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DISTRICT 6 ONLINE NEWS
HARBOURVIEW - BURNSIDE - DARTMOUTH EAST

Together We Can Build Safe, Healthy, Active Communities

WELCOME OCTOBER!

We're officially into the fall season, and soon wrapping up construction work on various capital projects. I'm very happy with the progress we made this year with our various traffic calming projects and improvements to streets and sidewalks in our district. The Dartmouth North Library renovations are almost completed and will be opening soon. We will be starting the Dartmouth North Community Centre renovations soon, and design for the East Dartmouth Community Centre is well underway.

This month's edition covers information on household special waste events, recruitment information for our Youth Live program, nominations for the 2022 Volunteer Awards, as well as some very exciting looking fall events and festivals.

BIENVENUE OCTOBRE!

Nous sommes officiellement en automne et nous terminons bientôt les travaux de construction sur divers projets d'immobilisations. Je suis très heureux des progrès que nous avons réalisés cette année dans le cadre de nos divers projets de modération de la circulation et d'amélioration des rues et des trottoirs de notre district. Les rénovations de la bibliothèque de Dartmouth North sont presque terminées et l'ouverture se fera bientôt. Nous commencerons bientôt les rénovations du Centre communautaire de Dartmouth North, et la conception du Centre communautaire de Dartmouth East est bien en cours.

L'édition de ce mois-ci comprend des renseignements sur les événements spéciaux relatifs aux déchets ménagers, des renseignements sur le recrutement pour notre programme Youth Live, les nominations pour les Prix du bénévolat 2022, ainsi que des événements et festivals d'automne très intéressants.





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OCTOBER REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATES

There are three Regional Council meetings scheduled for October. **Regional Council meetings begin at 10am, and are held on Tuesdays:**

- October 5 - virtual
- October 19 – in person
- October 26 -in person

Meeting dates/times are subject to change, please confirm on our municipal [website](#).

- Virtual events hosted by The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation | [Schedule of virtual events](#)
- Weekend of Reconciliation on the Waterfront September 30-October 2 – [Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre](#) schedule of events
- Webinar series – [Downie Wenjeck Foundation](#)

OPEN DATA RELEASE – TAKE A LOOK!

This week, HRM released two new datasets as part of the Open Data program. In support of [#HalifACT](#), the municipality's climate action plan, HRM Building Energy Usage has been shared with the public. This includes electric, natural gas, fuel oil, and propane usage and costs for a number of our facilities.

HRM is also releasing building and construction permit from the new Planning Permitting Licensing & Compliance application, PPL&C Issued Construction Permits and PPL&C Issued Building Permits.

Explore the municipality's [Open Data catalogue](#).

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Nova Scotia to mark Sept. 30 as day of commemoration



In its commitment to reconciliation and ensuring that the tragic history and ongoing legacy of residential schools is never forgotten, the Government of Canada recently passed legislation to make September 30 a federal statutory holiday called the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Formerly known as Orange Shirt Day, this day provides an opportunity to recognize and commemorate the legacy of residential schools and provides a day of quiet reflection or participation in a community event. [Read the Mayor's proclamation](#).

Ceremonies and Events

- Thursday, September 30 | Flag raising at Grand Parade at 5:30 p.m., followed by [Patio Lanterns concert featuring Indigenous artists](#)

2022 VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Nominate an outstanding volunteer for the 2022 Volunteer Awards



Do you know an outstanding volunteer who gives back to your community? You can give them the

recognition they deserve! Nominate an adult, youth, or group for the 2022 HRM Volunteer Awards until December 15, 2021. Nomination forms are available now: www.halifax.ca/volunteerawards



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HALIFAX TRANSIT SERVICE CHANGES – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 22nd, 2021

53 Highfield



HALIFAX
TRANSIT



Effective Date: November 22, 2021

Route 53 Highfield

The new Route 53 Highfield is a local route which provides local service from Highfield Terminal to Alderney Gate, 7 days a week.

It will no longer travel along Victoria Rd or continue to Halifax during peak hours, but will go to Alderney Gate for a new connection to Halifax.

Rationale

• In order to provide two-way service along the entire route and provide a connection to Alderney Ferry Terminal, service has been removed from Victoria Road.

Benefit to Residents

- Providing two-way service simplifies the network, which is a principle of the Moving Forward Together Plan.
- The new Route 53 Highfield will provide a new connection between Highfield and Alderney Gate.

54 Montebello



HALIFAX
TRANSIT



Effective Date: November 22, 2021

Route 54 Montebello

The Route 54 Montebello will undergo minor routing adjustments. It will follow similar routing from Montebello to Alderney Gate (Dartmouth) as the former Route 54, but will continue on to provide a new connection to the Bridge Terminal, 7 days/week.

Rationale

- To provide additional service to the residents of Keystone Village / Montebello area, the route will travel Breeze Drive, Columbo Drive and Appian Way.
- The route will not be travelling along small portions of Breeze Drive and Appian Way.

Benefit to Residents

- Route 54 Montebello will introduce more reliable and consistent service with better and more frequent transfer options for connections to other routes.



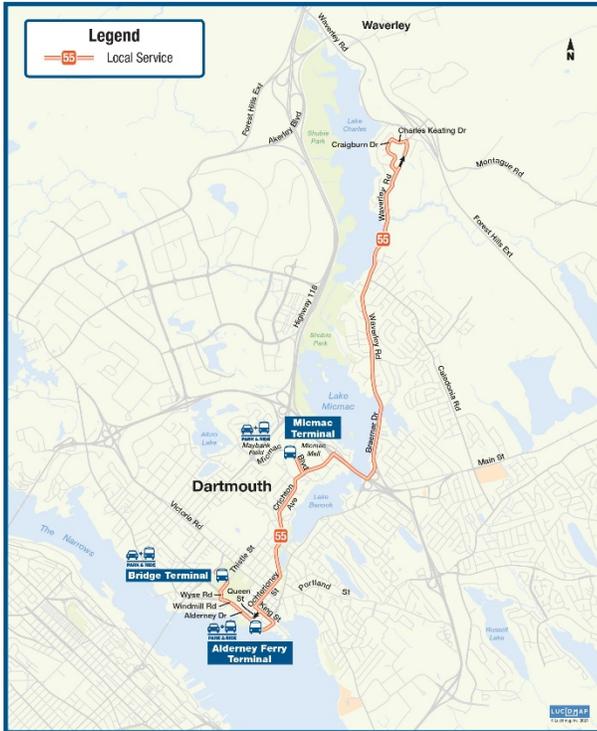
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55 Port Wallace



HALIFAX TRANSIT



Effective Date: November 22, 2021

Route 55 Port Wallace

The adjusted Route 55 Port Wallace will follow similar routing as former 55 Port Wallace between Craighburn Drive to Ochterloney Street (Dartmouth) but will be adjusted to service both the Alderney Gate and Bridge Terminal.

- Due to low ridership, Route 55 will no longer provide service along Waverley Road between Montague Road and the Portobello turning loop, near Highway 118.
- Route 55 Port Wallace will travel Waverley Road to Charles Keating Drive and along a portion of Craighburn Drive.

Rationale

- Discontinuing service along parts the route which had low ridership allows for resources to be reinvested in sections of the route which have high ridership. This is consistent with Principle 1 of *Moving Forward Together Plan* which is to “increase the proportion of resources allocated toward high ridership services”.

Benefit to Residents

- Route 55 Port Wallace will provide a new connection to the Alderney Gate Ferry Terminal and introduce more reliable and consistent service.

For more information on transit changes please visit our [website](#).

PROPERTY TAX DEADLINE APPROACHING

The municipality invoices property tax bills to all property owners twice each year. I would like to remind residents that the 2nd bill of the year is sent in September and is due on the last working day of October. Learn all about municipal property taxes [here](#) and how to pay them [here](#).

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION GRANTS PROGRAM



Community associations in HRM play a significant role in operating and maintaining Active Transportation (AT) facilities and promoting and educating the public about walking and cycling.

To help these community groups do this work, several grant programs are available to support projects and events through five available AT grants. Learn more and apply [here](#).

The deadline to apply is Friday, October 15th for projects starting in November 2021 and ending in March 2022.



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SOLUTIONS LEARNING CENTRE

FOOD SERVICE

COMPUTER SKILLS

COMMERCIAL CLEANING

FREE EMPLOYMENT TRAINING
SOLUTIONS LEARNING CENTRE

OCT 4 2021

9AM-3PM | MON- THURSDAY
15 POSEIDON COURT
HTTP://SOLLC.CA

902 468-1320

Solutions Learning Centre is pleased to announce the launch of our brand new website! With all the hard work and dedication, we are thrilled to officially announce the launch

and share all the exciting features with you.

We've included social media buttons for [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and Instagram to foster better communication and ongoing dialogue. We would love for you to visit us at <http://solc.ca> and let us know what you think.

PLANNED CAPITAL WORK IN DISTRICT 6

Did you know? You can [view a map](#) outlining projects that have been approved for capital work in District 6 including guiderail installation, street repairs, bridge work and more.

The municipality's Transportation Infrastructure Management team inspects roads and streets on a two-year cycle, and sidewalks and remaining infrastructure on a three-year cycle, to determine which areas require work most urgently.

KEEP ON TRACK WITH THE HALIFAX RECYCLES APP



Download the Halifax Recycles app on the App Store or Google Play to:

- Search the name of a material to find out where it goes in the waste stream
- Get a custom collection calendar
- Set up collection

notifications

No smartphone? No problem! Use the web app: <http://halifax.ca/whatgoeswhere>

PLASTIC POLLUTION RESOLUTION ENDORSED

The Plastic Pollution Resolution has been endorsed by Regional Council, as presented by the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee. Specifically, this resolution recognizes the integrated management plan for plastics proposed by the federal government, which includes banning select single-use plastic items and establishing a minimum requirement for recycled plastic content in new plastic products. The Resolution also urges the federal government to, among other actions, work with municipalities to explore reuse systems to replace single-use plastic products.



BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

With school now back in full swing we are reminded of the challenges that can come along with parking by-law compliance in school zones.

At the forefront of the parking rules in school zones is the safety of our children – and the safety of others, including parents dropping off their children, school bus drivers, teachers, and others who may happen to be walking or driving through the area. The rules are also in place so that buses and others can maneuver in the area as they need to.

HRM's Parking Enforcement and Compliance team have been putting a special emphasis on parking by-law enforcement in school zones this month through compliance and educational efforts.

Here are some stats provided from Parking Enforcement and Compliance from the first two weeks of this school year in HRM:

- 29 Schools on list for proactive patrol
- 54 Patrols
- 47 Tickets
- 111 Warnings

It is key for those who frequent school zones – particularly parents – to be informed on how to drop off kids safely, and legally. Here are some **Park Safe** tips shared with me from Parking Enforcement and Compliance:

No Parking signs: This means a vehicle CAN stop in these areas to drop off and pick up school children. It does not, however, mean that the driver can arrive 15 minutes before school is dismissed and wait for their child. In many cases, the No Parking areas around schools are for specific periods of time such as from 7 am to 6 pm. No Parking areas are normally located where it is safest to momentarily stop a vehicle to drop off and pick up children.



No Stopping signs: These areas are likely to be found at intersections, school crossing guard locations or crosswalks where there is a high concentration of students crossing the street. Drivers who park in these areas are jeopardizing the safety of students walking to and from school. Your vehicle cannot park OR stop within this signage.



Stop signs: Parking within 10 meters of a stop sign is not permitted. Parking there can obstruct the view of people crossing and driving.

School Bus Zone: School bus signage must be kept clear so that children can step off the bus and onto a curb instead of exiting on the street.

Blocking driveways: Be a good neighbour. Watch out not to block entrances to garages or driveways

Double parking: Do not double park when dropping off and picking up students from school

Crosswalk: leave 5 meters between your vehicle and any crosswalk marking to ensure children can be visible when crossing the street.



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ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS IN OUR REGION

HRM's Assistant Chief of Emergency Management, Erica Fleck, has been assigned to a three-month role leading the emergency response to homelessness for the municipality. The focus of this role will be on the immediate support and coordination required to advance Council's recent directive to invest \$500,000 towards emergency accommodations. For more information on that investment, the municipality's approach to homelessness, and initiatives to support affordable housing, visit our [website](#).

REVIEW OF HRM LITTER RECEPTACLE PLACEMENT CRITERIA



The municipality continues to maintain hundreds of litter receptacles at sports fields, parks and Halifax Transit stops. Several departments are responsible for maintaining the receptacles, which ensures municipal property remains safe, clean, and enjoyable for

residents. The Public Space Litter Receptacle Criteria offers common guidelines for departments to follow in the installation and servicing of receptacles. In addition to the ongoing municipal campaigns and litter clean-up programs, the municipality will publish a map identifying the location of receptacles to increase public awareness of the placement criteria and service standards for litter receptacles. In an effort to ensure the continued cleanliness of municipal property, the municipality will also continue purchasing lids for all 45-gallon litter drums – this will address concerns of blowing litter and animal access.

MOBILE HOUSEHOLD SPECIAL WASTE DEPOT EVENTS



Residents looking to dispose of unwanted household special waste can bring their materials to the mobile special waste depot events happening this October.

When: Saturday, October 9th

Where: Mic Mac Mall, 21 Micmac Blvd, Dartmouth

The mobile drop-off depot will be in operation from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will take place rain or shine. Materials accepted at the household drop-off depot include:

- leftover corrosive cleaners
- pesticides/herbicides
- gasoline
- fuel oil and used motor oil
- solvents
- thinners
- pharmaceuticals and drugs
- aerosol cans containing hazardous substances
- barbecue propane tanks
- small propane cylinders (for example, those used for camp stoves and propane torches)
- batteries (visit call2recycle.ca for a full list of retail drop-off locations for batteries and cell phones)
- leftover liquid paint (paint and empty paint cans may also be returned to any Enviro-Depot. Please visit [their website](#) for locations and hours of operation)



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The municipality also operates a permanent Household Special Waste depot at 20 Horseshoe Lake Drive. Drop-off times are on most Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. The household special waste drop-off depots are open only to residents of the Halifax Regional Municipality. Business waste is not permitted.

For more information on the municipal solid waste program including updates on future depot events, please [visit the website](#), download the [Halifax Recycles app](#) or call 311.

OCTOBER EVENTS

There are a variety of events occurring this month across HRM that may interest you:

- [Patio Lanterns Festival](#)
running to October 11th
- [Halifax Mooseheads Hockey Season](#)
October 2nd to April 2nd, 2022
- [Nova Scotia Forest Festival – Lake Charlotte](#)
October 2nd
- [Stars on Ice Tour 2021](#)
October 8th
- [Nocturne](#)
October 13th to 16th
- [Hal Con](#)
October 22nd to 24th

THE NORTH GROVE PROGRAM CALENDAR

For upcoming events and programs for the month of October, please visit their [website](#).

COGSWELL DISTRICT PROJECT



Cogswell District is the biggest city-building project in our history. On September 14th, Regional Council awarded the construction tender.

The project will now enter the pre-construction phase, which is expected to last three months. Once pre-construction activities are completed, equipment and labour will be fully mobilized. The project is scheduled to begin the construction phase in winter 2022.

A new neighbourhood will be built – where the Cogswell Interchange now stands – designed to connect downtown with the north end and waterfront, creating a stronger, more inclusive network of communities.

For full details, and to learn more about the Cogswell District, visit our [website](#).

MOBILE SHOWER PILOT PROGRAM

On September 28th Council passed a motion for the municipality to rent and install a portable showering unit for a nine-week period, beginning on Friday, October 1st. Staff will work to identify the best location to place the temporary unit, in partnership with Mainline Needle Exchange and the Halifax Regional Library.

In June, Council passed my motion for a staff report examining the possibility of a pilot program providing shower facilities for people experiencing homelessness either through retrofitted transit buses or partnering with a community organization to provide mobile shower trailers or working with recreation facilities. My full motion can be read [here](#).



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The North Grove invited Mike Sampson from Crombie REIT (their landlord) and me to their facility so they could thank us for making their parking lot safer.

RENOVATION PROJECTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

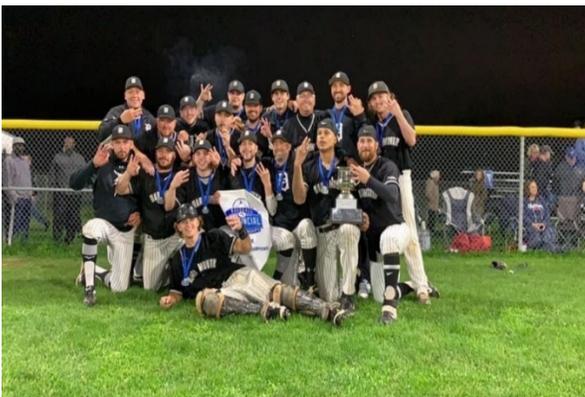


I had a walk about meeting with MLA Angela Simmonds to discuss how to support the residents of Kennedy Dr & Caledonia Rd area. I am very excited to work with MLA Simmonds to support the community.



The Dartmouth North Public Library's \$1,350,000 renovation project is almost finished! The library will open on October 16th with a reopening & 25th Anniversary Celebration being held from October 16th to 23rd. We hope you'll

join us to explore our beautiful updates as we celebrate 25 years in the Dartmouth North community. We will be hosting a variety of events and tours of the renovated space. A separate interior renovation project is currently near completion for renovations to the Library portion of the building. Parks & Recreation will provide reduced programming during construction through alternative locations.



Congratulations to the Dartmouth Moosehead Dry. Champions again!!

The \$2,293,250 Dartmouth North Community Centre Renovation Project will start soon. The centre will be closed for one year. The Dartmouth North Community Centre is located in an underserved and high needs area with a high percentage of seniors, new immigrants, people living alone on fixed incomes and single parent families. The facility hosts variety of programs for youth and adults, and this requires flexible programming spaces, as well as meeting and multi-purpose rooms equipped with multi-media technology.



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Helping Nova Scotians in need with home heating costs.

The Home Energy Assistance Top-Up (HEAT) Fund provides up to \$400 for these income thresholds:

\$29,000 for a 1-person household
\$47,703 for a 2-4 person household
\$67,937 for households with 5+ people

Apply **online** or by **phone**:

www.SalvationArmy.ca/Maritime/Heat
902-422-3435

The Fund is proudly administered by The Salvation Army.

Land Acknowledgement

The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.

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Currently serving on:

Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council
Regional Centre Community Council
Environment and Sustainability Committee
Executive Standing Committee
Special Events Advisory Committee
Shubenacadie Canal Commission
SAC for Prince Andrew High School
Nova Scotia Solid Waste Resource Management



All the paths in the Craig Blake Park have just been repaved, and they look beautiful.