

INTEGRATED COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

REPORT CARD



COMPLETED IN MARCH 2010

PURPOSE

The Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ISCP) was a reporting requirement of the Municipal Funding Agreement (MFA) between the province and municipalities to allow the transfer of Federal Gas Tax funds to municipalities for environmentally sustainable infrastructure projects.

Since Wolfville completed a review of their Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) in 2008, which included a strong element of public consultation, was comprehensive and covered the entire municipality the MPS was acceptable to use at the ISCP. The recommendations in the ISCP are Future Action Clauses from the MPS.

COMPLETED/OPERATIONALIZED - 64%

Council approved an Anti-Idling Bylaw in 2011

A Source Water Protection Plan was approved by Council in August 2009

A Water Conservation Plan was completed in 2011

The establishment of a Public Art Policy and Art in Public Space Committee is working on commissioning artwork for public facilities

A Sustainability Transportation Plan was completed in 2011 and future explored and actioned with the Core Area Traffic Study and Active Transportation Plans in 2015. The plans explore all modes and methods of transportation that may be appropriate within the Town, both now and over the long term

Central Ave. was reconstructed to focus on Pedestrianization that included replaced storm sewer, new road surface and sidewalks, landscaping, street furniture, closing street to through traffic

Town centre upgrades included landscaping along street, bus stop and shelter, info kiosk, and seating

Waterline replacement, road widening (shared bike lanes) and concrete curbs, asphalt replacement, concrete sidewalks on Front St. Sherwood Dr. and Hillside Ave.

Bus shelters/benches were placed in various locations throughout town

Removed old furnaces and extension of new common heating system to serve both buildings and additional heating zones and controls were added to make the system more efficient.

Adoption of LEED standards for new Municipal buildings

Encourage increased walking and cycling infrastructure and activity

Designate and zone the railway lands as a transportation corridor for future linkages

NOT TO BE DONE - 7%

Require new residential buildings to participate in EnerGuide Program

Requires EnerGuide 80 standard for new residential buildings in the RCDD zone

Research and establish specific criteria for the location of wind turbines that seeks to reduce possible noise nuisances and visual impacts of wind turbines as well as any potential negative impacts on bird/bat migration patterns

NOT COMPLETED - TO BE DONE - 7%

Adopt and implement a multi-year tree planning program aimed at improving air quality by protecting, replacing and enhancing the urban forest canopy

Develop ecological health indicators to measure progress towards greater community sustainability

Develop and implement a "downtown greening plan" which would include tree planting, planting beds, street trees and landscaped sidewalk areas

IN-PROGRESS - 22%

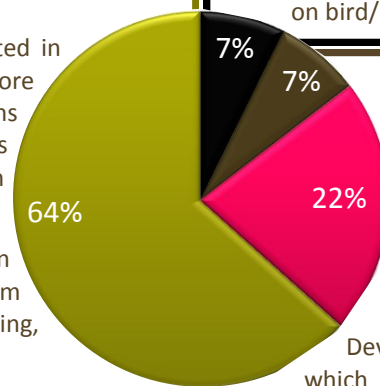
Require the regular review of the Open Space Master Plan (at least every 5 years) and seek extensive public involvement in that review

Work in cooperation with Acadia University to develop partnerships that provide greater public access to University recreation and cultural facilities

Work in cooperation with the Provincial Department of Agriculture and the appropriate marsh body to improve the protection and maintenance of the dykes

Investigate climate change adaptations required to prevent damage to the dykelands by flooding from storm surge, sea level rise or extreme weather events

Continue a program of removing storm sewer discharges to the sanitary sewer system



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