenmore Middle School building.

8K: The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is encouraged to remove invasive vines and sprouts (especially *Ailanthus altissima*) from plantings along US Route 50, remove dead and dying trees, and thicken tree rows alongside the new Kenmore Middle School. More frequent mowing is encouraged for safety and better visibility.

Arlington Public Schools

8L: Arlington Public Schools needs to maintain and improve the tree canopy on Kenmore grounds. APS should:

- Provide proper maintenance and care of trees on school grounds including those along Carlin Springs Road and those between Kenmore and Carlin Springs Elementary. Regularly watering during dry periods is critical.
- Plant a number of new canopy trees on the property.
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9 – OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE

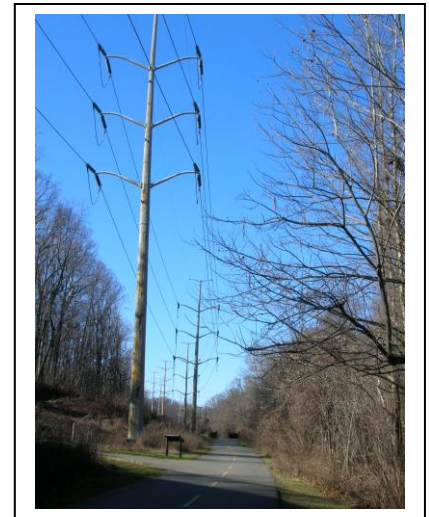
Besides streets and sidewalks, traffic signals and signs, the Glencarlyn neighborhood is served by networks of other utilities: water and gas lines, overhead and buried power lines, telephone and cable wiring, garbage and brush pick-up services, paths and trails, and, perhaps most importantly, surface drainage. In addition, seen as a system of amenities providing oxygen and shade, trees and other plantings could be considered “green infrastructure.” The 2004 neighborhood survey revealed that a fair number of people find that the neighborhood’s disadvantages include ugly overhead wires, poor condition of the public infrastructure, poor land drainage in some lots, ugly dumpsters in full view of the public, lack of landscaping on county property, and poor access to the W&OD Trail along Four Mile Run.



Eroded stream



Street tree screening



W&OD Trail

When asked, “Are there drainage problems on your street?” 70% of the respondents said “no,” but 30% said “yes,” citing many locations:

TABLE A – Locations of Poor Drainage (from 2004 Survey)

1st St., 5600 block	Road is not level, so water backs up, creating puddles.
2nd St., 5600 block	Seep in street and gutter that creates dangerous ice in winter.
2nd St., 5700 block	Lots of standing water in some of the backyards.
3rd St., 5400 block	Water flows down the street, flooding some driveways. The street end gets water from two streets in a heavy rain.
4th St., 5500 block	Neighbor’s sump pump drains right into the street.
4th St., 5600 block	Water accumulates after every rain.
4th St. at Jefferson St.	Some standing water.
4th St., 5900 block	Water borne street debris collects in front one house.
5th St., 5300 block	Gutters and curbs don’t work well.
5th St., 5500 block	Standing water after a rain.

9 - Other Infrastructure

5th St., 5600 block	Storm drains are blocked. Some houses have wet basements.
5th St., 5800 block	Water does not flow freely to the storm drain at the end of the block.
5th St. and Carlin Springs Rd	Standing water.
5th Rd., 5900 block	Trees in the drain.
Jefferson St., 500 block	Water does not drain properly, puddles at the corners.
Kensington St., unit block	Residue that has left standing water.
Kensington St., 100 block	Water does not flow to the drains after a rain.
Larrimore St., 500 block	Puddles.

Often unseen by most residents, the outfalls of local storm drainage lines have in many cases become unsightly and dysfunctional ravines, spewing trash into local waterways.



Ravine created by storm drain runoff



Storm drain runoff from neighborhood street after a light rain

When asked in the survey about places in need of beautification, a wide variety of suggestions were made, including:

TABLE B – Suggested Beautification Projects (not covered in other chapters)

- 1) Route 50 right-of-way, including: the Carlin Springs Rd. underpass and surrounding area, the service road behind Kenmore School, the bus stops, and the intersection with Manchester Street.
- 2) County property at the South end of Kensington St. (at 5th Rd.) and for about 100 ft. west on the County right of way should be re-planted as needed and maintained on a regular basis.
- 3) Clean up of wooded area at west end of Kenmore fields.
- 4) 6th St., 5600 block – railing at the dead-end is in bad shape and the dead fallen trees are ugly.
- 5) Entry driveway to Long Branch Nature Center.
- 6) Trailhead above the Nature Center at the end of Jefferson St.

In the 2004 survey, when residents were asked for their reaction to certain types of improvements to foster neighborhood attractiveness, they responded with a variety of answers. When asked about more decorative street lights, there was general support (56%) and a strong minority reaction (23%) who said “spend the money elsewhere.” One person added, “But not the Washington, DC, globe type, please.” When asked about eliminating utility poles, there was very strong support (76%). One person said “This would really enhance the neighborhood’s appearance.” Another said, “We lose power at least once a year due to overhead lines, one of which is too low.”

Elsewhere in the survey many excellent suggestions were offered to make the neighborhood a better place to live (a full list of these suggestions is found in Appendix A)

“Attend to the standing water at many corners and on some streets after heavy rains. Pools of water remain too long.”

“Some neighborhoods have planters on their street lights in which they plant seasonal plantings. I think that would also be a nice addition.”

“More pedestrian-friendly beautification features, such as landscaping and tree plantings on/near sidewalk and street improvement areas.”

“Plaques on historic houses.”

“Nicer entrances to the neighborhood (such as at 3rd and Carlin Springs).”

Recommendations for County Actions:

9A: Develop a comprehensive neighborhood-wide drainage plan that will be incorporated in the individual block-by-block conservation projects.

9B: Re-structure the storm drain at the southwest corner of 3rd St and Harrison, where it runs under the street and into the Park. It constantly clogs, leaving a puddle that attracts mosquitoes. Homeowners solved some of the problem affecting their lots, but more is needed.

9C: Coordinate beautification projects (not covered in other chapters)

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Other Recommendations:

9D: Set up within the GCA a task force to look at safety hazards and related eyesores. This committee would develop strategies to work with landowners to correct dangerous situations. Include small beautification projects, especially around the 7-11 area, park entrances, and at unsightly street ends. Safety hazards include the drains at 4th St. (between the church and Carlin Hall with large unsafe openings), Carlin Hall's handicapped accessibility, various sites listed where rats have been found, and unoccupied houses.

9E: Work with Dominion Virginia Power Company, the telephone companies, and cable TV companies to bury some or all of the overhead utility lines to enhance visual quality, reduce conflicts with trees, and reduce power outages.

10 -- COUNTY SERVICES

According to the 2004 neighborhood survey, Glencarlyn is well served by Arlington County's police, fire and ambulance services. The neighborhood is also provided with street lighting, street sweeping, trash, leaf and recycling collection, and has several services that many neighborhoods do not have, such as Glencarlyn Park, the public library in the Village Center, several schools, and ART bus routes running through the neighborhood with stops along Carlin Springs Road. These are great assets that are appreciated by local residents.

In the 2004 survey, neighborhood residents were generally satisfied with the community services provided by the County. However, several suggestions were made for improvements, reflected in the recommendations at the end of this chapter.

TABLE C -- Summary of Key Survey Ratings of County Services (from 2004 survey)²

<u>County Service</u>	<u>Combined Score Good/Excellent</u>
Trash Collection	89.7%
Curbside Recycling	88.9%
Police Protection	75.0%
Leaf Collection	72.2%
Park Maintenance	66.9%
Fire & ambulance	64.9%
Snow Removal	50.9%
Street Cleaning	48.7%

A wide mix in ratings appeared in some areas. While 75% rated overall police protection as good or excellent, only 28.5% rated speed limit enforcement as good/excellent and 37.5% felt it was fair/poor, and 62.5% feel that there are aggressive and speedy drivers going through the neighborhood. Additionally, only 32.7% felt that parking enforcement was good/excellent and 40.2% felt it was fair to poor. Fire/ambulance service was another area with a mixed rating since

almost 65% rated it good/excellent, 29.7% rated it poor, but 87.5% felt there are no fire or health hazards. Vermin control (rats/mice) was another area that may need improvement. The ratings showed only 37% felt it was good/excellent, while 19% felt it was average and 28% felt it was poor. Yet 66% said they had not seen rats in the neighborhood. Pest control (insects like mosquitoes) was rated 31.6% good/excellent, but 40% fair/poor. Animal control fared a little better with 44.8% rating it as good/excellent and 27.6% rating it fair/poor.



Police Cruiser parked in the neighborhood

² There were a number of reductions to County Services made to balance the budget for FY 2010 and 2011 which could change some of the ratings from 2004.

Recommendations for County Actions:

Safety

10A: Police should patrol for gang activity in and around the park, especially after dark. Some suggested finding some way to cut off vehicle traffic into the park at night.

10B: Provide more random police patrols in the afternoons to monitor middle school students passing through neighborhood streets.

10C: Reconstitute a Neighborhood Crime Watch program. (Note: the ACPD does not have an active program at this time.)

10D: Police should patrol 5th Rd. (by the Urgent Care Center fence) where non-residents park extra cars. Watch elsewhere for commercial vehicles licensed in D.C.

10E: Provide more police enforcement to discourage people running through stop signs within the neighborhood.

Environment

10F: Schedule two or three more leaf pickup dates in the fall and two or more additional yard waste pickups in the spring. Adjust the period the leaf pickups occur to the time the need exists due to the weather conditions each year.

10G: Foster a County-wide anti-litter campaign, especially at exits and entrances to Route 50.

10H: Schedule more frequent litter pick up by County crews, especially along major roadsides. More frequent street cleaning would also be welcome.

Historic

10I: Identify historic houses (esp. those over 100 years old) with plaques. (Related to 6-E)

Winter

10J: There are several steep hills in Glencarlyn which are difficult to get up when icy or snowy. Provide more sanding and/or salt on these locations. (e.g. 5400 block 3rd St., S. and 500 block of South Harrison)

Other Recommendations:

10K: Ensure the U.S. Postal Service maintains a mailbox at the Library and posts pick up times on it. In fact, we would prefer a drive-up type mailbox installed in the Library parking lot.

10L: To increase safety for people using the W&OD Trail, encourage the County and Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority to increase bike-mounted patrols.

10M: The GCA will aid in providing better access to information for residents about disposal of hazardous wastes.

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APPENDIX A

Summary of 2004 Initial Survey for the Glencarlyn Neighborhood Conservation Plan

A detailed compilation of the survey results is
in a separate 38 page document - Appendix E

The results of the initial survey were used to develop preliminary recommendations; a second survey, with votes on each preliminary recommendation, was used to determine which were included in the final Glencarlyn Neighborhood Conservation Plan.

HIGHLIGHTS

Issues of most consensus (%s based on a return rate of 120 questionnaires total): ³

- 98.3% Owner occupied housing
- 95.8 % Single family homes
- 90% Say “yes” or “maybe” to re-instituting community Crime Watch.
- 90% Rank library grounds “good” or “excellent.”
- 87.5% Feel there are no fire or health hazards.
- 85.8% Strongly oppose or oppose high density and medium-density residential for the hospital site .
- 82.5% Consider Glencarlyn Park in excellent or good condition.
- 80% Feel neighborhood has one or more difficult intersections.
- 80% Feel in-fill should preserve single family character of neighborhood.
- 79% Strongly favor use of hospital site as parkland.
- 79% Visit Ball-Sellers House seldom or never.
- 78% Feel street lighting is adequate on their block.
- 77% Seldom or ever have trouble finding parking.
- 76% Do not use the dog park where 4 Mile Run and Long Branch merge.
- 69% Like the current Glencarlyn street light design (“carriage-style” lights).
- 69% Disagree with County Policy that only curbed/guttered streets can be repaved.
- 66% Have seen no rats in the neighborhood.
- 64% Disagree with County policy that curb and gutter installation also must include a sidewalk on at least one side.
- 62.5% Feel there are aggressive and speedy drivers going through in neighborhood.
- 59% Visit Glencarlyn Park 13 or more times a year.
- 59% Seek to keep the neighborhood only residential (no new businesses).
- 57% Don’t have any sidewalk in front of their house.
- 55% Feel that Glencarlyn is adequately served by public transportation.
- 55% Favor landscaped medians and left turn lanes on Carlin Springs Road.
- 55% Favor not having another traffic signal at 1st St. by the 7-11.
- 54% Suggest upgrading/completing the traffic signal at 5th St. and Carlin Springs Rd.
- 52% Endorse removing overhead utility wires.
- 50% Residents love the proximity to many things as 1st choice advantage.
- 49% Don’t feel additional street lighting is even needed.
- 2nd St. is the busiest entrance and exit to the “village,” both rush-hour and non rush-hour.

³ There were a number of reductions to County Services made to balance the budget for FY 2010 and 2011 which could change some of the ratings from the 2004 survey.

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Issues of greatest controversy	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Additional sidewalks needed?	43%	42.5%
Parking on one side only?	46%	44%
Eyesores in the neighborhood?	46%	45%
Is there crime?	42.5%	52.5% (or maybe)

SUGGESTIONS

There were a number of suggestions make in the initial survey which were incorporated into the recommendations. Below are the suggestions, roughly grouped by responsible person, with relevant recommendations if one is included in the final plan.

By Individuals

- Report abandoned vehicles to County.
- Dog owners, please honor leash laws to minimize others' discomfort. (4Z2)
- Dog walkers, please pick up after your dogs! (4Z1)

By Property owners

- Encourage deliveries at 7-11 to avoid morning rush hour and discourage dumpster servicing except during daylight hours. (3B)
- The 7-11 commercial property should re-landscaped and conduct better litter control. (3C)
- As a neighborhood goodwill gesture, 7-11 property owner should sponsor a clean-up crew (maybe Sheriff's community service workers) to clean up trash around the 7-11 and neighboring streets. (3C)
- Encourage Woodlake Towers convenience store owner to control litter, especially walking north to the bus stop on Manchester street.
- Prune back vegetation at all corners where visibility is now obstructed. (7J)
- Make sure sidewalks are shoveled within 24 hours of a snowfall – especially sidewalks used by school children. (8I)
- Beautify the apartments between 1st and Route 50 on Carlin Springs Rd.

By the Community Association (GCA)

- Set up task force to look at "eyesores" and develop strategies to work with landowners to clean them up. If that fails, submit a formal list to County for action. (3C & 9D)
- Develop a public information awareness campaign about the use of pesticides and dumping and their harmful effects on the quality of our streams and watersheds. (4U & 4X)
- Solicit idea to improve the Dog Park, such as better fencing.
- Set up a stream clean-up committee that would coordinate stream clean-up teams and remove trash from the woods. (4W)
- Organize a hospital site (now urgent care center) task force to work with County as the site it is re-zoned, opened for development, planned, and developed, reflecting the community views in questions. (5A & 5B)
- Establish a stronger, supportive relationship with Carlin Springs Elementary and Kenmore Middle School to make them more integral to this neighborhood. (5E)
- Establish a structured dialogue with Kenmore to address student misbehavior walking home through the neighborhood. Large, noisy groups leave late night school activities (9-10 pm) and walk through the park to get home. Students need to be told that the park is closed at dark. (5E)
- Set up a planning group to suggest ways to improve the grounds of the library, Carlin Hall, cemetery, and parking lot. Check title and restrictions. Explore ways to make it function better as an outdoor community center, perhaps with more benches, picnic tables, etc. Remove or screen the dumpster. (6B,C,D,E)
- Set up a recreation and fellowship committee that might plan occasional community events and activities at least once a quarter and explore the possibility of installing a basketball court or hoop somewhere central. Other activities could include events for young people, a community-wide yard sale, more potlucks and

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events in the park, perhaps a games night (monopoly, scrabble, etc.), semi-annual pot luck or picnic (maybe Labor Day weekend), lectures, readings, and workshops, a weekly 'coffeehouse' at the Library, a desert party and/or caroling on luminaria night. (6F)

Develop a safety hazards task force to look at such issues as the drains on 4th St. (between the church and Carlin Hall with large unsafe openings), Carlin Hall's handicapped accessibility, various sites list where rats have been found, and unoccupied houses. (9D)

Organize a springs clean-up task force. With Park Authority permission, clean up and maintain the Carlin and Moses Ball Springs. (4P)

Explore setting up a Community Crime Watch program, with volunteers and training. (10C)

Initiate a welcome-wagon like greeting committee to help new residents become part of and active in the neighborhood.

In the Village View, write up of new residents so that older residents may greet them better.

Consider establishing a community barter system for goods and services, also a system where we could share with each other the names of good contractors and handy persons.

For the Community Conservation Plan, hold a series of community forums as an educational service.

Hold an annual town hall meeting to set the next year's agenda. Combine it with a dessert social.

Form a new Moms' Club. Develop a babysitters' list.

By the County Department of Public Works for Streets, Sidewalks and Traffic

Clean up sidewalks and parking lot at 7-11. Develop landscape plan that enhances beauty but does not create sight line problems. (3C)

Install traffic calming on Carlin Springs Rd., perhaps using electronic speed display or camera and a periodic speed trap. (7A)

If it's possible, install a safe landscaped median with left turn lanes to enhance safety for both Kenmore traffic and entering/exiting the "village" section of the neighborhood. (7A)

Beautification all along Carlin Springs Rd., especially east side. (9C)

Slow down traffic to the park with 4-way stops at all intersections or speed bumps/humps on numbered streets into park. (7D)

At Lexington and all streets intersecting it, put up signs that say something like 'This is a family neighborhood, PLEASE SLOW DOWN.' (7D)

Set 20 mph speed limit inside "village." (7C)

Add 'Speed Limit Enforced' signs.

Install a raised crosswalk on S. Manchester St. where kids use go to school fields, near blind curve.

Need something to beautify 50/S. Manchester intersection. (9C)

Prohibit parking on east side of Manchester St. in front of entrance to Manchester Square Court. (7I)

Put in a bike path along Carlin Springs Rd. and go down to one lane of traffic each way and put in landscaped medians with turning lanes.

Widen the sidewalks along Carlin Springs Rd. (7A(2))

Install 'No turn on Red' sign at 5th Rd./Glencarlyn Rd. at right turn onto Carlin Springs Rd.

To minimize confusion having three 5th Rds. so close to each other, install at the entry to 5th Rd. off Carlin Springs a sign saying 'For 5600 block of 5th Rd., use 5th St. and turn right one block.'

Install a sign on Jefferson pointing to '5601-5621 S. 6th St.' (7F)

Install 'No Outlets' at the beginning of all dead-end streets. (7F)

Loosen up on the policy requiring sidewalks, in this historic district with low traffic volumes, curb and gutter is generally enough, except key routes to schools. (8B)

Install sidewalks on streets where streets are narrow and measurable numbers of pedestrians (especially school kids) walk. (8C)

When curb and gutter is installed, make sure it drains!

Upgrade lighting by filling in "dark blocks." Use carriage-style fixture to match existing, at least three fixtures per block, with two serving every intersection, mount high, using existing power poles (more even coverage on the ground). Replace cobra heads with carriage-style, except on major arterial roads. Use all white bulbs inside neighborhood. (8G & 8H)

Plant trees on all the streets. (8E & 4K)

At Kenmore fields: better control of parking during soccer games, better trash control, and better control of vehicle speeds on S. Madison and 2nd Sts. (4R, S, T)

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Limit parking to one side on the 1st block of the numbered streets east of Carlin Springs Rd. and the Arlington Blvd. service road.

At the dead-end of 5600 6th St., beautify street end. Remove deteriorated railing and dead trees. (9C)

More frequent street cleaning. (10H)

The south side of the 5400 of 4th St. needs a new curb.

Pave 1st St. where it dead ends.

Police patrols

Patrol rush hour along Carlin Springs Rd. to slow speed and ensure compliance with ‘DoNot Block Intersection’ signs. (“I would like to see police enforcement against the DOZENS of cars that block the intersections along Carlin Springs Rd. at rush hour (and other times), impeding access into the neighborhood. For example, trying to turn left onto 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th from southbound Carlin Springs Rd. A police officer could simply stand at any one of these corners for an hour and issue 30 tickets and/or warnings.”) (7A & 7B)

Patrol speeders at am and pm rush hours – better than traffic calming. (7B)

Patrol afternoon walking routes through neighborhood when Kenmore lets out. (10B)

Patrol 5th Rd. (by the hospital fence) where non-residents park extra cars. Watch elsewhere look for commercial vehicles licensed in DC. (10D)

Patrol for gang activity in and around the park, especially after dark. (10A)

Encourage more police presence around the park – or some way to cut off vehicle traffic into the park at night.” (10A)

ART Bus System

Consider having ART 75 buses stop at Glencarlyn Library, esp., at rush hour.

Arlington Public Schools

Lights are needed at the Carlin Springs Elementary School Playground – it’s dark in the corners. (5C)

Environmental Services

Schedule two or three more leaf pick-up dates in the fall and two or more yard waste pick ups in the spring. (10F)

Provide better information to residents about disposal of hazardous wastes. (10M)

On County property at the South end of Kensington St. (at 5th Rd.) and for about 100 ft. west on the County ROW, re-plant as needed and maintain on a regular basis. (9C)

Social Services

Inspect neighborhood for illegal multi-family occupants.

Library

Install covers on the gutters of the Glencarlyn Library so that water does not overflow with every rain. They are constantly blocked and need covers that take care of the water while letting debris slide off.

Parks and Recreation

Address the serious invasive species problem in the Park, using both professional crews and citizen volunteers. (4J)

Begin an aggressive urban forestry campaign to prevent the potentially devastating tree disease, Sudden Oak Death, from ruining our woodlands. (4J)

Install sign at entrance road showing hours of operation of the Nature Center.

Monitor all trails periodically to identify and remove overgrowth and dangers (such as dead overhead trees, poison ivy, blocked culverts, missing sewer tops, etc.).

Fix up (raise the water level of) the Long Branch Nature Center pond – or make a new one. Provide information about the pond life habitat.

Extend weekend operating hours of the Long Branch Nature Center.

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Clean up trash along the wooded west edge of the Kenmore fields, as well as around fields and playground. (4S)

Limit use to soccer fields and lights to 10:00 p.m. (4R)

Re-align soccer field lights behind Kenmore Middle School so that spillover light is limited to ball field grounds and does not blind neighbors. (4R)

Install a trash can at 2nd St. (and Jefferson) entrance of Glencarlyn Park. (4L)

Add a neighborhood swimming pool, perhaps as part of park development of hospital site.

Develop a plan to respond to citizen suggestions for Glencarlyn Park – more benches, public gardens, more trails, more picnic areas, etc. Present it to GCA for community comment and support.

More tree replacement – especially after hurricane damage. (4K)

Install signs (maybe a wayside with photos) depicting the historic Carlin pavilion and nearby W&OD rail station. Other waysides that might highlight the George Washington survey marker, the W&OD

Railroad, and other historic points of interest in the community. (4O)

By WMATA and ART

More frequent bus service. (7.K)

Install better bus stops and schedule information along Carlin Springs Rd. (7K)

Beautify Carlin Springs Rd bus stops and bus stops on Route 50. (Chap9 Table B)

By Virginia Dept. of Transportation

Install a sign at Route 50 at Manchester St. that says ‘No turn on red when pedestrians are present’ and a reminder that pedestrians have the right of way in Arlington County. (7F)

Re-landscape intersection of Route 50 and Carlin Springs Rd. to bring it up to the same level of attractiveness as the Glebe Rd. and George Mason Dr. overpasses. Remove few dead trees, ailanthus, and poison ivy.

Replace with maintainable flowering trees. Clean up connecting walkways and access roads. (8J,K & 9C)

By Utility Companies

Bury some or all of overhead utility lines to enhance visual quality, reduce conflicts with trees, and reduce power outages. (9E)

(Responsibility uncertain)

Clear sidewalks on the west side of Carlin Springs Rd. between 7th Rd. and Route 50 of all over-grown vegetation, especially that which blocks bus stops and other signs. People using wheelchairs cannot now easily use this sidewalk. (7A)

Add historic street names to street signs (much more interesting than numbers), to give neighborhood a distinctive historic flavor.

Identify historic houses (esp. those over 100 years old) with plaques. (6C, D)

County-wide anti-litter campaign, especially at exits and entrances to Route 50, with special outreach to immigrant community. (10G)

Appendix B

Glencarlyn Street Tree Inventory, 2005

This list includes all trees that overhung sidewalk and street rights-of-way in the summer of 2005 – most actually have their trunks on private lots. The list does not include canopy trees at woodland edges. Trees are listed in order by frequency of occurrence.

* = native to northern Virginia.

A = Streets east of Carlin Springs Road (“The Village”)

B = ROWs for Carlin Springs Rd. and US Route 50, Four Mile Run to Long Branch

C = Streets west of Carlin Springs Rd.

D = A + B + C

		A	B	C	D
X	Cupressocyparis leylandii Leyland Cypress	2	84		86
*	<i>Acer saccharinum</i> Silver Maple	33	9	19	61
*	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i> Red Cedar	29	15	6	50
*	<i>Quercus palustris</i> Pin Oak	30	5	14	49
	<i>Prunus</i> sp. Japanese Flowering Cherry	39	5	4	48
*	<i>Ilex opaca</i> American Holly	4	36	7	47
*	<i>Acer rubrum</i> Red Maple	22	12	9	43
	<i>Pinus strobus</i> White Pine	7	7	23	37
*	<i>Quercus alba</i> White Oak	28	1	2	31
	<i>Coelreuteria paniculata</i> Golden Rain Tree		21	1	22
	<i>Cornus kousa</i> Kousa Dogwood	7	12	3	22
	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> Bradford Pear	6	11	5	22
*	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> Black Locust	6	12	2	20
	<i>Acer platanoides</i> Norway Maple	10		7	17
	<i>Pyrus</i> spp. Crabapple (red-leafed)	1	15		16
	<i>Catalpa bignonioides</i> Catalpa	10	2	3	15
	<i>Pinus</i> spp. Black Pine		13		13
*	<i>Quercus phellos</i> Willow Oak	6		7	13
*	<i>Morus rubra</i> Red Mulberry	10	1	1	12
*	<i>Quercus rubra</i> Red Oak	7	3	2	12
*	<i>Prunus serotina</i> Black Cherry	8		3	11
*	<i>Pinus virginiana</i> Virginia Pine	3	3	4	10
*	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> Tulip Tree	5	1	3	9
*	<i>Quercus falcata</i> Southern Red Oak	9			9
	<i>Acer</i> spp. Japanese Maple	5	2	1	8
*	<i>Fraxinus americana</i> White Ash	8			8
*	<i>Quercus stellata</i> Post Oak	5	2	1	8
*	<i>Tsuga canadensis</i> Hemlock	8			8
*	<i>Cornus florida</i> Eastern Flowering Dogwood	6		1	7
*	<i>Juglans nigra</i> Black Walnut	2	4	1	7
	<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i> Southern magnolia	5		2	7
	<i>Metasequoia sempervirens</i> Dawn Redwood	1	5		6
	<i>Acer</i> spp. (mystery maple, on CS Rd, N of 50, E side)		5		5
	<i>Magnolia soulangiana</i> Saucer Magnolia	4		1	5
*	<i>Ulmus americana</i> American Elm	3	1	1	5
	<i>Ulmus</i> spp. Chinese Elm	1	1	3	5
	<i>Cedrus deodorus</i> Deodar Cedar	3	1		4
	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Thornless Honeylocust	1	1	2	4

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		A	B	C	D
<i>Picea abies</i>	Norway Spruce	2		2	4
* <i>Quercus prinus</i>	Chestnut Oak	4			4
* <i>Quercus velutina</i>	Black Oak	2	2		4
<i>Acer palatnoides</i>	Norway Maple red-leafed			3	3
<i>Acer saccharum</i>	Sugar Maple	3			3
* <i>Fraxinus pensylvanica</i>	Green Ash	3			3
* <i>Liquidambar styracflua</i>	Sweetgum	3			3
<i>Picea spp.</i>	Colorado Blue Spruce	3			3
* <i>Quercus coccinea</i>	Scarlet Oak	3			3
	Crepe Myrtle	1	1	1	3
* <i>Betula nigra</i>	River Birch			2	2
* <i>Cladrastus lutea</i>	Yellowwood	2			2
<i>Gingko biloba</i>	Gingko Tree	2			2
* <i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	Black Gum	1		1	2
<i>Pinus australis</i>	Longleaf Pine	2			2
<i>Pyrus spp.</i>	Crabapple	2			2
<i>Taxus spp.</i>	English Yew			2	2
<i>Zelkova spp.</i>	Zelkova	1		1	2
* <i>Acer negundo</i>	Box Elder		1		1
* <i>Carya illinoensis</i>	Pecan	1			1
* <i>Carya ovalis</i>	Sweet Pignut Hickory	1			1
* <i>Centis occidentalis</i>	Hackberry		1		1
* <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Redbud			1	1
<i>Mimosa spp.</i>	Mimosa	1			1
* <i>Platanus occidentalis</i>	Sycamore	1			1
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Sweet Cherry	1			1
<i>Sophora japonica</i>	Pagoda Tree	1			1
<i>Tilia spp.</i>	Littleleaf Linden	1			1
T O T A L					680

66 species, of which 34 (50% of species, 61% of individuals) are native to Northern Virginia

Appendix C

Summary of Sidewalk Location and Street Width Master Plan

In preparation for Chapters 7 and 8 of this Plan, the Glencarlyn Community Association (GCA) -- working with the County's Neighborhood Conservation Program -- contracted a study of the neighborhood's streets and sidewalks. After a 9-month process, the 45-page report was finalized and presented in May, 2006, by the Toole Design Group. The GCA membership in attendance approved the master plan.

The Toole Design Group studied the existing streets, sidewalks, traffic, and pedestrian patterns in the fall of 2005 and presented their findings at three different community meetings. They concentrated on the "village," east of Carlin Springs Road where most problems seemed to occur. Residents' desired outcomes included preserving the trees and a sense of the neighborhood's rustic origins, improved drainage, a more flexible County sidewalk policy, sidewalks only where needed, revised parking restrictions, narrowing the widest streets, better lighting, and better crosswalks at key intersections. Intermediate drafts were also reviewed by relevant County staff.

The master plan's analysis of existing conditions documented the neighborhood's fragmented system of sidewalks and eroded street edges. Its authors noted that those streets with the highest pedestrian use are 1st St. between Carlin Springs and Lexington, 3rd St. between Carlin Springs and Kensington, 4th St. between Lexington and Jefferson Sts., Lexington between 1st and 4th Sts., and Kensington between 3rd and 5th Sts. These are also the residential streets with the highest vehicular volumes, compounded by excessive car speed and lack of 4-way stops.

Most of the neighborhood's residential street rights-of-way are 40 feet wide. Pavement width varies from 18 to 36 feet, with 26-28 being a norm. In some cases, pavement width varies from block to block. There are no crosswalk markings except on Carlin Springs Road itself. Street lighting is variable in fixture type and spacing, with several blocks being noted as "particularly dark." In addition, many blocks -- especially those without curb and gutter -- suffer from poor drainage during and after storms.

The master plan makes an interlocking set of recommendations that strive to improve a variety of factors without damaging the neighborhood's unique characteristics so dear to residents. These include 14 blocks as being the highest priority for sidewalk completion, with most having a 4-foot sidewalk only on one side. (Five-foot sidewalks are recommended for Lexington and Kensington Streets, due to high pedestrian volume.) Design details are given for various configurations of lighting, sidewalk, utility strip, curb, and the relationship to adjoining private lots. Crosswalks and pedestrian warning signs are also recommended for key intersections, with special attention given to the intersection of 4th and Kensington Streets. One-side parking is also recommended for the first 30 feet of each of the blocks east of Carlin Springs Road and at sharp corners by the Park to enhance visibility at those busy intersections and corners.

In the long-term, the master plan suggests that every block, as it is improved, have a sidewalk on at least one side. It also suggests that the County revise and make more flexible its current

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sidewalk policy (no street can be repaved unless bounded by curbs and gutters – and curbs and gutters will only be installed if there is a sidewalk on at least one side).

The plan concludes by giving a variety of details that can save street trees and calm traffic. These include mid-block chokers and the best placement of new Carlisle-type fixtures. The problem of drainage – likely exacerbated by increase curb, gutter, and sidewalk construction – is only addressed in general terms: a follow-up storm water management plan be undertaken. Guidance for compliance to the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) is also given only in general terms.

The master plan concludes: *Glencarlyn has many of the key components of a pedestrian-friendly neighborhood: medium density development, mostly small-scale narrow streets, low traffic volumes, community destinations, and ample street trees. Residents appreciate their neighborhood's historic and natural character and enjoy walking on most streets. Glencarlyn however lacks coordinated sidewalks and crossing treatments, and higher vehicular volumes and speeds on certain blocks put pedestrians, particularly children, at risk. Recommendations in this plan have been designed to increase the safety of pedestrians in key locations that will have the greatest positive impact for the neighborhood. All recommendations have been made with serious consideration for maintaining Glencarlyn's unique character and preserving the natural landscape. The comprehensive network of pedestrian facilities explained in this plan will help Glencarlyn progress toward a truly pedestrian-oriented neighborhood.*

References:

- Toole Design Group, 2006, *Glencarlyn Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Master Plan*, 46 pages, illustrated.

Appendix D - Arlington County Department Staff Comments

3 -- Land Use, Zoning and Development			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
3A	Pg 19	Install trash cans along Manchester Street sidewalk to decrease littering.	The County's Solid Waste Bureau has monitored this area and has determined that the trash container supporting the bus shelter in the area provides adequate litter can support. We will continue to have a litter crew monitor this area and provide cleanliness services as necessary.
4 – Parks and Recreation, Natural Environment and Cultural Sites Storm Water Management and Watershed Enhancement			
4A	Pg 28	The County should ensure that the Four Mile Run and Long Branch floodplains must be kept free of development.	The County's Floodplain Management Ordinance (Chapter 48) and Chesapeake Bay Preservation Ordinance (Chapter 61) regulate development along stream valleys and floodplain in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations.
4B	Pg 28	Upstream paving and actions that can increase the effect of rain forming channels and eroding the park and streams should be minimized. 1) All future storm drainage projects must strive to achieve zero increase in storm runoff. 2) Retrofit projects are also suggested to dampen down the hydrological curve of each of the neighborhood's storm runoff lines. 3) Where possible, alternatives should be sought for curbs and gutters that channel drainage into the park. 4) County efforts to encourage residents to minimize impermeable surfaces and to slow the runoff of rain water should be expanded. All possible efforts must be made to lessen the impact of storm drainage on these waterways (See recommendation 9A).	New State regulations scheduled to take effect in 2014 will require more stringent stormwater management controls for development and right-of-way work. Storm drainage projects do not increase the volume of stormwater runoff, but under certain conditions, can increase peak flows in the stream. Watershed retrofit opportunities are evaluated in conjunction with storm drainage projects – please see next few paragraphs. Regarding impacts from existing development and alternative stormwater management techniques, the County is developing retrofit plans for all of its sub watersheds as a key element in the comprehensive update of the Stormwater Master Plan. The plans anticipate the stormwater pollution reduction requirements of the Chesapeake Bay cleanup effort that will be required through the County's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit. The middle Four Mile Run watersheds will be studied in the coming year or so. Potential retrofit projects are identified and prioritized based on drainage area and pollutant removal effectiveness. Potential retrofit projects not identified through this master planning process (for example, as part of a Neighborhood Conservation (NC) street or sidewalk project) are evaluated on a case-by-case basis relative to projects prioritized through the master planning effort. Completed retrofit projects, whether funded directly by the County or through the NC program, will be maintained by the County. Therefore, the master planning and prioritization process is important to ensure that limited maintenance funds are applied to those projects that have the most benefits. At the same time, NC projects (and County storm drainage

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4 – Parks and Recreation, Natural Environment and Cultural Sites (continued)			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
4B (con't.)	Pg 28		<p>projects) often provide an opportunity to implement a retrofit project relatively quickly with other planned construction. As a result, these opportunities are looked at very closely when they arise.</p> <p>For more information on the watershed retrofit planning efforts underway, please see the County's Department of Environmental Services website.</p> <p>If there are localized drainage inputs that are causing erosion on parkland, these can be looked at outside of the master planning effort for potential 'green' solutions.</p> <p>Regarding reducing stormwater runoff impacts from private property, the County is planning a pilot program to provide financial incentives to homeowners to implement stormwater runoff reduction measures on their properties. This pilot program is expected to kick off by Spring 2012. After the first year of implementation, the County will evaluate the program's results as well as the resources that would be needed to expand the program.</p>
4C	Pg 28	<p>Use professional consultants to conduct a "Glencarlyn Park Four-Mile Run Tributary Restoration and Stabilization Study". If appropriate, this could be submitted by Glencarlyn as a Neighborhood Conservation (NC) funded project. The severely eroded tributary streams leading to Four Mile Run through Glencarlyn Park should be studied with recommendations made for restoration and stabilization using current "low-impact development" techniques (bio-engineering and plantings, etc.). It should also make recommendations of ways that additional curb and gutter installations will not exacerbate runoff. The study will recommend projects in priority order, with each project sized to fit within normal NC funding limitations. Then use NC funding and other sources to implement these recommendations in as many phases as needed as funding is available.</p>	<p>Another key element of the Stormwater Master Plan update is a County-wide assessment of streams to determine current conditions and restoration potential for the purpose of developing a prioritized list of stream restoration projects. In addition to reducing stream bank erosion and downstream sedimentation and improving habitat, stream restoration can also incorporate protection of storm and sanitary sewer infrastructure in a more sustainable way than localized hardening/protection methods. Therefore, the County-wide stream inventory is looking closely at both physical stream conditions and infrastructure conditions with the goal of developing restoration priorities for specific stream systems and surrounding infrastructure. A specific focus of this effort is on those stream segments not currently stable, whether in a more natural manner or with hardening measures like concrete or large rock material. While hardened stream reaches often have localized stability problems as well as degraded habitat, the highest priorities are those stream reaches which are actively eroding throughout their lengths, sending sediment and nutrients downstream to damage aquatic habitat and contribute to the water quality impairments of the Potomac River and the Chesapeake Bay. The County and its consultant completed data collection earlier this year. Data analysis is underway to prioritize specific sub watersheds. Like the prioritization process for the watershed</p>

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4 – Parks and Recreation, Natural Environment and Cultural Sites (continued)			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
4C (con't.)	Pg 28		<p>retrofit planning effort, the stream inventory prioritization effort will guide the County's stream restoration program moving forward. Significant staff and consultant time is required to plan and design stream restoration projects. And, both staff time and funds are needed for post-construction maintenance associated with invasive plant control and vegetation establishment. Therefore, stream restoration projects identified as NC priorities will be evaluated closely for Department of Environmental Services (DES) partnership and cost-sharing to ensure that limited staff planning and design is applied to those projects demonstrating the most need for stream restoration.</p> <p>More information about the County-wide stream inventory is available on the County's Department of Environmental Services' web site.</p>
4D	Pg 28	<p>Encourage the County to study local erosion problems and remediate them in ecologically-appropriate ways that conserve the natural communities, in close consultation with the GCA. Specific ideas include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upstream and in-community storm water retention systems (e.g., "rain gardens" and cisterns at appropriate sites such as the Library and Carlin Hall). • Removal of stream channelization along Long Branch including the area up to the County line. • Green roofs for large-scale buildings, such as schools and hospitals. • Permeable surface parking lots to encourage on-site percolation. 	<p>Efforts could be coordinated among the Departments of Parks, Recreation and Community Resources (PRCR), Environmental Services (DES) and Libraries on how to manage storm water and reduce erosion within constraints of current resources.</p> <p>Approximately 6,400 square feet of permeable pavement was installed last year at Shelter Number 1 that borders the creek off 4th Street at Glencarlyn Park. PRCR could apply this technology at other locations as renovations are made. See responses to 4B and 4C.</p> <p>Also, two 300 gallon cisterns have been installed at the Glencarlyn Library for use at the Master Gardener demonstration garden.</p>
Park Infrastructure			
4E	Pg 28	<p>County Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources needs to ensure that trail maintenance and improvements are conducted in a regular and ecologically-sensitive manner. We do <u>not</u> recommend any additional paving since additional impervious surfaces often add to existing runoff problems. However, natural surface trails must be built to minimize erosion and sedimentation downstream. All overgrowth and hazards (such as dead overhanging trees, poison ivy, blocked culverts, missing sewer tops, etc.) should be corrected as funds and staffing allow.</p>	<p>The County strives to implement maintenance and improvements in the most ecologically sensitive manner possible within budget constraints. PRCR has no current plans to add additional impervious surfaces to Glencarlyn Park and will keep the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association's (GCA) recommendation in mind should any future changes occur. Please report any maintenance issues to the hotline at 703-228-6525. Staff will prioritize actions based on urgency.</p> <p>The County supports the resurfacing of existing trails and does not have plans for paving new areas.</p>

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4 – Parks and Recreation, Natural Environment and Cultural Sites (continued)			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
4F	Pg 29	The County should conduct a study to assess the current condition of the Long Branch Nature Center facility and develop options for improvement, including renovation or other appropriate options. The study will then be followed by consideration of the options and eventual adoption and implementation. In any capital parks campaign, such as the current Parks and Open Space Master Plan, Arlington County should provide for the adequate funding of improvements to enable this Nature Center to continue operating in its unique setting. (This should be a part of the County-wide facilities study during 2010-2011.)	The County is preparing a Maintenance Plan for County Facilities which will identify specific maintenance and renovation needs of County buildings and facilities, and outline strategies to address those needs. The maintenance needs of the long Branch Nature Center will be addressed through this facility inventory and survey. More information on this planning effort led by the County's Department of Environmental Services will be forthcoming as work proceeds in the coming months.
4G	Pg 29	The County Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources should commission a study (including interested neighborhood residents on the team) of ecologically-sensitive elements of the Nature Center and Glencarlyn Park tracts to keep them as natural as possible. Follow-up will include an assessment of actions necessary to conserve these resources and appropriate stewardship actions. (Part of this may have been done during the preparation of the Natural Resources Management Plan. The specifics for the Glencarlyn area may need to be extended.)	Adoption of the Natural Resource Management Plan in November 2010 established a new category of parkland with a designation as Natural Resource Conservation Areas. (NRCA) Slightly over 50 acres of forested land, within four separate parcels, have been categorized as NRCA's within the greater Long Branch – Glencarlyn Park area. Recommendation #5 of that same Plan called for the development of individual natural resource management plans for these environmentally sensitive areas. The park-level plans are expected to be completed by the Natural Resource Manager in PRCR by late 2012 and will focus exclusively on natural resource protection and preservation of existing natural lands.
4H	Pg 29	The County (both APS and Parks & Rec.) should consider rebuilding and opening of the footbridge across Long Branch, connecting from Campbell Elementary School to the Nature Center access road (to provide better access for teachers and students to nearby park amenities).	The bridge is entirely on Arlington Public Schools (APS) property and is scheduled for demolition due to its hazardous condition and because it cannot be made American with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible. Additional funding would be necessary to replace the bridge and could be sought through Neighborhood Conservation.
4I	Pg 29	The County should assess opportunities to improve environmental connectivity or corridors connecting the open space and natural areas of large tracts such as the Carlin Springs and Campbell Elementary Schools, the Virginia Hospital Center, and the existing parkland so as to benefit wildlife and critical plant habitats.	Recommendation #6 of the Natural Resource Management Plan addresses this very issue on a County-wide basis. The County currently has a staff/citizen work group established to look into land acquisition policies and methodologies for increasing "greenways" for wildlife and habitat preservation. Detailed data from the Glencarlyn area has already been submitted to the workgroup. A report from this group is expected to be completed by late 2012.

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4 – Parks and Recreation, Natural Environment and Cultural Sites (continued)			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
4J	Pg 29	The County must make significant efforts to address the problem of invasive exotic species in Glencarlyn Park and other areas, giving priority to the most troublesome species. These efforts will be carried out in a manner that safeguards and enhances the native vegetation of parkland. In addition, an aggressive urban forestry campaign will be undertaken to prevent potentially devastating tree diseases, such as Sudden Oak Death, from ruining these woodlands.	The County has prioritized several ecologically sensitive areas for invasive plant removal and protection of native vegetation in Glencarlyn Park. Efforts are ongoing using a combination of PRCR staff, AmeriCorps interns and volunteers. Monitoring and treatments of forest pests and diseases are undertaken as resources permit. Funding for a long term treatment program could be sought through Neighborhood Conservation.
4K	Pg 29	After major storms, where the tree canopy is severely damaged, new trees (a mix of local ecotypes of native species, if at all possible) will be planted where appropriate to assist in re-creating the tree canopy as quickly as possible.	Tree loss is assessed on a site specific basis. Where appropriate, native species are replanted. However, in some areas natural regeneration of existing native species is preferred.
4L	Pg 29	Install a trash can at the 2 nd and Jefferson Streets entrance of Glencarlyn Park.	Upon investigation, PRCR found no need for a trash can due to additional costs required for maintenance and collection services.
4M	Pg 29	Fire safety signs should be posted in key spots in the Park to remind the public to be cautious when extinguishing matches and using grills. In dry weather, one mistake could destroy much of Glencarlyn Park. Signs should also be in Spanish.	The Virginia Department of Forestry does not post fire safety signs in local area parks due to environmental conditions such as the area's high humidity and the minimal threat of fire.
4N	Pg 29	The County must provide widespread, advance notice of proposed actions that will affect the Park -- offering the community a chance to comment before work is commenced. At a minimum, bring notice of such projects to the meetings of the Glencarlyn Citizens' Association (GCA).	The County, through PRCR, notifies community members of projects through their civic association or civic association president.
Historic			
4O	Pg 30	Install signs (maybe a wayside with photos) depicting the historic Carlin pavilion and nearby W&OD rail station. Additional waysides might highlight the George Washington survey marker, the W&OD Railroad, and other historic points of interest in the community.	The County's Historic Preservation Program (HPP) can put these requests in its growing work program list. Budgetary constraints limit the purchase of historic markers, though drafting text can be put in work program.
4P	Pg 30	Remove silt and restore, as conditions allow, the historic Carlin Springs.	The County recognizes both the historical and ecological significance of the Carlin Springs. Pending the allocation of appropriate resources, PRCR would support a carefully designed and science-based restoration of the springs. Funding for a long term treatment program could be sought through Neighborhood Conservation.

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5 – Institutions			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
Park Usage including Kenmore Fields			
4Q	Pg 30	County police and park rangers will enforce that Glencarlyn Park not be used for car washing and repair.	Any undesirable activity should be reported immediately to the County's hotline at 703-228-6525.
4R	Pg 30	Shut down the Kenmore soccer fields and lights at 10:00 p.m. Re-align the Kenmore field lights so that light is limited to ball field grounds and spillover is minimized so as not to unnecessarily intrude on the neighbors.	The County standard for shutting off athletic facility lighting is 11:00 p.m. APS installed the lights at Kenmore MS which are not equal to current PRCR standards for dark sky lighting. To reduce the impact on the neighbors, PRCR has made significant adjustments to the current lights at this site over the past few years.
4S	Pg 30	Clean up trash along the wooded west edge of the Kenmore sports fields, as well as around fields and playground. Install an adequate number of appropriate trash receptacles and regularly empty them.	Any maintenance issues should be reported to the County's hotline at 703-228-6525. Staff will prioritize actions based on urgency.
4T	Pg 30	<p>Ongoing Management of Parking at Kenmore Fields</p> <p>This restates the email from County Manager staff 2/26/2009.</p> <p>1) PRCR staff who schedule the fields will work with the Facility Manager at Kenmore to ensure that when special events are taking place in Kenmore PRCR will schedule the outdoor facility accordingly to minimize parking issues. Ensure the stabilized turf overflow parking on the south side of Kenmore fields are open to take the strain of overflow parking off nearby residential areas. (see 5E for schools)</p> <p>2) PRCR will ensure four signs with county logo along 2nd street at Kenmore to read: Attention: All Field Users - Please park in the designated parking lots located at Kenmore Middle School and Carlin Spring Elementary Schools.</p> <p>3) Two signs with county logo on two U posts going into overflow parking area at Kenmore Middle School to read: Kenmore Field Users Park Here (with a right side arrow).</p> <p>4) PRCR staff will request coaches to have parents park and pick up from the Carlin Springs Elementary side of the field. (This is new and the actions resulted from a series of meeting between residents of 2nd St S and County staff.)</p>	<p>1.) This is the ongoing practice between PRCR Facilities Scheduling and the Kenmore Middle School Facility Manager.</p> <p>2.) This work was completed March 2009.</p> <p>3.) This work was completed March 2009.</p> <p>4.) Participants are asked to park in one of the three school parking lots and not on 2nd Street. This information is placed on each and every permit issued by PRCR for the Kenmore fields. In addition, each youth organization requests that its participants' parents drop the children off on the Carlin Springs side of the field.</p>
5 – Institutions			
Virginia Hospital Center			
5A	Pg 37	The Virginia Hospital Center is a major facility in the neighborhood and adjoins the park. If its ownership or usage has the	There is a site plan for the hospital (SP 140). If the use changes, it would require a major site plan amendment and would require a public

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5 – Institutions (continued)			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
5A (con't.)	Pg 37	possibility of changing in the future, the County should ensure that the Glencarlyn community has an active role in the process.	process that would involve the adjacent, affected civic associations and the community.
5B	Pg 37	As part of any redevelopment or modifications of the structures at 601 S. Carlin Springs Rd. the County staff needs to seek opportunities to conserve open space and natural land areas, preserve historical features, and improve environmental quality by reducing or minimizing impervious surface area and increasing native vegetation.	Implementation is limited by the County's authority as it relates to development on private property.
5C	Pg 37	APS should install additional security lights on the grounds of the Carlin Springs Elementary School – it is dark in the back corners, encouraging graffiti. Any lights placed on the east side of the relocatable classrooms need to respect the adjoining neighbors.	Arlington Public Schools (APS) will task staff from its electrical department to investigate the issue and, if feasible, install additional exterior light fixtures to address the neighborhood's concern. APS will do so in a way respectful to the community.
5D	Pg 37	APS and PRCRS need to ensure the staff handling booking of Kenmore, Carlin Spring Elementary and the Sports Division of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources work together to ensure the stabilized turf overflow parking on the south side of Kenmore fields are open to take the strain of overflow parking off nearby residential areas when there are major events at Kenmore or concurrent events at two or more of the facilities. (see also 4T)	This is the current process followed by the Kenmore Middle School Facility Manager and PRCR Facilities Coordination Office. PRCR and Kenmore Facility Manager worked collaboratively to place signs at each entrance into the overflow parking lot directing people to park there.
6 – Village Center			
Infrastructure			
6A	Pg 40	Curbs, gutters and sidewalks should be installed around the core Village Center block, thereby enhancing its accessibility, pedestrian safety, and identity. This would include the 5700 block of 4th Street, the 300 block of Lexington and part of the 300 block of Kensington. However, careful consideration should be given to these sidewalks in this historical context so that they are not visually intrusive. (This is a NC project proposed for funding in 2011.)	This project was approved for funding by the County Board in September 2011.
County Properties - A number of properties in The Village Center are County owned or have County oversight, i.e. Carlin Hall, the Glencarlyn Library and parking lot, and the Ball-Carlin Cemetery.			
6B	Pg 41	Carlin Hall, its grounds and the areas around it are heavily used by the community. There need to be several improvements to make this area function better as an outdoor community center. Suggested improvements are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Screen the dumpster in the Glencarlyn Library parking lot to keep with a Village Center look and feel. • Add some landscaping around the Carlin Hall property including trees in the front. Clean up the junk growth in the northeast 	Any/all exterior changes to Carlin Hall or the grounds require a call to the County's Historic Preservation Program at 703-228-3830. Carlin Hall is a local historic district and requires a Certificate of Appropriateness prior to undertaking changes. PRCR will consider tree planting if appropriate for the site. The community may contact PRCR at 703-228-6525 to discuss possible adopt agreements.

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6 – Village Center (continued)			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
6B (con't.)	Pg 41)	<p>corner, and maintain the existing trees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring the lawn, which is a play area, does not have holes or deep ruts. • Possible replacement of the fencing and/or adding some screening to provide more privacy for neighbors, since the facility is used heavily on weekends. • Installation of a fence to screen the basement entrance and gas meter from street view. • Add additional benches and picnic tables. • Add a sandbox since wood based products have replaced sand under the playground equipment. • Smoothing, rolling, and re-seeding the lawn areas recently rutted by heavy equipment used to upgrade the playground and damaged tree removal. • Addition of a historically appropriate shed, possibly in a carriage house style from the period, needed to store preschool equipment and to store equipment for the Community Garden and other community equipment. 	<p>PRCR will evaluate trees and vegetation and schedule appropriate action.</p> <p>PRCR agrees with this recommendation and will remediate any existing issues with the lawn.</p> <p>Requests for fences, screening, sand box, benches, tables, sheds and other enhancements cannot be funded through PRCR's operational budget. Requests for maintenance will be investigated and appropriate action taken.</p> <p>Sand was removed from this location due to sand wasps living in the area. Adding a sand box will encourage sand wasps to return. PRCR recommends a covered sand area to prevent sand wasps.</p> <p>The County is preparing a Maintenance Plan for County Facilities which will identify specific maintenance and renovation needs of County buildings and facilities, and outline strategies to address those needs. The maintenance needs of Carlin Hall will be addressed through this facility inventory and survey. More information on this planning effort led by the County's Department of Environmental Services will be forthcoming as work proceeds in the coming months.</p>
Historic			
6C	Pg 41	<p>Install an interpretive display on the library grounds, describing the history of the Glencarlyn Library, its donor, its original collection, and later replacement. Install other interpretive signs and displays in select locations within the Village Center; these could be similar to displays on the W&OD Four Mile Run trail at Bluemont Junction, explaining the historical significance of each landmark, thereby helping to establish the Village Center as a place in which neighborhood residents can take pride.</p>	<p>The Historic Preservation Program (HPP) can put these requests in its growing work program list. Budgetary constraints limit the purchase of historic markers, though drafting text can be put in work program.</p>
6D	Pg 41	<p>Create artistic, perhaps mosaic, plaques, inset into new sidewalks and curbs that would identify the year each historical Village Center landmark was built. (Discussion with County staff November 2010 indicated that inserts in the sidewalk or curb would not be possible. Inclusion of free standing markers or plaques adjacent to the sidewalk would be possible on public land or on private property if the owner agreed.)</p>	<p>The HPP can put these requests in its growing work program list. Budgetary constraints limit the purchase of historic markers, though drafting text can be put in work program.</p>

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7 – Transportation

Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
Carlin Springs Road			
7A	Pg 46	<p>Carlin Springs Road (CSR) is one of the major traffic arteries in Arlington. The recommendations from the 2004 Arterial Traffic Management study for Carlin Springs Rd included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Slow traffic on (CSR) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Decrease the speed limit on this section of CSR to 25 – during rush hour traffic doesn't exceed 25 anyway. At other times cars often substantially exceed the speed limit. b. Install permanent signs displaying the speed of each vehicle at two locations, on northbound CSR before Campbell school and on southbound CSR by North Kensington. These would be similar to the two signs on Wilson Blvd. near Jackson and Madison Streets. c. Slightly narrow lanes to encourage slower speeds where practical; considerable narrowing can be done along the hospital property. 2. Create safe space for pedestrians and wheelchairs <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Several sections of the sidewalk along CSR are extremely narrow. Widen narrow sidewalks and install a planting strip to buffer pedestrians from the street where possible (see narrow lanes above.) b. Some sections on the west side of CSR are so narrow that with the existing placement of utility poles wheelchairs cannot travel on the sidewalk. 3. Improve lighting under the Arlington Blvd overpass 4. Left turns into Glencarlyn from CSR southbound - using excess space from Kenmore property create a center left turn lane into Glencarlyn, location to be determined. 	<p>The County will consider many of the recommended improvements for future Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. DES/Department of Transportation (DOT) will conduct studies and pursue the possibility of speed limit reduction. b. Radar speed feedback signs could be installed here. c. Near the hospital, a good project would be to change the existing painted median to a raised planted median. Lane width adjustments could be easily accommodated. Other sections of the roadway would require moving the curbs and modifying the drainage to effectively narrow the lanes – a much more expensive approach. a. Sidewalk and planting strip widening can be combined with other projects. There are right-of-way limitations along the entire corridor. b. The County can work with utilities to try to correct some of these. Additional improvements will be considered for future CIP funding. The County would like to improve sidewalks. Improvements will likely require granting of easements by fronting properties, as the existing public right of way is generally insufficient for the widening of sidewalks. 3. DES/DOT will add this to its work plan. This is an unscheduled capital project, so timing within the next 6 years has not yet been determined. 4. Addition of a turn lane at 3rd St. S. requires widening on both sides of the street, not just on the Kenmore side. The widening would extend north and south of the intersection to align the lanes. There would be impacts to at least 2-3 single family properties. If the widening is only on the school side, more properties would be impacted. DES recommends against this turn lane.

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7 – Transportation (continued)			
Recommendation #	Location in Plan	Citizens' Association Recommendation	Comment
7B	Pg 46	Provide more police presence along Carlin Springs Road during rush hour to reduce speed and ensure compliance with the existing signs. In addition, where warranted, install "Do not block intersection" signs.	Police officers do random patrols in and around the areas in their beats to include the major traffic arteries. District 3 officers also respond to specific traffic complaints and coordinate these with the Special Operations Section (SOS) counterparts.
Safety in Neighborhood			
7C	Pg 46	Because this neighborhood has a number of narrow streets and many children who play outdoors, a suggested speed limit reduction to 20 miles per hour is proposed within "the village" to promote pedestrian and children's safety.	The Code of Virginia prescribes a speed limit of 25 miles per hour (MPH) on residential streets.
7D	Pg 46	Traffic calming measures are needed to slow down traffic on residential streets. Specifically 1) on the streets that lead to Glencarlyn Park, in particular 3rd and 4th, and 2) on cut through streets such as along Manchester Street and Lexington. Suggestions include: installing four-way stop signs at the intersections where Kensington and Jefferson Streets cross 3 rd and 4 th Streets; and upon entering the neighborhood at each Lexington Street intersection, put up signs that say something like 'This is a family neighborhood, PLEASE SLOW DOWN.'	Residents can have their street studied and, when warranted, calmed by the Neighborhood Traffic Calming (NTC) Program. All-way stop signs must meet warrants before these can be installed. With a complete list of intersections where these traffic control devices are desired, traffic data can be collected to evaluate the requests. Residents are encouraged to participate in the Neighborhood Drive 25 campaign which is conducted twice per year. Traffic-calming measures can be installed on neighborhood streets where certain minimum threshold speeds are documented. The adopted County policy requires an 85 th percentile speed of 30 mph to qualify for traffic-calming measures. The County has no current speed data in the Glencarlyn neighborhood, with the latest data collected in 2001.
7E	Pg 47	The County should remove trees and shrubs in the street right-of-way that obstruct driver sight lines at intersections – especially along Carlin Springs Road.	PRCR's maintenance hotline at 703-228-6525 should be contacted to report specific locations of visual obstructions. DES/DOT investigates and addresses all specific sight distance complaints. County staff looks forward to receiving detailed complaints. There are very few trees along Carlin Springs Road, so it would be helpful to identify these locations.
7F	Pg 47	Install a variety of additional signs to help give direction and provide better emergency access: 1) A sign on Jefferson Street pointing to '5601-5621 S. 6 th St.' for emergency access. 2) 'No Outlet' signs at the beginning of all dead-end streets. 3) At Route 50 at Manchester St. install a sign that says 'No turn on red when pedestrians are present.' 4) Add a "Do Not Block Intersection" sign on	1) Street name signs are in place at 6 th and Jefferson. These addresses fit the standard grid pattern and need no further attention. 2) DES/DOT still assures that all dead-end streets are properly marked. 3) Northbound and southbound turn on red restrictions will be added with the upcoming traffic signal rebuild at this location. This will

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7 – Transportation (continued)

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7F (con't.)	Pg 47	southbound Carlin Springs Road at 4 th Street. 5) For the dogleg between the Arlington Blvd service road north of Kenmore, the original design assumed only one way traffic westbound from Carlin Springs Rd. The County should add a "One Way - No Exit" sign to make it clear that you cannot exit from the dogleg directly onto CSR; the current signage is ambiguous. Also correct the no parking signage added on the north side of the Arlington Blvd service road north of Kenmore; the sign at the western edge of the Kenmore property, indicates no parking east of the sign, which implies parking is permitted to the west of the sign, which is incorrect. (Was also in 5 D)	likely be completed in the Spring of 2012. 4) Signs will be added in December 2011. 5) The dogleg is part of the school property. DES will pass this concern on to APS late fall/early winter 2011-2012. DES will extend the no parking zone on the north side of the service road in December 2011.
7G	Pg 47	Add additional time to the green light for persons exiting 5 th Street onto Carlin Springs Rd. The current light is too quick for the number of cars often waiting.	This issue has been repaired. A detector failed so the movement was only getting its minimum time, rather than extending when additional vehicles were present.

Parking

7H	Pg 47	Establish permit parking on: 1) the north side houses on 2 nd Street South from 5863 to 5949 (between Kenmore and Manchester) because of the large number of vehicles associated with the playing fields; 2) along the west side of Manchester from Arlington Blvd to the Fairfax County line, where a number of vehicles from the Woodlake Towers, located in Fairfax, park. (A preliminary survey of neighbors on the 5800 & 5900 blocks of 2nd Street did not find a lot of support for permits. However, efforts through the County Manager resulted in recommendation #4T Ongoing Management of Parking at Kenmore Fields. This seems to have resolved the problem). Manchester Street is still an issue.	1) The residents are encouraged to apply to the County's Residential Parking Program. 2) The adjacent residential property is ineligible under the current program rules because it was developed as a Site Plan development. Vehicles from Fairfax County generally are permitted to park in Arlington County, but may be subject to Arlington's residential parking zone program. The adjacent property is ineligible for this program, so the County's DES will not pursue that course of action.
7I	Pg 47	The County needs to reassess the recent addition of a parking lane along the east side Manchester. It doubles the length of the queue of vehicles which waiting for the Arlington Blvd light; this makes left turns in the morning out of the townhouses on Manchester dangerous and sometimes almost impossible.	In the upcoming design effort for intersection improvements at Arlington Boulevard and Manchester Street, DES will consider restricting parking 100 feet back from the intersection on Manchester.

8 – Streets and Sidewalks

8A	Pg 53	The County will ensure that all street surfaces, especially those excavated for water line or other utility replacement, are smoothly paved and any settling over time is remedied.	Trenches are restored in accordance with DES standards. If settlement occurs, DES should be contacted to investigate and remedy the situation. DES's online form can be found on the Departmental of Environmental Services' website or by calling 703-228-6570.
8B	Pg 53	The County Manager and County Board need to open mindedly consider requests for	The County follows the County-approved policy that allows for exemptions in a few

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8 – Streets and Sidewalks (continued)			
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8B (Con't.)	Pg 53	waivers to the current Sidewalk Policy permitting street improvement projects (the construction of curb and gutter, drainage systems, and repaving) without requiring a sidewalk on at least one side of the street under the recently approved waiver process.	circumstances, but generally upholds the standard of at least one sidewalk along all County streets.
8C	Pg 53	Street improvement projects (curbs, gutters, and sidewalks where appropriate) will be undertaken on a block-by-block basis as requested by the residents on the affected block (through the Neighborhood Conservation petition process). This recommendation also applies to those blocks that have existing curb and gutter on part of the block. As part of the review of such projects, the County needs to consider the recommendations of the 2006 Glencarlyn Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Master Plan that established a comprehensive approach to sidewalks in Glencarlyn after analyzing such factors as pedestrian patterns, street widths, existing street trees, drainage, historic character, handicapped accessibility, and expense. The County needs to ensure that all curb and gutter projects drain properly.	County staff will work with the community. County staff expects that most or all projects will be initiated by the community through the NC process.
8D	Pg 53	Clear sidewalks of all over-grown vegetation, especially that which blocks bus stops and signs on the west side of Carlin Springs Rd. between 7 th Rd. and Route 50. Coordinate with Fairfax County for a full, free and clear barrier-free access. (People using wheelchairs cannot now easily use this sidewalk. See also Recommendations 7A (2b), 7E, and 7J.	PRCR staff will investigate overgrowth and take appropriate action for vegetation growing on County-owned or -managed property. Growth originating from private property will be referred to the office of Code Enforcement. Generally, it is the property owner's responsibility to maintain their vegetation. County Inspection Services can issue notices to offending properties. Some areas near 7 th Road South may be in Fairfax County and out of Arlington's jurisdiction.
8E	Pg 53	Each street improvement project must include new street tree plantings in the public right-of-way to the greatest extent possible. Where overhead utility lines do not interfere, large deciduous shade trees (especially oaks, hickories, ash, yellowwood, and even disease-resistant American Elms) may be used. Otherwise, smaller flowering trees that can grow underneath the utility lines (such as kousa dogwood, saucer magnolia, redbud, and crabapples) should be installed. The long-term goal is 50-60% canopy cover, even in residential areas. Along streets with curb and gutter installed, NC or Tree Canopy funds may be sought for remedial plantings. Special priority should be given to blocks with few or no street	PRCR staff concurs with recommendations regarding tree planting. PRCR will coordinate with NC staff on species recommendations. PRCR staff will review and approve any proposed landscape areas. All landscape enhancements must include an ongoing maintenance agreement by the community. Staff supports the planting of street trees. This would require a four-foot wide landscape strip which may impact front yard space.

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8 – Streets and Sidewalks (continued)			
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8E (Con't.)	Pg 53	trees, such as Larrimore St., 1 st and 3 rd Sts. west of Carlin Springs Rd., 5 th Rd. west of Carlin Springs Rd., Harrison Street Circle, Jefferson and Kensington Sts., and the 5600 block of 4 th Street. Additional NC landscaping projects should be undertaken to improve the appearance of street ends and the Harrison Street circle island.	
8F	Pg 53	Where right-of-way space is not available for street tree plantings as part of street improvement projects, the County is encouraged to request permission (easements if necessary) to plant trees on private property adjacent to the right-of-way. Owners are encouraged to allow street tree plantings on their properties as part of street improvement projects. GCA will actively promote the Tree Canopy Fund through-out the neighborhood, focusing on areas without a canopy.	Arlington County does not plant trees on private property. The tree canopy grant program administered by Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment (ACE) 703-228-6427 is the primary mechanism for tree planting on private property. The GCA is encouraged to take advantage of this program.
8G	Pg 54	Install additional lighting at the west end of the 5900 block of 2 nd St., adjacent to the County fence adjacent to Manchester Street and the wooded area at the west end of the Kenmore fields. Although there is a cobra light fixture between the 2 nd and 3 rd house from the end, the fence has been a regular target for graffiti.	County staff believes that this would be an appropriate NC project.
Arlington Public Schools			
8L	Pg 54	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arlington Public Schools needs to maintain and improve the tree canopy on Kenmore grounds. APS should: Provide proper maintenance and care of trees on school grounds including those along Carlin Springs Road and those between Kenmore and Carlin Springs Elementary. Regularly watering during dry periods is critical. Plant a number of new canopy trees on the property. 	Arlington Public Schools (APS) works closely with the County's arborist to find opportunities to plant new trees, including canopy trees, on school sites. To date, over 500 trees have been planted on school property in the last five years. APS maintenance staff and County staff work together to maintain and care for trees and other landscaping. APS staff looks forward to continued partnership with the County and Arlington citizens in this regard.
9 – Other Infrastructure			
9A	Pg 58	Develop a comprehensive neighborhood-wide drainage plan that will be incorporated in the individual block-by-block conservation projects.	A review of the existing storm drainage network in this neighborhood indicates that an existing storm sewer exists within two blocks or less downhill of each location (except 3 rd Street South and South Harrison Street, addressed separately in Recommendation 9B). The neighborhood's location at the top of a hill suggests that drainage issues are not the result of systemic capacity limitations, but are rather caused by localized conditions. The records of complaints from the June 2006 storm seem to confirm this: there was only one drainage complaint from that event. Making connections to the existing system to address localized

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9 – Other Infrastructure (continued)			
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9A (con't.)	Pg 58		drainage issues should not require a major planning effort. It appears that identification of localized drainage issues to be incorporated into individual projects as they are initiated would adequately address this recommendation. If there are any systemic capacity issues that the neighborhood can identify, they should be provided to the Office of Sustainability and Environmental Management (OSEM) for further analysis.
9B	Pg 58	Re-structure the storm drain at the southwest corner of 3 rd St and Harrison, where it runs under the street and into the Park. It constantly clogs, leaving a puddle that attracts mosquitoes. Homeowners solved some of the problem affecting their lots, but more is needed.	Staff from the Water Sewer Streets Bureau of DES has initiated work for repair. Please contact David Donahue at 703-228-3653 or ddonahue@arlingtonva.us with any questions.
9C	Pg 58	Coordinate beautification projects (not covered in other chapters) 1) Route 50 right-of-way, including: the Carlin Springs Rd. underpass and surrounding area, the service road behind Kenmore School, the bus stops, and the intersection with Manchester Street. 2) County property at the South end of Kensington St. (at 5 th Rd.) and for about 100 ft. west on the County right of way should be re-planted as needed and maintained on a regular basis. 3) Clean up of wooded area at west end of Kenmore fields. 4) 6 th St., 5600 block – railing at the dead-end is in bad shape and the dead fallen trees are ugly. 5) Entry driveway to Long Branch Nature Center. 6) Trailhead above the Nature Center at the end of Jefferson St.	1, 2, 5, 6 – Funding for additional beautification efforts will need to include funding for installation and ongoing maintenance. Initial funding for these beautification projects would be necessary to conduct a larger overall project and can be sought through Neighborhood Conservation.
10 – County Services			
Safety			
10A	Pg 60	Police should patrol for gang activity in and around the park, especially after dark. Some suggested finding some way to cut off vehicle traffic into the park at night.	PRCR recommends leaving access points open to the park. This allows police and ranger vehicles to monitor the area. If gang activity is observed, please call the Police at 703-558-2222, or 911 if there is a life-threatening emergency. Police proactively patrol all of the parks in the County and regularly work with the Park Rangers to identify areas of concern, gang activity or suspicious persons seen lurking in the parks and on the bike trails. Third District Team officers are trained to ride the bicycle and one officer spends a good portion of the week riding along the W & OD Trail as

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10 – County Services (continued)

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10 A (con't.)	Pg 60		well as Glencarlyn Park. This coordinated effort between Police and Parks and Recreation expedited the removal of gang graffiti from a pavilion in Glencarlyn Park. In addition, all three patrol sections teach new officers the importance of patrolling the parks both during the hours the parks are open and when they are supposed to be closed. The County will investigate the potential for closing the park to vehicular traffic at night to address neighborhood concerns. The addition of a removable barrier, such as a raising arm or moveable post, would require departmental agreement in regard to maintenance and day-to-day operations. If a vehicle is found on the bike paths, Police can take appropriate enforcement action. In addition, the parks all have signs which Police will enforce that state the hours of operation for the park and when the parks are closed. If subjects are observed in the parks after hours, they can be cited for trespass and banned via the County's Park Safe Program.
10B	Pg 60	Provide more random police patrols in the afternoons to monitor middle school students passing through neighborhood streets.	The Police do random patrols as a regular course of business and the patrol officers in their beats know when the schools are let out. If they are not committed to calls for service, many officers do patrol around the middle schools. The officers may be following the buses to enforce the Unlawful Passing of a School Bus, they may be working Radar or Lidar for school zone speed enforcement or citing drivers for failing to yield to pedestrians (children crossing the street). The officers also are on the lookout for suspected gang activity and other disturbances that occur after school. The Special Operations Section (SOS) also proactively responds to complaints that arise from the morning and afternoon school "rush hours." The School Resource Officers (SRO) are present at the high schools.
10C	Pg 60	Reconstitute a Neighborhood Crime Watch program. (Note: the ACPD does not seem to have an active program at this point.)	The County no longer participates in the Neighborhood Watch Program due to low participation amongst the neighbors and the advent of the listserv which is many times more effective in getting a message out to the community or to just keep the community up to date on issues in their neighborhoods. Most neighborhoods/Civic Associations in Arlington County have "listservs" in which important information can be distributed by e-mail. This has proven to be the most direct and efficient

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10 – County Services (continued)			
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10C	Pg 60		way to ensure that communities are informed as to what is going on, especially when it has to do with crime. Neighborhood Watch signs that were posted throughout neighborhoods have been removed. As always, the Police Department
10D	Pg 60	Police should patrol 5 th Rd. (by the Urgent Care Center fence) where non-residents park extra cars. Watch elsewhere for commercial vehicles licensed in D.C.	encourages residents and businesses to report suspicious activity and advise programming the non-emergency telephone number (703-558-2222) into cellular telephones. The officers in the beat and the Third District Team patrol all of the roads in the County and when time permits look into complaints from citizens in regard to illegally parked / abandoned vehicles. The complaint for parked vehicles is more efficiently handled by the SOS Unit which has the Parking Service Aides (PSA's) assigned to them. If a citizen has a complaint regarding parked vehicles, they can either contact the SOS administrative assistant who can route the complaint to a PSA or they can contact the police non-emergency number 703-558-2222 to report the vehicle and location and an officer will be dispatched to check on the complaint. For chronic offenders there is the possibility of the vehicle being marked and towed or booted for non-payment of fines.
10E	Pg 60	Provide more police enforcement to discourage people running through stop signs within the neighborhood.	When areas involving speed zones or traffic signs are observed by the citizens as being chronically violated, the procedures as stated above in Recommendation 10D are followed. In lieu of the PSAs being dispatched, the SOS motor officers, District Team or beat officers are dispatched to monitor the areas of concern. The District Teams are very involved with their civic associations and all of them know to contact the District Commander if they have issues within their neighborhood. The District Commanders are made available to attend civic association meetings, special events in the neighborhoods and other events where the residents get to know the Commander and officers in their District and knowledge of neighborhood concerns are shared. The District Teams will then work on the problem area in conjunction with the different shifts and the SOS motor officers. They will then report directly back to the stakeholders for feedback.
Environment			
10F	Pg 60	Schedule two or three more leaf pickup dates in the fall and two or more additional yard waste pickups in the spring. Adjust the period the leaf pickups occur to the time the	The County provides leaf collection services to all residential customers from the beginning in November until the middle of January. This 10 week period includes weekly bag leaf collection

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10F (con't.)	Page 60	need exists due to the weather conditions each year.	<p>and two vacuum leaf collection passes per household. The season is timed to maximize the leaf collection resources of the County and to provide timely services to the residents. The Spring Yard Waste collection program has been recently expanded from four weeks to the current six week schedule. The yard waste collection schedule starts in mid March and continues through the month of April. The yard waste program is designed to begin when residents start to work in their yards and ends before grass mowing starts in order to avoid grass being placed in the yard waste collection bags. The bags are currently ground into a soil amendment, which does not allow for the collection of grass because of odor related problems. The recycling of the material, which excludes grass collection, limits the duration of the collection program.</p> <p>The Solid Waste Bureau is studying the possibility of providing year-round yard waste collection in the future.</p>
10G	Pg 60	Foster a County-wide anti-litter campaign, especially at exits and entrances to Route 50.	Contact ACE 703-228-6427 regarding current efforts, outreach, education, and volunteer clean up events. Arlington County supports a regional anti-litter campaign with the tagline "Your litter hits close to home." Posters with this message have been distributed to libraries, community centers, schools, and via electronic messages throughout the County.
10H	Pg 60	Schedule more frequent litter pick up by County crews, especially along major roadsides. More frequent street cleaning would also be welcome.	The Solid Waste Bureau's litter collection crews are out in the County every weekday to manage litter throughout the County. The staff works with a list of hot spots containing regular litter problem and responds to citizen litter complaints. Arlington Boulevard is a state road and therefore maintained by state crews which receives less frequent maintenance. The County provides seven residential street sweeping passes per year to address street cleanliness and storm water management issues.
Historic			
10I	Pg 60	Identify historic houses (esp. those over 100 years old) with plaques. (Related to 6-E)	The HPP can put these requests in its growing work program list. Budgetary constraints limit the purchase of historic markers, though drafting text can be put in work program.
Winter			
10J	Pg 60	There are several steep hills in Glencarlyn which are difficult to get up when icy or snowy. Provide more sanding and/or salt on these locations. (e.g. 5400 block 3 rd St., S.	See the Arlington Snow & Ice Central page at http://www.arlingtonva.us/portals/topics/TopicsWeatherWinter.aspx . In addition, the County recommends the following among other things

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Winter			
10J (con't.)	Pg 60	and 500 block of South Harrison)	<p>from the County's snow-plowing page: http://www.arlingtonva.us/departments/EnvironmentalServices/uepd/snow/EnvironmentalServicesSnow.aspx</p> <p><i>"When it starts to snow, park your vehicle off the street. If parking off street is not possible, an alternative is to coordinate with your neighbors to park on one side of the street only. A snowplow needs a minimum roadway width of 15 feet to maneuver safely; on many streets a snowplow cannot operate when cars are parked on both sides of the street."</i></p> <p>In areas such as 500 S. Harrison St. when snowfall is heavy, residents must coordinate amongst themselves to ensure vehicles are clear of the cul de sac. This is because steep slopes and the 90 degree turns necessary to clear that cul de sac cause trucks to get stuck if they go in there. This requires a backhoe or front end loader to reach the area. Parking on 5th and the upper area of Harrison St. are recommended when snow is predicted in anything more than trace amounts.</p>

Analysis of Survey of Community Input on Proposed Recommendations to be included in the Glencarlyn Neighborhood Conservation Plan

September 2007 (April 2011 note)

In preparing the Glencarlyn Community Neighborhood Conservation Plan for submission to County offices, the Glencarlyn Community Association felt it necessary to submit the recommendations in the draft plan to the neighborhood to ascertain which recommendations were most strongly supported, and which light be dropped due to weak support. The draft recommendations were formatted as a “ballot” and distributed to all 530+ households in late May, 2007. People had a choice to bring the completed ballot to the Pancake Breakfast June 2 (for a discount), or drop them in a box at the library. 79 questionnaires were returned (representing 15% of 530 households). Most completed all the questions although a few people stopped answering part way through. Over 60% also submitted comments which are shown *in italics* as respondents made them in the results shown below. As expected, most of the comments concerned traffic (Chapter 7) and streets and sidewalks (Chapter 8).

Note - The survey results below reflect the status of the input to the plan as of September 2007. During the spring 2011 finalization of the plan, an editorial committee updated, regrouped and in some cases changed some recommendations because of changes in the neighborhood since the survey. The revisions to the plan were approved at an April 2011 Association meeting).

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PART 1 – Geographic Distribution

Respondents indicated at the beginning of the ballot which block they lived in.

Address not indicated – 10	Lexington St., S, 300 -- 0	5 th St., S, 5700 -- 1
Arlington Blvd, S, 5700 – 1	Lexington St., S, 500 -- 1	5 th St., S, 5800 – 1
Arlington Blvd, S, 5800 – 0	Manchester St., S, 0 – 0	5 th Rd., S, 5600 -- 2
Arlington Blvd, S, 5900 – 0	Montague St., S – 0	5 th Rd., S, 5700 -- 2
Carlin Sprngs Rd., N, 5700 – 0	Montana St., S – 0	5 th Rd., S, 5800 -- 0
Carlin Springs Rd., S, 0 – 0	1 st St., N, 5800 -- 0	5 th Rd., S, 5900 – 1
Carlin Springs Rd., S, 300 -- 0	1st St., S, 5600 -- 2	6 th St., S 5600 – 0
Carlin Springs Rd., S, 400 -- 0	1st St., S, 5700 -- 1	
Carlin Springs Rd., S, 500 -- 0	1st St., S, 5800 -- 0	
Carlin Springs Rd., S, 600 – 0	1st St., S, 5900 – 1	
Carlin Springs Rd. block unknown - 1	2 nd St., S, 5600 -- 4	
Harrison St., S, 300 -- 1	2 nd St., S, 5700 -- 2	
Harrison St., S, 400 -- 0	2 nd St., S, 5800 -- 1	
Harrison St., S, 500 – 2	2 nd St., S, 5900 – 3	
Illinois St., S, 300 – 1	3 rd St., S, 5400 -- 3	
Illinois St., S, 400 – 0	3 rd St., S, 5500 -- 2	
Jefferson St., S, 300 – 1	3 rd St., S, 5600 -- 4	
Jefferson St., S, 400 -- 0	3 rd St., S, 5700 -- 1	
Jefferson St., S, 500 – 3	3 rd St., S, 5800 -- 0	
Kensington St., S, 0 -- 1	3 rd St., S, 5900 – 0	
Kensington St., S, 100 - 0	4 th St., S, 5400 -- 2	
Kensington St., S, 200 – 1	4 th St., S, 5500 -- 5	
Kensington St., S, 300 -- 0	4 th St., S, 5600 -- 1	
Kensington St., S, 400 – 2	4 th St., S, 5700 -- 2	
Kensington St., S, 500 – 0	4 th St., S, 5800 -- 2	
Lancaster St., S, 500 – 0	4 th St., S, 5900 – 1	
Larrimore St., S, 400 – 2	4 th St., S, block unknown - 1	
Larrimore St., S, 500 -- 0	5 th St., S, 5300 -- 0	
Lexington St., S, 0 -- 0	5 th St., S, 5400 -- 1	
Lexington St., S, 100 -- 0	5 th St., S, 5500 -- 2	
Lexington St., S, 200 -- 3	5 th St., S, 5600 -- 1	

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Part 2 -- Numerical Results (with comments *in italics*)

Residents scored the June 2007 as follows:

4 = I strongly like this suggestion, I would support it, and I consider it high priority.

3 = I like this idea somewhat, but it is not high priority for me.

2 = I am neutral about this suggestion and have no strong feelings about it.

1 = I dislike this idea and would oppose it.

Respondents circled their preferred score for each question. Where items were left unmarked, they were counted as “2”.

The Summary Analysis of the June date includes a number of columns. The table below describes what each of those column means. Comment are in *italics*; those in **yellow** represent changes or additions to the recommendations being proposed (see recommendations with deletions and comments document).

Description of the Summary Data Analysis

Column	Description
Survey Question Number	This is the number as it appeared in the June survey
Action / 04 suggestion	This column indicates whether the recommendation is CA for County action or OR Other. If there is a “s” after the code, that indicates this recommendation resulted from input from the initial survey in the 2004
3 & 4 as % all	The percentage of the responses which were either #3 or #4 (see above) This total percentage is probably one of the key basis for inclusion.
Points	Preliminary scoring – number of responses times the “number” in the responses Note unmarked were counted as a 2 -- e.g. for 6_1 29 X 4 + 27 X 3 + (12 +5) X 2 + 6 X 1 = 237 If all responses were #2 the score would be 158 If all responses were #3 the score would be 237
In or Exclude	Preliminary recommendations
Questions (comments in <i>italics</i>)	Questions as they appeared on the ballot. Comments received on the responses.
1 as % all	Percentage of the responses selecting #1 If this number is over 10% it should be considered along with the percentage for 3 & 4 in determining if the recommendation should be included.
2 or Unmarked as % all	Percentage of the responses selecting #2 or left it blank
3 as % all	Percentage of the responses selecting #3
4 as % all	Percentage of the responses selecting #4
# Unmarked	Number (not percent) of responses to the recommendation left unmarked
# 1	Number of responses to the #1
# 2	Number of responses to the #2
# 3	Number of responses to the #3
# 4	Number of responses to the #4
Total	Total responses, including unmarked
# 2 or Unmarked	Number of responses with either 2 or unmarked.
Marked total	Number of responses which were MARKED
3 & 4 as % Marked	Percentage of #3 and #4 based on questions which were marked (ignore unmarked)

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Summary Data Analysis of June Survey

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Chapter 3					LAND USE, ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT													
3_1	OR s	54%	205	EXC LUD E	Form a citizen watchdog team, perhaps a GCA committee, to periodically inspect the neighborhood for compliance to zoning, reporting back to the GCA to make sure the intent of the various zoning types supports the community's over-all appearance and functioning. <i>-- Check and refer the vacant housing for upkeep and rodent problems.</i> <i>-- Absolutely no zoning vigilantes! Please report violations through County procedures.</i> <i>-- Please, no "vigilantes" enforcing their own vision of the common good.</i>	11%	34%	38%	16%	5	9	22	30	13	79	27	74	58%
3_2	OR s	68%	233	Incl	Request the owner of the 7-11 try to ensure deliveries are not made during morning rush hour and that dumpster servicing occur only during daylight hours. <i>-- Probably not under owner's control.</i>	6%	25%	35%	33%	2	5	18	28	26	79	20	77	70%
3_3	OR s	77%	248	Incl	Request the owner of the 7-11 to periodically will sponsor a clean-up crew (maybe Sheriff's community service workers) to clean up trash around the 7-11 and neighboring streets as a neighborhood goodwill gesture. In the long-term, this property owner should develop a landscape plan for the store that enhances beauty but does not create sight line problems for motorists and pedestrians. <i>-- Include the entrance ramp to eastbound Route 50 which is littered with 7Eleven debris and trash.</i> <i>-- They're very busy. Why don't we offer to help?</i> <i>-- They have a special needs crew that does clean up around the store.</i>	6%	16%	34%	43%	3	5	10	27	34	79	13	76	80%
3_4	OR s	52%	214	EXC LUD E	Request the owner of the Woodlake Towers convenience store will control litter, and especially on the walkway leading north to the bus stop on Manchester Street. <i>-- The owner can't be responsible for the litter that happens on Manchester St.</i> <i>-- Isn't this a pedestrian problem rather than a store-caused problem?</i>	6%	42%	27%	25%	8	5	25	21	20	79	33	71	58%

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						1 as % all	as % all	3 as % all	4 as % all		# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	Total	
	General comments on chapter 3				<i>-- Why is there a 7-11 selling alcohol and cigarettes 50 feet from a middle school? Aren't there zoning laws that regulate this?</i> <i>-- Enforce zoning and yard maintenance on Carlin Springs Road.</i> <i>-- Servicing of the 7Eleven dumpster should be restricted to between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., regardless of "daylight" conditions. (It is currently serviced at about 7 a.m., which in the spring and summer is daylight.)</i> <i>-- Please remember that store owners are not police. They can clean up after their customers if they hire extra help to do it. But they cannot control the customers – they don't have the authority.</i> <i>-- The property across 1st St. from the 7Eleven is unsightly.</i> <i>-- Homeowners or renters should not be allowed to keep trash, ladders, discarded appliances, mattresses, etc. on front lawns. Also, some single dwellers have <u>3</u> cars. Isn't there a limit on cars allowed?</i> <i>-- Ban storage buildings, debris, and trash in front yards (e.g. 5704 2nd St., S).</i> <i>-- We understand the goals in this section, but cannot condone the means. The proposed means border on Big Brother and condo laws.</i> <i>-- If the County would put trash cans tied to the signs on Manchester Street, then maybe the litter bugs will put their trash in the cans. (Became new recommendation)</i>											

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Chapter 4					PARKS, RECREATION, AND NATURAL RESOURCES													
4_1	CA	91%	281	Incl	The Four Mile Run and Long Branch floodplains must be kept free of development. Upstream paving and actions causing rain to form channels and erode the park and streams should be minimized or reduced. All possible efforts must be made to lessen the impact of storm drainage on these waterways. <i>-- Curbs and gutters cause erosion!</i>	1%	8%	25%	66%	4	1	2	20	52	79	6	75	96%
4_2	CA	81%	269	Incl	All future storm drainage projects must strive to achieve zero increase in storm runoff into the park. Retrofit projects are also suggested to dampen down the hydrological curve (volume and speed) of each of the neighborhood's storm runoff lines (See recommendation 9.1). combined with 4-1	1%	18%	20%	61%	6	1	8	16	48	79	14	73	88%
4_3	CA	75%	255	Incl	Apply for Neighborhood Conservation (NC) funding to obtain professional consultants for a "Glencarlyn Park Four-Mile Run Tributary Restoration and Stabilization Study". The severely eroded tributary streams leading to Four Mile Run through Glencarlyn Park should be studied with recommendations made for restoration and stabilization using current "low- impact development" techniques (bio-engineering and plantings, etc.). It should also make recommendations of ways that additional curb and gutter installations will not exacerbate runoff. The study will recommend projects in priority order, with each project sized to fit within normal NC funding limitations. 4-3 and 4-4 combined	5%	20%	22%	53%	7	4	9	17	42	79	16	72	82%
4_4	CA	70%	247	Incl	Use NC funding and other sources to implement the recommendations of the Glencarlyn Park Four-Mile Run Tributary Restoration and Stabilization study (4.3 above) in as many phases as needed as funding is available. 4-3 and 4-4 combined	6%	24%	20%	49%	7	5	12	16	39	79	19	72	76%

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4_5	CA	75%	254	Incl	Encourage the County to study local erosion problems and remediate them in ecologically-appropriate ways that conserve the natural communities, in close consultation with the community. Specific ideas include Upstream and in-community storm water retention systems (e.g., "rain gardens" and cisterns at appropriate sites such as the library and Carlin Hall). ***Removal of stream channelization along Long Branch in adjoining parts of Fairfax County.***Green roofs, with plantings, for large scale buildings, such as schools and hospitals.***Permeable surface parking lots to encourage on-site percolation. <i>-- Too many studies. Need actionable efforts.</i>	4%	22%	24%	51%	7	3	10	19	40	79	17	72	82%
4_6	CA	89%	271	Incl	After major storms, where the tree canopy in the park is severely damaged, new trees (native species/local ecotypes only) will be planted where appropriate to assist in re-creating the tree canopy as quickly as possible. <i>-- Not fast-growing, short-lived trees.</i>	1%	10%	33%	56%	4	1	4	26	44	79	8	75	93%
4_7	CA s	87%	277	Incl	Given Glencarlyn Park's special and irreplaceable value, the County must undertake serious efforts to address the problem of invasive exotic species. These efforts will be carried out in a manner that safeguards and enhances the native vegetation of park land. In addition, an aggressive urban forestry campaign will be undertaken to prevent potentially devastating tree diseases, such as Sudden Oak Death, from ruining these woodlands. <i>-- Give priority to the most troublesome species.</i>	1%	11%	23%	65%	4	1	5	18	51	79	9	75	92%
4_8	CA	90%	280	Incl	County police and park rangers will enforce that Glencarlyn Park not used for car washing and repair.	3%	8%	23%	67%	1	2	5	18	53	79	6	78	91%
4_9	CA s	82%	262	Incl	The County will conduct a study to assess the current condition of the Long Branch Nature Center facility and develop options for improvement, including renovation, the use of Urgent Care property, and other appropriate options. The study will then be followed by consideration of the options and eventual adoption and implementation. In any capital parks campaign, such as the current Parks and Open Space Master Plan, Arlington County should provide for the adequate funding of improvements to enable this Nature Center to continue operating in its unique setting. <i>-- Exclude Urgent Care property from study.</i>	3%	15%	30%	52%	4	2	8	24	41	79	12	75	87%

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4_10	CA s	87%	276	Incl	County Parks and Recreation will ensure that trail maintenance and improvements are conducted in a regular and ecologically-sensitive manner. We do not recommend any additional paving since additional impervious surfaces will add to existing runoff problems. However, natural surface trails must be built to minimize erosion and sedimentation downstream. All overgrowth and hazards (such as dead overhanging trees, poison ivy, blocked culverts, missing sewer tops, etc.) should be corrected as funds and staffing allow. <i>-- I strongly disagree to statement about impervious surfaces.</i> <i>-- Too many studies. Need actionable efforts.</i>	1%	11%	24%	63%	2	1	7	19	50	79	9	77	90%
4_11	CA s	72%	241	Incl	County Parks and Recreation will commission a study (including interested neighborhood residents on the team) of ecologically-sensitive elements of the Nature Center and Glencarlyn Park tracts and follow it up with assessment of actions necessary to conserve these resources, and then undertake appropriate stewardship actions.	5%	23%	34%	38%	5	4	13	27	30	79	18	74	77%
4_12	CA	65%	233	Incl	The County will assess opportunities to improve environmental connectivity or corridors connecting the open space and natural areas of large tracts such as the Carlin Springs and Campbell Elementary Schools, the Urgent Care Center site, and the existing parkland so as to benefit wildlife and critical plant habitats.	1%	34%	33%	32%	6	1	21	26	25	79	27	73	70%
4_13	CA	86%	279	Incl	The County must provide widespread, advance notice of proposed actions that will affect the Park -- offering the community a chance to comment before work is commenced. At a minimum, bring notice of such projects to the meetings of the Glencarlyn Community Association.	1%	13%	18%	68%	3	1	7	14	54	79	10	76	89%
4_14	CA s	77%	258	Incl	Develop a public information awareness campaign about the use of pesticides and dumping and their harmful effects on the quality of the County's streams and watersheds. <i>-- This is done through Virginia Cooperative Extension.</i>	4%	19%	24%	53%	4	3	11	19	42	79	15	75	81%
4_15	CA s	73%	249	Incl	Clean up trash along the wooded west edge of the Kenmore sports fields, as well as around fields and playground. <i>-- Who put it there?</i> <i>-- Install trash can there. (Added)</i> <i>-- Unclear.</i>	0%	27%	32%	42%	11	0	10	25	33	79	21	68	85%

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4_16	CA s	73%	252	Incl	Limit use to the Kenmore soccer fields and lights to no later than 10 00 p.m. Re-align the Kenmore field lights so that light is limited to ball field grounds and spillover is minimized so as to not shine into the home throughout the neighborhood.	6%	20%	22%	52%	6	5	10	17	41	79	16	73	79%
4_17	CA s	72%	244	Incl	Install a trash can at the 2nd and Jefferson Streets entrance of Glencarlyn Park.	5%	23%	30%	42%	6	4	12	24	33	79	18	73	78%
4_18	CA s	29%	163	EXC LUD E	Construct a neighborhood swimming pool, perhaps as part of the park redevelopment of the urgent care center site. <i>-- ONLY if there is noise enforcement and NO PARKING on 5th Rd., S.</i>	38%	33%	14%	15%	5	30	21	11	12	79	26	74	31%
4_19	CA s	61%	220	Incl	Install signs (maybe a wayside with photos) depicting the historic Carlin pavilion and nearby W&OD rail station. Additional waysides might highlight the George Washington survey marker, the W&OD Railroad, and other historic points of interest in the community.	8%	32%	35%	25%	7	6	18	28	20	79	25	72	67%
4_20	CA	71%	235	Incl	The County will help in the rebuilding and opening of the footbridge across Long Branch, connecting from Campbell Elementary School to the Nature Center access road (providing better access for teachers and students and park visitors).	4%	25%	41%	30%	6	3	14	32	24	79	20	73	77%
4_21	OR s	77%	258	Incl	Residents need to heed Arlington's leash law and keep their dogs on leash when they are on public property other than the designated Dog Park. Unleashed dogs can be a threat and source of intimidation to other people and to wildlife. <i>-- Absolutely!</i>	5%	18%	23%	54%	5	4	9	18	43	79	14	74	82%
4_22	OR s	89%	286	Incl	Residents should always clean up after their dogs. Dog feces are a major source of contamination in the streams, harbor diseases, and are a major food resource for rats. It is recommended that all dog owners clean up after their dogs, even in the woodlands.	4%	8%	11%	77%	5	3	1	9	61	79	6	74	95%

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4_23	OR	58%	228	EXC LUD E	Residents should not allow their cats to run loose outside their yards. When cats are allowed to run loose, they kill birds and other small wildlife like chipmunks. The naturalists at the Nature Center have observed cats preying on the flying squirrels and other creatures of the park. <i>-- It is impossible to keep a cat contained in a yard. And they don't do well on leashes. This is a ridiculous comment. This is like asking cars to not drive in the neighborhood to avoid running over squirrels. Whoever made this comment doesn't own a cat or know much about them.</i> <i>-- Cats should wear bells on their collars to prevent wildlife kills. Not all cats are suited to be indoor only animals.</i> <i>-- It is also more healthy to keep cats inside.</i>	19%	23%	9%	49%	5	15	13	7	39	79	18	74	62%
4_24	OR	90%	290	Incl	Residents must cease all dumping activities on public land (it is illegal) and use the County's established mechanisms for the removal of yard and other waste. Residents must not release any pets in the park, such as exotic fish. <i>-- Please clarify that "dumping" includes yard waste and leaves.</i>	0%	10%	13%	77%	5	0	3	10	61	79	8	74	96%
4_25	OR	89%	283	Incl	Residents are encouraged to make a particular effort to pick up all litter on and near their residences to help prevent littering in the park and streams. Particular care should be exercised to prevent materials like foam packing peanuts and plastic bags from getting loose and being carried into the woods and streams by wind and water. <i>-- I would like to see more effort placed on residents to remove construction trash in a more timely manner. I recently had to ask a neighbor three times over 4 months to remove an eyesore of trash piled high on the side of his house facing my front door, from a home project they were doing for 6 months.</i>	0%	11%	19%	70%	5	0	4	15	55	79	9	74	95%
4_26	OR	41%	199	Incl	Residents are encouraged to participate in the National Wildlife Federation's Certified Wildlife Backyard Habitat Program.	10%	49%	19%	22%	6	8	33	15	17	79	39	73	44%
4_27	OR	51%	211	EXC LUD E	Community residents are encouraged to sign up as volunteers and also make greater efforts to involve the Nature Center in events like Glencarlyn Day.	3%	47%	32%	19%	6	2	31	25	15	79	37	73	55%

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4_28	OR s	42%	201	EXC LUD E	The Glencarlyn Citizens' Association (GCA) should consider organizing a group to solicit ideas, such as better fencing or slight regrading, to improve the Dog Park. <i>-- Reforestation!</i> <i>-- I support the direction the County has taken here. The Park Authority's landscape architect has put a lot of effort into this specific issue. He should be involved in any proposals to make changes – as should Glencarlyn Dogs, the sponsoring group.</i>	6%	52%	23%	19%	9	5	32	18	15	79	41	70	47%
4_29	OR s	73%	237	Incl	The GCA should establish a stream clean-up committee that would coordinate stream clean-up teams and remove trash from the woods. This group could become the primary citizen group associated with the tributary stabilization and restoration watershed study in Recommendation 4.3 above. <i>-- If it doesn't duplicate existing organizations or projects.</i> <i>-- Arlington for a Clean Environment (ACE) and the Virginia Cooperative Extension do this</i>	0%	27%	47%	27%	5	0	16	37	21	79	21	74	78%
General comments on chapter 4					<i>-- 4.1 to 4.5: I do not understand the implications of these items.</i> <i>-- Keep it natural. Also, restore the Carlin Springs area.</i> <i>-- More safety patrols along the bike path.</i> <i>-- Fire safety signs should be posted throughout the park to remind the public to be cautious when extinguishing matches and using grills. One mistake could destroy the entire park. (Added as new)</i> <i>-- I support steps to mitigate runoff, but not if it means sacrificing sidewalks. We can mitigate runoff and still have sidewalks.</i> <i>-- Aren't there already leash and pooper scooper laws? How will these recommendations change the status quo? Who's paying?</i> <i>-- Some of these recommendations are already laws. They should be enforced through the usual channels, not the neighborhood. Some of these would be good to have, but are not legal matters and cannot carry a "should."</i>													

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Chapter 5					INSTITUTIONS													
5_1	CA s	72%	244	Incl	County staff will conduct a detailed study of the opportunities to re-use the hospital/urgent care property in order to conserve open space and natural land areas, preserve historical features, overcome deficiencies of the nearby Nature Center, enhance recreational opportunities (e.g., the sledding hill), perhaps consider relocating the Community Canine Area to a more environmentally-appropriate spot with easier and safer parking access, and improve environmental quality by reducing impervious surface area and increasing native vegetation. <i>-- Yes, move the dog park away from the streams.</i> <i>-- These are two separate issues. I support the study but dislike relocating the CCA. Glendogs, the Glencarlyn Dog Park sponsoring group is recognized by the County as the liaison between the County and the residents is made up of fellow GCA members. It works very hard to keep the dog park open at this location. Any issues from other residents should be addressed to Glendogs first so we can work together to resolve any concerns.</i> (Revised and combined with 5-2 and 5-3 because of change in ownership)	5%	23%	30%	42%	7	4	11	24	33	79	18	72	79%
5_2	CA s	70%	246	Incl	The County must pursue creative options for the "hospital property," such as securing easements or outright acquisition in pursuit of environmental, conservation, and recreation objectives. (Revised and combined with 5-1 and 5-3 because of change in ownership)	4%	27%	24%	46%	6	3	15	19	36	79	21	73	75%

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5_3	CA	81%	274	Incl	<p>The Urgent Care Center is a major facility in the neighborhood. The County should ensure that the Glencarlyn community has an active role in determining its future uses. The first choice of those who responded to the 2004 neighborhood survey in terms of potential reuse of the site is for open space/parkland, followed by long-term medical care and medical services. Respondents were opposed to high or medium density residential uses, including townhouses, as well as mixed use development and non-medical commercial uses. County government use (other than open space or parkland) received a mixed reaction from respondents.</p> <p><i>-- I don't think we should oppose mixed use development at the Urgent Care property. It would be great to be able to walk to someplace to have a meal. I'd also like to see some affordable housing on the site.</i></p> <p><i>-- We live in the 5600 block of 5th Rd., S. We do not want to see mixed use, townhouses, or anything noisy going on in the Urgent Care property. We feel very strongly about the future uses of this site. No multi-use buildings. No townhouses. Pool only if hours and noise can be controlled. No basketball court. All on site parking so that people DO NOT park on adjoining streets.</i></p> <p><i>-- Ensure that the Urgent Care Center keeps its commitment to keep up the wood fence along 5th Road S.</i></p> <p>(Revised and combined with 5-1 and 5-2 because of change in ownership)</p>	4%	15%	11%	70%	6	3	6	9	55	79	12	73	88%
5_4	CA s	62%	231	Incl	<p>Additional security lights are needed in the grounds of the Carlin Springs Elementary School, particularly at the rear, to reduce vandalism and graffiti.</p> <p><i>-- This is a huge problem, with the graffiti. Definitely need more lights.</i></p>	3%	35%	29%	33%	7	2	21	23	26	79	28	72	68%
5_5	CA s	56%	223	Incl	<p>At the Kenmore fields install better control of parking during soccer games, better trash control, and better control of vehicle speeds on S. Madison and 2nd Sts.</p> <p><i>-- These ball players could care less about the speed on the street. I wish I could block off S.Madison at 2nd St. to residents only and make all ball players park at the school. It would be great if this area was a gated community.</i></p> <p>(Blended into others)</p>	1%	43%	28%	28%	7	1	27	22	22	79	34	72	61%

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5_6	OR s	75%	252	Incl	The GCA must establish and maintain a strong, supportive relationship with both Carlin Springs Elementary and Kenmore Middle School to make them integral to this neighborhood. This should include an ongoing dialogue with Kenmore staff to address occasional student misbehavior while walking home through the neighborhood. Students need to be told that Glencarlyn Park is closed at dark. Sometimes noisy groups after evening activities (9-10 pm) disturb residents. <i>-- The <u>schools</u> must work to be an integral part of the neighborhood.</i> <i>-- Also in the context of student safety.</i>	3%	23%	28%	47%	7	2	11	22	37	79	18	72	82%
General comments on chapter 5					<i>-- Sadly, Kenmore students are vandalizing and using alcohol, tobacco, and dugs in the park. Plus they throw trash. This needs to be halted.</i> <i>-- Also remind Kenmore students to NOT try to walk across yards on 5th Rd. near the back of the "hospital property."</i> <i>-- The dogleg by Kenmore is a mess in the mornings. It should be one way in and one way out ONLY. Off the service road, cars back up traffic waiting to go in while others are coming out. (Added as new)</i> <i>-- When there are major events at Kenmore, why can't they use the overflow parking area that was built – instead of having cars park in the residential area? The overflow parking is a grassy area off the 3rd St. extension, and it has never been used. (Added as new)</i>													

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Chapter 6					GLENCARLYN VILLAGE CENTER													
6_1	CA	71%	237	Incl	Curbs, gutters and sidewalks should be installed around the core Village Center block, thereby enhancing its accessibility, pedestrian safety, and identity. However, careful consideration should be given to these sidewalks in this historical context. For example, this core block might have brick sidewalks, similar to those in Old Town, Alexandria. <i>-- Not brick. Even the County is going away from brick. Too slippery.</i> <i>-- Curbs and gutters: yes! Sidewalks: no!!</i> <i>-- Yes to enhanced identity, no to brick sidewalks.</i> <i>-- As long as care is taken to make all sidewalk bricks flush and even (a safety issue).</i> (DROPPED Reference to Brick sidewalks)	8%	22%	34%	37%	5	6	12	27	29	79	17	74	76%
6_2	CA	68%	236	Incl	Install Carlyle-style lights on the core Village Center block, enhancing its accessibility, safety, and sense of place. (The majority of 2004 Survey respondents cited decorative street lights as a way to enhance the neighborhood and make it more attractive). Replace the current parking lot floodlights with Carlisle lights also. (See web site for photos of Carlyle, Carriage and cobra lights) <i>-- If energy efficient.</i> <i>-- I prefer a non-cobra energy efficient fixture.</i>	5%	27%	33%	35%	7	4	14	26	28	79	21	72	75%
6_3	CA	65%	221	Incl	Establish interpretive signs and displays in select locations within the Village Center. Displays would be similar to displays on the W&OD Four Mile Run trail at Bluemont Junction and explain the historical significance of each landmark, thereby helping to establish the Village Center as a place in which neighborhood residents can take pride. Suggestions for locations of some interpretive displays are noted in recommendations below.	8%	28%	42%	23%	4	6	18	33	18	79	22	75	68%

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6_4	CA	52%	206	Incl	Create artistic, perhaps mosaic, plaques, inset into new sidewalks and curbs that would identify the year each historical Village Center landmark was built. The GCA could enlist the support of a resident Arlington County artist to create the plaques. Numbering would help to establish the historical significance of Glencarlyn's architectural treasures, as well as to create a sense of place within the Village Center. (These plaques/numbers may also be used throughout the Glencarlyn neighborhood to highlight other points of interest and historical significance in the community and further enhance the neighborhood.) <i>-- If you decide to do these mosaics, Neil Heinekamp and Sue Eisenfled are mosaic and stained glass artists. See www.glasscapes.net. -- Do you mean plaques on the houses?</i>	10%	38%	33%	19%	4	8	26	26	15	79	30	75	55%
6_5	CA	49%	196	EXC LUD E	Add original historic street names to street signs bordering the Village Center, to give the core neighborhood a distinctive historic flavor and promote a sense of place. Street signage should follow same design elements and vintage of decorative street lights. <i>-- Change them all back in the entire neighborhood. -- How about the entire neighborhood? I always liked this idea.</i>	18%	33%	33%	16%	5	14	21	26	13	79	26	74	53%
6_6	CA s	78%	258	Incl	Install permanent covers on the gutters of the Library and repair seam leaks in the gutters so that water does not overflow with each major rainstorm.	3%	19%	28%	51%	3	2	12	22	40	79	15	76	82%
6_7	CA	76%	253	Incl	Either remove the parking lot dumpster or enhance the look and feel of the parking lot and Village Center with screening. If removal is not an option, careful consideration should be given to the screen so that it is in keeping with the rest of the site and overall Village Center look and feel. (Modified to reflect additional info)	3%	22%	29%	47%	2	2	15	23	37	79	17	77	78%
6_8	CA	66%	228	Incl	Install an interpretive display on the library grounds, describing the history of Glencarlyn Library, its donor, its original collection, and later replacement.	4%	30%	39%	27%	4	3	20	31	21	79	24	75	69%
6_9	CA	61%	227	Incl	Add ice/snow cleats to the Library roof to prevent snow from squashing plantings beneath.	4%	35%	30%	30%	7	3	21	24	24	79	28	72	67%

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6_10	CA	67%	230	Incl	Enlist the County, Arlington Historical Society and/or a local university to conduct an archeological study that would identify the locations of cemetery graves, as well as the residents and their connection to Arlington County and Glencarlyn. In the case of headstones and/or footstones that cannot be located, new simple markers may be used to mark the gravesites. <i>-- Some were buried with no stones. Those after 1850 easier to find.</i>	9%	24%	34%	33%	5	7	14	27	26	79	19	74	72%
6_11	CA	59%	218	Incl	Create a new, alternate entrance to the cemetery. New entrance or gate would be located within the rear of the cemetery near the Community Garden, behind the library, so it would only be accessible through the garden and thereby discourage inappropriate use.	10%	30%	33%	27%	4	8	20	26	21	79	24	75	63%
6_12	OR s	63%	226	Incl	Establish a Glencarlyn planning group to suggest ways to improve the grounds of the Village Center, including the library, Carlin Hall, cemetery, and parking lot. Explore ways to make the above function better as an outdoor community center, perhaps with more benches, picnic tables, etc.	4%	33%	37%	27%	3	3	23	29	21	79	26	76	66%
6_13	OR	67%	222	Incl	Install several garden benches in the cemetery, to improve the site's functionality and value to the community. (31 survey respondents cited "more benches" as a way to improve the neighborhood's historic sites and library area.) <i>-- Potential Eagle Scout projects.</i>	5%	28%	48%	19%	3	4	19	38	15	79	22	76	70%
6_14	OR	66%	231	Incl	Uncover existing tombstones and ensure they are placed in their true locations. <i>-- Hard to do. I think people were buried here with no stones. A small list of people buried here is available through the Arlington Historical Society.</i>	4%	30%	35%	30%	4	3	20	28	24	79	24	75	69%
6_15	OR	53%	214	Incl	Help install interpretive displays near burial sites to educate residents and the general public about who is interred in the cemetery and their historical significance (see 6.3 and 6.4 above). <i>-- The John Ball stone is definitely not original.</i>	3%	44%	33%	20%	6	2	29	26	16	79	35	73	58%

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6_16	OR	75%	238	Incl	Explore the idea and feasibility with Master Gardeners of extending the community garden. Garden expansion could include landscaping the cemetery grounds, its proposed new entrance and existing 4th Street entrance, and adding new trees and plants – the locations of which would be informed by the archaeological study. (29 survey respondents cited more “public gardens” as a way to improve the neighborhood’s recreational facilities, historic sites and library grounds). Plants would be chosen on recommendations of Master Gardeners.	6%	19%	42%	33%	2	5	13	33	26	79	15	77	77%
6_17	OR	62%	222	Incl	Install a brick garden path on the cemetery grounds, extending the library garden path and connecting the library garden and cemetery grounds. The brick walk would guide visitors’ path through the cemetery, thereby minimizing traffic on cemetery grounds.	11%	27%	32%	30%	3	9	18	25	24	79	21	76	64%
6_18	OR	43%	194	EXC LUD E	Provide recommendations and/or guidelines for local residents on memorials within the Village Center and cemetery grounds.	10%	47%	30%	13%	9	8	28	24	10	79	37	70	49%
6_19	OR s	68%	223	Incl	Set up a recreation and fellowship committee of the GCA to plan occasional community events and activities at least once a quarter and explore the possibility of installing a basketball court or hoop somewhere central. Other activities could include events for young people, a community-wide yard sale, potlucks and picnics, a games night, semi-annual potlucks or picnics, lectures, readings, workshops, perhaps a weekly ‘coffeehouse’ at the Library, and a desert party and/or caroling on Luminaria Night. -- Yes to all, but no basketball court. Please fix fence in cemetery. -- This question is poorly worded. I support all activities mentioned <u>BUT NOT A BASKETBALL HOOP.</u> -- I do not like the idea of basketball hoops or courts, nor do I like the idea of a community yard sale. -- No to basketball. (x 2) It attracts the wrong kind of people from outside. However I like the carling – a very nice idea. -- Yes to all but the b-ball court. It would have so many disadvantages and would not necessarily be inclusive of all residents. It can be loud and noisy, too. The other ideas are <u>great!</u> - - I like the library coffee house idea – but I am opposed to a basketball court (too much NOISE) unless use hours can be enforced. (Dropped reference to basketball)	10%	22%	44%	24%	5	8	12	35	19	79	17	74	73%

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General comments on chapter 6					<p>-- Create Glencarlyn Pet Memorial within the Glencarlyn Garden at the library. This could be a place where pet owners plant or place flowers in honor of their pets, or scatter their ashes. Perhaps we could purchase a very large memorial plaque in which we could inscribe the names of pets whose owners made donations to the memorial garden in honor of their pets. Thus, the upkeep of the garden – and the cost of inscribing pet names on the memorial plaque – would be paid for by these donations. Perhaps there could be a ceremony once a year in which new pet names were inscribed and unveiled on the memorial. In essence, the Memorial Pet Garden would be a place for Glencarlyn residents, especially the children, to honor and remember their pets.</p> <p>-- Get more interesting playground equipment at Carlin Hall.</p> <p>-- Encourage artistic residents to display, and/or sell their creative works of art. Perhaps a special “Glencarlyn Art Day.”</p> <p>-- I really like a lot of the suggestions. The tombstones used to be in their original places, but were moved for ease of mowing – pity. I support any idea that encourages more historic appreciation of the village. I think, though, that it should expand beyond the village center.</p> <p>-- Master Gardeners should try to focus exclusively on native plants rather than the odd-looking palm trees (??) for community beautification. I applaud their efforts, but the plantings near the library kiosk are unsightly.</p> <p>-- Several of these projects may be potential Eagle Scout projects.</p>													

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Chapter 7					TRAFFIC, PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION													
7_1	CA s	53%	207	SEE NOT E	<p>Along Carlin Springs Road, consider installing traffic calming measures to reduce speeds, including (1) Narrowing traffic lanes to slow down traffic, (2) Widening sidewalks and/or utility planting strips to enhance pedestrian traffic and safety, (3) Creating a landscaped median, like North Carlin Springs Road, to help the appearance of the road and to slow down traffic with narrower lanes, (4) Reducing the speed to 25 miles per hour given the three schools and the residential nature of the neighborhood, and (5) Raising cross-walks at 3rd Street and Route 50 intersections to improve the safety of pedestrians as these are the two places where most residents and school children cross Carlin Springs Road.</p> <p>-- Too many issues in one question. (x 2)</p> <p>-- This question needs to be broken down. We would not favor (1) but would favor (5).</p> <p>-- I like (1). The lanes are already too narrow, there is no room for (2) and (3). (4) maybe. I despise speed bumps (5), they are hazardous.</p> <p>-- I agree with some, but not all, of these ideas. I like (2), (4), and (5).</p> <p>-- Yes to (4) and (5), no to (1) and (3).</p> <p>-- For (1), some streets are already too narrow. Not a good idea.</p> <p>-- For (3), No. I find plants distracting in many situations in medians.</p> <p>-- I like (4).</p> <p>(7-1, 7-2 and 7-4 were recast using the information from the Arterial Traffic Management ATM study)</p>	28%	19%	16%	37%	8	22	7	13	29	79	15	71	59%

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7_2	CA s	57%	218	SEE NOT E	In order to alleviate the current problem of traffic stoppages, a left turn lane down the middle of Carlin Springs Road should be installed to accommodate traffic turning into 1st, 2nd, 3rd 4th, and 5th Streets from the north and into Kenmore Middle School for those traveling from the south. <i>-- Not for 4th and 5th Sts., for there is not enough room there. Instead prohibit left turns at these intersections from 7-10 a.m. weekdays. -- Where are they to fit?</i> (7-1, 7-2 and 7-4 were recast using the information from the Arterial Traffic Management ATM study)	20%	23%	18%	39%	4	16	14	14	31	79	18	75	60%
7_3	CA	41%	192	EXC LUD E	Enforce the law which does not permit cars from turning from southbound Carlin Springs Road across a double yellow line into the 7-11; require that they enter only from 1st Street <i>-- There is no such law. You can turn across yellow (double) but not drive forward on the left side of double yellow. -- This would create even more difficulty trying to get out of the neighborhood on 1st Street. It is already congested a.m. and p.m.</i>	23%	37%	15%	25%	8	18	21	12	20	79	29	71	45%
7_4	CA s	76%	245	SEE NOT E	Beautify and upgrade Carlin Springs Road as it is the gateway into our community. Include appropriate landscaping and attractive bus stop shelters with benches. <i>-- Acceptable, if space can be found. -- Have County mow on west side of Carlin Springs Rd.</i> (7-1, 7-2 and 7-4 were recast using the information from the Arterial Traffic Management ATM study)	6%	18%	35%	41%	4	5	10	28	32	79	14	75	80%
7_5	CA	52%	204	EXC LUD E	Install 4-way stop signs at each intersection along Lexington Street, as this street has become a popular cut through when Carlin Springs gets congested. <i>-- Provide 4-way stop at 3rd St. only. -- Good, saves all of us trouble. -- How about 2-way, stopping just Lexington traffic?</i>	20%	28%	25%	27%	7	16	15	20	21	79	22	72	57%

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7_6	CA s	67%	231	Incl	To slow down traffic, install four-way stop signs for the intersections of Kensington and Jefferson Streets and 3rd and 4th Streets, the streets that leading to Glencarlyn Park. Upon entering the neighborhood at each Lexington Street intersection, put up signs that say something like 'This is a family neighborhood, PLEASE SLOW DOWN.' <i>-- OK, since vision is limited.</i> <i>-- No to 4-way stop signs, yes to remindner sign.</i>	11%	22%	30%	37%	5	9	12	24	29	79	17	74	72%
7_7	CA s	71%	238	Incl	Because this neighborhood has many children who play outdoors and many narrow streets, a suggested speed limit reduction to 20 miles per hour is proposed within "the village" to promote pedestrian and children's safety. <i>-- Wouldn't work.</i> <i>-- It is doubtful that Virginia code provides for speed limits less than 25 on public Right of way on residential streets.</i> <i>-- and Enforce it!</i> <i>-- How about 15 mph?</i>	13%	16%	28%	43%	4	10	9	22	34	79	13	75	75%
7_8	CA	43%	183	EXC LUD E	Because the neighborhood has seen an increase in outsiders parking close to Carlin Springs Road, install neighborhood permit parking on all neighborhood streets between Carlin Springs Road and S. Lexington Street, including the length of Lexington Street from Arlington Boulevard to 4th Street. <i>-- Only a problem occasionally.</i> <i>-- Yes!! Extend to 5th Street.</i> <i>-- Permit parking up to Lexington would simply lead to greater parking in the blocks further into the village.</i> <i>-- This would inconvenience other Glencarlyn residents who have friends in this area. (Elsewhere in Arlington I have friends where there is a permit system and it is a major hassle to visit.)</i>	32%	25%	23%	20%	5	25	15	18	16	79	20	74	46%
7_9	CA s	48%	202	EXC LUD E	Improve the intersection at Manchester Street and Route 50, including beautification. Install a raised crosswalk on S. Manchester St. where kids go to school fields, near the blind curve. <i>-- Just cut the brush out and put a crosswalk near the curve. Have radar enforced for a month.</i>	10%	42%	30%	18%	7	8	26	24	14	79	33	72	53%
7_10	CA s	18%	169	EXC LUD E	Prohibit parking on the east side of Manchester St. directly in front of entrance to Manchester Square Court.	11%	71%	10%	8%	11	9	45	8	6	79	56	68	21%

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7_11	CA	90%	284	Incl	Residents should be notified to prune or remove their trees or bushes which extend beyond their property and block the driver sight lines <i>-- Mind Your own Business (MYOB)</i> <i>-- Add penalties for those that don't comply.</i>	3%	8%	18%	72%	1	2	5	14	57	79	6	78	91%
7_12	CA s	53%	212	EXC LUD E	Build a bike path or lane along Carlin Springs Road to the Ballston Metro and Washington and Lee High School (the high school servicing the neighborhood). <i>-- Space?</i>	16%	30%	22%	32%	6	13	18	17	25	79	24	73	58%
7_13	CA s	44%	198	EXC LUD E	Build a bike path or lane along Carlin Springs Road to Columbia Pike to allow cyclists access the many shops and opportunities on that South Arlington "main street." <i>-- Bikes go through the Park, you silly goose, no hills!</i> <i>-- Space?</i>	22%	34%	16%	28%	6	17	21	13	22	79	27	73	48%
7_14	CA s	48%	198	Inc NEE D INP UT	Install a variety of additional signs to help give direction and provide better emergency access *** -- 'No turn on Red' sign at 5th Rd./Glencarlyn Rd. at right turn onto Carlin Springs Rd. *** -- A sign on Jefferson Street pointing to '5601-5621 S. 6th St.' for emergency access. *** -- 'No Outlet' signs at the beginning of all dead-end streets. *** -- Set 20 mph speed limit inside the "village." *** Add 'Speed Limit Enforced' signs. *** -- To minimize confusion having three 5th Roads so close to each other, install at the entry to 5th Rd. off Carlin Springs a sign saying 'For 5600 block of 5th Rd., use 5th St. and turn right one block.' *** -- At Route 50 at Manchester St. a sign that says 'No turn on red when pedestrians are present.' <i>-- Too many issues in one question. (x 3)</i> <i>-- Too much nannyism in this. Grow up!!</i> <i>-- Add a "Do Not Block Intersection" sign on southbound Carlin Springs Road at 4th street.</i> <i>-- At Carlin Springs Rd. entrance behind Kenmore School, place a sign that says "one Way only" coming in and "No exit" to keep cars from going out onto Carlin Springs Road at that juncture. We've had several close calls with cars trying to exit there.</i> (Seeking input on individual pieces)	19%	33%	27%	22%	11	15	15	21	17	79	26	68	56%

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					****Comments on specific proposals of 7_14 **** -- ‘No turn on Red’ sign at 5 th Rd./Glencarlyn Rd. at right turn onto Carlin Springs Rd. -- <i>No! (x 3)</i> -- <i>Add, “When pedestrians are present”</i> -- A sign on Jefferson Street pointing to ‘5601-5621 S. 6 th St.’ for emergency access. -- <i>Yes!</i> -- ‘No Outlet’ signs at the beginning of all dead-end streets. -- <i>“Dead end” is good.</i> -- Set 20 mph speed limit inside the “village.” Add ‘Speed Limit Enforced’ signs. -- <i>Yes. (x 2)</i> -- <i>No to the “Speed Limit Enforced signs.</i> -- <i>It is doubtful that Virginia code provides for speed limits less than 25 on residential streets.</i> -- To minimize confusion having three 5 th Roads so close to each other, install at the entry to 5 th Rd. off Carlin Springs a sign saying ‘For 5600 block of 5 th Rd., use 5 th St. and turn right one block.’ -- <i>Yes!!</i> -- <i>Maybe, but too confusing.</i> -- <i>OK, but it should say “... turn right <u>two</u> blocks.”</i> -- <i>We also need a sign for people traveling southbound showing that they can turn at 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc.</i> -- At Route 50 at Manchester St. a sign that says ‘No turn on red when pedestrians are present.’ -- <i>So many accidents here!</i>													
7_15	CA	63%	228	Incl	Provide more police presence along Carlin Springs Road during rush hour to reduce speed and ensure compliance with the “Do not block intersection” signs. -- <i>Would have to be on foot!</i> -- <i>No to more police. Yes to better signage. There are no “Do not block intersection” signs – only “Stop here on red.”</i> -- <i>Yes! To the “Do Not Block the Intersection” sign.</i> -- <i>The whole County needs more police presence. Currently there are 15-16 officers on the streets per shift.</i>	13%	24%	25%	38%	6	10	13	20	30	79	19	73	68%
7_16	CA s	43%	193	EXC LUD E	Consider having the ART 75 buses stop at the Glencarlyn Library, especially, at rush hour. -- <i>Keep buses out of the neighborhood.</i>	22%	35%	20%	23%	7	17	21	16	18	79	28	72	47%

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7_17	CA	33%	190	Incl	Establish permit parking on the north houses side on 2nd Street south from 5863 to 5949 (between Kenmore and Manchester) because of the large number of vehicles associated with the playing fields. (Issue is more serious in the 5900 block) <i>-- A survey was done by the County about ballplayers parking on the residential streets, and we were approved. But all the residents on the 5900 block had to sign the form – and there was negativity because of the fee we had to pay per car. If there was no fee, then it might work.</i> (Although the overall numbers are not good, the 4 responses from the immediate area were 4-4-3-2)	10%	57%	15%	18%	12	8	33	12	14	79	45	67	39%
7_18	CA s	41%	192	EXC LUD E	Limit parking to one side on the 1st block of the numbered streets east of Carlin Springs Rd. and the Arlington Blvd. service road. <i>-- Great for traffic, but what about the residents?</i>	15%	44%	23%	18%	9	12	26	18	14	79	35	70	46%
7_19	CA s	77%	257	Incl ISS UE	The County Fire Department should evaluate all the neighborhood's streets to determine where parking on both sides prevents emergency access. <i>-- Specifically evaluate whether or not a fire truck could reach the east end of 3rd St., south when cars are parked on both sides between Jefferson and Illinois. A regular car can barely get through.</i> (NEED TO DISCUSS)	5%	18%	24%	53%	7	4	7	19	42	79	14	72	85%
7_20	OR s	52%	217	Incl	WMATA is encouraged to provide more frequent bus service on the 25 line, at least at rush hour. <i>-- ART buses could come more frequently, too</i> (Combined 7-20 and 7-21)	4%	44%	25%	27%	9	3	26	20	21	79	35	70	59%
7_21	OR s	54%	218	Incl	WMATA is encouraged to provide improved upkeep, landscaping, informational signs, and the addition of attractive bus stops and shelters to encourage use of buses. <i>-- A bench, please (Added)</i> (Combined 7-20 and 7-21)	4%	42%	29%	25%	10	3	23	23	20	79	33	69	62%
7_22	OR s	89%	284	Incl	Residents should prune back vegetation at all corners where visibility is now obstructed. <i>-- ... and around street lights.</i> <i>-- Tall shrubbery at the corner house, 4th and Kensington.</i>	0%	11%	18%	71%	5	0	4	14	56	79	9	74	95%

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	General comments on chapter 7				<i>-- Install a traffic light at Carlin Springs Road and 1st St., S, TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH THE LIGHT at Carlin Springs and the Route 50 entrance ramps. The "Stop here when light is red" sign at Carlin Springs and 1st St., S helps some, but is often ignored or unnoticed by northbound drivers who block that intersection, preventing other drivers from turning onto Carlin Springs from 1st St, S or from turning left from southbound Carlin Springs into 1st St.</i> <i>-- Create a garden community group to improve bus stops on access road to Route 50 and on Carlin Springs Road.</i> <i>-- Remove vegetation that blocks views at intersections, particularly along Carlin Springs Road.</i> <i>-- Need police presence at US 50 and Manchester for people blocking intersection.</i> <i>-- Please, snow removal at the bus stops along Carlin Springs Road.</i> <i>-- Restrict, restrict, restrict – shheesh! Your traffic control ideas are arcane.</i> <i>-- Add 5 seconds to the green [light] at 5th and Carlin Springs. (Added new supporting concern)</i>													

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Chapter 8					STREETS AND SIDEWALKS													
8_1	CA s	81%	273	Incl	The County Manager and County Board need to open mindedly consider requests for waivers to the current Sidewalk Policy permitting street improvement projects (the construction of curb and gutter, drainage systems, and repaving) without requiring a sidewalk on at least one side of the street under the recently approved waiver process. -- Yes! (x 2) -- Hopefully they are open-minded.	9%	10%	8%	73%	4	7	4	6	58	79	8	75	85%
8_2	CA s	78%	266	Incl	In considering curb and gutter projects, the County needs to follow the recommendations of the 2006 Glencarlyn Neighborhood Street and Sidewalk Master Plan that established a comprehensive approach to sidewalks in Glencarlyn after analyzing such factors as pedestrian patterns, street widths, existing street trees, drainage, historic character, handicapped accessibility, and expense. (Combine 8-2 and 8-3 to eliminate seeming inconsistencies)	8%	14%	13%	66%	7	6	4	10	52	79	11	72	86%
8_3	CA	75%	257	Incl	Street improvement projects (curbs, gutters, and sidewalks were appropriate) will be undertaken on a block by block basis as requested by the residents on the affected block (through the Neighborhood Conservation petition process). This recommendation also applies to those blocks that have existing curb and gutter on part of the block. -- <i>Lack of sidewalks is an issue for people from all over the neighborhood., including children walking up S. Kensington to the library.</i> -- <i>When curb and gutter is installed (even if not an NC project) please ensure that it drains.</i> (Combine 8-2 and 8-3 to eliminate seeming inconsistencies)	8%	18%	16%	58%	5	6	9	13	46	79	14	74	80%

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8_4	CA s	54%	221	MAJ OR REV ISIO N	On residential streets, remove all of the pole-mounted cobra-head-style streetlights as street lighting is upgraded throughout the neighborhood. This recommendation would include removal of the cobra-head-style streetlights on Carlin Springs Road and replacement with the carriage-style or Carlyle-style fixtures when the County implements recommendations from the Arterial Transportation Management Study. <i>-- Need lighting that provides the best light for safety, not just looks good.</i> (See new 8H for substantially different approach proposed)	6%	39%	23%	32%	10	5	21	18	25	79	31	69	62%
8_5	CA s	57%	226	MAJ OR REV ISIO N	Use the Carlyle-style street lights throughout Glencarlyn (all blocks) for new street lighting projects (for those blocks without street lights or inadequate lighting levels). This style should replace both the existing utility pole-mounted carriage-style lights and the existing free-standing carriage-style fixtures when those fixtures need to be replaced or when a block petitions to replace the lighting on the block. . (See web site for photos of Carlyle, Carriage and cobra lights) <i>-- If energy efficient.</i> <i>-- I am most concerned that any new street lighting be energy efficient, and that places that do not have sufficient street lighting (such as S. Lexington between 3rd and 4th) get lighting installed.</i> (See new 8H for substantially different approach proposed)	4%	39%	24%	33%	13	3	18	19	26	79	31	66	68%
8_6	CA s	52%	220	MAJ OR REV ISIO N	Use white (metal-halide) lighting throughout the neighborhood in place of the mercury-vapor (bluish-white light) and high-pressure sodium (yellowish-brown) that are currently used. As new lighting is installed or older fixtures are replaced the metal-halide type lighting should be used. (See new 8H for substantially different approach proposed)	3%	46%	23%	29%	14	2	22	18	23	79	36	65	63%

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8_7	CA s	77%	249	Incl	Each street improvement project must include new street tree plantings in the public right-of-way to the greatest extent possible. Where overhead utility lines do not interfere, large deciduous shade trees (especially oaks, hickories, ash, yellowwood, and linden) may be used. Otherwise, smaller flowering trees that can grow underneath the utility lines (such as kousa dogwood, saucer magnolia, redbud, and crabapples) should be installed. The long-term goal is 50-60% canopy cover, even in residential areas. <i>-- This will make streets dark and leave houses without sunlight.</i> <i>-- We support the least bright of these three options.</i>	6%	16%	33%	44%	6	5	7	26	35	79	13	73	84%
8_8	CA s	59%	229	Incl	Where right-of-way space is not available for street tree plantings as part of street improvement projects, the County is encouraged to request permission (easements) to plant trees on private property adjacent to the right-of-way. Owners are encouraged to allow street tree plantings on their properties as part of street improvement projects. <i>-- How do you encourage? What do you mean?</i>	8%	33%	22%	38%	10	6	16	17	30	79	26	69	68%
8_9	CA s	54%	215	Incl	NC street tree planting projects are encouraged to be undertaken by residents on a block-by-block basis throughout the neighborhood where curbs and gutters may already exist. The NC petition process would apply. Special priority should be given to blocks with few or no street trees, such as Larrimore St., 1st and 3rd Sts. west of Carlin Springs Rd., 5th Rd. west of Carlin Springs Rd., Harrison Street Circle, Jefferson and Kensington Sts., and the 5600 block of 4th Street. Additional NC landscaping projects should be undertaken to improve the appearance of street ends and the Harrison Street circle island.	5%	41%	32%	23%	10	4	22	25	18	79	32	69	62%
8_10	CA	38%	198	EXC LUD E	In the traffic planning for the entire length of Carlin Springs Road within this neighborhood, especially alongside the new Kenmore Middle School, a coordinated street planting plan will greatly help create a dignified, majestic "look" to this, our "Main Street." [It may be too late for this, since trees have just been installed along this face of the school property.] <i>-- These trees are still small enough to be transplanted.</i> <i>-- Some are dying, may need water.</i> <i>-- "Majestic?" Give me a break!</i>	6%	56%	19%	19%	12	5	32	15	15	79	44	67	45%

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8_11	CA s	81%	265	Incl	Clear sidewalks on the west side of Carlin Springs Rd. between 7th Rd. and Route 50 of all over-grown vegetation, especially that which blocks bus stops and other signs. People using wheelchairs cannot now easily use this sidewalk. <i>-- A portion is in Fairfax County.</i>	1%	18%	25%	56%	6	1	8	20	44	79	14	73	88%
8_12	OR s	87%	271	Incl	The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is encouraged to remove invasive vines and sprouts (especially Ailanthus altissima) from plantings along US Route 50, remove dead and dying trees, and thicken tree rows alongside the new Kenmore Middle School. <i>-- And mow! I think it is imperative to plant trees that are hardy to our area and not prone to disease, etc. I also think it important that the County mow the area of Carlin Springs Rd. and Route 50 more often than they do. It is often quite overgrown and untidy looking.</i>	1%	11%	30%	57%	7	1	2	24	45	79	9	72	96%
8_14	OR s	66%	237	Incl	Property owners must ensure that sidewalks are shoveled within 24 hours of a snowfall – especially sidewalks used by school children. <i>-- If it is a continuous sidewalk. -- Some folks are elderly, work, etc. -- What about old folks? And along Carlin Springs Road where plows heap the road snow on sidewalks? Who enforces? -- The GCA should have a list of volunteer snow shovellers available so that residents can sign up at a minimal yearly fee to automatically have their sidewalks shoveled when it snows. Many residents are elderly or travel or business and may not be at home when snow falls. -- Follow whatever the law already is.</i> (Modified to include some of recommendations above)	8%	27%	24%	42%	8	6	13	19	33	79	21	71	73%

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General comments on chapter 8					<p>-- 8.2 and 8.3 contradict each other.</p> <p>-- <i>The County should have to give us roads. The state of the streets is appalling – and you have no mention of that.</i></p> <p>-- <i>Arlington County should be ashamed of the condition of the streets in the neighborhood!! I hope “I am on your side” does a report on the non-use of tax dollars in our community!!</i></p> <p>-- <i>We are a very pedestrian-intensive neighborhood. Sidewalks area a priority throughout the neighborhood.</i></p> <p>-- <i>For pedestrian safety, there should be a sidewalk on at least one side of all streets, particularly children walking to the library.</i></p> <p>-- <i>I am against any new curb and gutter projects and especially sidewalks. This community has thrived all these years without them, and as one can see, curb and gutter has done nothing to help the traffic flow on south 3rd and 4th streets.</i></p> <p>-- <i>Wise old saying: MYOB, When you mind your on business, you won’t be minding mine.</i></p> <p>-- <i>Purchase the vacant lot on Carlin Springs Road and 2nd St and make it into a gateway park.</i></p> <p>-- <i>I wish I could use the new sidewalk on the 5800 block of 3rd Street after I get off the bus, but, someone’s boat trailer blocks the sidewalk.</i></p> <p>-- <i>In reference to curbs and gutters, these are not the best “green” ideas for the Park. We should have left the sides of the streets alone and kept the country quaintness of Glencarlyn. Now it is a city, with water flowing too fast to the creek. What a surprise!</i></p> <p>-- <i>The County should evaluate roads and improve drainage using means other than curbs and gutters (e.g. crest of road, water bars), such as at the east end of 3rd St., S, which receives water from two directions and needs some simple, but useful, engineering (not a misplaced asphalt berm).</i></p> <p>-- <i>We need a safe place for people to wait for the bus and walk to school. The sidewalks on Carlin Springs Road are dangerous for both activities.</i></p> <p>-- <i>Sidewalks are a public safety matter. Where sidewalks are located should not be determined by individual property owners. The County has easements and should use them to protect our children and pedestrians.</i></p> <p>-- <i>There are a number of places where property owners have blocked off county easement on their property which force people [following sidewalks] onto the street (e.g., house next to Carlin Hall). Also, a house in the 5800 block of 3rd St., S, has a boat trailer that extends into the sidewalk.</i></p> <p>-- <i>The neighborhood has many more cars and more traffic than it did 25 years ago. We need sidewalks to protect pedestrians and particularly children. This should be a “walkable” neighborhood.</i></p> <p>-- <i>I think we really need sidewalks, at least on one side, on S. Kensington between 5th and 4th Streets for people walking to the library. (A safety issue).</i></p> <p>-- <i>Repave the streets. Visitors to our neighborhood say it looks like we live in Eastern Europe, and it’s not because of the street lights or trees.</i></p> <p>-- <i>When planning lighting, please focus on energy efficiency and safety, not primarily looks.</i></p> <p>-- <i>What about the horrific state of our roads (post water line project)? Repairing our messed up roads is my #1 priority!! I don’t understand why the roads in such need of repair after the water line project are not addressed here. (Added new)</i></p> <p>-- <i>More lights are needed at the end of the 5900 block of 2nd St., across from the wooded area at the west end of the Kenmore fields. (Added new)</i></p>																

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Chapter 9					OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE													
9_1	CA	65%	238	Incl	Develop a comprehensive neighborhood-wide drainage plan that will be incorporated in the individual block by block conservation projects (see Recommendations 4.2 and 4.3). <i>-- I do not understand the full implications of this.</i>	1%	34%	27%	38%	14	1	13	21	30	79	27	65	78%
9_2	CA	70%	239	Incl	Coordinate beautification projects outlined in Table B. TABLE B – Suggested Beautification Projects *** - A More decorative street lighting. *** -- B 7-11 area, including adjoining apartments. *** -- C All properties facing Carlin Springs Rd.*** -- D Route 50 right-of-way, including the Carlin Springs Rd. underpass and surrounding area, the service road behind Kenmore School, the bus stops, and the intersection with Manchester Street *** -- E Carlin Springs Road, its bus stops, and adjoining properties. *** -- F The Carlin Cemetery plot.***-- G County property at the South end of Kensington St. (at 5th Rd.) and for about 100 ft. west on the County ROW should be re-planted as needed and maintained on a regular basis. ***-- H Clean up of wooded area at west end of Kenmore fields.*** -- I At 2nd and Manchester Sts., put a pedestrian gate in the fence.*** -- J 4th St., 5400 block south side -- new curb*** -- K 6th St., 5600 block – railing at the dead-end is in bad shape and the dead fallen trees are ugly*** -- L The Carlin Springs in the park needs renovating***-- M Carlin Cemetery grounds are empty. Improve them with walkway, benches, landscaping, improved access***-- N Library parking lot ***-- O Entry driveway to Long Branch Nature Center***-- P Trailhead above the Nature Center at the end of Jefferson St. <i>-- I do not understand the intent of these actions.</i> <i>-- Has too many entries to just rate once.</i> <i>-- No to (M).</i> <i>-- For (I), for Fairfax residents?</i> (Revised to reflect appropriate County funded projects)	3%	28%	34%	35%	13	2	9	27	28	79	22	66	83%
9_4	CA s	54%	213	Incl	At the dead-end of 5600 6th St., beautify the street end. Remove deteriorated railing and dead trees.	6%	39%	33%	22%	9	5	22	26	17	79	31	70	61%

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9_5	OR s	72%	243	Incl	Work with VEPCO, the telephone companies, and cable TV companies to bury some or all of the overhead utility lines to enhance visual quality, reduce conflicts with trees, and reduce power outages. <i>-- Don't you mean Dominion Virginia Power, not VEPCO? (fixed)</i> <i>-- Sounds very destruction of trees and yards.</i> <i>-- Sounds expensive!</i> <i>-- Only where safety the [undecipherable] factor.</i>	8%	20%	29%	43%	7	6	9	23	34	79	16	72	79%
9_6	OR s	71%	241	Incl	Set up within the GCA a task force to look at eyesores and safety hazards, developing strategies to work with landowners to clean them up. Include small beautification projects, especially around the 7-11 area, park entrances, and at unsightly street ends. Safety hazards include the drains at 4th St. (between the church and Carlin Hall with large unsafe openings), Carlin Hall's handicapped accessibility, various sites listed where rats have been found, and unoccupied houses. <i>-- The house at the corner of 5th Road and Kensington looks awful. No one has lived in it for 10+ years. The curtains are rotting in the windows. Big eyesore!</i> <i>-- If this is about safety, we support it. But a group to root out eyesores could get overly enthusiastic about their definition of "eyesore" whether or not most people would agree with them.</i>	5%	24%	32%	39%	8	4	11	25	31	79	19	71	79%
9_8	OR s	63%	230	Incl	Work with VDOT to re-landscape Route 50 corridor, especially plantings near the Carlin Springs Rd. overpass and screening for the new Kenmore Middle School building (See Recommendation 8.11). <i>-- We oppose this action because the recommendation is very unclear in its intent and breadth. We were involved in the original landscaping and restoration effort following the widening of the Route 50 bridge and highway itself. We are very much opposed to any action that would in any way diminish the landscaping and visual barrier implemented at that time.</i> (Changed wording to reflect concern)	4%	33%	32%	32%	9	3	17	25	25	79	26	70	71%
9_10	OR s	56%	225	Incl	Excavate and restore, as conditions allow, the Carlin Springs. <i>-- I don't know what you mean by "excavate" in this case, but I do know that this area is long overdue for some respect and historic dignity. This is a way overlooked area in our community.</i>	3%	42%	24%	32%	12	2	21	19	25	79	33	67	66%

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General comments on chapter 9					<p>-- Add to Table B the5400 block of 3rd St., S. Since the County refused to regrade the road, homeowners funded a project to correct flooding in driveways. But the end of the street is still an issue.</p> <p>-- Along the east side of Manchester Street, why can't we have a cement wall instead of a wooden fence? It would keep the traffic noise down and keep the gangs from coming into the woods. On the 5900 block of 2nds St., S., this year alone, we've had spray painting on the fence, stolen cars, drug activity, homeless people living in the woods, people walking down the street drinking beer and then throwing the beer cans in the woods. With all the street gangs that live in Woodlake Towers, we're inviting them to come into Arlington. You can't seal up the wooden fence – the kids will knock it down. But you can put up a 12-foot concrete wall. It would keep traffic noise and vandalism down.</p> <p>-- The storm drain at the east end of 3rd St that runs under the street and into the Park constantly clogs with debris, leaving a puddle that attracts mosquitoes. A re-structured storm system there is needed. (Added NEW)</p> <p>-- The 300 block of Harrison St. has badly crumbling asphalt that is a serious hazard to bike riders and pedestrians as they enter the Park. (Added)</p>													
Chapter 10					COUNTY SERVICES													
10_1	CA s	73%	250	Incl	Reconstitute a Neighborhood Crime Watch program. (90% of the survey respondents said “yes” or “maybe” to re-instituting community Crime Watch.)	0%	27%	30%	43%	7	0	14	24	34	79	21	72	81%
10_2	CA s	78%	257	Incl	Schedule two or three more leaf pick-up dates in the fall and two or more additional yard waste pick ups in the spring. Adjust the period the leaf pickups occur to the time the need exists due to the weather conditions each year. -- Yes!! -- Based on neighborhood need.	5%	16%	27%	52%	4	4	9	21	41	79	13	75	83%
10_3	CA s	58%	227	Incl	Schedule more frequent litter pick up by County crews, especially along major roadsides. More frequent street cleaning would also be welcome. -- With a more efficient truck! -- Yes!	3%	39%	27%	32%	7	2	24	21	25	79	31	72	64%
10_4	CA s	73%	251	Incl	Provide random police patrols in the afternoons to monitor middle school students passing through neighborhood streets. -- Yes! (x 2) -- These already occur.	3%	24%	27%	47%	8	2	11	21	37	79	19	71	82%
10_5	CA s	62%	231	Incl	Patrol 5th Rd. (by the urgent care center fence) where non-residents park extra cars. Watch elsewhere look for commercial vehicles licensed in D.C.	4%	34%	28%	34%	7	3	20	22	27	79	27	72	68%

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10_6	CA s	86%	276	Incl	Patrol for gang activity in and around the park, especially after dark. Encourage more police presence around the park – or some way to cut off vehicle traffic into the park at night. <i>-- Yes!</i>	3%	11%	20%	66%	6	2	3	16	52	79	9	73	93%
10_7	CA s	61%	233	Incl	Provide better information to residents about disposal of hazardous wastes.	3%	37%	24%	37%	6	2	23	19	29	79	29	73	66%
10_8	CA s	61%	225	Incl	On County property at the South end of Kensington St. (at 5th Rd.) and for about 100 ft. west on the County right of way, remove unsightly guard rail and plant trees and shrubs as needed. Maintain on a regular basis.	4%	35%	33%	28%	10	3	18	26	22	79	28	69	70%
10_9	CA s	54%	215	EXC LUD E	Periodically inspect the neighborhood for illegal multi-family occupants. <i>-- Shame on you!</i> <i>-- I'm very much against this. I don't believe it is a real problem here – and, besides, it's an invasion of privacy. I am also not sure what this means. Is it illegal to rent out an extra room (which I don't think is true), or are you looking for illegal immigrants?</i> <i>-- Yes! (x 2)</i> <i>-- Why is this inserted here? Sounds mean-spirited. If there's a big problem in a house, take care of it. But no regular inspections.</i>	19%	27%	18%	37%	6	15	15	14	29	79	21	73	59%
10_10	CA s	41%	193	EXC LUD E	Add historic street names to street signs (much more interesting than numbers), to give neighborhood a distinctive historic flavor (not just in the Village Center). <i>-- Could this be confusing for visitors to the neighborhood? (x 2)</i>	18%	42%	19%	22%	9	14	24	15	17	79	33	70	46%
10_11	CA s	65%	225	Incl	Identify historic houses (esp. those over 100 years old) with plaques. <i>-- Yeah! Yes!</i>	5%	30%	39%	25%	9	4	15	31	20	79	24	70	73%
10_12	CA s	66%	237	Incl	Foster a County-wide anti-litter campaign, especially at exits and entrances to Route 50, with special outreach to immigrant community. <i>-- Enlist "Adopt an Access Road" plan . . . and clean-up crews.</i> <i>-- Sounds like stereotyping.</i> <i>-- Not sure what this means. Which/who is an immigrant? Is there an assumption that immigrants have different litter concerns than us? Do you mean particular apartment buildings , , , I'm confused by this.</i> (Dropped reference to immigrants)	4%	30%	28%	38%	9	3	15	22	30	79	24	70	74%

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10_13	OR	78%	266	Incl	Ensure the U.S. Postal Service maintains a mailbox at the Library and posts pick up times on it. In fact, we'd prefer is as a drive-up type installed in the Library parking lot. <i>-- Leave it as it is – not necessary to put in parking lot.</i> <i>-- Yes! (x 2)</i>	4%	18%	16%	62%	5	3	9	13	49	79	14	74	84%
10_14	OR s	59%	224	EXC LUD E	The owner of 5814 Arlington Boulevard should beautify this small apartment building since it is a highly visible structure at the entrance to the neighborhood. <i>-- Absolutely! This looks like a used car lot. Very embarrassing!</i>	9%	32%	27%	33%	7	7	18	21	26	79	25	72	65%
General comments on chapter 10					<i>-- There is a rather obvious drug market at 5713 3rs St., S. The Arlington County Police have been contacted several times, with no resulting action. Something needs to be done.</i> <i>-- The animal officer needs to patrol more at Kenmore for dogs running loose on the field. The owners just let them run.</i> <i>-- Check out County-owned trees overhanging private property at the South end of Kensington at 5th Road.</i> <i>-- Concerning 9.2 (G) and 10.8, the County should also maintain and improve the remainder of the street ROW from 100 feet west of the dead end of the 5700 block [of 5th Rd.].</i> <i>-- I just installed rain barrels on the downspouts of my house. The County should encourage all residents to do this by offering low-priced barrels for purchase. This would help our water run-off problem and conserve water.</i> <i>-- We need more sanding/salt on 5400 block 3rd St., S. This hill is difficult to get up when icy or snowy. (Added NEW)</i> <i>-- We need police enforcement of people running through stop signs within the neighborhood. (Added NEW)</i>													

Appendix E - Survey Analysis

Other comments, suggestions, or ideas:

-- Thank you for all your work on this, and also for the opportunity to provide feedback on recommendations.

-- Thank you for all this hard work! (x 2)

-- This is a wonderful document, but massive plans and suggestions!

-- I think this was wonderfully done. Not a single thing was left out as far as I can tell. A lot of time was obviously put into this and it shows! I really feel that more attention needs to be paid to the historic significance of various areas in our village:

- Carlin Springs

- historic homes, over 100 years old, as stated

- street signs with the old names (which were trees, by the way) - maybe even plaques on or near trees that are older and significant.

Speaking of trees, we should make sure that people don't just cut down an older tree because it is in the way or drops things they don't like. The trees were here first!

-- I appreciate all of the time and effort in the development of this survey and in the planning that led up to the survey.

-- Many of these recommendations have too many parts in them that don't always agree or fit together making decisions about them more difficult.

-- Our house is surrounded by homes with dogs. Our neighbors are great people, but they allow their dogs to bark outside at all hours of the night – every night. We are not sure which dogs are barking on any given night, but every night between 11 pm and 5 am at least one dog is let outside where it barks for several minutes. Loudly. We are not exaggerating. This happens just about every night. Since we're not sure which neighbor's dog is barking (we don't feel like getting up at 4 a.m. to investigate) we would appreciate an article in the Village View reminding responsible dog owners about being considerate to their neighbors. Remind them about the hours in which dogs are expected to be kept quiet. And please inform Glencarlyn residents regarding the recourse they have in such situations.

-- Supply additional new and classic books to the Glencarlyn Library. Open it Thursday nights.

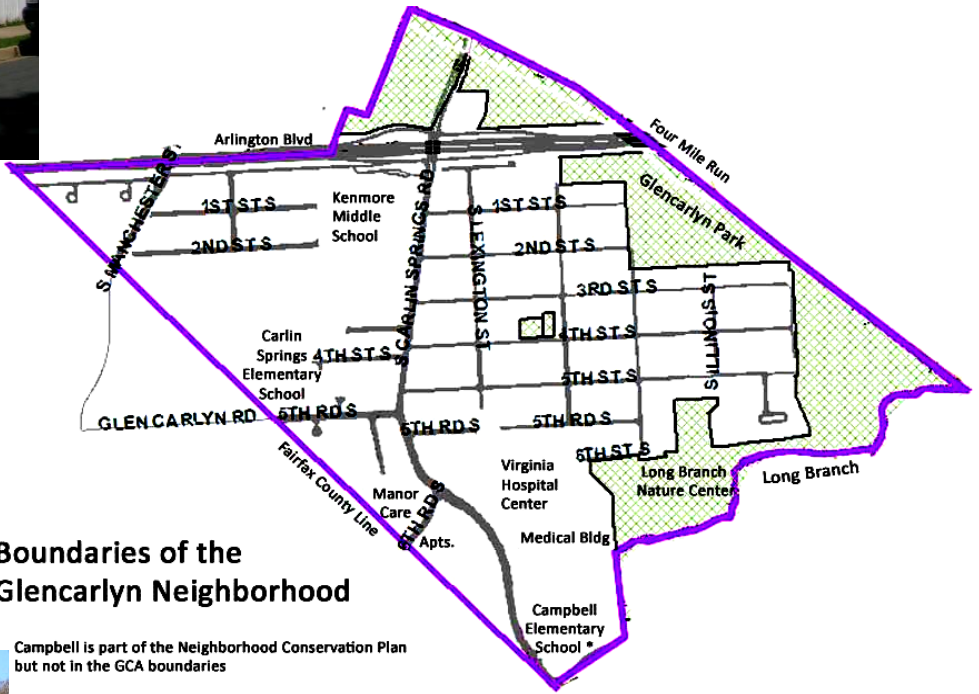
-- I am against anything that is optional and will increase taxes. Many of these projects would be nice, but not if it means I can no longer afford to live in the neighborhood.

-- Most of us would like to see the streets paved and vacant houses cleaned up – and the mulch mess by the library cleaned up. It is an eyesore!

-- Keep this type of write-in comment collection for future neighborhood goings-on. Very useful and convenient.

-- There are too many questions!

-- My priorities: health, public safety (street lighting, access to public facilities, safe walkways, protection of children – including local students), environmental protection (erosion control, mitigating runoff, litter control in the streams, and control of toxic substances).



Boundaries of the Glencarlyn Neighborhood

Campbell is part of the Neighborhood Conservation Plan but not in the GCA boundaries

