

DEAR RESIDENTS,

Happy June District 4!

Summer is just around the corner! The school year will soon be coming to a close and summer vacation begins. I hope you all take time this summer to rest, recharge and create memories with family, friends and loved ones.

I would like to take this opportunity to send a big congratulations to all students who are graduating this year. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors as you embark on this new chapter in your life.

As we enter summer, we also enter construction season. In this newsletter, you will find a list of the planned capital work for our district. This includes street recapitalization, renewals and new sidewalks, walkways and much more.

You will also find a list of proposed traffic calming measures for District 4 for installation in the 2022 season.

As always, I encourage you to reach out to me anytime with any of your municipal concerns. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Josh Judy





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2022 PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING INSTALLATION FOR DISTRICT 4

Street Name	Limit From	Limit To	Comment
Auburn Drive	Hillsboro Dr	Forest Hills Pkwy	
Hirandale Cres	Auburn Dr	Auburn Dr	
Serocco Cres	Auburn Dr	Auburn Dr	
Quindora Cres	Auburn Dr	Auburn Dr	
John Stewart Dr	Auburn Dr	Cole Harbour Rd	Corridor + School Zone
Inglewood Cres	John Stewart Dr	John Stewart Dr	
Tamara Dr	John Stewart Dr	Cole Drive	
Cole Dr	Tamara Dr	Smith Ave	
Colby Dr	Deerbrooke Dr	Greenwich Dr	Corridor + School Zone
Avondale Rd	Colby Dr	Ashgrove Ave	
Ashgrove Ave	Colby Dr	Cole Harbour Rd	
Arklow Dr	Lanarkshire Crt	Merrimac Dr	
Poplar Dr	Civic 279		
Circassion Dr	Poplar Dr	Glenalva Crt	School Zone Only





2022 District 4 Citizenship Award Recipient Alyssah Perkins, Graham Creighton Junior High School



2022 District 4 Citizenship Award Recipient Nicole Anderson, Astral Drive Junior High School





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NEW FEDERAL ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES: PUBLIC HEARING

The Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Nova Scotia <u>has proposed a new electoral map</u> for consideration at public hearings this spring. The map introduces changes to Nova Scotia's federal electoral district boundaries and has been developed through an independent and non-partisan process.

The proposal reflects Nova Scotia's increase in population from 921,727 in 2011 to 969,383, as captured in the 2021 Census, and takes into consideration communities of interest or identity, and historic and geographic factors.

The Nova Scotia commission is holding public hearings to gather comments and feedback on the <u>proposed boundaries</u> and electoral district names.

There will be a public hearing at **Cole Harbour Place**, 51 Forest Hills Parkway on **Monday June 13**th **at 6:30 p.m**. More information on the proposal can be found <u>here</u>.



2022 District 4 Volunteer Award Recipient Robin Veinotte

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SQUARE ROOTS: JUNE DATES



Square Roots is a community interest company (not-for-profit) that aims to reduce food waste and food access challenges. They provide fresh local produce that may get rejected by grocery stores for not being "pretty" enough to families in need for low or no cost. The dates for bundle pick up in June are the 11th and 25th. Please email me at trish.purdy@halifax.ca to sign up and find out about pick up information.



2022 District 4 Volunteer Award Recipient Scott Collens



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DISTRICT 4 – 2022/23 PLANNED CAPITAL WORK

Street Recapitalization

Auburn Dr – Forest Hills to Quindora (S) (Integrated Traffic Calming)
Caldwell Rd – Deerbrooke to Astral

Sidewalk Renewals

Auburn Dr (S) – Across from Lundy Path (60m section)

Caldwell Rd – Deerbrooke to Civic 380

New Sidewalk

Auburn Dr – Forest Hills to Pathway

Active Transportation

Caldwell Rd – Deerbrooke to Astral (Multi-Use Pathway)

Active Transportation - New Community Association Grants AT Projects

Cole Harbour Parks and Trail Association - Salt Marsh Trail Bridge Inspections (Districts 2/4) Cole Harbour Parks and Trail Association -Shearwater Flyer Trail Bridge Inspections (Districts 3/4)

Walkways

426 Auburn Dr to Ballfield 398 Auburn Dr to Ballfield 47 Deerbrooke Dr to Caldwell Rd 64 Evelyn Wood Pl to Caldwell Rd Lundy Dr to Auburn Dr

Bridges

BR059 Morris Lake Culvert (Inspection/Design)

Planer Patching

Taranaki Dr - Forest Hills to Forest Hills

Proposed Crack Sealing

Bissett Lake Rd – Bissett to End Colby Dr – Greenwich to Deerbrooke Gander Ave – Montague to End Leander Dr – Auburn to Broom Riley Rd – Cherrybrook to Highway 7 Smallwood Ave – Gander to Serpentine



HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ACROSS NOVA SCOTIA: LAND INVENTORY

The Province recently announced 37 potential sites from the provincial land inventory that could be used to build housing, including affordable housing. Each site goes through a due diligence process to ensure housing suitability. This includes environmental studies, traffic sight line studies and planning analysis, and considers access to services like sidewalks and schools. Four of these potential locations are located in District 4, they include:

- 1. Broom Road
- 2. Karen Drive
- 3. Sherwood Street
- 4. Morris Lake

More information, including a list of the 37 sites and maps of the locations can be found here.



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HRP CADET RECRUITMENT



Halifax Regional Police is currently accepting applications for its 2023 cadet class <u>until June 19.</u> In an effort to continually become more diverse, HRP is seeking applicants who are community-minded, service-oriented and reflective of our communities to consider a career in policing. The next class is an important part of preparing for ongoing attrition and develop capacity as the service evolves. HRP's training facility is recognized by the Nova Scotia Government, and eligible candidates can apply for financial assistance.

To learn more, visit our website.

For information sessions and for the latest updates on social media at, follow:
@JoinHRP on Twitter and Instagram

SPEED LIMIT CHANGES: COLE HARBOUR ROAD

The Halifax Regional
Municipality is advising
residents that the
speed limit will be
reduced from 70 km/h
to 60 km/h on a section
Cole Harbour Road.
The reduced speed
zone is between Ritcey
Crescent and Ross Road.

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This change is a result of a safety review on this section of road related to demonstrated collisions occurring along the corridor.

This effort supports the municipality's <u>Strategic</u> Road Safety Plan, which aims to reduce fatal and injury collisions on our roadways. For more information about the Strategic Road Safety Plan and other road safety countermeasures, visit our website.

Impaired Driving Statistics From Halifax Regional Police

- In April 2022, 40 drivers were charged with impaired-related offences.
- · 26 were alcohol-related, 4 were drug-related.
- 18 of these drivers who provided breath samples - were at least twice the legal limit.
 7 of the drivers refused a breath sample and were charged with the offence of refusal.
- Police received 19 calls in April from citizens who suspected impaired drivers.

If you see a potential impaired driver:

Call 911 immediately. Give the call taker your location, a description of the vehicle, including the license plate number, colour, make and model, the direction of travel for the vehicle and a description of the driver.



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STATE OF THE MUNICIPALITY



The 2022 State of the Municipality event was held on April 28th. The annual event, hosted by the Halifax Partnership and the Halifax Chamber of Commerce, provides an overview of where we are as a municipality.

At the event, Mayor Mike Savage addressed the challenges of today and opportunities for growth. As Mayor Savage said at the event, "I believe that Halifax is a city for today and more and more a city for tomorrow. We are building a city for everybody, and the work continues."

Here are some key points from the Mayor's address, shared by the Halifax Partnership:

→ The fastest-growing demographic in Halifax has been people ages 15- 34 years, with Mayor Savage stating that "Halifax is now becoming the destination for young people, not the departure point."

→ Halifax was the first city in Canada to be recognized by the UN High Commission on Refugees to be named a welcoming city for refugees.

→ Halifax has the highest number of housing units under construction ever, with the mayor adding that while this is good, it's still not enough. "We are in a housing crisis. It is time to put aside ego and jurisdiction to find solutions that address supply and affordability."

→ Speaking about the new Cogswell District project, the mayor said it will be "a neighbourhood where inclusiveness goes beyond symbols and words. Where people will live, work, and play. Where we can grow together and thrive."

THE COGSWELL DISTRICT PROJECT UPDATES

The Cogswell District project is the biggest citybuilding project in the history of Halifax. This new neighbourhood district is currently under construction, and will be a place for people to live, work, and play.

As construction is happening now, over the coming weeks and months, a number of road closures and lane drops will be required to support the dismantling of the current Cogswell Interchange and construction of three by-pass roads.

Visit our <u>website</u> to learn more about the project plan and see the latest updates and construction notices. All construction impacts will also be communicated to residents via our <u>website</u> and HRM's social media channels.





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THE WEATHER IS WARMING UP – IT'S NOT SAFE TO LEAVE YOUR PET IN THE VEHICLE

The RCMP and the SPCA are encouraging all motorists to think twice before leaving your pets in your vehicle for any amount of time. Leaving your window cracked or parking in the shade makes almost no difference, according to the SPCA.

Even during a quick trip into the grocery store, the inside of your vehicle can heat up quickly and become intolerable for pets. Please leave your pet at home, or only visit pet-friendly businesses.

If you witness an animal exhibiting the following signs, they may be in distress (according to the SPCA):

- Exaggerated panting
- · Rapid or erratic pulse
- Anxious or staring expression
- Weakness and muscle tremors
- Lack of coordination
- Red or blue tongue and lips
- Convulsions or vomiting
- · Collapse or coma

Here are things to do if you come across an animal in a vehicle that appears to be in distress:

- Look for the owner of the car. Go to nearby stores and have the owner paged.
- If you cannot locate the owner, call your local police and stay at the vehicle until police arrive. Do not contact police unless the animal is obviously distressed.

- If you are unsure if an animal is in distress, call the Nova Scotia SPCA at 1-888-703-7722
- Follow up by filing a report with the Nova Scotia SPCA either online or by phone and ensure that you obtain a license plate of the vehicle.

Let's keep our four-legged friends safe this summer!



UPCOMING REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

There are two Regional Council meetings scheduled for June:

- Tuesday June 14th (10:00 a.m.)
- Tuesday, June 28th (10:00 a.m.)

Visit our <u>website</u> to see a full list of upcoming meetings including Standing Committees and Community Councils.

Please be advised that Regional Council will return to in-person meetings beginning on June 14th. I encourage you to view the meetings virtually or attend in-person once we can do so. Agendas and links to watch the meeting are provided on the webpage I referenced above – I hope you can join us!

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READY TO BUILD A SECONDARY OR BACKYARD SUITE?

Are you considering adding a secondary or backyard suite to your property? These can be used by aging parents or adult children or can be used as rental units for the general public. Regional Council approved backyard suites in 2020. The new rules apply mostly everywhere in the Halifax Regional Municipality for single-detached houses, duplexes or semi-detached houses, and townhouses/rowhouses.

Determine your desired type of installation:

- Backyard Suites are separate freestanding buildings, either built overtop an
 accessory structure like a garage, or
 simply on their own (i.e., granny suites,
 carriage flats or tiny homes). A Backyard
 Suite must satisfy all Building and
 Plumbing Code requirements as they
 apply to a residential dwelling. There will
 also be a lot coverage restriction that will
 determine how large the structure can
 be, applied by the local Land Use bylaw
 (determined through the permit
 application process or by submitting a
 request for information through 311).
- Secondary Suites are separate dwelling units that are completely contained within a home (i.e., in-law suites or basement apartments). The total floor area of all storeys of a Secondary Suite cannot be more than 80% of the total floor area of all storeys of the Main Suite, excluding the garage and any common spaces that serve both suites, or 80 m2 (861 ft2), whichever is the lesser.

Apply for a Permit:

You can get permission to install or construct a secondary or backyard suite by applying for and obtaining a permit through HRM. Visit our website to learn more about applying for either a Secondary Suite or a Backyard Suite (and the various requirements for each), and to start your permit application process online.

You can also call 311 and submit a service request if you would like to have a Planner contact you directly to help you get started. Our website provides step-by-step information on the permit application process.

Other considerations:

It is important to review, and follow other requirements that may be involved in addition to obtaining a permit as applicable, such as building code and regulatory information. Here are other important steps involved in completing your new construction (as applicable to your property):

- Well/Septic tie-in or construction (NS Environment): Contact 902-424-7773
 The National Building Code will require confirmation that either tie-in to an existing septic, or a new septic system has been reviewed and accepted by NS Environment.
- Municipal Water Connection (Halifax Water): Contact 902-420-9287 or customercare@halifaxwater.ca
- Power Connection (NS Power): Contact 1-800-428-6230

You may also find HRM's "Renos: Additions & Renovations" FAQ document helpful for more information on getting started.





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COLLECT IMPORTANT DATA ON LITTER WITH THE LITTERATI APP

HRM has launched Litterati, an interactive tool that allows YOU to get involved and collect data on litter trends around the municipality - it's now available for residents to download!

The data helps flag areas that require litter mitigation strategies, such as community outreach and/or enhanced waste receptacles. One of the key features of the Litterati app is its ability to host community challenges:

The municipality launched its first clean up challenge on April 22nd (Earth Day). Over 1,000 pieces of litter were collected on the first challenge.

Now, HRM has launched a year-long challenge to collect and document 20,000 pieces of litter. This challenge can be found on the Litterati App by searching CLEANHRM. Other challenges will be issued over the summer and fall.

Let's get going – you can download the free app today:

- Download the free Litterati Cleaning The Earth app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store and create your account.
- 2. Sign up for a cleanup challenge (watch our webpage or the Halifax Recycles Facebook page for upcoming challenges).
- 3. Clean up & take photos.
- 4. Upload your photos via wi-fi when you are done.

5. Tag your photos in the gallery after uploading.

For more information on the Litterati app, visit our website or contact Wasteless@halifax.ca. Litterati is also funded in part by Divert NS and Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEDULE AND AGENDA

The Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council normally meets on the first Thursday of each month, at 6:00 p.m. in the HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Gate, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth. The next Community Council meeting will take place on Thursday June 9th. Meeting dates, times and location are subject to change. You can find agendas, reports, and minutes online.

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COMMISSIONER OF OATHS

As Councillor, I am also a Commissioner of Oaths. While in office, I may administer oaths and take and receive affidavits, declarations and affirmations within the Province for use within the Province. If you require a Commissioner of Oaths, please contact me.

CONTACT

Should you wish to discuss municipal services or programs, please contact me at trish.purdy@halifax.ca or 902-240-3067. For routine municipal matters, please call our Citizen Contact Centre at 311.

To reach my office, please call Emily Simonov at 902-490-7177.

For information on all things municipal, please visit our website.