

they are told that the top two juniors will be given a direct avenue into the fire training. This will save the two

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Then in 2000 something drastic occurred; democracy came to Jasper.

Always possessing a strong sense of community, Jasper actually is a community now. Citizenship exists.

The structure of Jasper, however, does not reflect this new reality. Our focal point remains the centre of our local industry, tourism. Our citizenship is unfocused.

But we can easily accommodate this imbalance.

If you accept the notion that all we need is the same simple thing communities all over the world have, a central green space and our community services clustered about that space, achieving balance should be sought.

I suggest we already have the start of this. Consider the green space bounded by the new firehall, the library and the elementary school. It even has a noble name: Robson Park.

This letter to the editor of *the Fitzhugh* is my attempt to encourage Jasper's citizenry to consider and discuss this idea. It is my hope that our town council be urged to adopt Robson Park as our community's core.

Recognizing that fact, new homes for purely Jasper-centric services or entertainment located around Robson Park as a matter of first preference.

Simple.

What do you think?

Chris Garnham,
Jasper

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